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



PHOTO BY RUTH EPSTEIN

Joanne Borduas, president and CEO of Community Health & Wellness Center, was among the speakers at Saturday's HANDS OFF! protest rally in Salisbury April 5. She spoke about the impact the federal funding cuts are having on healthcare.

## Political protests draw hundreds despite downpour

By Ruth Epstein

It was all hands on at two HANDS OFF! protest rallies Saturday, April 5, in the Northwest Corner.

Amid heavy rainfall, the lawn of the White Hart Inn in Salisbury was filled to the brim with citizens out to express their fear and anger with the Trump administration. This was one of legions of protests held around the United States that day.

Armed with signs proclaiming a wide range of messages, the more than 400 who turned out were passionate about the causes which they support.

"For me it's the arts," said Maura Wolf of Salisbury, noting specifi-

cally that such cultural institutions as PBS are at risk.

Sherie Berk worries about Social Security, the loss of grants and the loss of freedom.

Lisa Gold of Sharon said, "There is so much at risk. I can't just stop at one thing," while Mark Alexander of Falls Village said he's focused, "on the whole nine yards being stolen. We're losing our democracy if this continues. It was hard for me to decide what sign to make." He eventually settled on one about Medicare.

In a poignant response, Jane Herold of Cornwall talked of her father who was a survivor of the Holocaust. "He didn't ever think

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## HYSB gala brings glam and generosity to Lakeville

By Alec Linden

LAKEVILLE — The Housatonic Youth Service Bureau's third annual Gratitude Gala brought altruists across the Northwest Corner together to dine, dance and revel in the spirit of collective giving, embodied by the honorees of the evening: two local exemplars of community benevolence, the couple of Mary Ellen Winters and

Jerry Baldwin.

Starting at 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 5, guests made their way out of the chilly rain and into the inviting, cheerful warmth of the Interlaken Inn's Atrium Room. After shaking off their coats and stowing their umbrellas in the foyer, newcomers ambled into the buzz of the reception, arming themselves with drinks from the full bar and checking out the silent auction options on display in the middle of the room. Waiters passed through the space, offering hors d'oeuvres

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PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

Community Health & Wellness Center's team of medical providers and support staff gather outside the North Canaan facility on a windy afternoon Friday, April 4.

## Meet the medical providers at CHWC in North Canaan

By Riley Klein

NORTH CANAAN — Community Health & Wellness Center opened the doors of its North Canaan facility in May 2024 and has since served more than 1,000 patients.

Today, the center continues to blossom with a team of dedicated,

specialized professionals.

CHWC offers a wide range of medical services to meet the needs of the community.

Residents of the Northwest Corner and beyond have access to primary care for adults and adolescents, pediatric care for newborns and children, behavioral therapy, social services, substance abuse

counseling and chiropractic care.

In addition to an administrative and support team, there are eight medical providers on site.

On Page A9, the North Canaan CHWC providers shared their background and speciality as an introduction to the community.

## Mr. Wonderful invests \$200K for 20% of Freund's Farm CowPots

By Ruth Epstein

EAST CANAAN — For Amanda Freund, there is gold in cow poop.

The marketing manager of the East Canaan business that created and produces CowPots snagged a \$200,000 investment in the operation from Kevin O'Leary, also known as "Mr. Wonderful," on the ABC television program "Shark Tank" that aired Friday, April 4.

Freund's father, Matthew Freund, ran Freund's Farm, a multi-generational enterprise, with his brother Benjamin Freund. Seeking ways to diversify to ensure the farm's survival, Matthew Freund came up with the idea of making biodegradable plant pots from composted



PHOTO PROVIDED

Amanda Freund, along with Bessie the cow, appear on the television show "Shark Tank" to seek an investment for the CowPots made on her family's farm in East Canaan. She came away successfully.

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#### Revitalization in motion on Railroad Street

Local and state officials toured downtown North Canaan to discuss potential improvements and how to fund them April 4. 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.

### Hydroplane onto railroad

Early in the morning on March 29, Keith Harris, 28, of East Hartford was traveling south on Route 7 in North Canaan on wet roads. Harris, who was driving a Chevrolet Sonic, hydroplaned and skidded onto railroad tracks. The vehicle was disabled but Harris was uninjured in the accident, and there was no apparent damage to the railroad beams after an initial inspection. Harris was issued an infraction for Traveling Too Fast for Conditions and Failure to Maintain Lane.

### Disorderly conduct arrest

On the evening of March 30, troopers responded to a report of a civil dispute on Gay Street in Sharon. Upon investigation, Marynely Molina, 35, of Hudson, New York, was arrested on the charges of Disorderly Conduct and Assault in the 3rd Degree. There was a 16 year-old minor involved in the incident who was uninjured. Molina was released on a \$2,500 non-surety bond and was scheduled to appear at Torrington Superior Court on March 31.

### Multiple charges after disturbance

At around 11 p.m. on April 1, troopers were dispatched to Deely Road in North Canaan to investigate a disturbance. Arriving at the scene, troopers arrested Zachary Love, 30, on three charges: Use of Drug Paraphernalia; Interfering with Officer/Resisting; and Disorderly Conduct. Love was released on a \$2,500 non-surety bond and was scheduled to appear at Torrington Superior Court on April 2.

### Tired driving accident

Elizabeth Thew, 60, of Norfolk was driving towards Norfolk on Route 272 when she swerved off the road, apparently due to fatigue. Her Honda HR-V struck a utility pole and a road sign near the intersection with Westside Road. Thew was transported to Charlotte Hungerford Hospital by Norfolk Ambulance for evaluation of possible injuries. She was issued a written warning for Failure to Maintain Lane.

### Covered bridge accident

Javier Quinones, 20, of Waterbury was driving a company Ford F70 Super Duty on the morning of April 3 when he approached the West Cornwall covered bridge. Believing his vehicle was under clearance height, he proceeded across the bridge, ultimately striking the cross-beam supports in the middle. Quinones was found at fault for the strike, and was issued an infraction for Failure to Obey Height Restriction of a Bridge Overhang.

### Protective order violation

On the afternoon of April 5, troopers responded to a report of a male party violating a protective order on Greene Avenue in North Canaan. Roan Fredriksson, 19, of North Canaan was ultimately arrested and transported to Troop B for processing. Fredriksson was charged with Violation of Protective Order, and was released on a \$1,500 non-surety bond. He was scheduled to appear at Torrington Supreme Court on April 7.

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

## Municipal spending up 6.11% in Falls Village

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — First Selectman Dave Barger presented the proposed spending plan for the town for 2025-26 to the Board of Finance Monday, March 31.

The plan calls for a total of \$2,471,055, which is an increase of \$142,367, or 6.11%.

Town Hall employees mostly receive a 2.5% raise in the plan.

The Board of Education will present its spending plan to the finance board at the regular monthly meeting Monday, April 14.

## Cornwall kindergarten registration

Cornwall Consolidated School kindergarten registration for the 2025-26 school year will be held April 29 and 30 for children born in 2020 between Jan. 1 and Aug. 31.

Call the school office at 860-672-6617 to schedule a time to visit the school.

# Northwest Corner farmers aided by climate-smart grants

By Debra A. Aleksinas

KENT — Seven farms in the Northwest Corner have been awarded a combined total of \$100,000 in the second round of Northwest Connecticut Land Conservancy's climate-smart agricultural and forest grant program.

The initiative provides direct funding to farmers to enable them to adopt practices that enhance sustainability, productivity and climate resilience. In total, 15 awardees from across Litchfield County and northwestern Fairfield County received a combined \$212,000 in the program's second round.

"It's very motivating to have been awarded an agricultural grant from NCLC," said recipient Sheri Lloyd of Carlwood Farm, whose fifth-generation family farm will receive \$10,000 to purchase seeds and soil amendments for crop rotations.

The project aims to reduce compaction, controls erosion and improve soil biology.

"We are looking forward to making some crop rotations to continue focusing on soil health and sustainability while being able to provide forage for our cattle," said Lloyd.

In March 2023 the Kent-based land conservancy received an award of \$750,000 from the state Department of Agriculture through the Climate Smart Agriculture & Forest Grant program. The program allocated \$7 million to agricultural and conservation entities, and NCLC was one of 12 recipients selected for an award.

In 2024 the land conservancy announced 10 implementation grant awardees, and after a final competitive grant round last fall, 15 additional sites were selected.



PHOTO PROVIDED

Janna Siller, farm director at Adamah, Inc. in Falls Village, said her organization is "incredibly grateful" for its \$16,000 grant from the Northwest Connecticut Land Conservancy.

This year's cohort includes beef, dairy, poultry, fish, forestry, vegetable, fruit and flower farms across Litchfield County and northwestern Fairfield County.

"Connecticut's farms are in the top three for most at risk of loss in the country," said the land conservancy's Executive Director Catherine Rawson.

"Connecticut's agricultural producers are committed to being part of the climate change solution through on-farm energy, soil health and carbon sequestration projects to further increase their sustainability and resiliency," said Bryan P. Hurlburt, Connecticut Department of Agriculture commissioner.

High temperatures, more frequent and severe drought and more intense and damaging storms with associated flooding and power outages have been "huge challenges" for the Falls Village-based Adamah Inc., a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) farm, said director Janna Siller, who noted that CSA shares are still available to the public at fvcsa.adamah.org.

generator for the greenhouse heating system, irrigation upgrades and an electric mower."

The distribution of the grants, for which the Falls Village farm is "incredibly grateful," said Siller, comes at a time of great uncertainty for farm businesses.

In addition to Carlwood Farm and Adamah, other Northwest Corner farm grant recipients include: \$24,000 to Canaan View Dairy LLC in East Canaan; \$30,000 Conundrum Farm in Kent; \$8,000 to Howling Flats Farm LLC in North Canaan; \$9,000 to The Stead Farm LLC in Barkhamsted; and \$3,000 to Wright Farm LLC in Goshen.

The Building Resiliency program also includes funding for 22 climate-smart agricultural assessments conducted by Berkshire Agricultural Ventures.

Later this spring, NCLC plans to celebrate Building Resiliency awardees and program partners with an on-farm celebration.

"The \$16,000 we've been granted from NCLC will help us adapt by purchasing supplies to improve our resilience to these challenges through greenhouse, field production and irrigation improvements like shade cloth, temperature-neutral insect netting, greenhouse climate control, automation, high tunnel ventilation, a



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Kate From Baltimore singer Sophia DeDominicis-Fitzpatrick works the crowd at Battle of the Bands, April 4.

## Bands rock HVRHS

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — For the second year in a row, Kate From Baltimore, which is a rock band, not a person, won the Battle of the Bands at Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

It was a unanimous decision by judges Jeff Hill, Sean Claydon and Natalia Zukerman Friday, April 4.

First up was Blossom, a quartet. Bassist and singer Abram Kirshner said the last year's performance was done more or less on the spur of the moment. This time around they were more serious about it.

It showed. Autumn Nostalgia, with Elizabeth Forbes out front, came next. Forbes' songwriting skills have sharpened, and the addition of drums and a second guitar filled out the sound nicely.

Kate From Baltimore took the stage like seasoned veter-

ans and knocked out a solid set that ended with everybody — including a couple of toddlers — dancing up a storm in front.

HVRHS music teacher Tom Krupa was enthusiastic about the new sound and lighting systems in the high school auditorium. He noted that the students in charge of the technical side of things took their jobs very seriously.

Also speeding things along was the fact that all three groups used pretty much the same equipment, thus sparing the audience a lengthy interval between acts.

See the video report on Instagram @lakevillejournal

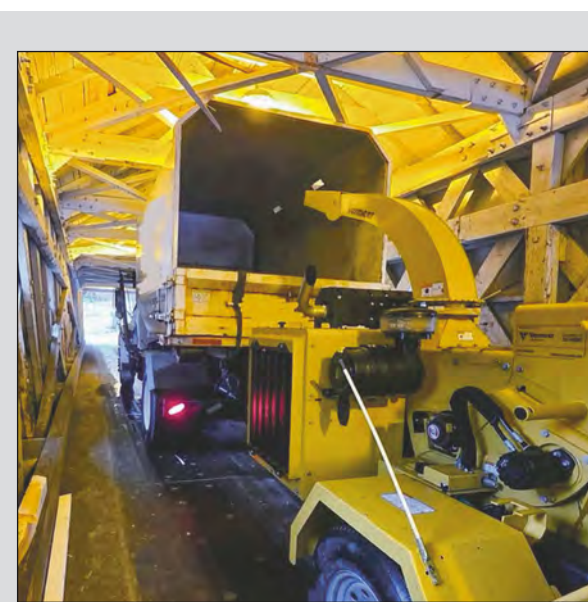


PHOTO FROM STATE POLICE TROOP B

### Truck stuck, again

The covered bridge in West Cornwall was closed the morning of Thursday, April 3, when an oversized truck got stuck attempting to cross. The incident prevented bridge crossings for approximately two hours until the truck was removed.

### Corrections

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## Our Towns

# Future affordable homes arrive at Perry Street via semi-truck

By Patrick L. Sullivan

LAKEVILLE — After years of deliberation, grant applications and remediation, the affordable housing site at the top of Perry Street in Lakeville took tangible form Wednesday, April 2, when modular housing units were trucked in for placement by crane.

The units were stored temporarily at the Town Grove. Bright and early Wednesday morning the semi-trucks rumbled down Ethan Allen Street to the Grove, loaded up the first components and headed over to Perry Street, accompanied by a couple of escort cars with flashing lights.

The Perry Street site once had a dry-cleaning business. The town eventually took possession of the property for back taxes in May 2014. The Salisbury Housing Trust then took over ownership of the property after approval from town meeting in 2022.

By summer of 2014, the site had been subjected to asbestos abatement and testing



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

**A section of modular housing bound for Perry Street arrives in Lakeville on an oversized load tractor trailer Wednesday, April 2.**

for any remaining hazardous materials, and the main demolition began.

The building and garage were visibly deteriorating, with one wall of the laundry partially collapsed, which made the demolition tricky.

It's been a long haul. In 2008, First Selectman Curtis Rand asked the state Department of Economic and Community Development for technical assistance to

investigate the property. The department received a \$200,000 grant from the federal Environmental Protection Agency for testing and remediation, and the town received a \$500,000 state Small Town Economic Assistance Program grant in August 2013. To get the grant, Rand put "workforce housing" in the application as the probable future use.

Two foundations were poured on the 0.65-acre site in March.

The 1,500 square foot, three-bedroom, two-bath-

room homes will be available for purchase at a price range between \$250,000 and \$280,000 which includes a \$25,000 forgivable down payment assistance loan. Eligible buyers must be first-time homeowners with a gross household income below the area median income.

There will be an information session for prospective buyers Thursday, April 10, 7:30 p.m. on Zoom.

For more information and the Zoom link, go to [www.salisburycthousing.org/current-homes-for-sale](http://www.salisburycthousing.org/current-homes-for-sale)

## Kent residents favor measured approach to legalized cannabis

By Alec Linden

KENT — More than 460 Kent residents made their voices heard on cannabis retail and cultivation in a recent town survey.

Sarah Chase, chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission's Cannabis Regulation Subcommittee, presented the findings of the survey — which are publicly available on the town website — at the group's April 3 special meeting.

In her executive summary, she concluded that "the data reflects a cautious but open-minded community — one that supports medical access, values farming traditions, and seeks to preserve the unique character of Kent."

The survey received responses from approximately 10% of the town's population.

Results showed support for the cultivation of hemp products with 54% in approval.

For retail sales, 44% of responses indicated disap-

proval of recreational cannabis businesses, while only 29% were in favor.

In total, 79% of respondents felt Kent should maintain its rural and agricultural identity when weighing the impacts of the cannabis growing and retail industries.

The survey indicated a desire in town for a highly controlled approach by establishing strict zoning regulations surrounding cannabis facilities.

Chase said that the survey "provides clear insight into public sentiment" and creates a "valuable foundation" upon which the commission can regulate cannabis growth and sale.

Chase drafted an ordinance that the subcommittee will present to the full P&Z commission at its April 10 meeting alongside the survey results.

At the April 10 meeting, P&Z is expected to vote on a six-month extension of the current moratorium on cannabis retail, which is due to expire soon.



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE BATES

**This small 1,442 square foot storefront at 16 Main St. with an apartment above was built in 1860 on only 0.05 acres according to town records. It sold for \$400,000.**

## Salisbury real estate transactions in March

By Christine Bates

SALISBURY — In March, Salisbury's median home price rose 9.3% from March of 2024 to \$975,000.

Median prices of Salisbury single family homes have steadily risen since December 2024 to achieve a 22 year record at the end of March.

Two of the three residential sales, including the sale of playwright David Rabe's home on Ore Mine Road, were sold for over a million dollars, each with over 10 acres of land.

The two commercial sales on Main Street in Salisbury, each which have a retail space on the street level and an apartment above, seem like bargains at \$560,000 and \$400,000.

At the end of the first week in April there were 23 single family homes listed for sale with seven categorized as new listings. This has risen since mid-March when there were only 17 houses for sale — the selling season may have begun.

Inventory in the rental market has also increased to 23 listings in the last three weeks, including ten furnished summer homes ranging from \$3,300 to \$75,000.

### Transactions

2 Main St. — Commercial building with apartment on 0.38 acres sold by 2 Main Street LLC to McBride Builders LLC for \$560,000 on March 3.

26 Ore Mine Road — 5 bedroom/4.5 bath, 5,344 square foot home on 14.7 acres sold on March 13 by David Rabe to John M. Dolan Trustee and Sarah H. Dolan Trustee for \$2,525,000.

20 Upper Road — 4 bedroom/3.5 bath home on 10 acres sold on March 21 by Dianne AS Marucci to Robert Eric Montgomery and Holly Hollington Montgomery for \$1.55 million.

16 Main St. — Commercial building with apartment on .05 acres sold on March 27 by Prospect Mountain Farm to 16 Main LLC for \$400,000.

442 Twin Lakes Road — 2 bedroom/2.5 bath home on 4.01 acres sold on March 31 by 442 Twin Lakes Property LLC to Michael and Barbara Kiriakides for \$995,000.

*\* Town of Salisbury real estate transfers recorded as sold between March 1 and March 31, 2025, provided by the Salisbury Town Clerk. Transfers without consideration are not included. Current market data courtesy of Smart MLS and InfoSparks. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Salesperson with William Pitt Sotheby's International Realty, Licensed in Connecticut and New York.*



PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

**Jim Vanicky, left, commended Niya Borst, center, and Emil Urbanowicz, right, for their efforts in saving a driver from a burning car.**

## 'Heroes' honored at Housatonic

By Riley Klein

FALLS VILLAGE — For their bravery in rescuing a driver from a burning car, Niya Borst and Emil Urbanowicz were recognized in front of the student body at Housatonic Valley Regional High School Friday, April 4.

Principal Ian Strevver said the two seniors "stepped up in ways that were truly brave, courageous and absolutely heroic."

The single-car accident occurred in Cornwall Saturday, March 29. The car was upside-down, engulfed in flames and tangled in electrical wires when Borst arrived, she explained.

Borst said she and her aunt used a sledgehammer to break the rear window

in an attempt to free the driver.

"She was stuck and the fire was just going and going," said Borst.

She and others nearby worked together to pull the driver out of the car.

Urbanowicz called 9-1-1 and assisted first responders.

Jim Vanicky of the Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department arrived shortly after with a fire extinguisher.

"They're heroes," said Vanicky. "They showed incredible bravery when they risked their own safety to save a life from a burning vehicle. Their quick thinking and selfless action reminds us what real courage is."

The students were presented with honorary CVFD member t-shirts.



PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

## Route 44 roadwork continues

**Major construction of new retaining walls along Route 44 in Norfolk has reduced traffic to one lane. Motorists pass by single file, controlled by traffic lights at either end of the site. Connecticut Department of Transportation Project 97-95 began in April 2024 and work is expected to continue for several years.**

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## OBITUARIES

## Edith Twiss Loening

SALISBURY — Edith (Edie) Twiss Loening, of New York City and Salisbury, died on Feb. 23, 2024, at 88. Raised in New York City and a graduate of The Chapin School and Smith College, Edie was best known for her work at The Garden Club of America, her dry sense of humor, and her skill as a watercolor artist.



In 1960 the lovely petite blond married dashing lawyer Michael Loening, (who predeceased her in 2022), and had two sons, Brooke and George. When her children were in their teens, Edie began volunteering. Ahead of her time in many areas, her sons recall her teaching children at New York public schools how to build raised beds and grow vegetables on the school property—a practice that is popular today but was not so common back then. Her interest in the natural world also expressed

itself through art: Edie was a talented watercolorist who painted flowers, plants and vegetables with photorealistic skill.

Joining The Garden Club of America in 1985, she became a prominent member of both the New York City and Millbrook,

New York chapters, where she received many awards for helping to create exhibits that educated both members and the public on a wide range of environmental issues, including the importance of wildlife preservation and the impact of invasive plants and insects on the native landscape. Much loved by all in the GCA and a wide circle of friends, she was remembered as a hard worker, for her great wit and as a true environmentalist.

She is survived by her sons and grandchildren, Heidi, Lola, Chloe, Luke, and Ruby.

## Peter Andres Jensen

COPAKE — On March 31, 2025, Peter Andres Jensen, entered the heavenly gates to be with his long-time love, Mary Lou. He will always be loved and cherished by his family and three sons; Christian (Cathy), David (Alexis) and Kurt (Courtney) and many grand-children and great-grand children.



Peter grew up in the town of Copake, and was the son of Walter Christian Jensen and Lula (Langdon) Jensen, one of three sons (Thomas, predeceased, Eric) and protector of his only sister (Amy Lu, predeceased). He attended Roe Jan School, then his beloved University of Connecticut. While at UCONN he worked an internship at Glen Afton Farms in Ontario, Canada, where he met the love of his life, Mary Lou. They returned to Copake to shepherd the family dairy farm "Toper-A Farms" and raise a family. The Jensen boys were nurtured and raised with the same work ethic and get it done attitude that Peter lived by. Always challenged, but never down. Later in life, Peter worked for J. Reiner and Sons and then Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, Connecticut until his retirement.

Peter joined the Copake Fire Company #1, later in life, but was very active as Captain of the Fire Police and proudly served a term as Fire Commissioner for

the Copake Fire District. Peter always enjoyed caring for his community and the "family atmosphere" of the firehouse.

During retirement, he enjoyed reading American history and watching UCONN girls basketball games "Go Huskies." Peter and Mary Lou would travel throughout the Eastern United States and Canada seeing family and friends along the way. He was always enjoying the life that was given and took nothing for granted. Peter and Mary Lou always enjoyed the company of family and friends. He would recall his many adventures with his brothers and sister and from his farming days and showing dairy cows at fairs and at the black and white shows.

As we lay to rest our father, we have faith that he will be at peace and join his beloved wife, Mary Lou, forever more and to eternity. Please join family and friends in remembering Peter on April 12, 2025, beginning at 10 a.m. at Peck & Peck Funeral Homes, 8063 Route 22, Copake, where a funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Interment will follow in Copake cemetery.

Donations may be made in Peter's honor to the Copake Fire Company #1 or your favorite charity. For directions or to leave a message of condolence for the family please visit [www.peckand-peck.net](http://www.peckand-peck.net)

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Children living in Connecticut's domestic violence shelters and other housing programs want one thing: TO FEEL SAFE. The average age of a child in housing is 6.4 years old, and 2,950 victims & their children were housed in Connecticut this past year, with shelters operating at 156% of capacity all year.

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## National Poetry Month begins

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — An evening of poetry at the David M. Hunt Library April 4 attracted a modest crowd, but almost everyone who came read something.

Before he read, Kent Allyn provided some background. He said he has been busy clearing out the accumulated relics and artifacts of life, so that when the time comes his heirs won't have to rent a dumpster.

In the course of the clearing out, he came across some typewritten pages from the early 1970s. Having said that,

he read the concise poems, which he described as "reflections of the past to refract in the future."

"These could have been written today," he mused.

Lonnie Carter went the modern route, reading a poem he wrote years ago when living in Beijing off an iPad.

Jerry Stanton was the evening's iconoclast, noting "I write stuff that rhymes" before beginning.

The poetry reading was scheduled to coincide with National Poetry Month, which occurs every April and was started in 1996.



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Lonnie Carter recites a poem at Hunt Library April 4.

## Harmonic spring



PHOTOS BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Above, The Sherman Chamber Ensemble played a selection of works by Johann Sebastian Bach and his sons at St. Andrew's Church in Kent Sunday, April 6. Left, Pianist Donna Vicenti performed at the Salisbury Congregational Church Friday, April 4, as part of the ongoing "First Friday Music in the Meeting House" series of concerts. Vicenti played an all-Chopin program.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### Legal Notice FOR AREAWIDE Records Disposal

In keeping with state and federal regulations on records retention and disposal, school officials plan to destroy records of Special Education and 504 students who left or graduated from Regional School District No. 7, Barkhamsted Elementary School, Colebrook Consolidated School, Botelle School in Norfolk or Hartland School on or before June 30, 2018 or were born before July 1, 2000.

Please be advised that records may be needed for Social Security benefits or other purposes. The destruction is scheduled to take place after July 1, 2025.

Anyone wishing to review his/her records or obtain the original may do so by calling Quentin Rueckert, Director of Shared Services, at 860-379-8583, before June 4, 2025.

04-10-25

### Legal Notice

The Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Special Permit Application #2025-0279 by owners Sievert and Eliza McCabe for vertical expansion of a nonconforming structure at 21 Mount Riga Road, Salisbury, Map 14, Lot 17 per Section 503.2 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations. The hearing will be held on Monday, April 21, 2023 at 6:45 PM. There is no physical location for this meeting. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom where interested persons can listen to & speak on the matter. The application, agenda and meeting instructions will be listed at [www.salisburyct.us/agendas/](http://www.salisburyct.us/agendas/). Written comments may be submitted to the Land Use Office, Salisbury Town Hall, 27 Main Street, P.O. Box 548, Salisbury, CT or via email to [landuse@salisburyct.us](mailto:landuse@salisburyct.us). Paper copies may be reviewed Monday

through Thursday between the hours of 8:00 AM and 3:30 PM.

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Secretary  
04-10-25  
04-17-25

### Notice of Decision Town of Salisbury Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

Notice is hereby given that the following actions were taken by the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on March 24, 2025:

Approved - Application 2025-IW-048 by owners Maureen and William Barton for hydroraking. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor's map 23 as lot 58-2 and is known as 15 + 15A Slater Road, Salisbury.

Approved - Application 2025-IW-049 by owners Tara and Edward Frischling for hydroraking. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor's map 68 as lot 6 and is known as 42 Slater Road.

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

04-10-25

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF MARTHA WENDT NESBITT Late of Lakeville (25-00055)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated March 27, 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:  
Michael M. Nesbitt  
c/o Michael Downes Lynch, Law Office of Michael D. Lynch, 106 Upper Main Street, P.O. Box 1776, Sharon, CT 06069  
Megan M. Foley  
Chief Clerk  
04-10-25

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF JANE L. MCGARRY Late of Salisbury (25-00113)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated March 27, 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:  
John Frederick McGarry  
c/o Linda M Patz Drury, Patz & Citrin, LLP  
7 Church Street  
P.O. Box 101  
Canaan, CT 06018  
Megan M. Foley  
Clerk  
04-10-25

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF IVAN BODIS-WOLLNER Late of New York (24-00525)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated March 20, 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:  
Olie Bodis-Wollner  
c/o Edward F Krzanowski Day Pitney LLP,  
75 Isham Road,

Suite 300, West Hartford, CT 06107

Beth L. McGuire  
Chief Clerk  
04-10-25

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF WILLIAM J. MANASSE Late of Sharon AKA William Manasse (25-00078)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated March 20, 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:  
Deborah L. Manasse  
c/o Linda M Patz Drury, Patz & Citrin, LLP  
7 Church Street, P.O. Box 101,  
Canaan, CT 06018  
Beth L. McGuire  
Chief Clerk  
04-10-25

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF DONNA AAKJAR Late of Salisbury (25-00104)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated March 20, 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:  
Linda Perry Snyder  
c/o Michael Peter Citrin Drury, Patz & Citrin, LLP  
7 Church Street, P.O. Box 101  
Canaan, CT 06018  
Megan M. Foley  
Clerk  
04-10-25



# OBITUARIES

## Allyn H. Hurlburt III

CORNWALL — It is with great sadness that I share that I lost my husband, Buddy, my best friend and soul-mate in a matter of minutes with no warning, at home on March 31, 2025. Our wonderful children are a testament to who he was and what we are as a family.



Buddy was born on July 5, 1955 as Allyn H. Hurlburt III, but went by Buddy because his father and grandfather were both Allyns too.

During school, he excelled in public speaking and was the FFA President in 1972-1973, which earned him a sharp blue jacket with gold letters that he recently wore with the buttons proudly closed up! He grew up with his siblings working on the farm and ended up being the one who purchased the farm from his parents. Anyone who has ever worked a farm knows that the work is constant, hard and sometimes not profitable, though always rewarding, and a great way to raise children.

In 1997, life changed for both of us and we were lucky enough to “save each other” as we liked to refer to it, and we combined forces and families and made a go! What an adventure we had, more kids, more cows, more chickens and more fun. We even made time for a couple of big trips to Florida so Buddy could visit some of the country. With the help of our kids, we milked cows, planted corn, sold eggs and eventually even diversified into pasteurizing and selling our own cheese and milk in glass bottles. Delivered fresh weekly to 27 different stores all over Connecticut.

Alas, economics won out and we struggled until we decided that our quality of life would improve with two full time jobs and part time farming. Buddy worked for the Town of Cornwall until he retired. These last few years have been busy for him despite “retiring”, he had odd jobs mostly at home, helped anyone that asked, kept tabs on the kids and what they needed, fed the animals we still have and of course tended to his beloved bird family outside, which we will con-

tinue faithfully.

He mostly enjoyed his family, his children meant the most to him, gave him so much pride and joy and love. He would sing their praises ad nauseum to anyone who would listen or look at high school basketball footage or listen to stories of their accomplishments. He loved going to a field hockey game for Brooke and then watching Mason swim at the lake.

Buddy loved people, meeting people, talking to people, helping people, learning from people, everywhere he went. He was funny, kind, generous to a fault, and deeply loved me and our family. He was in a happy place in his life, with so many things that he was planning and looking forward to which makes his passing even more heartbreaking to us.

Buddy is survived by his loving wife Irene of 28 years, daughters, Ciara (John) Orchard, Caroline (Matthew) Murray, sons, Brian (Chloe) Fossati, Carl Fossati, Jonathan (Regina) Hurlburt, grandsons Mason Hurlburt; granddaughter Charlotte Hurlburt, daughter-in-law Erin Reilly (Jason) and granddaughters Rita Dziedzic and Brooke Hurlburt, daughter Brittany (Benjamin) Palinkas and granddaughters Hadley and Kasey, son Christopher Hurlburt and grandchildren. He is also survived by his mother, Anita Hurlburt, siblings, Patricia (Ross) Huntington, (John in Heaven), Richard Hurlburt, William (Becky) Hurlburt, David (Valerie) Hurlburt, James Hurlburt, Nancy (Rob) Hohlfelder and Jennifer (Joseph) Markow. Also many nieces, nephews, (Timmy in Heaven), grand nieces and grand nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, April 5, 2025, at 1p.m., at the United Church of Christ, Congregational, in Cornwall Village, CT. Burial will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cornwall Volunteer Fire Department, PO BOX 180, West Cornwall, CT 06796.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

FALLS VILLAGE — David Charles Wilburn, 75, of Falls Village, died peacefully surrounded by his family on March 23, 2025, at Vassar Hospital, Poughkeepsie, New York.

David was born on Aug. 5, 1949, in Asheville, North Carolina. He grew up with his older brother, Randall Wilburn, and was raised by his father, Harold Charles Wilburn, and his mother, Marcene Hicks Wilburn. He was educated at Georgetown Preparatory School in North Bethesda, Maryland, The University of Notre Dame du Lac in South Bend, Indiana, and St. John's University School of Law in New York City, New York.

He began his career as an attorney at The Tennessee Valley Authority, where he met his wife, Sally Scott Wilburn. The two were married at First United Methodist Church in Jackson, Tennessee on Nov. 29, 1980. It was shortly after that David and Sally, two lifelong Southerners, both with families with the deepest of Southern roots extending back to the English and Scottish Colonies of the 1600s, made a lifelong change — they became permanent East Coasters. They moved to the Upper East Side of Manhattan, where David had a career in corporate and municipal finance, as Vice President at Kidder Peabody and UBS (then United Bank of Switzerland), and later as Managing Director at Paine Webber.

With plans for a family, in 1987 David and Sally bought a Queen Anne-style brownstone on Strong Place in Brooklyn's Cobble Hill neighborhood, which became the childhood home for their two sons, Alexander and Clayton, and their daughter, Katherine. Their three children were all born at New York University Hospital in Manhattan and christened at Grace Episcopal Church in Brooklyn. In 1998, David and his family moved full time to the second home where they had enjoyed so many summers and Christmases, a Colonial Revival house listed in the Register of Historic Homes of Sharon, Connecticut.

In the Northwest Corner of Connecticut, David was an active and eager community member, especially when it came to athletics. His efforts shaped Salisbury Youth Hockey into the program it is today, including naming

the team the Redhawks and designing the original logo with his son, Alexander. He spent many frigid, early winter mornings with a hot coffee in hand, shuttling his two hockey players, Clayton and Katherine, to play in weekend games across New England through their grade school and high school years.

Beyond team sports, David was enthusiastic about giving his children a rich cultural education, whether through old films, photography and art exhibits, productions of Shakespeare and New York's American Ballet Company — and of course, classic sci-fi, including “The Empire Strikes Back” and “Star Trek: The Wrath of Khan.” He instilled a love of the outdoors in his children as well, and in fatherhood enjoyed downhill skiing, fishing, doubles tennis and scuba diving in the Caribbean. He loved to golf, a passion he inherited from his own father, and spent many early summer mornings on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, golfing with son, Clayton, his father-in-law, the late Dr. Barnett Scott, his brother-in-law, David Scott, and his nephew, Andrew Scott.

In 2007 David embarked on an unexpected venture and brought his love of the culinary arts to the public when he opened the New American-style restaurant Chives in Lakeville, Connecticut. Favorably reviewed in the New York Times in 2008, Patricia Brooks wrote, “The crisp, neat, fresh-looking little place is enlivened by water glasses in electric Giverny blue” and later complemented the “seared yellowfin tuna and soba noodles, baked Westfield goat cheese salad; asparagus risotto, crispy-skin Loch Duart salmon, pan-seared Maine diver scallops and house-made ice creams.” The tough-as-nails Lakeville Journal food critic Marsden Epworth even complimented the restaurant's “magazine-cool presentation.”

David and Sally shared a love for home restoration, and the pair could be seen over the years working together as a team on interior renovations and decorating (they were both great fans of the late Mario Buatta), as well as spending their warm-

er days out among the many pastel peonies, dahlias and roses in their garden.

In the couple's later years, they bought their shingle-style home in The Historic District of Main Street in Falls Village, Connecticut. David served as treasurer of the Falls Village Community Development Corp., and was elected to two terms on the Falls Village Board of Finance. Especially in his later life, David was a passionate progressive, who believed in economic, racial and housing equity, and that it was the role of the community to look out for those in need.

David is predeceased by his parents, Harold and Marcene Wilburn, his older brother, Randall Wilburn, as well as his departed buddy, the Wilburns' chocolate Labrador retriever, Jasper, named after the artist Jasper Johns.

He is survived by his wife, Sally Scott Wilburn, and his three children, Charles Alexander Wilburn, Clayton Scott Wilburn, and Katherine Wilburn Lasacco. David was in attendance (and is remembered for his excellent speeches) as Clayton married Elizabeth Teitzel Wilburn in Nashville, Tennessee in 2018, and his daughter Katherine wed Jeremy Lasacco in Ocean Grove, New Jersey, in 2021. David became a grandfather for the first time upon the birth of Jeremy and Katherine's baby girl, Scarlett Joan Lassaco, on April 19, 2023, and again on Oct. 1, 2024, upon the birth of Clayton and Elizabeth's daughter, Sophie Madison Wilburn.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

A private family service is planned for the spring.

In lieu of flowers please make a memorial donation to David's cherished local library, the David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, CT 06031.

For more obituaries, see Page A4

Send obituaries to [obituaries@lakevillejournal.com](mailto:obituaries@lakevillejournal.com)



## Worship Services

Week of April 13, 2025

**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](http://www.christchurchsharon.org)

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Offering companionship along the Way  
Sundays at 8 and 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School at 9 a.m.  
Livestream at 10:30 found at [www.trinitylimerock.org](http://www.trinitylimerock.org)  
The Rev. Heidi Truax  
[trinity@trinitylimerock.org](mailto:trinity@trinitylimerock.org)  
(860) 435-2627

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[www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational](http://www.facebook.com/northcanaancongregational)  
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A reform Jewish Synagogue  
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SERVICES SATURDAY 10:30 AM  
Twice Monthly - Followed by Oneg (Calendar at [congbethdavid.org](http://congbethdavid.org))  
ALL ARE WELCOME  
Rabbi Jon Haddon  
845-373-8264  
[info@congbethdavid.org](mailto:info@congbethdavid.org)

**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](mailto:Lakevillemethodist@snet.net)

**Falls Village Congregational Church**  
16 Beebe Hill Road, Falls Village  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship  
Coffee Hour  
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The Rev. Dr. Anna C. Camphouse  
860-364-5634  
[sharonumc5634@att.net](mailto:sharonumc5634@att.net)

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Contact us at 860-364-5002 or [info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org](mailto:info@sharoncongregationalchurch.org)

**Canaan United Methodist Church**  
2 Church St., Rte 44, Canaan, CT  
8:00AM - Worship Service  
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## Richard M. Metzger

SALISBURY — Richard M. “Mike” Metzger, 78, passed away Friday, April 4, 2025, at GEER Assisted Living, Canaan.

Mike was born on July 11, 1946, in Rockville Centre, New York, son of the late Richard A. Metzger and Gloria A. (O'Donnell) Metzger. He made his home in Salisbury for the past 25 years and was known throughout the community for his warmth, generosity, and passion for sports and education.

Mike dedicated his professional life to teaching and coaching in Nassau County, New York. He spent much of his career at North Shore High School, where he not only taught but also made a lasting impact as a dedicated coach. He founded the school's summer baseball program and led his teams to numerous championships in both baseball and bowling, shaping the lives of countless student-athletes along the way. A proud member of the Professional Bowlers Association and the Nassau County Coaches Association, Mike was a competitor at heart and a mentor by nature.

In his younger years, Mike

excelled as an athlete, playing professional bowling and continuing to play baseball well into his 50s. His lifelong love of classic American muscle cars earned him many trophies and brought him joy and camaraderie at competitions throughout the years.

Mike will be remembered not only for his many accomplishments but for his good-natured spirit and unwavering kindness.

He was the type of person who always went the extra mile — whether that meant lending a hand to a friend, guiding a student toward their potential, or simply offering a word of encouragement when it was needed most. He truly was an all-around good guy and his legacy lives on in the lives he touched.

Survivors include his siblings; Thomas Metzger (Madeline) and Mary D'Ambrosio (Joe); nieces and nephews, Michael D'Ambrosio (Kerri) and their children Shea and Camden, Kristen D'Ambrosio (Mike Faraglia) and their child Hazel, Katie Bell (Darren) and their children Bryce and Carolina, and Megan D'Ambrosio (Matt Sinese) and their child, Ben.

Services will be held in the near future. Ryan Funeral Home, Lakeville, is in care of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. To offer an online condolence, please visit [ryanfhct.com](http://ryanfhct.com)



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### Clearing up confusion — the cost of electricity

We know that recently, there has been quite a stir about electricity — particularly related to two line items on our Eversource bills.

We have all been dismayed by the jump in charges and some of us were confused by how and why that happened. If you take a look at your bill you will see two distinct line items, FMCC and Comb PB.

FMCC is the Federally Mandated Congestion Charge — the cost of fixing an overburdened grid. This past year, it was used to subsidize the Millstone Nuclear Power Station to ensure its capacity to meet demand. The Millstone plant is located in Waterford, Connecticut, and is the source(s) for approximately half the electricity used in the state. The FMCC was the second highest driver of the increase in bills over the last 10 months.

Comb PB is the Combined Public Benefit line item includes three charges:

—System Benefits (SB) includes funds for money saving conservation programs, guarantees power through the cold winter months and low income discount rates for electricity — a huge help for our vulnerable neighbors.

—Conservation Load Management (CLM) includes money-saving energy efficiency programs and demand response to reduce the likelihood of power outages.

—Renewable Energy Investment (REI) funds the CT Green Bank which attracts \$7 of private sector investment for every \$1 of public seed money.

Collectively, these represent the smallest component in our bill increases. According to the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection website, the FMCC and Comb PB surcharges are scheduled to end as early as April 30, 2025.

As a reminder, these categories account for tens of thousands of jobs, hundreds of businesses and organizations impacted in a positive way. Most importantly, these programs, along with elec-

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JANE STRONG

tric rates, are determined and overseen by the legislative and executive branches of our state government, not by Eversource.

The real causes of the spike in our bill last summer were twofold:

1. The rate change set by the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA)

2. The rise in consumption caused by the heat and humidity in July and August.

Some customers actually doubled their consumption of energy for air conditioning to offset the record high temperatures. Importantly, neither of these additional costs were caused by Eversource.

If the Comb PB charges are removed from our electric bill, they may be added to our tax bills and show up either in income or sales taxes. If they are added to the Connecticut state budget which has a cap, the costs for many other types of public services now funded by the state would be at risk of reduction.

We hope this sheds light on the reasons for the current rate increases and the fact that the surcharges will end soon. Stay tuned for more information and insights!

For more information, a webinar presented by People's Action for Clean Energy (PACE) is well worth watching and may help everyone understand what happened last year and why. Find it here: [www.youtube.com/@pacepeoplesaction-forcleane6695](http://www.youtube.com/@pacepeoplesaction-forcleane6695)

*Jane Strong is a member of the Sharon Energy and Environment Commission.*



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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Call to retain federal funding for our libraries

National Library Week is a time to highlight the role of public libraries in civic society, but recent news is nothing to celebrate.

On March 14, the "Continuing the Reduction of the Federal Bureaucracy" Executive Order was signed, affecting numerous federal agencies, including the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

On Monday, March 31, the entire 75-member staff of IMLS was placed on administrative leave. The mission of IMLS is "to advance, support, and empower America's museums, libraries, and related organizations through grant-making, research, and policy development." Its largest program, the Grants to States Program, allocates federal funding to State Library Administrative Agencies, which use those funds to support statewide services and/or to distribute through subgrant competitions to public, academic, school, and special

libraries.

On April 2, the Connecticut State Library (CSL), the agency responsible for administering IMLS funds in our state, along with the State Libraries of California and Washington, received notification that their LSTA/Grants to States were being terminated, effective April 1. These grants are funded through congressional appropriations and are mandated by law.

What does this mean for our library patrons? The Connecticut State Library uses these federal funds to support:

- Accessibility: Fostering aging, dementia and disability-inclusive communities; providing free reading materials for the blind, and resources to support veterans and the military community.
- E-Rate and Internet Connectivity: Improves broadband access for schools and libraries.
- Early Literacy Initiatives

•Professional Development and consulting for libraries across Connecticut

•Summer Reading and Enrichment

•Statewide Digital Resources include databases, periodicals, and the searchable statewide library catalog

•Statewide eBook and eAudio Platform provides access to 40,000 eBooks and audiobooks

•Statewide Resource Sharing through the statewide interlibrary loan service

While most library funding in Connecticut comes from local sources, federal dollars are crucial in supporting the infrastructure provided through the State Library. Federal funding for libraries accounts for only 0.003% of the overall federal budget, and this incredibly modest investment is leveraged at the local level to ensure that all of our communities have access to essential library services.

Our public libraries are open to everyone, and services are very well used. In 2024, there were over 13 million visits to public libraries in Connecticut.

We want to thank the Connecticut Congressional delegation, who have historically supported Connecticut libraries and the IMLS, and encourage them to continue to stand up for libraries. We

encourage our delegations in Hartford to stand up for libraries and safeguard our essential work. The American Library Association has also issued a statement in support of IMLS, along with an online resource to inform and encourage people to advocate for the preservation of the agency that supports our nation's 125,000 public, school, academic, and special libraries.

Although the direct impact is still unclear, the loss of these funds will have significant consequences not just for us, but for libraries all over the country. We hope for a reversal of these decisions and will continue to provide the high-quality library services our communities value.

**Norma DeMay Douglas Library, North Canaan**  
**Karin Goodell, Scoville Memorial Library, Salisbury**  
**Gretchen Hachmeister Hotchkiss Library of Sharon**  
**Margaret Haske, The Cornwall Library**  
**Ann Havemeyer, Norfolk Library**  
**Sarah Marshall, Kent Memorial Library**  
**Meg Sher, DM Hunt Library, Falls Village**

For more letters, see Page A7

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Imposing tariffs — just raising consumer taxes

It just takes common sense — you don't need a degree in economics — to see how import tariffs affect American consumer prices.

First, remember that tariffs on imports do nothing to reduce how much it costs to manufacture goods in America: labor costs remain the same, parts ditto (or their cost will rise if they're imported).

So locally made goods won't get cheaper (while their markets shrink and revenues contract). Second, imported goods will cost Americans more because when tariffs increase foreign manufacturer costs, prices rise to

compensate.

Smell the coffee: Through these price hikes, we consumers end up paying the tariffs, and the tariffs go to the government just like our taxes do... so imposing tariffs is really nothing more than raising taxes on American consumers.

Essentially, this administration is imposing a kind of national sales tax. Is that what America voted for?

Fiddle (if you like) with this simplified model with quibbles about exchange rates and whatnot; the math doesn't lie.

**Robert Buccino**  
Salisbury

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## A precarious democracy

America's democracy may have some peculiar undemocratic features, but I never imagined it could end up in such a precarious state. A very long time ago, 1958 in Zürich, I saw the Swiss author's Max Frisch new play "Herr Biedermann und die Brandstifter" (Mr. Biedermann and the Arsonists), in which some salesmen talk Mr. Biedermann in letting them stay in his attic. He serves them some drink and food, and they casually tell him that they are indeed the local arsonists he reads about in the newspaper, and they are now here to burn down his house, which Biedermann thinks is a funny joke. Over six scenes he helps them along, up to lighting the fuse. The house burns down.

The play is a parable on Hitler's rise in Germany. It must have made an impression on me. I was born into a dictatorship and even a young boy comprehends that kind of oppression. I remember how Americans — thank you — in 1945 brought freedom and the GI who lobbed the orange, my first, and a candy bar up to me, hanging out the window. The thought of perhaps dying in an American version of dictatorship seemed up to now kind of nutty, a sort of sci-fi disaster movie.

Bolsonaro, Brazil's wannabe Trump, is on trial, because Brazilians may have gotten inoculated against dictatorship by their 20-year long experience with it, when people got "disappeared." Is it now our turn? When at last will the mum senators and representatives realize that they might be remembered as accomplices, salami-slice by salami-slice enablers of the Constitution's destruction, for turning the USA into a Putin-style tyranny, where laws can be ignored and criminals go free and even rule? Let's open our eyes, believe our ears. Will we even have another free election? I am not sure. The arsonist may be a vindictive madman and a liar, but he is not joking, has not been joking for a long time. It's not about immigration, DEI or tariffs anymore — the fuse is lit. It is about saving the house.

What does one call someone, who in a time of war switches sides? Who turns friends into enemies, betrays America's ideals, its standing and reputation in the world? Burns down his own house? Or, on a less lofty level, who proclaims climate change a hoax and consults with Laura Loomer on U.S. security?

**Fritz Mueller**  
Sharon



## Viewpoint

## TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

125 years ago —  
April 1900

Mrs. Worrell of Sharon has been sick for two weeks with grip and neuralgia, but is better now.

SHARON — Nelson Wilcox has had the Local Telephone put in his home.

They say there are still snow banks four feet deep on Mt. Washington and the ground is still covered with “the beautiful.”

The Winsted Citizen on Wednesday evening stated that Salisbury held an election of Town officers on Tuesday. The editor of the Citizen is somewhat twisted or else he must have been referring to Venezuela where they hold elections whenever they please.

Miss Elizabeth Wilson has engaged to teach the school at East Canaan the coming term.

J.M. Miller has just received a fine lot of double farm harness and single harness, also another assortment of steamer trunks and has in stock a large assortment of horse furnishing goods.

GOOD HORSE for sale or will trade for a good cow. Edward McCue Lakeville.

People are warned against a soap peddler who goes to houses selling his wares and promising premiums in the shape of china ware. He has caught many victims in other towns.

While playing around a bon-fire early Sunday morning, Ina, the seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Savoy, was so severely burned that it is feared she cannot recover. It seems that in some manner her clothing caught fire and before help arrived she received serious burns about the hips and back. The child and family have the sympathy of all their friends.

The road scraper has been at work about the village streets and the roads now present a much smoother appearance.

100 years ago —  
April 1925

Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Ingersol have returned from the south, and are again at Evergreen Farm for the coming season.

O’Loughlin Bros. have added to their auto livery service a very attractive Studebaker Pullman Bus. The new conveyance seats 16 people, is finely appointed and rides very comfortably, due to the latest springs and upholstery. O’Loughlin Bros.

have put the bus in commission to accommodate parties who wish to take long rides and tours. It is a very handsome and comfortable addition to their equipment.

Miss Marion Eggleston is home from Woodsville, N.H. for vacation. Miss Eggleston, who has been Home Demonstrator Agent, has been promoted to Boys’ and Girls’ Club Leader but will still be located at Woodsville.

LIME ROCK — The house that Mr. Hunter occupies is being redecorated.

The trout fishing is good, but the catching “not so good.”

The Salisbury Iron Corporation have made arrangements to lay out the property on the Lincoln City road in building lots, and will sell the same at auction. Some of the lots may be sold at private sale, after survey is completed and property has been appraised.

On Wednesday morning a brush fire of serious proportions occurred on the land near Wake Robin Inn. The blaze was a fierce one and for a time endangered the Inn. The fire company assisted by a lot of volunteers fought the blaze with brooms, shovels and extinguishers, and the big tank on the chemical truck had to be used before the fire was extinguished. Things were quite exciting for a short time.

50 years ago —  
April 1975

Canaan attorney Catherine G. Roraback has taken on another prominent case, this time defending Susan E. Saxe, the Brandeis University honor student turned revolutionary. Miss Saxe is facing bank robbery charges in connection with a 1970 bank hold-up in Philadelphia, Penn., which netted \$6,240, and a bank hold-up in Boston in which a policeman was killed. Miss Saxe, 26, was arrested March 27 in Philadelphia by a city policeman who recognized the fugitive from a photograph taken recently by a bank security camera in Torrington, where Saxe is believed to have lived with another fugitive, Katherine Powers, 26, also sought for the two bank robberies. Three men have already been convicted for the bank hold-ups. The two women have been on the FBI’s 10 most-wanted list for 4½ years.

Connecticut State Police Sgt. Victor Keilty ended his long and distinguished career last Tuesday when he retired from the force. Keilty, who had been a state trooper for 33 years, spent much of his time over the years at

the Canaan Barracks, and has made his home in Canaan for the past 25 years. He was honored Friday evening with a surprise party at Dileo’s Grove in Torrington.

Flutists Mary Lou Estabrook and Nancy Frost will be featured performers with the Torrington Civic Symphony at its spring concert April 13 at 3 p.m. at Vogel School auditorium.

Lakeville Journal Editor-Publisher Robert Estabrook testified before a General Assembly Committee in Hartford Tuesday in strong support of new freedom of information legislation now under consideration. Estabrook concentrated on the need to define and narrow the permissible grounds for executive sessions of public bodies, and to guarantee public access to police arrest records.

The highlight of the 1975 racing season at Lime Rock Park will be the Schaefer 350 on May 26, Memorial Day, featuring races for the International Motor Sports Association’s Camel GT, Goodrich Radial Challenge, and Gold Cup Super Vee series. More than 150 entries are expected to compete for over \$50,000 in prize and accessory money, making the weekend one of the richest ever at the 1.53-mile road racing circuit.

A spanking new post office greeted Kent patrons Monday morning of this week. Postmaster Eugene Bull locked the door of the old facility for the last time at noon on Saturday, and workers moved equipment to the new building during the weekend.

25 years ago —  
April 2000

SALISBURY — Habitat for Humanity, Northwest Connecticut Affiliate, has announced the selection of its new partner family for the house it will build on Selleck Hill Road, on land donated by Sally Ellsworth. The family is Hal and Terre Lefferts of Lakeville and their three sons. Mr. and Mrs. Lefferts moved to the area in 1997. Mr. Lefferts was originally employed at Oblong Books. He is now music director of radio station WKZE in Sharon, as well as a composer and singer-songwriter. Mrs. Lefferts is an artist and dance instructor.

CANAAN — Last year’s completed preservation of the state’s only industrial monument may have been reward enough for those who worked so diligently toward that goal. But members of the Committee for the Preservation of the Beckley Furnace are reaping the fruits of their labors time and time again. Last summer, the East Canaan furnace was designated as an official project of the White House’s “Save America’s Treasures” program. Word was received late last week that it has also been named a “Local Legacy” by the Library of Congress and be part of a nationwide program to celebrate the library’s bicentennial.

To make way for renovations at Housatonic Valley Regional High School, a pin oak was moved 40 feet by Oak Tree Care of Litchfield. The tree was planted in 1978 in memory of Kevin Bond, who died while a student at the school.

## Follow the money is wrong

When any human has sufficient money or access to unlimited funds, the actual value of money diminishes. Do you really think that any of these titans of industry who make more in a day than you make in a lifetime are worried about money at all? If Musk, Bezos, Allen, Gates spent \$1,000,000 a day, they would have more the next day than the day before, even spending freely for a year, because their wealth is so vast they cannot, physically, spend more than even the lowest interest rate would replenish their wealth. Look, if each of them had all their money in \$100 bills, crisp new bills, it would stack up from here to the moon. Yes, that much. It is obscene.

And that’s the point. When a human has that much, and knows that no matter what he does, it’ll never be spent or lost, money ceases to be a driving factor in their lives. Power does. The search for a measure of self-worth has morphed from money-gathering to power-grabbing.

Much worse than financial

A VIEW FROM  
THE EDGE

PETER RIVA

avarice or desire to beat-the-Joneses, at a certain point in all these billionaires’ careers, they ceased worrying about a paycheck and switched to that ultimate primordial feeling of superiority. The ruthless need for so much power breeds total contempt for the fellow man, government structures, morals and, what is truly awful, the value of life on Earth. Look, these are not stupid people, these are not ignorant people, these people have become so perverted that they have lost the capability to empathize, or care, or prognosticate for the welfare of others, the planet, or the future.

That lack of empathy, nurtured by the need for more and more power to measure their own self-worth, is taking them down a road that can only lead to

destruction: theirs or ours, or both.

So stop thinking the game here is making money, using money to buy voters, using money to corrupt politicians. The game here is without value of money, it is about pure, unfettered power, a blind capability to seek to control everything that they can. Like addicts, they need the daily cut and thrust of the exercise of that power. There is no long-term strategy for the individual beyond doing something big, every day, every moment, to impose that power, to feel the capability of that power.

Power is a drug for them. Money means nothing. As the Roman historian Tacitus said, “Those who seek absolute power are those who are intoxicated by their own ambition.” And the possible outcome? Also from Tacitus, “They make a desert and call it peace.”

*Peter Riva, a former resident of America Union, New York, now lives in Gila, New Mexico.*

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## RJK Jr. and a cod liver oil treatment

We’ve been hearing a lot about cod liver oil recently, from the present United States Secretary of Health and Human Services, Robert F. Kennedy Jr. He is telling everyone to give kids cod liver oil to treat the measles, or to prevent their catching them; two children have died in the recent measles outbreak in Texas. I would like to tell you about my experience of cod liver oil treatment, way back in World War II when I was a small child.

Everyone got measles then; it was a given of childhood, like mumps and chicken pox and whooping cough. We were very skinny kids, as Britain’s food rationing was very strict as we could only eat what we could grow — no food could be imported anymore owing to German submarine attacks on our shipping, and the troops had to be fed first. So we lived basically on things like cabbage and potatoes and rabbit and fish, and one egg a month, with the addition

of what our mothers could grow or raise in the garden; though the children were always given a ration of milk every day, though we didn’t appreciate it.

Our health was looked after by elderly gentlemen — the younger doctors all having been called up into the services — so their treatments were pretty Victorian. We children were prey to many infectious diseases, and we all caught them all and most of us had some of them more than once. But these old men gave us one thing that we loved, as an antidote to measles, and it was called “Codliver oil and Malt.” The ingredients were fairly easy to find: cod was caught in the waters around the British Isles every day of the year, and malt was a by-product of beer-making, and no government ever dared to prohibit the making of beer in wartime. So the two ingredients were blended and put in jars and provided for the children. And the glory of it was, that

this sticky stuff was sweet! There was no candy for kids, or anyone else, during the war, so when our mothers first persuaded us to open our mouths and swallow a spoonful of “cod liver oil and malt,” which sounded most unappetizing, we had a wonderful surprise!

Food rationing lasted basically until about 1952, and the government gave us cod liver oil and malt every day through about ten years — a constant antidote until there were vaccines for most of the major childhood diseases. And we all grew up to be tall and slim and strong — and healthy.

I don’t think Secretary Kennedy knows this. He seems to be telling people today that cod liver oil in large doses will prevent their children from getting measles better than a vaccine would. He’s wrong about that. And dangerously so. I wish someone could get this through to him.

**Gaile L. Binzen**  
Salisbury

That much  
manure?

I read with great interest your front page story about CowPots. It said these were made of composted cow manure. A sentence or two on how this is done would have been very helpful.

Even more intriguing was the statement that the Freund Farm dairy cows produce a staggering amount of manure: “100 pounds per cow per day.” As someone who grew up on a Michigan dairy farm and had to both hand milk cows and shovel their manure into our spreader, I was very happy that our cows produced far less than the Freund herd. Outside, our cows produced what we called cow pies on the ground, which we carefully avoided stepping on. But after they dried and hardened, us kids could carefully lift and toss them, discus-style, at each other.

**Jim Sterba**  
Sharon

*Editor’s note: UMass Amherst notes a range of 82 pounds (dry dairy cow) and 106 pounds (lactating dairy cow) of manure per day.*

## Transfer station assist

On Sunday, March 23, 2025 my brother-in-law fell to the ground at the Salisbury-Sharon Transfer Station.

He was unable to get himself up.  
Two very kind gentlemen

lifted him up and got him into the car.

I would like to let Michael and Bob know how thankful his family is for your help.

He is on the mend.  
**Terry Eddy**  
Lakeville

For more letters, see Page A6

## Status Report

FALLS VILLAGE — U.S. Education Secretary Linda McMahon notified Connecticut officials Friday, March 28, that \$14 million in federal aid for K-12 education in the state had been frozen. Region One Business Manager Sam Herrick said the cuts will have no impact on the school district’s 2025-26 budget. The referendum vote for Region One’s spending plan is Tuesday, May 6.

KENT — Kent Parks and Recreation Commission is seeking two members to join the commission to serve until the town meeting in January 2026. Any interested candidates are encouraged to send an email highlighting their interest and any relevant experience to Matt Busse at parkandrec@townofkent.gov by 4 p.m. on Saturday, May 3.



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# Our Towns

## Thanking those who give their all

By Ruth Epstein

SHARON — Volunteerism is alive and well in Sharon. This was apparent Friday, April 4, at the Volunteer Recognition and Recruitment Event held at Hotchkiss Library.

Library Executive Director Gretchen Hachmeister explained that she and Karen DePauw, executive director of the Sharon Historical Society, and Eileen Fielding, executive director of Sharon Audubon, spoke last year about holding such an event for National Volunteer Month, which is April, but the timing wasn't right. So they decided to make it happen this year.

Eighteen groups were represented at booths throughout the building, proving that activism and civic involvement is crucial to the successful operation of a town. The volunteers in attendance showed passion and enthusiasm for their causes, which helped recruit others to join them.

"We all need help, even more now," said Hachmeister. She was pleased with the



PHOTO BY RUTH EPSTEIN

Debbie Hanlon, left, and Barbara Prindle, right, sign up Sharon Selectman Lynn Kearcher, center, as a member of the Taghannuck Grange #100 at Friday's Volunteer Recognition and Recruitment Event at the Hotchkiss Library.

turnout, which included new residents, as well as those who've been in Sharon for a long time. There were also some from out of town.

DePauw said so many organizations rely on the extraordinary contributions made by volunteers. "This event had a two-fold purpose: to bring them all together in one space and to recruit and make connections."

Among those in attendance were Donna DiMartino and Marlene Woodman of the Sharon Community Foundation. "Our goal is to keep Sharon residents in their homes by helping with

some financial assistance," said DiMartino. "Many have been in town for years and are trying to hang on. We're trying to help them."

Barbara Prindle and Debbie Hanlon were there representing Taghannuck Grange #100. Hanlon compiled a history of the organization, which explains the local chapter received a charter in 1889 with 12 members. The hall on Dunbar Road, an example of Greek Revival architecture, was originally built as a Methodist church in 1839. The Morey brothers operated a store there for a time starting in 1894. In 1928

the Grange purchased the property for \$400.

The Sharon Fire Department's ambulance squad was established in 1948 when the Grange gave the department a LaSalle ambulance. In 1968 the Grange completed an addition to the hall for the fire department to use as a substation, which is still in operation today.

Blake Myers was at the event representing 2-year-old nonprofit Tri Corner F.E.E.D., which works to increase food access and support local farms. She spoke excitedly about the market opening in Millerton in June where shoppers will find everything they need.

Other volunteer organizations spreading information about their missions were: Project SAGE, Sharon Ambulance and Fire Department, Sharon Daycare, Sharon Playhouse, Sharon Housing Trust, Sharon Energy & Environment Commission, Democratic Town Committee, Republican Town Committee, Sharon Housing Authority, Equus Effect, Sharon Woman's Club and the Voice of Art.



PHOTO BY SAVA MARINKOVIC

Fr. John Kreta offers a blessing, April 6, 2025.

## All Saints church marks 35 years

By Sava Marinkovic

SALISBURY — This year All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church is celebrating its 35th anniversary and its first year as a fully realized parish.

Consecrated in 1994, the church persisted as a mission prior to its elevation to parish status by newly-appointed Bishop Benedict of Hartford and New England on July 7, 2024.

Currently, the church operates out of the restored former St. Francis Chapel on the shores of Salisbury's Twin Lakes, where it serves as the spiritual home for a devoted community of Orthodox Christian parishioners — many of whom were present

at its nascent gatherings in the early '90s.

As much as has changed for the parish in its 35 years, yet more has remained the same. Adhering to the annual movements of a liturgical calendar that has repeated itself for centuries, worship at All Saints of America resembles that of Eastern Orthodox communities the world over — all of which are now in the latter phase of Great Lent: the preparatory season preceding Easter, or Pascha.

Daily services will be offered in English from April 12 to 20.

All Saints of America invites the community to participate in the observation of its anniversary and celebration of the Resurrection.

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**Worship**, 10 AM  
**Fellowship Coffee**, 11:15 AM

We will continue to broadcast services live on Facebook: @northcanaancongregational  
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## Holy Week

The Congregational Church of Salisbury  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, 13 April  
**Palm-Passion Sunday**  
10am Worship

Maudy Thursday, 17 April  
**Communion & Tenebrae**  
7:00pm Worship

Good Friday, 18 April  
**Ecumenical Worship**  
6:00pm Trinity Episcopal Church, Lime Rock

Sunday, 20 April  
**Resurrection Day!**  
6:00am Ecumenical Sunrise Service  
Town Grove, Lakeville  
9:45am Hand Bell Choir Prelude  
10:00am Easter Worship

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April 17  
6:00 PM Roast Lamb Dinner  
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**Good Friday**  
April 18  
12 Noon Way of the Cross  
7:00 PM Words of the Life of Jesus  
Short reflections by 7 ecumenical preachers & baroque choral music and preludes

**Easter Day!**  
April 20  
8:00 AM Eucharist with hymns  
10:30 AM Celebration Eucharist  
Music by Palestrina, Handel and George Vincent sung by the Trinity Choir & Crescendo guests  
Easter egg hunt follows the service

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### Holy Week and Paschal Schedule

All Saints of America Orthodox Christian Church

April 12, 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy, Raising of Lazarus  
5:00 p.m., Vespers, Blessing of Palms  
April 13, 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy, Palm Sunday  
April 14, 6:30 p.m., Bridegroom Matins  
April 15, 6:30 p.m., Bridegroom Matins  
April 16, 6:30 p.m., Holy Unction for Healing  
April 17, 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy, Last Supper  
April 18, 3:00 p.m., Burial Vespers  
6:30 p.m., Matins, Lamentations  
April 19, 9:30 a.m., Vesperal Liturgy,  
15 Old Testament Readings  
11:30 p.m., Nocturns of Pascha,  
immediately followed at midnight by:  
April 20, 12:00 a.m., Midnight (Saturday evening),  
Matins and Divine Liturgy of Pascha!  
12:00 p.m., Noon, Paschal Vespers  
April 21, 9:30 a.m., Bright Monday Divine Liturgy

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# Meet the medical providers at CHWC

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PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

**Dr. Sarah Humphries, MD, MPH**  
*Chief Medical Officer*  
 Services provided: General internal medicine, infectious disease consults, HIV primary care.

Dr. Sarah Humphries is originally from New York City and has spent time in the Northwest Corner throughout her life. Humphries became chief medical officer at CHWC in March 2025.

"I've been coming to the Salisbury area since I was a baby and learned to swim in Lakeville Lake. I'm excited to help grow and strengthen community health access in the Northwest Corner."

Humphries earned her BA from Brown University before completing a Master of Public Health at Yale University. She then obtained her medical degree from Ben Gurion University in Israel, followed by residency in Internal Medicine at New York University and a fellowship in Infectious Diseases at Mount Sinai in New York City.

Humphries said at CHWC "it's not just about what medical services we're providing, but really trying to help people in their lives."



PHOTO PROVIDED

**Dr. Deborah Buccino, MD, FAAP**  
*Pediatrician and Child Behavioral Development Specialist*

Services Provided: Youth autism evaluation (under age 6) and treatment/evaluation for individuals with developmental behavioral challenges (under age 21).

Dr. Deborah Buccino joined CHWC's North Canaan facility in September 2024, bringing more than 25 years of professional experience. She previously worked as a physician for public and private schools ranging from preschool through college. She has been an Instructor of Pediatrics at Boston University Medical School and UMass Chan Medical School.

In addition to autism spectrum disorder evaluations, Buccino works with individuals under the age of 21 experiencing developmental behavioral challenges like ADHD, anxiety, depression, emotional dysregulation, sleep and feeding difficulties.

Having spent time in Connecticut has a child, she is "excited to be reconnecting with my Connecticut roots. I am passionate about collaborative care that bridges silos between youth, families, health-care providers and school staff to deliver optimal support."



PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

**Rebecca Malone**  
*Family Nurse Practitioner*  
 Services provided: Pediatric primary care from newborn through young adulthood. School based primary care at HVRHS and NCES.

Rebecca Malone, of Sharon, began her career in pediatric primary care in January 2009 practicing family medicine and offering substance abuse treatment. Malone's experience includes health promotion, disease prevention, adolescent health and diagnosing and treating asthma, allergies, anxiety, depression, ADHD, diabetes and thyroid disease.

Malone's role as a school-based primary care provider allows her to "take care of students in their natural habitat." There is no bill for students utilizing this in-school medical care program at Housatonic Valley Regional High School and North Canaan Elementary School. Parents must sign a consent form in order for their child to receive treatment.

Outside of work, Malone enjoys "being outdoors with

my family, paddleboarding, hiking and raising food on our farm. In addition, I coach cheerleading with amazing athletes ages 5 to 14."



PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

**Catherine "Cay" Hosterman**  
*Family Nurse Practitioner*  
 Services provided: Primary care for adults and adolescents, Dept. of Transportation physicals for CDLs.

With more than 20 years of experience as a nurse practitioner, Cay Hosterman brings knowledge from a variety of settings working in adult and adolescent health.

Hosterman is licensed to provide Department of Transportation physicals, which is necessary for those seeking commercial driver's licenses.

"So the highway department and [Becton, Dickinson & Company] can come here. If you need to have a CDL license, you need to have a physical," she said. "We do those here."

Hosterman is originally from Kent and enjoys hiking, skiing and spending time in the community with friends and family.

Hosterman earned her degrees from University of New Hampshire and Fairfield University.



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**Elizabeth Russ**  
*Family nurse practitioner*  
 Services provided: Primary care provider for all ages.

Joining CHWC earlier this year, Elizabeth Russ brings experience from a previous private practice and more than five years as an emergency department nurse at Sharon

Hospital.

"I am a Litchfield County native who grew up showing dairy cattle as a member of the Busy Farmer's 4-H Club here in North Canaan. On my days off, I help on my family's farm in Cornwall."

Russ earned her degrees from Quinnipiac University, Hartwick College and St. Lawrence University before returning to the Northwest Corner to practice medicine.



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**Kristy Clark**  
*Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner*  
 Services provided: Psychiatric evaluation and medication management.

A Master of Science in Nursing, Kristy Clark has 35 years' experience as a psychiatric nurse in various inpatient, emergency and school nursing settings. She joined CHWC in 2023.

"I wanted to work in a center that provides care to everyone who needs it. I love to be able to help people in a small-town setting and in reaching one person. Also reaching a family and making ripples of positive mental health."

Clark lives in Goshen with her husband and two Cavalier spaniels.



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**Elise Sideli**  
*Licensed Master Social Worker*  
 Services provided: Out-patient clinical services for adults.

Elise Sideli offers the skills of an experienced social worker in community mental health, early college and recovery residence health centers. She provides therapy to individuals through CHWC. In addition to CHWC's North Canaan facility, Sideli also works with East Rock Collective in Great Barrington, Massachusetts.

She is native to the area, having grown up in New York State, and now resides in South Egremont, Massachusetts.

"I love cycling, hiking and making jewelry, and I enjoy working at my local CSA in the summer."



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**Kimberly Layman**  
*Chiropractic Physician*  
 Services provided: Diagnosis and management of musculoskeletal conditions.

Kimberly Layman was magna cum laude at Keene College, earning her BS in biology in 2012 and her Doctor of Chiropractic degree in 2017.

Layman is a spine specialist, certified in Active Release Technique and FAKTR.

Prior to joining CHWC, she ran Layman Sport and Family Chiropractic in Litchfield County.

Layman also brings experience from clinical rotations through Stony Brook Hospital on Long Island, New York, Optimus Health in Bridgeport and with minor league baseball team The Bridgeport Bluefish.

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## Art show benefits Auxiliary

By Patrick L. Sullivan

SALISBURY — The art show and sale at Noble Horizons Saturday, April 5, enjoyed a solid turnout.

Organizer Jean Saliter said the "Birds, Bees and Apple Trees" show, combined with the "Come As You Are" party, is in its second year.

True to the name, the pieces on display were of birds, bees and apple trees.

Saliter said the artists are either local or connected locally, and most of the pieces were "priced to sell" and created specifically for the show, which was sponsored by the Noble Horizons Auxiliary.

Saliter said the Auxiliary provides services at the facility such as the library, salon and fitness center, and a lobster dinner.

The artwork was all donated and the proceeds plus



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

**Tina Chandler's "Three Bees" was one of the entries in the "Birds, Bees and Apple Trees" art show and sale at Noble Horizons Saturday, April 5.**

the admission fee of \$25 went to the Auxiliary.

Forty minutes into the show, Saliter had sold two pieces. The artwork was all donated and the proceeds plus

start showing up in earnest until about half an hour past the official starting time of 5 p.m., she found that encour-

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## PROTESTS

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he'd see something like that twice in one lifetime. Fortunately, he didn't live to see this, but I am seeing it. It's very scary."

During a short program, which was introduced by Sophia deBoer, who helped organize the event, Joanne Borduas, president and CEO of Community Health & Wellness Center, a federally qualified health center, spoke about the cuts being made in the area of basic healthcare and the negative impacts, especially to those on Medicaid. She said those clients will not be able to afford to pay for insurance. "As an organization that receives federal funding, we're having to make drastic changes. Already we have had to close our dental services."

Borduas ended on a strong and foreboding note. "The cuts will result in a matter of life and death."

A woman from Stanfordsville, New York, said she is one of thousands of farmers who have been affected by the removal of promised grants. Her message to the Trump administration: "Hands off our environment."

One of the region's strong environmentalists, Tim Abbott, referring to the current administration as the "Trump regime," said land is important and access to nature is vital. He encouraged



Participants in Saturday's HANDS OFF! rally in Cornwall Bridge wave to passersby.

those present to skill up, not to comply, not to capitulate and perform defections.

Teen Alex Wilbur, representing the youth of the community, urged the crowd to stand up and protect those in the trans and LGBTQIA+ communities, expressing fear for the future. Wilbur shared a quote from activist Marsha Johnson who said, "No pride for some of us without liberation for all of us."

State Rep, Maria Horn, D-64, spoke about her major concerns, including the loss of \$1 to \$2 billion of Medicaid funding, noting one in four Connecticut residents are covered by that program. She touched on other areas that are being cut, such as food. "We must protect our most vulnerable people. That's part of our set of val-

ues." As a former federal prosecutor, Horn is extremely upset with the attempts being made to destroy the legal system.

Later in the day, a strong showing for HANDS OFF! was seen at the intersection of routes 4 and 7 in Cornwall Bridge. With an estimated crowd of 250, once again there was a sense of enthusiasm and commitment as signs were held high and waves to passing vehicles elicited much support.

For Mike Nadeau, climate change is an important issue that needs to be addressed. "I'm concerned with what little democracy is left," he said. Louise Riley of Kent runs Fishes and Loaves food pantry in Canaan, so it's natural that food is of great concern to her. The pantry

is receiving less food from governmental programs and is seeing increased demand, she said.

Richard Sears, who along with his wife, Brenda Singer, were among the organizers of the rally because they are witnessing the destruction of democracy in so many ways. "We need to stand up for the power of people," he said. Gary Steinkohl said the administration is "implosioning our society, democracy, economy, culture, beliefs — everything we've created — without reason."

Looking around at the rally goers, Cornwall First Selectman Gordon M. Ridgway said, "These cuts impact everyone out here: veterans, farmers, people on Social Security. And they are made by someone not elected by anyone."



Lisa Gold of Sharon and Mark Alexander of Falls Village are among those who came out to Saturday's HANDS OFF! protest rally in Salisbury.



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Rain didn't deter those who came out to Saturday's HANDS OFF! protest rally on the lawn of the White Hart Inn April 5.

## HYSB

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to the suit and gown-clad crowd.

Guests eventually took their seats around circular tables in the White Wedding Pavilion, attached to the Atrium, and began a salad course as Kelly Parker, executive director of the organization, made her way to the podium to deliver her welcome speech. "We call this the Gratitude Gala because gratitude is at the core of everything we do," she said.

Parker explained that the Housatonic Youth Service Bureau's work, which provides mental health services and support to Region One students and their families, is a vital resource to the region. "Right now, one in five children in the U.S. have a mental health issue," she said, adding that statistically, over half of those children will never receive treatment — "but not here," she affirmed.

Director of Finance Sara Beatty said that the Gala is essential to the organization's functioning. "We charge nothing," she explained, and with the group's clinicians seeing more patients than ever before, every dollar counts. And importantly, it's a ton of fun, she said: "We have a lot of repeat customers so we must be doing something right."

Following dinner was a series of energetic fundraising sessions, with a live auction seeing a \$1,450 top bid for a scenic plane ride from Great Barrington Airport to the Statue of Liberty and back, while other offers included a day driving the Lime Rock racetrack and overnight hotel stays.

A paddle-raise followed, called "Fund the Mission" at the Gratitude Gala, in which four contributors gave the top-ticket amount of \$1,000 while many others donated in increments down to \$50. With each paddle raised, no matter the amount, the room erupted into cheers and applause.

Culminating the evening's programming was the conferral of the Nancy Bird and Linda Sloane Gratitude Award — named for two past



From left: Michael Baldwin, son of the honorees, with Elyse Harney of Elyse Harney Real Estate, a benefactor of the Gala, and Scott Morris.

Below, Mary Ellen Winters and Jerry Baldwin, the night's honorees.



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board chairs — to the night's honored guests. Current Board President Bonnie Bellow introduced the couple, highlighting their long and decorated careers in volunteer and non-profit work in the Northwest Corner. Since moving to Lakeville in 1975, Baldwin and Winters "have been more than a presence" in the community, Bellow said.

The couple walked to the podium amid a clamor of whoops and cowbell ringing — an homage to the couple's cheering habits at local sports games. They graciously accepted the award, and Winters offered simple but potent words to the applauding crowd: "It's all about family and kids."

After settling back into their chairs, the honorees were humble: "It's a little embarrassing because everybody here has been so involved," Baldwin said while gesturing at the now-mobile crowd as the Tales of Joy band broke into a groovy

tune.

"It's just been years and years of work," said Bellow of the couple as the dance party kicked up. She said that when a board member aired the Baldwin name as an option to be honorees at the 2025 Gala, the debate was over.

While the band upped the energy, Kelly Parker reflected on the Gala's role in her organization's work. "It brings the community together," she said, "and it's fun," which she

explained brings welcome respite to a line of work that is often emotionally intense.

She said that today's children face novel issues in a world where social media, the internet and greater global connectivity bring more complex struggles to young students than in earlier generations. "There's so much going that kids are aware of today," she said, which creates unique challenges in offering support.

The Housatonic Youth Service Bureau is prepared to meet those challenges, though, she assured. "One of the things I'm most proud of is our organization's ability to adapt and respond to the needs of the kids."

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The pots went on the market in 2006 after years of experimentation and are now sold around the world.

Although the herd was sold off to an independent farmer a few years ago, the cows are still housed at the farm and the manure remains plentiful. The production of the pots takes place in a barn onsite.

Amanda Freund explained that a marketing consultant they work with sent in a submission for her to appear on "Shark Tank." She had preliminary conversations with representatives of the show last June and had meetings with production teams every week after that.

She finally heard that she would be a contestant and flew out to Los Angeles in September for the taping. A month ago, she heard the segment would be televised.

Accompanying her on the set was Bessie, an inflatable cow, who pranced gaily around the stage as Freund made her pitch. With poise and confidence, Freund presented facts about the business in detail, including profit margins and lifetime sales.

"We turn brown stuff into

green stuff," she said.

She also explained the business was branching out to use the composted manure for purposes beyond horticulture, such as packaging material. She showed the prototype for ones that would hold wine bottles. Candles could also be placed in them for safe transport.

In return for the \$200,000, Freund said she was willing to give 10% equity in the business.

Three of the four sharks, while impressed with her plea, said CowPots didn't fit into their businesses and turned her down.

Originally O'Leary, who also works with packaging, was reluctant to sign on. After some coaxing from the other panelists, he made an offer to invest if he received 25% of the business.

Freund countered with 20% and O'Leary came back with 22.5%. But Freund held firm, saying she couldn't go above 20% and was about to leave when again, getting pressure from the others, O'Leary agreed to the 20%. The two hugged to settle the deal.

As Freund and Bessie exited the stage, Freund could be seen smiling broadly, hands in the air, obviously pleased she'd had a positive encounter with a shark.

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FILM: KRISTA A. BRIGGS

## Out of the mouths of Ukrainian babes

I can sum up the last year in three words: fear, love, hope," said Oleksandr Hranik, a Ukrainian school director in Kharkiv, in a February 2023 interview with the Associated Press. Fast forward to 2025, and not much has changed in his homeland. Even young children in Ukraine are echoing these same sentiments, as illustrated in two short films screened at The Moviehouse in Millerton on April 5, "Once Upon a Time in Ukraine" and "Sunflower Field."

"Sunflower Field," an animated short from Ukrainian filmmaker Polina Buchak, begins with a young girl, Katya, who embroiders as her world becomes unstitched with the progression of the war. To cope, Katya retreats into a vivid fantasy world, shielding herself from the brutal realities surrounding her life, all while desperately wanting her family to remain intact as she awaits a phone call from her father, one that may never come.

"Once Upon a Time in Ukraine," a short documentary from directors Tetiana Khodakivska, Betsy West and Richard Blanshard, shares the stories of four children navigating war. Ivanna, a young girl in the Kher-son region, reads from her a book as drawings of vegetables, which she has thoughtfully named, animatedly come to life on. As the film proceeds, Ivanna's animated vegetables eventually go into defense mode against their Russian attackers.

Young Ruslan from Moschun tells his story with an emotion not usually seen in school-age boys. He resides in a temporary home not far from his house, which was destroyed in a bombing. He speaks of time in the cellar, keeping busy canning food while his neighborhood was under attack. He misses his cat, Tima, another casualty of the conflict, and stays close to his dog throughout his time on camera while taking viewers on a tour of his neighbor's former home, now a ruin from the devastation of the area. As Ruslan sadly observes, "It used to be a beauty."

In Dnipro, eight year old Myroslava, likely a budding gymnast, is ex-



To escape the cruelties of war, Katya finds solace in her imagination in "Sunflower Field".

hibiting her limberness. She speaks of formerly smooth roads in her hometown of Mariupol, which eventually caught fire. She explains, "Ukraine and Russia used to be friends until Russia got crazy." Myroslava's father has, in fact, perished in the conflict, but she remains in denial – or, as her mother explains, "She has gone into herself." Myroslava finds comfort from multiple hugs from her mother, but continues to maintain her father is alive. "He will return," she says. "He's coming back."

In Bucha, Maksym, 10, relates stories of explosions and bombings, as well as close encounters with missiles, which forced him and his family to evacuate. As with Myroslava, Maksym finds solace in his family, particularly his older brother. He can't sleep in the dark and stays close to his favorite toy – a present from his mother. A pianist and a dancer, Maksym says, "I dream of peace so they don't have to take up arms."

Children are resilient, but the young people of Ukraine are clearly being tested to their emotional limits. When the internet cooperates, the children of war-torn Ukraine



Still from "Once Upon a Time in Ukraine" depicting a coffin designed for a child being lowered into the ground.

have, for the most part, been receiving educational instruction online for the past five years and despite their circumstances, are academically persevering with a strong academic focus on STEM and the arts.

But education, pets, toys and loving families are for those children who have not been killed since the war began. More than 2,000 young people have been injured or killed as a result of the conflict. Observed filmmaker Buchak, "We're losing such a young generation now."

The number of children who suffer from mental health challenges is much higher. Untold numbers of children are in need of psychological intervention. All of Ukraine's children need to know the war is coming to an end, but until

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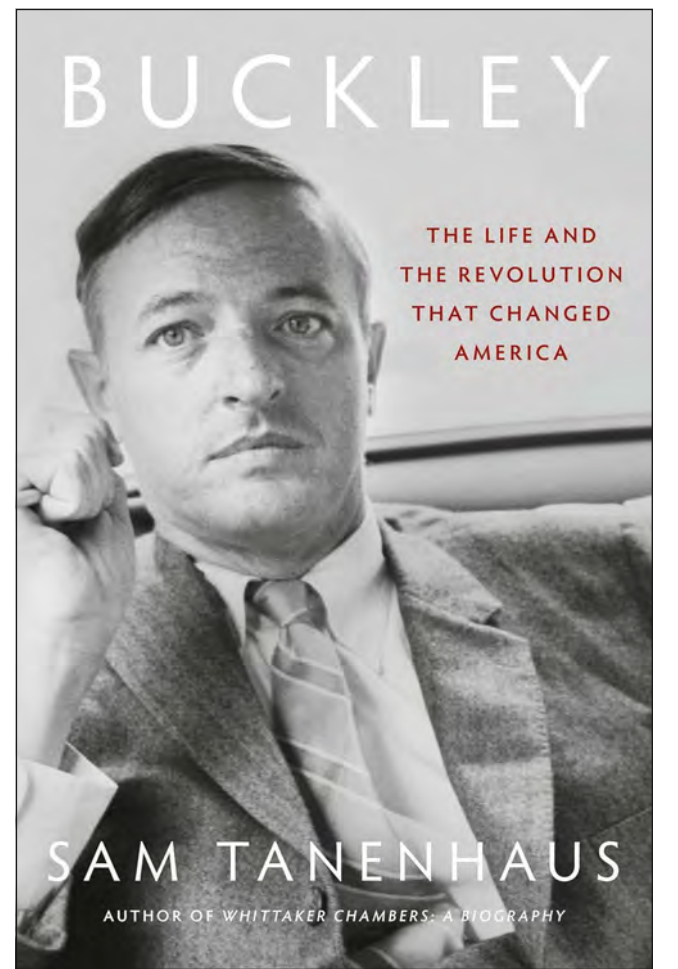


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BOOKS: RUTH EPSTEIN

## William F. Buckley Jr.: a legacy rooted in Sharon

Sam Tanenhaus, when speaking about William F. Buckley, Jr., said he was drawn to the man by the size of his personality, generosity and great temperament. That observation was among the reasons that led Tanenhaus to spend nearly 20 years working on his book, "Buckley: The Life and Revolution That Changed America," which is due out in June. Buckley and his family had deep roots in Sharon, living in the house called Great Elm on South Main Street, which was built in 1812 and bought by Buckley's father in 1923.

The author will give a talk on "The Buckleys of Sharon" at the Sharon Historical Society on Saturday, April 12, at 11 a.m. following the group's annual meeting. The book has details

on the family's life in Sharon, which will, no doubt, be of interest to local residents.

Buckley, who came from a family of 10 children, including his brother Sen. James Buckley and his sister Priscilla Buckley, who were familiar faces in Sharon during their lifetimes, was a well-known conservative writer and political commentator. "He was a true intellectual," Tanenhaus said during a recent phone interview. "He would even talk to his dogs in that way."

Buckley's name was synonymous with the conservative movement back in the middle of the last century. He was the founder of the National Review magazine in 1955 and host of the public affairs television

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"I've always been deeply connected to music. It's in my DNA as a fifth-generation musician. But it wasn't until 1994, after moving from New York City to Connecticut, that I discovered how music could impact animals," Marlow said, "I decided to live in Litchfield County because of the extraordinary beauty of nature that inspired so many compositions." It was when Marlow adopted a black-and-white cat named Osborn that something remarkable happened. "Every time I played the guitar, Osborn would come to my side and relax. It was clear that the music was affecting him, and this sparked my curiosity," she said. This sparked Marlow to start investigating how animals perceive sound and whether music could be used to improve their well-being.

Driven by these questions, Marlow began extensive research into animal hearing and their responses to sound. For three years,



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Janet Marlow recording Pet Acoustics.

she immersed herself in veterinary medical literature and consulted with experts in animal hearing. By 1997, she had formulated the concept of species-specific music and learned that animals have different hearing ranges. Marlow then designed Pet Acoustics, music created specifically within the comfort ranges of dogs, cats, horses, and birds to promote calm and balanced behavior.

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Marlow founded Pet Acoustics in 2009, which has since grown into a global leader in pet wellness for dogs, cats, horses, birds, rabbits and small animals. They

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Anastasia Rab of Razom for Ukraine, a nonprofit advocacy organization, fields questions from the audience alongside filmmaker Polina Buchak. Anastasia and Polina are both Ukrainian natives now living and working in the United States.

appropriate on a day marked by protests by the Hands Off movement in support of American democracy.

Rab, whose organization supports a physically, politically and economically secure Ukraine, noted the trauma in young Ukrainians whose existence and identities are under attack. "This war is about erasing Ukraine," said Rab, who pointed out another atrocity of war – the kidnapping, trafficking and forced il-

legal adoptions of young Ukrainians by Russian forces. In some instances, the young victims are "deprogrammed" by Russian forces and forced to fight against their own country – a war crime. Despite the atrocities of war and its terrible consequences, Polina Buchak, while grounded firmly in the awful realities of the ongoing battle, remained optimistic for change. "My hope is for a peaceful sky over Ukraine without the fear of being invaded."

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# ...Buckley

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program, "Firing Line" that ran from 1966 to 1999. The key aspect of Buckley's conservatism was a push against the tide of liberalism, said Tanenhaus. "It was more a negative than positive movement. He lived as a conservative, being highly patriotic, family-oriented and practicing civility and order."

Tanenhaus said Bill Buckley was the first political writer/thinker to understand political controversy was really cultural controversy. When he was waging a cultural war, the stakes were about such things as the communists winning and Jim Crow."

Tanenhaus relates his subject's relationship with a variety of individuals, including the explosive encounters he had with writer Gore Vidal. "There are indications he had a large capacity and never held a grudge. He didn't disparage Vidal as a writer and didn't say he was a bad person. Nowadays that approach is really uncommon."

Buckley was always

interested in other people's lives, including such figures as Huey Newton of the Black Panthers and Jesse Jackson, of whom he was very fond.

Tanenhaus spends time in the book delving into Buckley's personality, noting he could talk with anyone and was always interested in those he met. "He wanted to maintain friendships. He never wanted politics to

supersede relationships. He was just such an exciting person to be with."

What he couldn't tolerate, said Tanenhaus, was being bored. He enjoyed being in the company of others and was a great listener; not so great a talker. He was a great publicist and promoter of ideas and arguments.

Often asked what Buckley would think of

today's political scene, Tanenhaus said he really couldn't say, but he said he did have lots to say about Donald Trump back in the 1990s. "He might say different things now. He never did have him on 'Firing Line.'" They had one friend in common; attorney Roy Cohn.

Tanenhaus revealed his political leanings do not mirror those of Buckley's, but took on the project to see how the world thinks of him.

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# Guiding principles for spring gardening

It's safe to say we deserve a dose of optimism now and spring delivers it to us in the form of nature's gifts. I have been away for two weeks and am excited to be back among the wildness of the Northwest Corner, to watch life begin to stir above ground and to sense it stirring beneath. This installment of *The Ungardener*, written on a plane returning from London where spring has gloriously sprung, delivers a short set of guiding principles to keep in mind as you make your gardening choices this spring. Admittedly, they might induce some guilt if they were not followed in the past but, if heeded, I promise they will lead to outcomes of profound optimism.

## 1. Select plants for their ecosystem purposes, not only for their aesthetic merit

Many, if not most, native insects — such as caterpillars/butterflies — are only able to eat one or a few kinds of plants; they are not able to quickly adapt their diet to other plants and will die if they don't have them available in quantity. Similarly, newborn and fledgling birds require being fed a diet of caterpillars to survive, and, as just relayed, many caterpillars can only feed on very particular native plants. When we don't cultivate



these native plants in our gardens, we are effectively depriving baby birds of their nutritional requirements for survival. If you remove the food sources for critical species they cannot survive, and the animals that depend on them cannot survive. You end up breaking a link that can have dire circumstances further up the food chain; biodiversity is reduced, creating vulnerabilities for other animals including humans. The Xerces Society has a list of Northeastern native plants that are key for this purpose: [https://xerces.org/sites/default/files/publications/22-026\\_01\\_NP-PBI%E2%80%9494North-east\\_web.pdf](https://xerces.org/sites/default/files/publications/22-026_01_NP-PBI%E2%80%9494North-east_web.pdf) Highlights include: Butterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*), Lanceleaf coreopsis (*Coreopsis lanceolata*), Boneset (*Eupatorium perfoliatum*), Purple coneflower (*Echinacea purpurea*), Bergamot (*Monarda fistulosa*), Virginia mountain mint (*Pycnanthemum virginianum*).

**2. Don't spray for ticks**  
When you have your yard professionally sprayed for ticks, it's the yard perimeter that is sprayed. This is where



PHOTO BY DEE SALOMON

**Caution in early spring to minimize footfall will preserve the early emergence of plants. Here, the flowers of the skunk cabbage dot the marsh.**

leaf litter houses overwintering caterpillars and other beneficial insects. The spray used is a synthetic and concentrated form of permethrin, a nerve agent, that will kill fireflies, butterflies, many species of bees, beetles and insects including ticks that overwinter in the leaves. That's a lot of collateral damage, especially as ticks mostly stay away from cut lawns anyway. If you want to minimize tick populations on your property, the safest, most effective and scientifically proven way is to cut back barberry on your property as ticks proliferate on mice that use the spiny barberry shrubs as safe houses from predators.

## 3. Remove invasive plants

The invasive plants growing in your gardens and in backyards are decimating native ecosystems. Now is a good time to make a plan to get rid of them, but not necessarily to do the work. Larger, woody invasives such as bittersweet, burning bush, honeysuckle, barberry and multiflora rose should wait until about June for removal. Also wait for late summer to tackle Japanese knotweed. Early spring, however, is an excellent time to pull out young, woody

invasives and invasive weeds such as narrow-leaf bittercress (*Cardamine impatiens*), and garlic mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*), as well as creeping plants such as vinca major and ground ivy (*Glechoma hederacea*), as their roots are loosened from the soil just after the thaw. Consider substituting the native species of pachysandra, heuchera, tiarella, violet and/or strawberry.

## 4. Don't ignore your soil

While you work outdoors, be careful where you tread. You don't want to compact the soft and wet soil by walking on it heavily. This is not an easy thing to do if, for example, you are removing vinca, as you really must get into the soil to get the roots. But keep it in mind. Step gingerly to pluck out the offending weeds and then stay off while tender spring plants start to poke through. Now is a good time to get a soil test, especially around areas where you have seen unusual leaf yellowing. At home, our native hollies seem to be struggling and I have a feeling the heavy rains have washed out some critical minerals. As with a blood test for humans, supplementation of the soil starts

by testing to finding out what is needed for healthy nutrition. If you have beech trees, you will want to investigate adding phosphite (not phosphate) to the soil. Speak with an arborist who can assist you. Beech Leaf Disease is real and is leading to the death of these important native trees.

## 5. Soft Landings

Writing about soft landings seems appropriate given my current airborne state, although I am referring to the practice of planting native plants under trees, creating a soft landing area for caterpillars as they descend from the branches where they hatched and begin climbing up plants to feed and to pupate into moths and butterflies.

This will be the focus of my own spring planting efforts this year. I will be mixing ferns with the before mentioned tiarella, violet and strawberry, to plant around the apples, lindens, yellow wood and redbud trees that dot our lawn. I expect the effort will reduce our lawn area by 10 percent, a small but not insignificant win for the environment.

*Dee Salomon 'ungardens' in Litchfield County.*

THEATER: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

## Sharon Playhouse hosts 'Play Soirée: Noises Off'

The Sharon Playhouse is throwing open its doors (and slamming them theatrically) for "Play Soirée: Noises Off," a one-night-only romp through Michael Frayn's hilariously catastrophic backstage comedy. On Friday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m., two local luminaries, Michael Kevin Baldwin and Andrus Nichols, will lead what promises to be an exquisitely unhinged reader's theater experience.

If you've never flung experienced Frayn's madcap maze of missed cues and sardines, this is your moment. "Noises Off" is the crown jewel of meta-farce: a play about a play going spectacularly, unrelentingly wrong. Doors open. Doors close. Lines are forgotten, feelings are bruised, and everything teeters on the edge of chaos. It's a kind of theatrical Jenga, and every block teeters on the edge of collapse.

But for this production, the plot is almost



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**Above, a table read at The Sharon Playhouse. Right, Emma Simon, actor/educator.**



beside the point. This evening is about the joy of being in a room, scripts in hand, drinks in glass. You don't have to be an actor (though all levels are welcome) as roles are handed out on the spot. It's democratic, it's chaotic, it's a little bit tipsy. In short, it's theater as it ought to be — alive, messy, and fueled by community... and cabernet.

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## TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

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### APRIL 11

#### Jazz Vespers Service

Canaan United Methodist Church, 4 Church St., Canaan, Conn.

On Friday, April 11 at 6 p.m. Jazz duo Nick Moran and Carol Leven will offer jazz musical selections on the themes of reflection, sacrifice, and hope accompanied by a brief meditation from Rev. Dr. Anna Crews Camphouse. A free-will offering to support the musical offerings requested, but no one will be turned away. All are welcome.

### APRIL 12

#### King of Kings (1927) Screening with Live Music

Christ Trinity Church, 180 Main St., Sheffield, Mass.

A special screening of Cecil B. DeMille's *King of Kings* with live music by composer Donald Sosin, featuring Joanna Seaton and the church choir. Free admission; donations welcome. Screening begins at 7 p.m.

#### Egg Hunt

Lawrence Field, Main St., North Canaan, Conn.

North Canaan Recreation Commission hosts the annual egg hunt at 12 p.m. at Lawrence Field. Children aged 10 and under are invited to take part. Eggs can be redeemed for goodie bags. Find the silver and gold eggs for a prize basket. Free event. No rain date.

#### Bluebird Nest Box Building Workshop

Sharon Audubon Center, Director's House, 325 Cornwall Bridge Road, Sharon, Conn.

From 10 a.m. to noon, welcome these delightful neighbors by building your very own nest box! Participants will learn about Bluebird ecology, how and where to place their nest box, and how to protect the birds against threats such as housecats, House Wren, and House Sparrow. The second half of the program will include assembling nest boxes for participants to take with them. Register at sharon.audubon.org/events

#### Last week's Word

L	A	T	K	E
Q	U	A	C	K
S	H	A	N	K
D	R	A	N	K
P	R	A	N	K

*This Word of the Week was contributed by WordW player Zaryah Gordon*

### 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 Word of the Week.


- Variety of large, sweet fruit
- Embarrassing "walk of \_\_\_\_"
- Bell signals passing time
- Herb with earthy flavor
- April is National Poetry Month

### Sharon Historical Society

#### Annual Meeting & Author Talk with Sam Tanenhaus on *Buckley: The Life and the Revolution That Changed America*

18 Main St., Sharon, Conn.

This event will start at 10 a.m. with the Annual Meeting (with bagels and coffee) the lecture will begin at 11 a.m.

Historian Sam Tanenhaus presents "The Buckleys in Sharon." The lecture is based on his highly anticipated new biography of William F. Buckley, Jr. to be published in June, "*Buckley: The Life and the Revolution That Changed America*." Admittance is free and open to the public. RSVPs are requested and can be sent to programs@sharonhist.org.

#### AMP Family Days – Monthly Series

American Mural Project, 90 Whiting St., Winsted, Conn.

AMP Family Days are free for kids under 18. Pre-registration encouraged.

Saturday, April 12, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., discover how native plants support bees, butterflies, and birds.

Includes mural tours, scavenger hunts, teen art studio (ages 13–18), hands-on crafts, and expert-led presentations.

More info: americanmuralproject.org/family-days

### APRIL 13

#### 'The Palestine Exception' Documentary

Old Dutch Church, 272 Wall St., Kingston, N.Y.

"The Palestine Exception," is a documentary about the crackdown on the free speech rights of students and professors when they discuss apartheid Israel and its war crimes in Gaza. 3 to 5 p.m. All donations after expenses will go to aid Gaza. Cosponsored by: Middle East Crisis Response mideastercrisis.org, Mid Hudson Valley DSA, Rally Middletown, JVP Hudson Valley, Peace Education Center, and Veterans For Peace. Contact: mecr@mideastercrisis.org or 845-876-7906

### APRIL 15

#### Goat Story Time

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

On Tuesday, April 15, 10:30 a.m., join baby goats from Adamah Farm for a special story time. Learn about goat care and get a chance to pet a live baby goat.

#### Reconstructing the Past through Archival Photos with Photographer Peter Peirce

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

Peter Peirce shares a project about the lost Swift River Valley towns and their 2000 residents from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Peter Peirce is a professional photographer who was handed a shoebox full of unidentified glass plate negatives in 2001. Among them were hundreds of studio portraits, landscapes, and houses detailing the history of four towns in the Swift River Valley of Massachusetts from the early 1900s until their abrupt and tragic end in April 1938.

Registration is required.

### APRIL 16

#### All About Puppy Fostering

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

On Wednesday, April 16, 3 to 4 p.m., ECAD (Educated Canines for Disabilities) volunteers will discuss puppy fostering and training, followed by a meet-and-greet with lab and golden retriever puppies.

#### All Pro Dads Group

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

Wednesdays, April 16, May 21, June 18 6 to 7 p.m. Calling all fathers and father figures! Bring your kids (ages 3-12) and join Project SAGE for a free, fun night of pizza and activities. Register online or by phone at 860-364-5041.

### APRIL 17

#### Mini-Golf in the Library

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

On Thursday, April 17, 3 to 5 p.m., putt through nine holes set up around the library. Compete with family or friends and experience the library in a new way.

#### Eric Carle Story Time

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

On Thursday, April 17, 10:30 a.m., read classic Eric Carle stories and create your own Carle-inspired artwork.

### APRIL 18

#### Vintage Cartoon Screening

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

On Friday, April 18, 3 p.m., watch vintage Eric Carle animations based on his Grimm's Fairy Tales book. Enjoy popcorn and a unique look at his artwork.

#### Millbrook Arts Project: BIO-BASED

Millbrook Library, 3 Friendly Lane, Millbrook, N.Y.

BIO-BASED by Loren Eiferman & Henry Klimowicz will be on view from March 31 to April 26. There will be an Artist Talk: Friday, April 18, 4 p.m.

### APRIL 19

#### Community Earth Day Celebration

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

On Saturday, April 19, 10 a.m. to noon, create recycled art with Canaan Kids Artspace at the Center on Main, clean up town, and help prepare the library grounds and

community garden for spring. Hosted with the Falls Village Recreation Commission.

#### Traces, Places, and Faces: Works on Paper

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

Cornwall Library's new exhibit "Traces, Places, and Faces: Works on Paper" from Sari Goodfriend and Eddie Watkins, runs from April 19 through June 7. Artists' Reception is April 19 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the library, 30 Pine Street, Cornwall, Conn. Registration for the reception is requested at cornwalllibrary.org/events/

#### Exploring Native Plants, Managing Their Invasive Rivals & Responsible Herbicide Use

Sharon Land Trust Benton Hill Preserve (park at the 40 Benton Hill Road entrance)

10 a.m. to noon (rain or shine), join Tim Hunter, Sharon Land Trust's Stewardship Director, for a field demonstration at Benton Hill Preserve. This session will focus on responsible herbicide application—when and why it may be appropriate, and the environmental benefits and risks to consider.

We'll also discuss alternative management strategies and highlight the positive impacts of using herbicides responsibly. Register at sharon.audubon.org/events

### APRIL 26

#### Taste Not Waste: Cooking Session

Fairfield Farm at The Hotchkiss School, 400 Sharon Road, Lakeville, Conn.

Saturday, April 26, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Learn creative food waste prevention tips with Carol Hawran. Bring past-prime pantry or fridge items and a container. Space limited to 12.

Register: foodwastepilot@gmail.com

#### BINGO Benefiting Project SAGE

Morgan's Restaurant, 74 Interlaken Road, Lakeville, Conn.

Join us for a fun evening of BINGO benefiting Project SAGE on April 26 from 6 to 8 p.m.! \$25 All-You-Can-Eat Buffet, \$5 beer, \$9 wine, and \$12 cocktails. Reservations required: (860) 435-9878. Prizes donated by Honeychurch Home, Privet House, and more!

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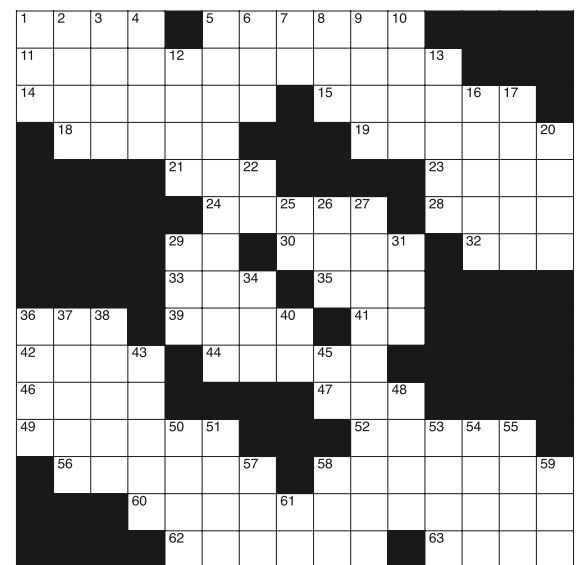
#### CLUES ACROSS

- Garden tool
- A way to preserve
- Gratitude
- Domestic sheep
- Simpler
- Cavities containing liquid
- Large fish-eating bird
- Ocular protection index
- Phil \_\_, former CIA
- Icelandic poems
- Pop
- Device
- Actor Rudd
- A pituitary hormone
- Focus on an object
- Corpuscle count (abbr.)
- Young women's association
- Not shallow
- Doctor
- Furniture
- Hindu male religious teacher
- Highly spiced stew
- A way to communicate
- Almost last
- Astronomer Carl
- Small horses
- A slender tower with balconies
- A disrespectful quality
- Fully shaded inner regions
- Short convulsive intake of breath

- Affirmative! (slang)
- A passport is one
- Two outs in baseball (abbr.)
- Swiss river
- Deferential
- Where a bachelor lives
- Portable computer screen material
- A crying noise of a bird
- Sticky, amorphous substance
- Starchy dish of dried tubers
- Type of acid
- Partner to "Ma"
- 16 ounces
- The Bay State
- A well-defined track or path
- Substitution
- Defined period

#### CLUES DOWN

- Popular Sunday dinner option
- Oil cartel
- Agile
- Greek goddess of discord
- Genetically distinct variety
- Indicates badly
- Popular Mr. T character
- Consumed
- Chinese dynasty
- NFL great Randy
- Within
- Palm trees
- Fungal disease
- Tall, slender-leaved plants



- Group of toughs
- Region
- Famed Scottish Loch
- Blood relation
- Not around
- Recipe measurement
- Father to Junior

#### April 3 Solution

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#### Sudoku

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#### April 3 Solution

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## OUR TOWNS

# Group art show opens at Hunt

By Patrick L. Sullivan

FALLS VILLAGE — The "Playing with Art" show that opened last week at the David M. Hunt Library is a real grab-bag.

The show includes creations from a collection of area artists utilizing a variety of media.

There is a section reserved for artworks made by children.

There are quilts from the Hunt Library Quilters.

There are pieces from local artists, including Robert

Cronin, Erica Crofut and Ken Musselman.

There are animations based on the books and art of Eric Carle.

And hovering above it all are richly detailed dragonflies, made by art students of the New York Educational Program in Manhattan, including Falls Village's John Hodgson.

The subtitle of the show is "Art and Animation for Children of All Ages." The sense of playfulness is pervasive.

The show is on display through April 25.



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Admirers take in the new art show at Hunt Library.

## SPORTS



PHOTOS BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

### Splashing into crew season

Kent School crew teams hit the Housatonic River April 4 to practice for the spring season. Varsity meets began April 2 when the Lions hosted Lawrenceville School. Kent's girls and boys teams both emerged from the water victorious over Lawrenceville, starting the season with wins.



PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

### T-rex reflex

At Housatonic Valley Regional High School's pep rally April 4, an inflatable Tyrannosaurus rex representing the senior class in an obstacle course race barreled headlong into the limbo component of the event. The T-rex was uninjured.

### Line dance on Fridays for Little Rascals

SHARON — To raise money for the Little Rascals Summer Program, Sharon Parks and Recreation will host line dancing at Sharon Center School.

The main event will be Friday, May 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. Entry is \$10 per person.

For three Fridays leading up to the dance, practice sessions will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. on April 25, May 2 and May 9. Entry to practice is \$5 per person.

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