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Ethan Arsenault, operator of Canaan View Dairy in East Canaan, oversees hundreds of dairy cows.

## Resiliency grant helps fund the future of farming

By Alec Linden

NORTH CANAAN — The Northwest Connecticut Land Conservancy marked the second round of its “Building Resiliency Through Innovation” grants by bringing leaders in agriculture and land protection to Canaan

Valley for demonstrations by two of the Northwest Corner’s most forward-thinking agricultural projects. Under a low sky on the morning of June 18, attendants turned off Route 44, slid behind the homey storefront of Freund’s Farm Market & Bakery and pulled up to an elegant canopy tent setup where

they dug into coffee, frittatas, and eventually strawberry shortcakes, all provided by Freund’s. On either side of the tent were the facilities of the day’s featured businesses: Canaan View Dairy, which was a recipient of the land trust’s funding, and CowPots, the Freund-family founded and operated biodegradable planting pot en-

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It was standing room only in North Canaan Town Hall Monday, June 23, for the joint public hearings and town meetings.

## Voters renew trooper, table tripartite ordinance

By Riley Klein

NORTH CANAAN — The air was hot in North Canaan Monday, June 23. About 150 people filled Town Hall for joint public hearings and town meetings. The initial line to check in and receive paper ballots extended into the parking lot. The agenda items were to approve a two-year resident trooper

contract and a tripartite ordinance changing the positions of town clerk, tax collector and treasurer to appointed four-year roles rather than elected two-year terms.

While most speakers engaged in conversation about the tripartite ordinance, no vote was taken that night. The issue was tabled to allow for further discussion before voting on the topic.

The resident trooper contract passed by a vote of 128 yes to 20 no.

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## Bear claws man in North Canaan

By Riley Klein

NORTH CANAAN — In the early hours of Monday, June 23, a North Canaan man was attacked by a bear while out with his dog. The man sustained scratches to his chest but denied emergency medical services. He requested to remain anonymous. North Canaan First Selectman Brian Ohler said, “He’s fine and in good spirits.” Ohler added that

DEEP placed a trap near the property in case the bear returns. In a press release later that day, DEEP stated the bear was with cubs. The man was attacked after coming between his dog and the bear. Bird feeders were present on the property. DEEP noted the risk that comes with leaving out food sources that can lure bears into yards. More bear coverage on Page A2

## Traffic detours set around Lime Rock Park June 27-28

LAKEVILLE — With thousands expected to flock to Lakeville for a full weekend of high-speed action and family fun, local roadways will be buzzing with activity. To help everyone get to the action smoothly and safely, Lime Rock Park has released a detailed traffic and parking plan in coordination with local authorities. On both Friday and Saturday, June 27-28, traffic adjustments will be in place. The key window for arrivals is between 7 to 9:30 a.m. before roads close.

Detour maps on page A10

Starting at 10 a.m. and stretching through 1 p.m., the official ingress plan will direct traffic flow into Lime Rock Park. Between 1 and 4 p.m., lanes will return to normal operation, though delays are still possible. Expect heavier traffic again from 4 to 7 p.m. as fans head out. See TRAFFIC, Page A10

## State intervenes in sale of Torrington Transfer Station

USA Waste remains determined to purchase the facility, but HB 7287 requires the operating permit be transferred from MIRA-DA to the newly formed regional waste authority

By Riley Klein

TORRINGTON — Municipalities holding out for a public solid waste solution in the Northwest Corner have new hope. An amendment to House Bill No. 7287, known as the Implementor Bill, signed by Governor Ned Lamont, has put the \$3.25 million sale of the Torrington Transfer Station to USA Waste & Recycling on hold. The amendment was added after the formation of the Northwest Resource Recovery Authority in Torrington in late May. The text added to the bill reads, “any permit or license relating to the Torrington Transfer Station shall be deemed transferred to the Northwest Resource Recovery Authority, or its designee, and shall continue in full

force and effect.” The change halted the sale to USA, which was unanimously accepted by MIRA Dissolution Authority at its May 14 board meeting, and reopened negotiations with municipal leaders. Torrington is one of two transfer stations in Connecticut, the other being Essex, that are still operated by MIRA-DA. Combined, more than 20 towns currently utilize these facilities. Members of the Northwest Hills Council of Governments have been working to establish a public option for solid waste management for more than a year. In February 2025, MIRA-DA entered into a term sheet for a regional waste authority to take over the Torrington Transfer Station to be used as a central hub for regional hauling. Those plans were nixed after MIRA-DA’s May

decision to privately sell the facility, until the amendment to HB 7287. The Implementor Bill is “an act concerning the state budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2027,” according to the state website. It was signed by Lamont in early June. MIRA-DA reviewed the situation at its board meeting Wednesday, June 18. Conversation mostly took place in executive session, but several speakers participated in public comment. Supporting a public option, Torrington Mayor Elinor Carbone said, “I’m advocating for the local taxpayers for return on the investment that they’ve made over the years through tipping fees.” She continued, “The best way to return that investment is to strongly consider

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Online This Week

**Wakesurfing ordinance hearing in Kent**  
A proposed ban on wakesurfing was met with civil discussion June 17. More at lakevillejournal.com

**Considering ‘pay as you throw’ plan**  
Salisbury/Sharon Transfer Station discussed unit-based pricing. 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.

Driveway fender bender

On the evening of June 18, Jeffrey Livingston of New York, New York was attempting to turn into a driveway on Main Street in Salisbury when his Toyota Avalon collided with a Ford F350 driven by Connor McGuire of North Canaan. Both vehicles were still operable after the crash, though Livingston was found at fault for the accident and was issued a written warning for “failure to grant right of way at private road or driveway.”

Arrest on warrant for vehicle burglary

On June 19, Joseph Mollo, 19, of Hewlett, New York was arrested on a warrant for an incident dated Jan. 22, 2025, reported from Ashpohtag Road in Norfolk. Mollo was taken into custody and processed for first degree larceny, third degree burglary and

larceny of a motor vehicle. Mollo was unable to post a \$15,000 cash bond and was set to appear at Torrington Superior Court on June 20.

Sneeze causes head-on collision

On the afternoon of June 20, Shannon Hutchinson, 32, of North Canaan was traveling south on Canaan Valley Road when she collided head on with a Honda HRV driven by Chystene Curtis, 82, also of North Canaan. Curtis reported that she sneezed and closed her eyes briefly, and Hutchinson said that Curtis’ vehicle swerved into her lane. Curtis’ HRV was disabled, as was Hutchinson’s Subaru Forester, but both drivers were uninjured in the accident. Curtis was issued a citation for “failure to maintain proper lane.”

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 subject, to editor@lakevillejournal.com

By Riley Klein

CORNWALL — “Bears are back,” said First Selectman Gordon Ridgway at the start of a selectmen’s meeting Tuesday, June 17. “Since we last met [June 3] we’ve had three homes in Cornwall broken into on Cherry Hill, Whitcomb Hill and Town Street.”

Homeowners were present during two of the incidents, but no injuries were reported. Ridgway noted the

distance between impacted homes would suggest it was not the same bear.

On Town Street, the bear opened the refrigerator for a snack before ransacking the house and leaving. The next day, Transfer Station Coordinator Ted Larson was present to scare away the bear when it returned for seconds.

Troop B and the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection were called to respond and reportedly tagged one of the bears.

A fourth bear was hit by a car on Route 4 June 21. Ridgway said the injured bear wandered away from the scene, resting near a tree before disappearing into the woods. Department of Energy and Environmental Protection responded to the incident approximately four hours after the fact.

Bear sightings have been common in Cornwall this spring. Ridgway said he saw a mother with four cubs in his driveway recently.

“It’s a problem,” said Ridgway, encouraging people to report encounters to Town Hall. “If they have a real emergency, of course, call 9-1-1. But if you want to report damage, report it to the selectmen’s office. We are keeping track.”

Cornwall submitted 45 pages of bear incident reports to the state from last year, but “the environment committee did not send a bear bill out,” said Ridgway. “It seems to be a western Connecticut problem... they’re not paying attention to what’s happening here.”

Ridgway heard from residents who have grown fearful to leave their homes. “I think it really is a public safety issue,” he said.

ZEO retiring

Zoning Enforcement Officer Karen Nelson will be stepping down at the end of June.

Spencer Musselman, of Goshen, has been hired to fill the role effective July 1. Musselman also serves as the land use administrator of Litchfield.

Ridgway said after the interview process, “We were all very impressed by his resume, his references and his knowledge of the field.”

A farewell party was planned for Nelson, to be held at Cornwall Library June 24.

By Christine Bates

GOSHEN — In May, Goshen had four transfers, three of them within the confines of Woodridge Lake, with eight sales pending on June 21, 2025.

Goshen median sales prices continued their steady rise up to \$645,000, established in May.

The Town of Goshen has a healthy inventory of properties listed for sale at the end of June including 13 single family homes with eight under a million dollars and 13 pieces of land.

Transactions

225 West Hyerdale Drive — Woodridge Lake Lot 65 — 3 bedroom/4 bath home sold by Sudan F. Taussig Revocable Trust to Judith B. Fradin Revocable Trust for \$2,350,000 recorded on May 9.

50 Shelbourne Drive — Woodridge Lake Lot 220 - 3 bedroom/2 bath home sold by Barbara A. and Daniel Pappalardo to Brian E. and Donna M. Mattiello for \$695,000 recorded on May 18.

Dresden Circle — Wo-



PHOTO BY CHRISTINE BATES

This 2,205 square foot home at 50 Shelbourne Drive near the entrance to Woodridge Lake sold over asking price (\$675,000) for \$695,000 after only two days on the market.

odridge Lake lot 608 - 0.8 acres of land sold by Ed & AJ Building and Remodeling LLC to Martin and Janice C. Connor for \$25,000 recorded on May 16.

160 Hageman Shean Road — 4 bedroom/3 bath home sold by Hageman Hill LLC to Anthony and Lisa Debany for \$956,000 recorded on May 30.

\* Town of Goshen real estate transfers recorded as sold

between May 1 and May 31, 2025, provided by Goshen Town Clerk. Transfers without consideration are not included. Current market listings from Smart MLS. Note that recorded transfers frequently lag sales by a number of days. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Salesperson with William Pitt Sotheby’s International Realty, Licensed in Connecticut and New York States.

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Our Towns

Lt. Governor visits with area vets

By Ruth Epstein

CORNWALL/SHARON — Local veterans were formally recognized last week when Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz, along with Veterans Affairs Commissioner Ron Welch, came to honor them.

They were in Cornwall on Monday, June 16, at which most of those who gathered had served during the Vietnam War-era. The pair held another gathering in Sharon on Wednesday, June 18.

Bysiewicz told both groups that when she was secretary of state, she learned that the country was losing 1,500 of the greatest generation (those who served in World War II) every day. Wanting to do something before it was too late, she hosted 140 veterans' events from 2008 to 2010 and had the opportunity to honor 2,000 individuals.

From that spawned the idea to host such ceremonies for veterans from the Korean and Vietnam eras. Korean vets have been honored in 120 towns and those who served in Vietnam in 115 towns.

There were 36,000 American casualties recorded in Korea and 58,000 in Vietnam.

Bysiewicz talked about the similarities in both those wars; they were never officially declared or formally concluded, and those returning home didn't get the proper greeting. "Some from Vietnam were never treated well because the war was not wanted and it was taken out on the soldiers," she said.

She stressed the importance of honoring those still alive, noting 500 Korean vets are being lost every day and 600 who were in Vietnam. But she was proud to remind them that they never stopped serving. They came home to volunteer in their communities, joined veterans' organizations, raised beautiful families and devoted themselves to civic services.

"We are so grateful that you preserved and protected our freedoms," Bysiewicz said.

Ron Welch, the commissioner of Veterans Affairs, himself and his son veterans of the Afghanistan War, told the audience that returning to civilian life is never easy and urged them not to hesitate to ask for services. "Take advantage of all that we offer," he said.



PHOTO BY RUTH EPSTEIN

**Vietnam War veteran Ray Aakjar of Sharon accepts a citation during a Veterans' Ceremony hosted by Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz and Veterans Affairs Commissioner Ron Welch on June 18. To the left are the three selectmen: Lynn Kearcher, John Brett and Casey Flanagan.**

In Cornwall, all the vets were from the Vietnam era, except for Huntington Williams, who proudly stood up when it was announced he had been in the Korean conflict. He came from a military background with his father having served in World War I. David Cadwell said, "I enjoy hearing, "Thank you for your service."

Bill Berry said he always was interested in the military. His father died in 1952 in a bomber plane.

Bill Lyon came clutching his Marine hat. After serving, he was in the Reserves for six years. "There's not a lot of credence given to the Reserves, but we did what everyone else did." Jonathan Ingersoll VIII said, "I appreciate this small ceremony. It's nice to be formally welcomed back into society."

Others from Cornwall are: Richard Kearns, Douglas Pelletier, Jr., Marc "Doc" Simont, Anthony Sterzl and Guy "Max" Ule, Jr.

In Sharon, First Selectman Casey Flanagan gave a message, saying they were there to recognize what all these men had done for the country and the sacrifices made to protect freedoms. He spoke of a recent visit to the town's War Memorial for inspiration. "There, I felt a powerful connection to the past. I didn't know them, but I'm deeply aware of the legacy they left behind."

He continued, "I feel the weight of their sacrifices shaped this country and those who call Sharon home. I can't feel the pain or the sacrifices you made, but you set an example for me, the town and those who follow. I hope you're as proud of us as we are of you."

Bysiewicz went around the room, asking the veterans to comment.

Rick Stone and his brother Howard Stone were in Viet-

nam at the same time. "The food wasn't great and the weather was usually warm, but I made good friends," said Rick Stone. Robert Loucks relayed a harrowing story about a bomb that was found in the bottom of a

body of water that had fallen off an aircraft and had to be detonated.

Richard Kopec said, "I wouldn't wish it (serving in war) on anybody, but it made me who I am today. I learned what you can do if you put your mind to it." He is writing a book about his experiences and battle with PTSD. Robert Nickson said, "The experience was invaluable. I wouldn't change those five years."

Others from Sharon are: Ray Aakjar, Gordon Braislin, Norman Day, Richard DeAngelis, Bull Moon Rising, Neil Pedersen, John Perotti, Robert Pittenger, Rolf Hohlfeld and Gary Tuthill.

A moment of silence was observed at the Sharon ceremony for Michael John Carley, a local young man who was killed in combat.



PHOTO BY RUTH EPSTEIN

**A crew works to install a modular home on Town Street in Cornwall Monday as part of a regional affordable housing initiative.**

Cornwall adds two affordable homes

By Ruth Epstein

CORNWALL — The large trucks and huge cranes seen on Town Street Monday, June 16, signaled the eventual addition of two families to the neighborhood.

The workers were installing a duo of modular homes on two one-acre parcels of land donated by Ginny Potter through a program organized by the Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity, with a grant from the state Department of Housing, which saw nine affordable houses being placed around the Northwest Corner.

Referred to as "scattered site homes," the program is also installing modulars in Salisbury and Norfolk.

Ginni Block, president of the Cornwall Housing Corporation, along with resident George Charlton and Planning and Zoning Commission chairman Anna Timell, looked on as the crew from Signature Custom Homes of Pennsylvania deftly maneuvered the large equipment. Excitement grew as the crane

lifted sections of the two-story house up into the air and put them in place.

"It's just amazing to watch," said Block. "This is the work of many, many people who made it come to fruition. We're thrilled it's proceeding."

The homes, which feature three bedrooms, will be owned by the future residents. The land upon which they sit will remain with the housing corporation. Block said the cost will likely be around \$250,000 to \$280,000. Preference will be given to families with three or more members. Occupants will be chosen through a lottery system.

The concept of this new program is to sell the homes at prices that will be affordable to households earning below the area median income.

SRC Construction Services of Meriden was chosen through a competitive procurement process to be the contractor.

Two houses have already been installed on Perry Street in Lakeville.

Sharon considers appointing clerk

SHARON — The Board of Selectmen scheduled an information meeting at 6 p.m. on June 24 to present the notion of switching the town clerk position from a resident elected role to one appointed by the BOS.

In an announcement available on the town's website, the BOS state that the change "is intended to broaden the pool of potential candidates beyond Sharon residents, allowing the town to attract a wider range of qualified candidates. Additionally, this shift may appeal to individuals who are highly

capable but hesitant to participate in the electoral process."

The current version of the ordinance draft that would codify the switch has the appointed clerk serving four-year terms, with no limit on repeating terms with satisfactory performance. The selectmen maintain the term length is meant to protect job security for the employee.

Coverage will be available online at lakeville-journal.com. North Canaan is considering the same change (Page A1).

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# Our Towns

## P&Z to keep meeting on Zoom

By Alec Linden

SALISBURY — The Planning and Zoning Commission will continue to host its public meetings remotely via Zoom, as established at its June 16 regular meeting. The Commission held a discussion surrounding its position statement on meeting formats, with Chair Michael Klemens citing reasons of fairness and accessibility as the rationale for continuing to hold meetings remotely. “It keeps us all on a level playing field,” he said. He said that a remote model enables commissioners and attendees with busy schedules to attend an increasing number of meetings each month and allows members of the public to attend and watch recordings at their leisure.



PHOTOS BY SIMON MARKOW

**Fire dept. holds annual banquet**  
Cornwall’s first responders gathered at Mohawk Ski Lodge Sunday, June 22, to celebrate another year of successful rescue services. New volunteers were welcomed as members, the top 10 responders for fire and emergency medical service calls were announced, and longstanding volunteers were recognized for reaching milestones: 10 years for Ian Ridgway and Garrick Dinneen; 15 years for Ted Larson and Elizabeth Russ; 20 years for Fred Scoville; 50 years for Rod MacNeil.



“If we go to in-person meetings, we’re going to lose commissioners, or have a terrible attendance record,” he said. The statement, which the Commission voted to approve with one no vote from Secretary Martin Whalen, asserts that remote meetings offer a number of benefits to commission members, town staff and residents alike. “Remote meetings maximize public access and participation, efficiently utilize the limited staff resources of the Land Use Office and enable volunteer Commissioners to process a significant volume of complex applications through increasingly frequent meetings,” it affirms. The Commission originally switched to an all-virtual meeting platform during the

Covid-19 pandemic. It has hosted several hybrid meetings, employing both a live session and zoom streaming, but P&Z maintains that the hybrid model causes logistical difficulties and requires twice the staff of a remote meeting. The Commission took action on the issue in response to numerous calls from members of the public to return to a live format. Salisbury resident Elyse Harney has advocated the change at several recent P&Z meetings. “I want to be able to sit and look at you guys; look you in the eye,” she said. “I feel very strongly about this.” During the contentious Wake Robin public hearing process, Lakeville-based real estate appraiser Roger Rawlings concluded testimony with even stronger words. “I will finish with the fact that we’re on a Zoom and we’re not in the congregational church with the public watching this,” he said. “I am ashamed.” “Why are you ashamed to be on Zoom?” Klemens questioned Rawlings later in the meeting. “250 people should be there and you should have

to look at them all instead of just a few” Rawlings replied. At the June 16 meeting, Klemens countered that argument by saying the Commission is legally bound to uphold the rights of the property owner and the public, and as such cannot be legally influenced by crowd behavior. “The idea that we need to sit in a room with the public and be in some way influenced by their body language or their anger” is erroneous, he said. “It may work on our elected politicians,” he added, “but we have the laws to uphold.” **Wake Robin hearing** The Commission moved to schedule the public hearing for ARADEV LLC’s application to expand the Wake Robin Inn on the last date of its statutorily defined window to do so, Aug. 5. The delay is meant to allow time for a decision to be issued on pending litigation against P&Z. If approved, the suit would affect P&Z’s ability to review applications regarding hotels in the RR1 zone, which the Inn is located within.



PHOTOS BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

**Puppy story time**  
Lee Sohl, accompanied by her therapy dog Freddy, came to the Kent Memorial Library Saturday, June 21, and read to kids from dog books she has written. The Kim family was in attendance to enjoy a reading of “Pug in a Truck” and other titles.



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## LEGAL NOTICES

### Legal Notice

The Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Salisbury will hold a Public Hearing on Application #2025-0290 by owners Page and Bryan Seyfried for variance relating to section 305.1 of the Salisbury Zoning Regulations for a deck and screened porch, Salisbury, Map 58, Lot 04. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at 5:00PM. 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.

Salisbury Zoning Board of Appeals  
Lee Greenhouse  
Secretary  
06-26-25  
07-03-25

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

Notice is hereby given that the following actions were taken by the Planning

& Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on June 16, 2025:

Approved - Site Plan Application #2025-0289 by owners Kenneth and Elizabeth Burdick, to remove existing house and construct a new single-family residence, septic system, and driveway in the Lake Protection Overlay District in accordance with section 404 of the regulations. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor’s Map 60 as Lot 17 and is located at 152 South Shore Road, Salisbury.

Authorized the Land Use Administrator to issue a temporary Zoning Permit pursuant to section 906 of the Zoning Regulations for a ceremony at 112&138 Housatonic River Road, with the understanding that this is a one-time approval.

Authorized the Land Use Administrator to issue a Temporary Zoning Permit pursuant to section 906 of the Zoning Regulations for a ceremony at 112&138 Housatonic River Road, with the understanding that this is a one-time approval and the owners will discuss outstanding issues with the Planning and Zoning Commission. This authorization was conditioned on approval by the Fire Marshal and the Building Inspector.

Any aggrieved person may appeal these decisions to the Connecticut Superior

Court in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §8-8.

Town of Salisbury  
Planning &  
Zoning Commission  
Martin Whalen, Secretary  
06-26-25

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
ESTATE OF  
JACK BURCROFF  
Late of Cornwall  
AKA Jack James Burcroff  
(25-00229)**

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated June 3, 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:  
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Megan M. Foley  
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06-26-25

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
ESTATE OF  
LINDA T. EUVRARD  
Late of Sharon  
(25-00212)**

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The fiduciary is:  
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OBITUARIES

Joseph Robert Meehan

SALISBURY — Joseph Robert Meehan the 2nd, photographer, college professor and nearly 50 year resident of Salisbury, passed away peacefully at Noble Horizon on June 17, 2025. He was 83.

He was the son of Joseph Meehan the 1st and his mother, Anna Burawa of Levittown, New York, and sister Joanne, of Montgomery, New York.

He is predeceased by his wife, Elsie Lynn Meehan who passed away in November of 2023.

He leaves behind a son, Joseph Cortese, of Upton Massachusetts, his wife Mary and grandchildren, Michaela (Cortese) Donabedian, her husband Sevag and his great grandson, Ari, of Hopkinton, Massachusetts.

His grandson, Joseph Cortese, of Barrington, Rhode Island, and his granddaughter, Jaclyn Cortese of Tamworth, New Hampshire.

He also leaves behind his daughter, Kathleen Cortese Zito and husband Dominic, their three children, Michael, Alessandra, and Mathew Zito of Broomall, Pennsylvania.

After teaching psychology at Dutchess Community College in Poughkeepsie, starting in 1968, his 40-year career in photography started in the mid to late 70's and has included assignment work for a wide variety of commercial and editorial publications. Over a thousand of his photographs have appeared in newspapers, books, magazines and on web sites for clients such as Nikon, and Hasselblad cameras, SanDisk memory cards, Tiffen Filters, Fujifilm, Eastman Kodak, the U.S. Army, National Geographic, the Smithsonian Museum and the U.S. Department of the Interior.

His work ranged from the beauty of the Salisbury area to an expedition photographer for arctic animal studies in the high Canadian Arctic, photographing Inuit hunters in Northern Greenland

to landscape work in other extreme locals such as Death Valley, California.

Portfolios of his work have featured in such magazines as Outdoor Photographer, Shutterbug, Rangefinder and Popular Photography and his style has been characterized by the New York Times as "... alive with color and sparkling with light."

He also served as the technical editor of Photo District News for over a decade, writing about new technologies and products and was the former editor of the Photography Yearbook. He has authored over 20 books on photographic technique many of which have received "best book" awards and have been translated into several languages.

Born in New York City, he was a 1959 graduate of Levittown High School, Levittown, New York.

He received his baccalaureate degree with honors from Columbia and a Master of Arts degree from Manhattan College. He has taught photography on the college level in the U.S., England and at the National Academy of Arts in Taiwan and gave workshops at the Palm Beach Photographic Centre in West Palm Beach, Florida.

His eye always saw the beauty of the Salisbury area through a lens and he captured those images in an area that he and his wife Lynn loved.

When they were not on/in and around the lake, he and Lynn didn't miss any of their grandchildren's big events. Joe took great pride in photographing all these memorable events.

His beautiful images will always be here for all to appreciate.

Funeral services are under the direction of Newkirk-Palmer funeral home and a graveside service will be held this Friday, June 27, 2025, at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Cemetery, 18 Cobble Road, Salisbury, Connecticut.

Florence Olive Zutter Murphy

STANFORDVILLE, New York — It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Florence Olive Zutter Murphy, who went home to be with the Lord on June 16, 2025, at the age of 99.

She was born in Sharon, Connecticut on Nov. 20, 1925, and was a long time resident of the Dutchess County area.

She was a devoted mother, loving wife to James Francis Murphy, who passed on Oct. 11, 1971, and a dear friend to many.

Florence, who was also known as Flo, managed a dairy farm for many years on Carpenter Hill Road in Pine Plains, New York. She is remembered for her delicious home cooked meals.

After raising her children she became an avid square dancer, racketball and tennis player. She then discovered

her love for bike riding. She enjoyed embarking on bike tours well into her mid 80's. When Flo wasn't out riding her bike she could be found taking care of her property. She loved gardening, clearing the woods and building rock walls one stone at a time.

Florence was an amazing woman of great integrity, strength and tenacity. She was adored, respected and greatly loved by her family and those who knew her.

Florence is survived by her seven children — Bonnie June Chase, James Albert Murphy, Donna Sue Strauss, Jackie Lynn Merwin Disher, Glenn William Murphy, Lori Lee Mora and Clint Evan Murphy as well as 16 grand children and 20 great grand children.

She will always be remembered and greatly missed.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.



REGIONAL

Leaders hear of pressures, successes in area winemaking

By Alec Linden

GOSHEN — Town officials took to Connecticut's wine country June 12 for the annual meeting of the Northwest Hills Council of Governments to learn about the realities of operating in the state's agritourism industry from its largest winery, Sunset Meadow Vineyards.

The COG gathered in what is perhaps one of Litchfield County's more bucolic "meeting rooms," a cozy and rustic offshoot of the winery's tasting room with big windows that allowed plenty of the early June morning light to stream in.

Before launching into the normal agenda, founder and owner of the winery George Motel Sr., who continues to run the business alongside his wife, Judy, and son, George Jr., took the floor to tell the COG a bit about what it's like to run a viticulture operation in Connecticut.

COG Chair Dan Jerram introduced Motel, explaining that the winery had been chosen as one of rural Connecticut's small business triumphs. "We're trying to highlight our regional successes that draw people to the area and create economic opportunity for others," he said.

Motel said he is proud and grateful for his vineyard's accomplishments in its 30-odd years history, becoming the second largest planted vineyard in New England. But running the business has not been without its challenges. Foremost among which are the logistical obstacles that come with operating a weather-dependent industry in a climate as fickle and difficult as Northwest Connecticut's.

Motel said that the winery is "100% at the mercy of mother nature," affecting not only the agricultural aspects



PHOTOS BY ALEC LINDEN

George Motel addresses NHCOC members June 12, explaining his experience running a winery.

of the business but also its hospitality side.

"If it rains 17 weekends in a row, that doesn't help our business," Motel said ruefully, referencing the unusually wet Saturdays that 2025 has brought thus far to the region.

Other challenges are less elemental and more recently problematic, including maintaining a sufficient workforce and expenses and wage hikes outpacing profit gains. "Our sales aren't growing at the rate wages are increasing," Motel explained.

Still more difficulties stem deep into American history. "The alcohol laws in this country are antiquated," Motel lamented, saying that the winery loses a significant market by not being able to sell in grocery stores.

And of course, there's the Litchfield Hills' robust wildlife populations to contend with. Motel reported that netting he uses to cover the vines is effective in blocking deer and small mammals from accessing the grapes, but "not for the bears."

The bears have their utility, however. Motel said that berry-loving mammals have very selective palates and eat only the sweetest grapes, and when he starts seeing torn netting, he knows it's time to start picking.

Despite the challenges, the



Sunset Meadow Vineyards is located in Goshen.

winery has managed to grow dramatically since starting out in the mid-1990s. Motel said that the vineyard started out producing five wines; now it has 26.

After Motel concluded, Jerram thanked him for sharing his insights, and, addressing the COG, appealed more broadly to the role of farmers in the region that goes beyond their production. "All the farmers in the Northwest

Corner are really helping to preserve our land," he said, helping the pastoral quality of the region to endure despite development pressures.

While the meeting was strictly business, several selectmen took the opportunity to peruse the shelves and buy a bottle or two after the meeting concluded, doing their part to support the winemakers, and their cabinets and cellars at home.



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The House of Representatives in session on February 24, 2025, at the state Capitol in Hartford.

## CT laws taking effect July 1: School lessons, e-books, budget

Over six dozen Connecticut laws, including the state's next budget and bond package, will wholly or partially take effect on July 1.

Here's a look at some of the dozens of laws that will be implemented next month.

### New biennial budget

Now with Gov. Ned Lamont's signature, Connecticut's next biennial state budget will take effect at the beginning of the state's next fiscal year, which is July 1.

The budget prioritizes children, would boost funds for nonprofit social service agencies two years from now, and would increase taxes on corporations. It also dramatically scales back a pledged boost to health care providers who treat the poor and relies on accounting maneuvers to comply with the state's constitutional spending cap.

### \$9.7B bond package

A \$9.7B bond package to finance school construction, transportation upgrades and other capital projects for the next two fiscal years will take effect on July 1.

The borrowing plan would expand non-education aid for cities and towns, increase affordable housing and combat homelessness, bolster security at places of worship and support construction and renovation of child care facilities.

It recommends new capital investments in higher education — including \$5 million to advance the planned renovation of Gampel Pavilion at the University of Connecticut — and a new \$60 million program to help K-12 school districts fund small-scale renovation projects.

### Education requirements in public schools

Beginning in the 2025-26 school year, Connecticut public schools will be required to add two units to their social studies curriculum: Asian American and Pacific Islander history and civics and media literacy.

The AAPI studies provision, part of a bill that lawmakers passed in 2022, requires schools to teach the history of Asian American and Pacific Islanders in the state, region and country, including the contributions of AAPI individuals and communities to the United States' arts, sciences, government, economy and civil rights advancements.

A separate law that passed in 2023 requires the civics and media literacy lessons. Civics is defined in the bill as "the study of the rights and obligations of citizens" and media literacy will cover the role of all forms of media in society and how to use, evaluate and analyze the media

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that a person consumes or creates.

### Absentee ballot drop box recordings

As of July 1, municipalities are required to have implemented video recording technology, complete with date and time evidence, at each of their absentee ballot drop boxes. They will be required to start recording the boxes on the first day absentee ballots are issued for an election or primary and continue recording until the town clerk retrieves the last ballots.

The law also requires that the recordings be made available to the public as soon as possible — and no later than five days after the town clerk's last ballot retrieval — and that they keep the recordings for at least a year.

Legislators approved that requirement in the wake of an absentee ballot abuse scandal in Bridgeport, where a court ordered a re-do of the city's 2023 Democratic primary after a video surfaced of Democratic Town Committee vice chairwoman Wanda Geter-Pataky appearing to place multiple absentee ballots into a Bridgeport absentee ballot drop box.

Five people, including Geter-Pataky and three Bridgeport council members, have been charged with election-related crimes as part of a sprawling investigation into that primary.

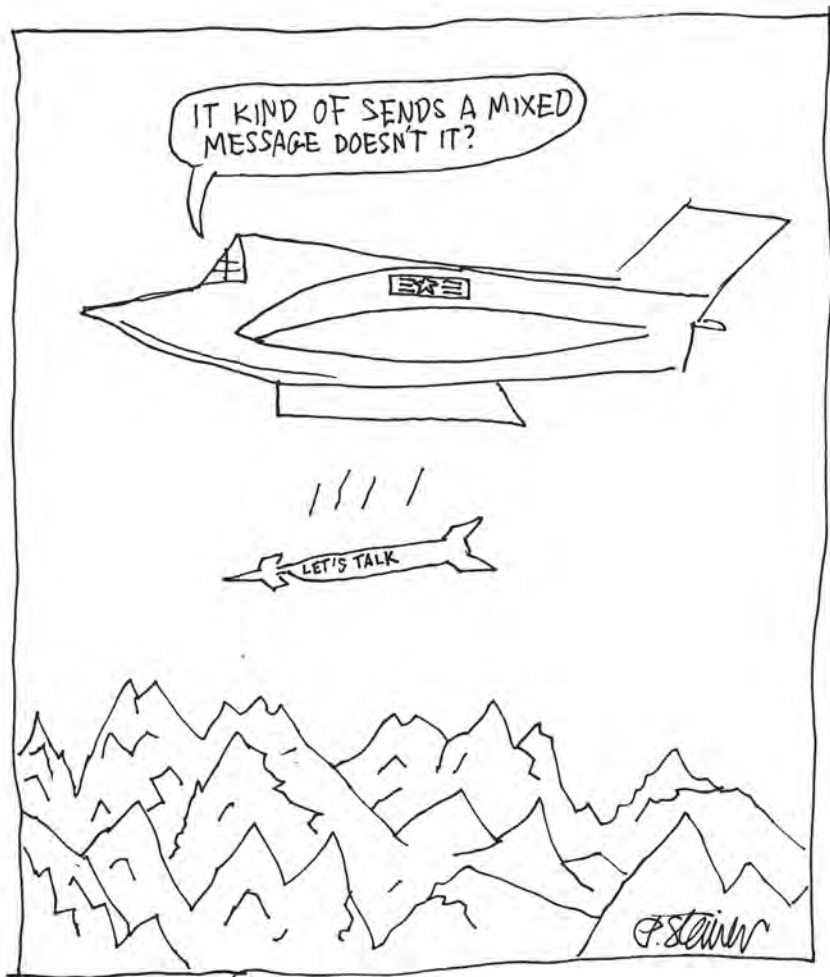
### Limits on library e-book contracts

This year, lawmakers gave full passage to a bill designed to address the high costs libraries incur when buying electronic and audiobooks by banning them from entering into contracts with e-book publishers that contain terms that some lawmakers call restrictive.

E-book contracts for libraries often come with terms that mean the library has to re-purchase the book after it's been borrowed 26 times or every couple of years, whichever comes first. The law prohibits libraries from contracting with publishers that place simultaneous restrictions on the loan period of an e-book and the number of times people can borrow it.

Though the law takes effect on July 1, it will only be implemented if one or more states with a total or combined population of 7 million enact similar laws, and mandates that the state librarian check quarterly whether any other states have passed a similar law.

# Opinion



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## Whither the president's 'Big Beautiful Bill'

### OCCASIONAL OBSERVER MAC GORDON

Senate Republicans are currently considering this domestic policy (tax) bill recently approved by the House of Representatives with just a single vote margin. This suggests that the bill will undergo much scrutiny and perhaps some significant changes before being finalized and coordinated with the House version for a final vote. Here is where it's at so far.

The legislation would slash taxes, providing by far the biggest saving to the wealthy; a current estimate is that more than forty percent of the personal income tax reduction will go to the top one percent of incomes. This tax cut is estimated to cost the government more than \$4 trillion over ten years, a staggering amount that is being offset by cuts to various other programs for less affluent taxpayers.

The bill would also steer more money to the military and immigration enforcement while cutting health care, nutrition, education and clean energy programs to cover part of the cost of tax cuts. In addition there are several other measures that President Trump cam-

paigned on such as "no tax" on tips and overtime pay and an increase to the standard deduction for Americans 65 years or older. These are all uncertain to pass because of conservative objections.

Businesses would receive several tax cuts including valuable deductions for research and spending.

The bill would also hike taxes on universities with a tax on the investment income that their endowments earn which would rise substantially, from 1.4 per cent to as high as 21 percent.

The cap on state and local tax deductions in the House bill has been raised from \$10,000. to \$40,000.

In a complex array of revisions, the regulations regarding Medicaid, the insurance program primarily for the poor and disabled population has been revised to reduce the cost to the Federal government by shifting much

of the costs to states. The Congressional Budget Office has estimated that pushing these costs to the states will likely cause 16 million people to lose their healthcare and endanger rural hospitals. The Senate is currently investigating other possible health care cuts in Medicare, Obamacare and several other programs.

Like President Trump himself, the House bill is unfriendly to the environment. The bill would quickly end most of the big tax credits for clean energy contained in the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022. Many of those incentives were expected to last a decade. Tax credits for low emissions electricity sources like wind would be available in full only to power plants in service before the end of 2028.

Although Republican members of Congress have, at President Trump's insistence, been trying to cancel most of the environmental provisions from Biden's Inflation Reduction Act as well, as it happens more than three quarters of the environmental projects being funded are in the districts of Republican representatives and are not easy for those lawmakers to vote against.

It's too early to know what effect the fallout between Trump and Elon Musk might have on the final budget. Trump's insistence on cancelling subsidies for electric vehicles (including Teslas) will hurt both Musk and the

environment and may weaken Trump's hold over Republican senators and members of Congress, allowing some of the few who are unhappy with the current bill to vote against it. But who knows?

A number of conservative Republican senators have threatened not to support the "big beautiful bill" unless enough additional cuts are made so as to not increase the overall national debt but at this point there is little left that might be cut without triggering massive objections over most all of the possible sacrifices. And few possible cuts offer enough to get even close to a balanced budget.

Despite the pleas of many Democrats thus far, not a single Republican except for Senator Josh Hawley has said publicly that he was against enormous tax cuts for the very rich.

But this giveaway together with major cuts to programs like Medicaid for ordinary citizens, if enacted, will worsen the ever widening income gap between rich and poor.

According to Evan Osnos in his new book, "The Haves and Have Yaghts," un 1978, "the top .01 percent of Americans owned about 7 percent of the nation's wealth; today, according to the World Inequality Database, it owns 18 percent."

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Architect and landscape designer Mac Gordon lives in Lakeville.

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## Window view in Salisbury



Our Towns

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

125 years ago — June 1900

LIME ROCK — Raymond Woodin sustained severe injuries from a fall from his bicycle the other day in Salisbury. He is about again but is lame and is badly scarred about the face.

Teamsters are now hauling charcoal from several “good jobs” to the furnace here. A large stock of ore from the Old Hill and Davis mines is being accumulated also.

Murry G. Hoag of Canaan, 89 years old, says that Dec. 16, 1840, is the date when the first passenger train arrived in that village. Canaan was then the northern terminus of the Housatonic railroad.

On Thursday Miss Scoville had the misfortune to lose a very fine solid gold pin near W.C. Witter’s residence. The pin was in the form of a Roman gold snake in the head of which was a large emerald and the eyes were formed by two small diamonds. Shortly afterward it was found by Dr. Orton and restored to its owner, who values it as a keepsake.

SHARON — There will be an exhibition of F.A. Edison’s moving war pictures next week Wednesday evening June 27th. Benefit Village Improvement Society.

The victims of the measles are, this week, too numerous to mention, nearly every family containing children has been, or is being, visited by the disease.

From the pond at Chas. Peck’s place, a party of four, recently, within two hours caught one hundred and four bullheads.

Joseph Hanley of Hillsdale is the telegraph operator during Mr. Marvin’s absence.

Miss Phebe Miller is enjoying a brand new bicycle, and is already an accomplished rider.

A rail road motor-cycle went over the C.N.E. road on Tuesday. The machine was driven by gasoline and was making fast time when it went through this place.

A.I. Cowles is getting to be a raiser of fancy potatoes. He has no less than eleven different varieties, some of them very rare and expensive, planted in his garden, and some of them are already in blossom. He gets up with the sun goes to bed with the moon and proposes to have some tubers if hard work and the right kind of seed will do it.

100 years ago — June 1925

Quite an important real estate deal was made on Monday. A co-partnership of E.O. Wagner and Harry Miller purchased the Holley Block of the Holley Mfg. Co. It is understood that extensive repairs and alterations will be made in the building after the new owners assume possession July 1st. The exterior of the building will be painted white, and a new green colored asbestos roof will replace the present one. Changes will be made to the interior of the building. The first story will be remodeled to meet the needs of the tenants, and the second floor will be converted into apartments, and when fin-

ished will afford quarters for a number of additional tenants. It might be interesting to state this is the first change in ownership of this plot of ground since the year 1795, it having been in the Holley family since that date to the present time.

Only nine days to the Glorious Fourth and the small boy’s cup of happiness is full.

The Journal office is being repainted. Come on with that subscription which is in arrears.

50 years ago — June 1975

Officials of Sharon and Amenia learned suddenly this week they have until Oct. 1 to make new landfill arrangements. The giant Curtiss-Wright Corporation told Amenia it wants the town out of the corporation-owned landfill by that date. While Amenia leases the property directly from Curtiss-Wright, Sharon in turn has a contract with Amenia to share the lease cost in return for Sharon citizens’ use of the Route 22 site.

John Lewis Sochocki, 17, of Canaan drowned Monday night in an accident at the Falls Village Recreation Center. Young Sochocki graduated only last Friday from Housatonic Valley Regional High School. He was swimming with 8 other family members and friends at the unguarded, unlighted pool shortly after darkness fell. According to State Police Sochocki jumped from the diving board into 8 to 10 feet of water and failed to surface. He was finally pulled from the water by Colin Wrightman, a camper from New York City, and Paul Collier of Falls Village, a friend.

Rumors of an offer of \$2½ million to the Erickson Brothers of Salisbury for their property near Lion’s Head apparently have no firm foundation. Harold Erickson said this week that he had been approached a couple of weeks ago by some persons saying they could go as high as \$½ million to obtain the site for a sanitary landfill. The Ericksons’ contract to operate a landfill for the Town of Salisbury will end in the summer of 1976. These persons did not identify themselves or their backers, however, and Mr. Erickson said he “thought it was just a joke” and “didn’t pay too much attention” to the proposal. If his visitors return, he said, then he will take them seriously and will ask them for proof of the authenticity of their offer.

The former Iron Dube on Under Mountain Road in Salisbury will reopen in the fall under new ownership and a new name. The inn is now the property of Louis and Doris Schroeter, former owners of the Morgan House in Lee, Mass. The Schroeters this week were in the process of moving into and beginning renovations on the building, hoping to be ready for an early fall opening.

Friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stein Sr. gathered at Lee H. Kellogg School Tuesday evening to honor the couple on the occasion of their 63rd wedding anniversary, and to note Mr. Stein’s many civic contributions. The evening’s program included reminiscences by town officials and music by the Grammas and Grandpas.

25 years ago — June 2000

A debate that has raged through the state for the last several years regarding the Housatonic River seems to have been resolved. Last week, the state’s Department of Environmental Protection released a document mandating that hydroelectric plants in Falls Village and Kent cease their practice of storing water and then releasing it to generate power. The document, called a 401 Water Quality Certification, is just a draft and may still be changed on the basis of comments made to the DEP until the end of the day July 20.

The Northwest Corner may be 3,000 miles from California, but many area residents felt and heard the rumbling Thursday of an earthquake that was centered just west of Springfield, Mass. According to an Associated Press story, preliminary readings showed that the 12:03 a.m. quake scored 3.3 on the Richter Scale. According to the AP article, Don Blake-man, a geophysicist at the National Earthquake Information Center in Denver, said a quake of that size is not that uncommon in New England.

FALLS VILLAGE — A large black bear climbed onto the patio of Leone Young and Chris Morley’s house on Undermountain Road during cocktail hour Saturday evening. It did not stay for drinks. Ms. Young, her aunt and a cousin were outdoors enjoying one of this spring’s rare dry evenings when it came up the stairs and poked its head around the corner. It ran off after Ms. Young and her aunt shouted at it. Ms. Young feels confident the bear did see the three people on her patio and was not afraid of them, but she did not sense it had come to attack them. Nevertheless, the visit did create some anxiety for the three because Ms. Young has a broken leg. “My aunt said the first thing she thought of was ‘how are we going to get Leone into the house?’” Ms. Young said.

Status Report

LAKEVILLE — The Salisbury Rotary Club’s Installation Dinner for incoming Club President Bill Pond was held at the Boathouse Restaurant Tuesday, June 17. The evening included farewell remarks by outgoing President Paul Ramunni, Susan Dickinson’s role as club treasurer and Bill Spalding’s as a member of the board of directors were both renewed for another term.

CORNWALL — On June 18, Cornwall Conservation Trust, Inc. announced the election of Rob Lacy as president, succeeding Bart Jones’ planned retirement after successfully leading CCT for the past 13 years. Jones will continue as a board member and will be vice president focused on conservation acquisitions.

HVRHS fourth quarter 2024-25 honor roll

FALLS VILLAGE — Principal Ian Strever announces the fourth quarter marking period honor roll at Housatonic Valley Regional High School for the 2024-25 school year.

Highest Honor Roll Grade 9

Mia Belter (Salisbury), Cody Bodwell (Cornwall), Zaira Celso-Cristobal (Sharon), Sadie Chapell (Salisbury), Louise Faveau (Salisbury), Madeline Johnson (Salisbury), Eliana Lang (Salisbury), Alison McCaron (Kent), Katherine Money (Kent), Mira Norbet (Sharon), Abigail Perotti (North Canaan), Christopher Piscitello (North Canaan), Nova Pratt (North Canaan), Bridger Rinehart (Salisbury), Owen Schnepf (Wassaic), Schuyler Thompson (Falls Village), Juliette Trabucco (Kent), Federico Vargas Tobon (Salisbury), Payton Wagner (North Canaan), Collin Walsh (North Canaan).

Grade 10

Olivia Claydon (North Canaan), Georgie Clayton (Salisbury), John DeDonato (Salisbury), Adelyn Diorio (North Canaan), Carmela Egan (Salisbury), Kellie Eisermann (Salisbury), Grace Graney (Falls Village), Alexa Hoadley (Kent), Sydney Howe (North Canaan), Jonas Johnson (North Canaan), Finian Malone (Sharon), Meadow Moerschell (Kent), David Nam (Sharon), Jackson Olson (Falls Village), Logan Padelli (North Canaan), Gustavo Portillo (North Canaan), Ishaan Tantri (Salisbury), Ivy Zheng (North Canaan).

Grade 11

Lily Beurket (Cornwall), Genesis Bravo Guilcashina (North Canaan), Olivia Brooks (Salisbury), Victoria Brooks (Salisbury), Allegra Ferri (North Canaan), Evelyn Flores-Hernandez (North Canaan), Mollie Ford (Falls Village), Anna Gillette (Salisbury), Madelyn Johnson (North Canaan), Neve Kline (Salisbury), Alexa Meach (North Canaan), Ibbly Sadeh (Falls Village).

Grade 12

Daniela Brennan (North Canaan), Kaylin Clark (North Canaan), Madeline Collingwood (South Egremont), Amelia Dodge (North Canaan), Madison Gulotta (Sheffield), Harper Howe (North Canaan), Dustin Kayser (North Canaan), Katelin Lopes (Falls Village), Tess Marks (Salisbury), Manasseh Matsudaira (Cornwall), Jassim Mohyidin (Salisbury), Olivia Robson (Salisbury), Gabriela Titone (Salisbury), Elinor Wolgemuth (Salisbury).

High Honor Roll

Grade 9

Lyla Banffy (Kent), Travis Barber (Cornwall), Paige Beeman (North Canaan), Max Bochnovich (Salisbury), Nico Bochnovich (Salisbury), Jackson Brammer (Sharon), Logan Bronson (Cornwall), Lucius Bryant (Cornwall), Winter Cheney (Cornwall), Alisa Christiansen Madsen (North Canaan), Tess Churchill (Salisbury), Niki Clark (Salisbury), Luca Floridis (Salisbury), Celestia Galvin (Sharon), Samuel Garcia Pulido (North Canaan), Beatrice Gifford (Kent), Angel Gonzalez (Salisbury), Addison Green (Kent), Baxter Hayhurst (Falls Village), Chase Kading (Millerton), Kogan Lawrence (Amenia), Paul Losh (Falls Village), Wyatt Merwin (Salisbury), Logan Miller (Falls Village), Vilija Salazar (Salisbury),

Camdyn Tallon (North Canaan), Erick Trotta (North Canaan), Olivia Whitney (North Canaan), Nathan Young (Cornwall).

Grade 10

Adelaide Almeida (Salisbury), Hayden Bachman (Falls Village), Bennett Bayner (Salisbury), Selena Black (Cornwall), Sophia Camp-house (Sharon), Christian DeDonato (Salisbury), Natasha Dennis (North Canaan), Layla DiDomenico (Kent), Levi Elliott (Millerton), Lydia Fleming (North Canaan), Aiden Krupa (Torrington), Daniel Lesch (Cornwall), Makenzie Lidstone (Salisbury), Jackson McAvoy (Salisbury), Francisco Mendoza Ratzan (North Canaan), Daniel Moran (Norfolk), Jasper Oyanadel (Falls Village), Rivers Richard (North Canaan), Carson Riva (North Canaan), Blake Whitney (North Canaan), Darwin Wolfe (Falls Village), Nathan Zani (Ashley Falls).

Grade 11

Peter Austin (Kent), Steven Barber (Cornwall), Everet Belancik (Cornwall), Ileana Carter (Salisbury), Carlos Castellanos Cruz (Falls Village), Christopher Crane (North Canaan), Katherine Crane (North Canaan), Richard Crane (North Canaan), Arianna Danforth Gold (Cornwall), Mia DiRocco (Cornwall), Shanaya Duprey (North Canaan), Elizabeth Forbes (Wassaic), Nicolas Gonzalez (Salisbury), Maureen Graney (Falls Village), Adam Hock (Kent), Hannah Johnson (North Canaan), Madison Melino (Austerlitz), Len-nin Torres Pineda (North Canaan), Celeste Trabucco (Kent), Silas Tripp (Falls Village), Alex Woodworth (Salisbury).

Grade 12

Tyler Anderson (Sharon), Zachary Bezerra (Kent), Bernice Boyden (Sharon), Lucas Caranci (North Canaan), Ian Crowell (North Canaan), Tessa Dekker (Falls Village), Andy Delgado (Sharon), Justin Diaz (Falls Village), Ava Gandarillas (North Canaan), Lou Haemmerle (Salisbury), Abigail Hogan (North Canaan), Ellanor Karcheski (North Canaan), Kylie Leonard (North Canaan), Khyra McClennon (Amenia), Katerin McEnroe (Sharon), Patrick Money (Kent), Mason O’Niel (Salisbury), Tristan Oyanadel (Falls Village), Olivia Peterson (Sharon),

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Honor Roll

Grade 9

Krystin Ackerman (North Canaan), Baylee Alderman (Kent), Edwin Alonzo Alonzo (North Canaan), Robert Boyden (Sharon), Annabelle Carden (Salisbury), Lily Danforth Gold (Cornwall), Logan Dolan (Cornwall), Clark Farr-Killmer (Amenia), Ayva Fenn (Torrington), Kartel Henry (North Canaan), Aryanna Horton (Salisbury), Avery Hutton (North Canaan), Marlow LaPointe (Falls Village), Ayden Lemmy (Falls Village), Joseph Linkovich (North Canaan), McKenzie Lotz (Ashley Falls), Lily McCabe (Salisbury), Nassim Nirschel (Falls Village), Chayton Pastre (Cornwall), Vladyslav Petrenko (Salisbury), Camila Sanchez Guerrero (Cornwall), Henry Skuza (Millbrook), Oliver Storm (Salisbury), Soren Trivelli (Sharon).

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Grade 11

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Grade 12

Hyde Beach (Cornwall), Jasper Cole (Norfolk), Dylan Deane (North Canaan), Madison DeWitt (North Canaan), Leontine Galvin (Sharon), Sophie Nason (North Canaan), Diana Portillo (North Canaan), Bakary Toure (Salisbury).

HVRHS students receive scholarships, awards

FALLS VILLAGE — Housatonic Valley Regional High School announced June 12 the winners of var-

ious awards and scholarships in 2025. The full list of awardees is available online at lakevillejournal.com

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Salisbury Inland Wetlands Commission has just approved a document listing the activities that can be done without a permit in the Upland Review Areas. This will help owners of lake properties or ones bordering wetlands to know that they can do a lot of maintenance on their properties without applying for a permit. For example, taking down dead trees, with a limit of 5 before a permit is required. Why 5, you ask? The reason is simple... because there are cases where many trees are simply taken down as declared dead, which they are after being cut! So this document should help clarify what is allowed without a permit and where one should contact the Land Office for guidance. This can be found on the Town's website at [www.salisburyct.us/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/05282025-IWWC-Allowed-Activities.pdf](http://www.salisburyct.us/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/05282025-IWWC-Allowed-Activities.pdf).

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Our Towns

# Snapshots from a sunlit Saturday

With four gardens to tour, two farmer’s markets, live music and a sunny day for outdoor activities, summertime returned to Cornwall June 21.

## Quiet rise in the Village

Photos and Stories  
by Riley Klein

CORNWALL — Warm air and clear skies greeted the people of Cornwall Village on the morning of Saturday, June 21. The welcome weather prompted citizens to hit the road, mostly by bike or by foot, for the first full day of summer.

Area food producers set up shop on the Village Green for the weekly farmer’s market, which opened at 10 a.m.

A couple of early birds scored first pick of strawberries from Ridgway Farm Stand. Mariano Garay and Ellie Burck, of New York City, were first in line.

The pair walked over to the market during a break from working as farmhands at Clotsfoot Valley Farm helping Tommy Eucalitto make cheese. They were pleased with the “delicious, juicy and sweet” fruit and, having been up since 4 a.m.



Mariano Garay and Ellie Burck took a snack break from working at Clotsfoot Valley Farm.

on the farm, said they would be back when Cornwall Bridge Coffee’s stand was up and running.

Gordon Ridgway, first selectman of Cornwall and owner of Ridgway Farm, handed out strawberry samples to the Hall family. The Halls moved to Sharon within



Above, Gordon Ridgway, farmer and first selectman, hands strawberries to the Hall family. Below, John Zeiser brews a batch of Cornwall Bridge Coffee.

the last year and were visiting the Cornwall Village farmer’s market for the first time.

Emily Hall said, “So far it’s nice. Everyone is so friendly,

we love that.”

John Zeiser of Cornwall Bridge Coffee was brewing locally roasted beans by 10 a.m. His coffee is also served at Cornwall Market, which is conveniently located across the street from his roasting facility.

“Delivery involves me putting coffee in a tote bag and carrying it over,” he said. “I think they appreciate the convenience. If they ever run out, they just text me.”

This season will be Zeiser’s first full summer as a weekly vendor at the Village market.



## Midday warmth in West Cornwall

WEST CORNWALL — As the sun climbed higher, Cornwall began to bustle with growing energy. The lawn of the Wish House was filled Saturday with an assortment of area artisans.

Nick “The Knife” Jacobs was on hand, as he has been for about 20 years, to sharpen knives and tools for anyone in need.

Tools include, “clippers, loppers, snippers, shears and sides. Everything except saws,” Jacobs said. “When I’m done, they’re pretty much razor sharp.”

Jacobs offers his service weekly at the West Cornwall farmer’s market and he also makes house calls 860-672-6075.

Jiwon Lee of Pebbles Bakery was serving up hand-made baked goods and fermented vegetables. “I’m the local French, Korean baker,” she said. Lee uses “principally local, organic and seasonal ingredients.”



Left, Nick “The Knife” Jacobs inspects a recently sharpened blade at the West Cornwall farmer’s market June 21. Lower left, Treasa Pattison of Mother Tree Remedies offers herbal products. Below, Jiwon Lee of Pebbles Bakery presents an assortment of locally made baked goods.

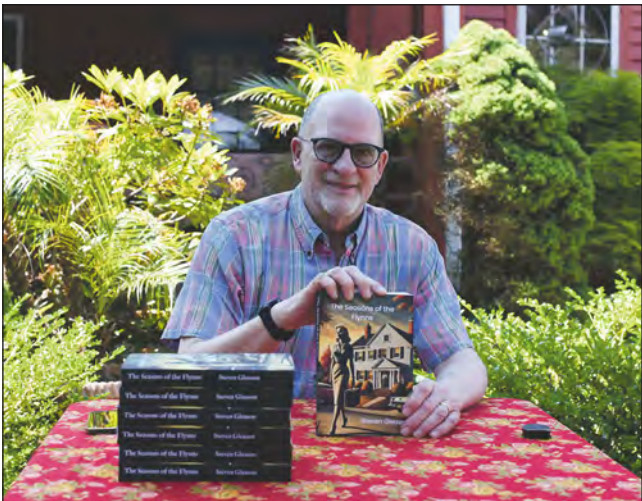


Nick Moran and Carol Leven perform jazz on the Wish House Lawn as shoppers browse the wares at the West Cornwall farmer’s market vendors.

West Cornwall. The preserves, jarred at Cream Hill Farm, were unique varieties including blueberry mojito jam, pineapple cranberry jam and apple pie jam.

Nick Moran and Carol Leven played live music on the lawn. The jazz duo lives in Sharon and performs at the farmer’s market once a month, usually on the first Saturday.

Leven was on vocals and percussion while Moran played guitar. They opened their set with a smooth rendition of “Pennies from Heaven.”



Author Steven Gleason was signing copies of his new book “The Seasons of the Flynns” June 21.



## Afternoon retreat

Cornwall’s 10th annual Books and Blooms garden tours were in full swing Saturday with four private gardens open to the public. One of the four was the Trapp garden on River Road. It overlooks the Housatonic River in West Cornwall with multi-leveled terraces creating secluded coves that invoke a Tuscan charm atop the rocky, Cornwall landscape. Guests were greeted by tranquil scenes as they wandered along leafy, veiled paths that connected each level.





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FARMING

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terprise, which was recently featured on the reality television show “Shark Tank.”

Amanda Branson, the NCLC’s director of operations and finance, emphasized the importance of thinking creatively to find ways to make agriculture more sustainable, more resilient against climate change, and more profitable for farmers. “Through the grant program, lots of really exciting projects are happening at farms across the region,” she said – including at Canaan View Dairy.

Farmer Ethan Arsenault, who took over the large dairy barn from the Freund family in 2022 along with Lloyd and Amy Vail, told the crowd that the money was being

put to good use. It entirely funded the purchase of a manure-spreading system known as a dribble bar, which is an efficient way to “maintain no-till philosophies,” said Arsenault.

The bar, which is also known as a “drag line” system, drops manure at low pressure over a large area, decreasing soil compaction, crop disturbance and runoff. Arsenault maintained that it helps improve soil health, save fuel and reduce emissions from the farm.

When Bryan Hulburt, commissioner of Connecticut’s Department of Agriculture, offered his own remarks, he gestured to the tractor sporting the bar just

outside the tent, framed dramatically by Canaan Mountain rising into the mist in the background. “When you’re reviewing grant applications, you don’t see that,” he said, noting the gratification of seeing the grants turn into real impact.

Hulburt said teaming up with the NCLC, which was awarded state money that it then dispersed through the resiliency program, was essential in getting the funds into the right hands. NCLC is the largest land trust in the state and has granted \$517,000 through the program to 47 farms covering over 6,000 acres.

“These are one-time investments that will live on

well beyond the Climate Smart Agriculture and Forestry Program,” Hulburt said, referring to the title of DO-AG’s funding initiative.

Arsenault emphasized that the dribble bar is not the only forward-thinking aspect of the farm. “This farm exemplifies resilience on a multitude of levels,” he said, which was illustrated by a detailed tour of the “robotic facility” of the cow barn.

Arsenault showed the

wowed audience an entirely automated robotic arm that milks the cows while they feed. The group erupted into astonished laughter when the device, after a series of sci-fi-esque whirrs, clicks and lasers, latched on to the udder of a cow enjoying its grain and immediately began pulling milk through a clear tube.

“That computer,” he said while gesturing into a control room, “is the heart of this.”

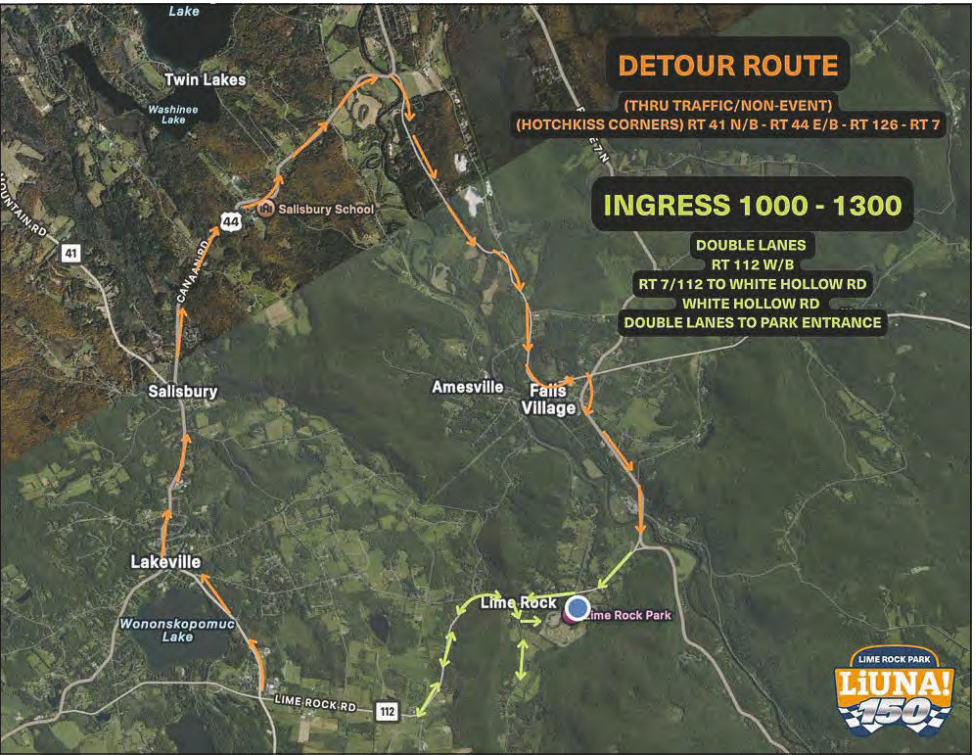
Arsenault explained that with much of the labor taken care of by robots, he and the other staff have much more time to focus on the wellbeing of the cows.

“Happy, comfortable cows make the most milk; milk is what I make my money on,” he said.

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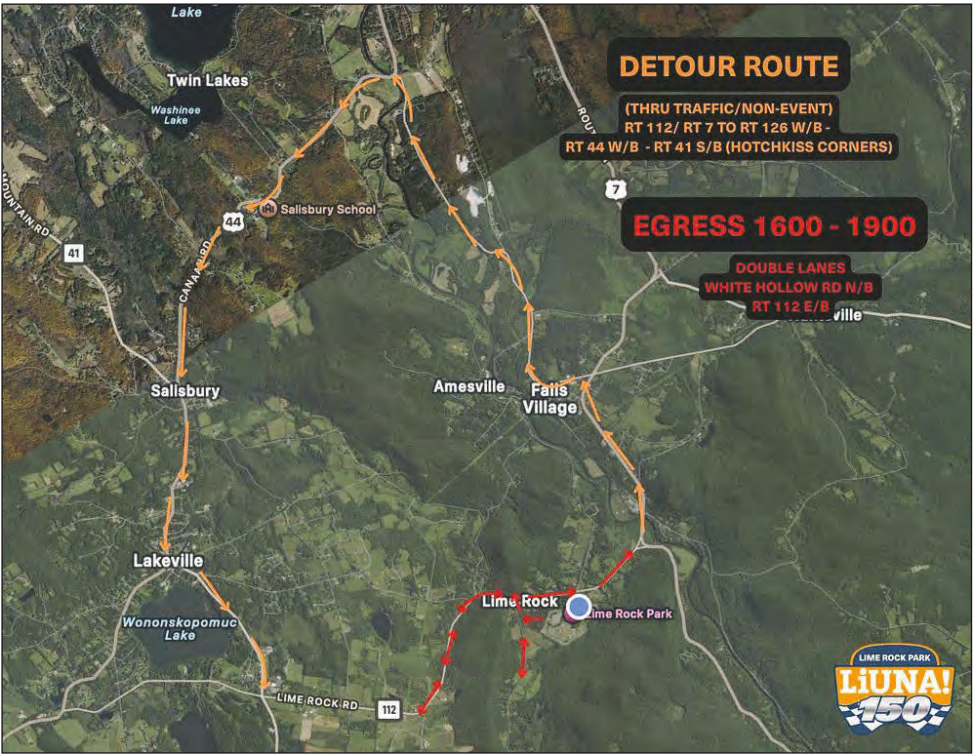


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Morning detour map shown above. Afternoon detour map shown below.

- Which roads are impacted?**
- Route 7/112 Westbound: Two westbound lanes past the Outfield Entrance to White Hollow Road
  - White Hollow Road from Route 112: Two southbound lanes up to Lights Field
  - White Hollow Road from Caulkinstown Rd (Sharon):
- Open to two-way traffic, but marked with ‘No Thru Traffic’ signs
- Drivers from Route 112 Eastbound (Hotchkiss Corners): Should detour using Route 41 North → Route 44 East → Route 126 East → Route 7
- Quick reminders**
- Follow all signage and

- local law enforcement instructions
- Expect delays, especially during peak arrival and departure times
  - Arrive early to enjoy everything The Park has to offer
  - Check Lime Rock Park’s social media for real-time updates



MIRA

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that public option that has been submitted on behalf of the NRRRA.”

Selectmen in Cornwall, Falls Village, Goshen, Norfolk, North Canaan, Salisbury and Sharon have all expressed interest in pursuing a public option. Each of these towns continue to haul to Torrington utilizing existing state service agreements, which are due to expire in 2027.

Ed Spinella, attorney representing USA, characterized the Implementor Bill text change as a “rat amendment” that does not affect USA’s proposal. He said he intends to enforce MIRA-DA’s previous acceptance of the sale.

“It’s an enforceable vote and I guarantee you I’m going to make it enforceable,” said Spinella. “We were going to buy the facility regardless of whether or not it had a permit.”

He urged MIRA-DA to produce the necessary paperwork to move forward with the sale.

“I want to sign the documents so we can finish this deal,” said Spinella. “Are you going to be defined by cowering to a rat implementor, rat amendment of the Implementor Bill?”

Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Commissioner Katie Dykes entered a letter

into the record. In March, Dykes had signed off on the term sheet to convey the Torrington Transfer Station to the regional waste authority.

Reading from Dykes’ letter, MIRA-DA Chairman Bert Hunter stated, “My determination that acceptable alternatives are available is not, and was not intended to be, specific to the sale of the Torrington Transfer Station by any particular purchaser.”

Following a lengthy executive session June 18 that continued the next day, and again Monday, June 23, MIRA-DA recessed without taking action. The meeting was scheduled to continue on Thursday, June 26.

TOWN MEETING

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The total annual expense to the town was set at \$133,602, a reduction of nearly \$30,000 from the previous contract. Tropper Spencer Bronson will continue in the role.

As for the tripartite ordinance, supporters and opponents presented their sides during the public hearing.

Those in favor of empowering the selectmen to appoint the town clerk, treasurer and tax collector noted the move is a trend in Connecticut. It allows towns to hire qualified professionals to fill the roles regardless of whether or not they are residents of the town, which is not the case for elected officials. Proponents felt the change would give more oversight of the positions in terms of hours and continuity of service to the town.

Emily Minacci, current treasurer serving in her eighth term, spoke in favor of the change. She said she is taking another job and hopes to see a capable replacement fill the position. “I don’t want to exit and, excuse me, screw the town,” she said. “I don’t take it lightly. I am completely for going appointed. It’s extremely important.”

Kristine Simmons, a North Canaan resident who was ap-

pointed last year to serve as town clerk in Salisbury, explained how electing these positions limits the candidate pool. “If you’re going to be on the ballot, you have to be an elector in the town,” she said. On the issue of oversight, Simmons noted the current situation with Town Clerk Jean Jacquier, who has been absent from work since February. “In my job, I’m appointed, I have to answer to my selectmen. If you’re elected, you can basically do whatever the frig you want.”

Opponents criticized the move as an undemocratic power-grab by the selectmen. There was concern that the appointees would be beholden to the selectmen instead of the voters. Others were concerned about costs and spoke of the need for more time to review and discuss the change, with some citing issues in the language of the ordinance.

North Canaan resident Lynn Fowler said Sharon’s selectmen began discussing the appointment of town clerks in November 2024 and had yet to hold a public hearing (see Sharon coverage on Page A3). “I do believe this vote needs a lot more exploration and ex-

planation,” said Fowler. “The stakeholders and taxpayers of [North] Canaan are asked to rush to a vote on not one position but three with not enough information. I’m very concerned what the costs will be.”

Geoff Drury, attorney and resident, said, “Efficiency may sound like an all-purpose virtue, and it may be so in a business context, but when it means giving fewer people more control over more aspects of a supposedly democratic form of municipal governance, it can easily become an anti-democratic means of perpetuating control and restricting healthy change.”

After a roughly one-hour public hearing, the session was closed. First Selectman Brian Ohler motioned to table the topic to a later date.

“I acknowledge as your first selectman that there are still questions,” said Ohler, explaining that the extra time will be useful to “get more information, have more public hearings” and “if it is determined that it should be a question on the ballot in November, we can determine that at a future date.”

The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

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BOOKS: OLIVIA GEIGER

‘The Giving Game,’ a guide for leadership

In a rapidly changing business market James Turk’s new book, “The Giving Game,” is a guide for team members transitioning to mangers. As an executive coach and CEO of The Turk Group — a boutique learning and consulting company — Turk has honed his leadership skill set through years of working in Human Resources at Random House, P&O Nedlloyd and Goldman Sachs, not to mention a stint in the acting world. Ultimately, Turk found his niche was in training and development. Now he services notable clients such as BuzzFeed, Spotify, NYSE, and many more.

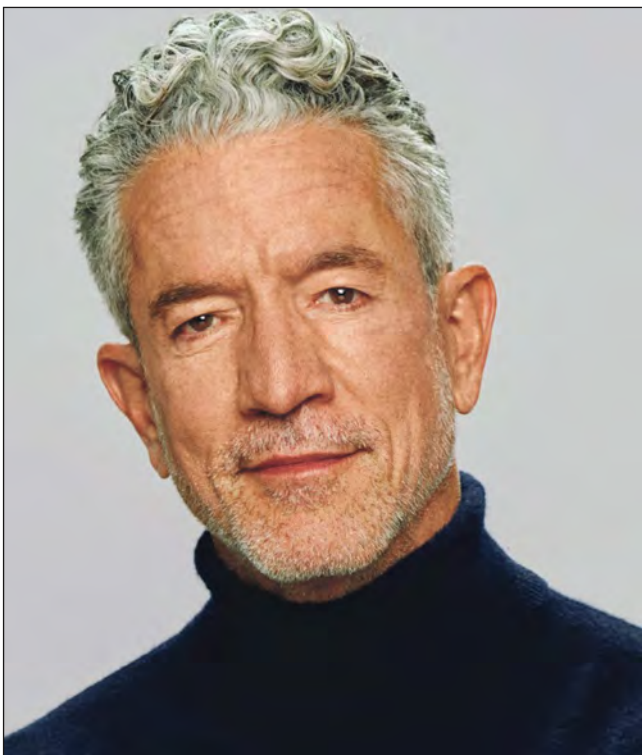
At a pivotal moment in Turk’s career, he faced two choices: to push through fear, or to sit in the comfort of stagnancy. In the early stages of Turk’s career his supervisor, the head of HR, needed someone to represent the HR depart-

ment at a sales conference in Chicago. His supervisor sensed Turk’s hesitancy and laid out a high-level plan, conducting practice sessions to ensure success. Despite being scared, Turk presented.

Through perseverance, Turk learned how to trust someone else with his professional development and “how to work through fear and just show up, in spite of it,” he said.

Through this experience, Turk benefited from the results of the “Giving Game.” Turks supervisor saw an opportunity that would aid in his growth, and in response he dedicated time and resources with a mutually beneficial result.

In this book, Turk provides a guide on how new managers can embody this giving mindset. The beginning of a management position is often the most difficult, so Turk outlines the



James Turk, author of “The Giving Game.”

first stage with the “F45 Playbook.” It is critical to gain clarity of manager responsibilities, complete self-assessments, identify key stakeholders, and meet with team members one on one.

With this foundation, managers can begin

to lead with intention, empathy, and to cultivate value.

Data shows that employees’ job satisfaction and engagement are linked to their relationship with their direct supervisor. With this comes the power of influ-

ence, especially over the workplace climate. Some critical questions managers need to ask themselves include: do people feel heard, seen, and appreciated? Are expectations clear? Do I know my employees’ individual working/learning styles? Is feedback provided and is it effective? Do people feel safe and accepted to be themselves?

In his book, Turk provides helpful resources to answer these questions, such as the Daniel Goleman emotional intelligence (EQ) model and many more that can be found in the Resources section of the book.

The aim of this book is to be immediately useful, and that it is.

When asked how his book can guide young professionals to be leaders in such uncertain

and divided times, Turk responded with:

“In uncertain times, people need steady, honest leadership. The book helps young professionals lead with confidence, even without all the answers. It focuses on building trust, supporting your team, and creating a healthy culture. A giving mindset helps leaders move beyond self-preservation and think about how to lift others up — which is exactly what teams need right now.”

“The Giving Game” is available for purchase on Amazon or at The Dutchess Trading Company in Millerton.

Olivia Geiger is an MFA student at Western Connecticut State University and a lifelong resident of Lakeville.

MUSIC: MIKE COBB

Junior Brown charms Infinity Hall

On Wednesday, June 11, country guitar wizard Junior Brown thrilled a packed and rowdy crowd at Infinity Hall in Norfolk, Connecticut. Known for his pyrotechnic playing, Brown dexterously jumped between clean chicken pickin’, blues, rock, western swing, and jazz.

Brown plays an instrument he made himself called the “Guit-Steel.” Two guitars in one, it features a Fender Telecaster neck on top and a pedal steel guitar below, all in one body. With his homemade axe, Brown brought listeners on a sonic journey through Americana and made his guitar “speak,” at turns imitating the human voice or tractor trailer horns. His great group included upright bass, simple snare drum and his wife Tanya Rae on acoustic guitar. Lyrically, his humorous songs tell tall tales about staying out too late as in “Too Many Nights In A Roadhouse” or his biggest hit “My



Junior Brown and his band: Drew Phelps (bass), Scott Matthews (drums) and Tanya Rae (acoustic guitar) at Infinity Hall in Norfolk.

Wife Thinks You’re Dead.” He’s also composed dreamy, steely guitar for television including “SpongeBob Squarepants,” “The Dukes of Hazard,” and “Better Call Saul” which exemplify his range.

But don’t let the cowboy hat fool you — Junior Brown is a Connecticut native. Born in Wilton, his grandfather was a commercial artist with a studio in Westport. Brown’s father taught at various American universities. Growing up he was exposed to the popular music of the 1960s.

“The college kids had the cool records, the bubblegum stuff, Blues records and deep folk. Those records really helped my guitar playing. There was no Internet. You’d have to find the records,” Brown said.

Brown’s life journey took him from Texas to Oklahoma to Missouri, where he lives today.

While he absorbed all of those influences, he was always drawn to country music.

“I have a big heart for country music. I thought it would be interesting to play country or play rock,” he said.

Brown toured with fellow guitar master Bo Diddley, who, like Brown, also toured with his wife. He also had the chance to play with drummer Mitch Mitchell and bassist Noel Redding of the Jimi Hendrix Experience.

“I played with them at the Bumbershoot festival in Seattle, which is a tribute to Jimi. So I am ‘experienced.’ Subconsciously, you repeat things you heard that you like. Sometimes, you’re not aware of where you get stuff,” he said.

In a tender moment during his show at Infinity Hall, Brown paid tribute to the recently deceased musical genius Brian Wilson. Brown

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Correction

Sophie Eisner’s solo show at The Norfolk Library, as mentioned in “Matter and memory: The mixed media art of Sophie Eisner” in the June 18 edition of Compass, runs through July 1.

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Bucket o' fry on the river

Usually by mid-June I have shifted from tributaries such as the Blackberry River, Macedonia Brook and Furnace Brook to the Housatonic itself. But with the wettest May I can recall in the books, and June shaping up to be pretty soggy as well, the Hous has not been at a wading-friendly level in a while. I'm not saying it can't be done at 1000 cfs and above. I'm just saying I'm not going to do it. So I've been in the Blackberry a lot. It's convenient when I only have a couple of hours, and it's been stocked three times this spring.

And while truck trout are somewhat easier to fool than their wild counterparts, the terrain of the Blackberry -- both in and around the water -- is pretty tricky.

So taken as a whole it's a suitably challenging prospect.

One fine afternoon I was messing around just upstream of the bridge at Beckley Furnace, trying out a couple of rods I had forgotten about: a Cabelas CGR fiberglass 7.5 foot 5 or 6 weight, and a 6'10" Tenkara rod from Zen Tenkara.

The CGR line of fiberglass rods are a great value in my opinion. I have half a dozen of them, in line weights 2-8. None are longer than 7.5 feet. My favorite is the 6.5 foot 4 weight, an ideal tool for flicking flies at brook trout in close quarters.

(A quick check of the Cabelas website shows they currently only have the 7 foot 5 weight available.)

They list at \$79.95, but I got most of mine when they were 50% off.

Which is just insane. The Zen Tenkara rod is unusual. In the fixed-line world, a 10-footer is a shorty. Under seven feet is rare.

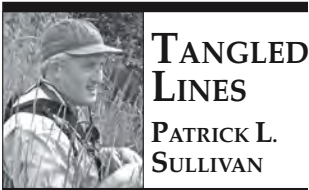
And Karin Miller, the courteous and popular proprietor of Zen Tenkara, specializes in big fish rods. They are sturdy and they are long.

So this model, the Hachi, stands out from the rest of the line.

Both the CGR, which I had rigged with a double tapered #5 line, and the Hachi, which had about 7 feet of #3 fluorocarbon level line plus tippet, are full flex rods. "Wiggly,"



PHOTOS BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN  
Drew Ransom and his able assistant Matt Devine of the state fishery department work in the river.



TANGLED LINES  
PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

for the layman. I was playing around with a dry-dropper rig on the fly rod and two wet flies and/or small weighted nymphs on the Hachi, and having a good time playing the 12-14 inch fish, mostly rainbows, when I beheld a couple of young men approaching with buckets. "Dang," I said. Buckets are never a good sign. Well, almost never. In this case the bucket brigade was from the state fisheries department in the form of biologist Drew Ransom and his able assistant Matt Devine.

The buckets contained hundreds of brown trout fry, about six months old, that were essentially superfluous to the state hatchery's requirements.

Ransom said the idea was to plant them in the Blackberry, from Beckley Furnace down to Route 7, and see what happens.

I suggested they would get eaten up pronto by the resident trout and the scientists agreed that was a likely scenario for most of the fry.

But a few might escape that fate and establish themselves.

Devine, eyeing a mini Woolly Bugger in a silvery-grey color I had on my line, opined that the fly would do an admirable job imitating the fry.

I agreed but I didn't test the theory, at least not then and there. Too close to chumming.



Hundreds of brown trout fry were planted in the Blackberry River.

The water temperature that day was 63 degrees and rising, not surprising since it was the middle of a two-day heat wave with air temps cracking 90.

A few days later, and after some additional rain, the water temp had dropped to about 60, but how long that will last is anyone's guess.

Once water temperatures hit 68 it is time to stop fishing for trout. They have trouble breathing at 68 and above, and even if perfect catch and release practices are followed, they will be severely stressed by the time they are caught, played, netted, admired, had their photograph taken, and returned to the water. They probably won't make it.

So I'm guessing we're right about at the end of the practical trout season on the Blackberry until fall, when the water temps will be down again and the state's stocking trucks return.

If you do go I recommend a dawn raid. The water temperature will be its lowest point and there won't be anyone else around except fanatics like me.

And I am easily avoided. In fact, like a bear, I will go out of my way to avoid you.

...Bach

graduated from Juilliard and is a member of the Cleveland Orchestra, which he joined in 2016. He has performed all over the world as a soloist, chamber, and orchestral musician. He was a member of the Escher String Quartet and a BBC Radio 3 New

Generation Artist. The concert will conclude Berkshire Bach's thirty-fifth season, which opened with the film "Strangers on the Earth," also featuring Johansen as he walked the Camino de Santiago — the ancient 600-mile pilgrimage route extend-

ing through France and Spain — with his cello strapped to his back in 2014. He stopped in towns along the way and played the six Bach Cello Suites in local churches. The concert will begin at 5pm. Tickets are available at: [www.bershire-bach.org/events](http://www.bershire-bach.org/events).

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JUNE 26

Garden Legacies

Hollister House Garden, 300 Nettleton Hollow Road, Washington, Conn.  
On Thursday, June 26, 4 to 6 p.m., Vin Cipolla, President and CEO of Historic New England in conversation with Thomas L. Woltz, Senior Principal of Nelson Byrd Woltz Landscape Architects. Light refreshments will be served. Enjoy the gardens after the conversation. This event is free and open to the public.

Drawing & Watercolor with Peter Cusack

Scoville Memorial Library, 38 Main St., Salisbury, Conn. scovillelibrary.org  
For three Thursdays starting June 26, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., join West Cornwall artist and art teacher Peter Cusack for a drawing and watercolor workshop. The workshop is free, and materials will be provided. Registration is required.

Author Talk: Karen Chase – Two Tales

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org  
On Thursday, June 26, 5:30 p.m., local author Karen Chase discusses Two Tales, her new book of verse blending 16th-century love and a futuristic dystopia. Books available for purchase and signing.

JUNE 27

Senior Lunch & Learn: Active Agers

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. hotchkisslibraryofsharon.org  
On Friday, June 27, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., join the Active Agers Walking Group for a social, energizing walk around Sharon Green. For older adults looking to stay active and connected. Register at: hotchkisslibrary.libcal.com/event/13742298

Book Talk: Drawn Together

Manor House Patio, Troutbeck, 515 Leedsville Road, Amenia, N.Y.  
5 p.m. on June 27. Free with RSVP. Open to all.  
Join Britt and Damian Zunino of Studio DB for a conversation about their new book, Drawn Together: Studio DB: Architecture and Interiors, moderated by David Graver of Surface Magazine. Books available for purchase from Oblong Books. Dinner reservations encouraged.

JUNE 28

Sharon Playhouse Stars

Sharon Playhouse, 49 Amenia Road, Sharon, Conn.  
Saturday, June 28 at 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.  
Original musical inspired by The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse, performed by local children ages 5 to 7. Conceived and Directed by Sarah Cuoco. Music Direction by Beckie Scattergood.

Real People Real Stories at The Hilltop Barn

The Hilltop Barn at Roeliff Jansen Park, 9140 NY Route 22, Hillsdale, N.Y.  
On Saturday, June 28 at 7:30 p.m., Ancram Center for the Arts kicks off its 10th anniversary season with Real People Real Stories, an evening of true-life storytelling by local residents. This edition features Simone Stevens, Brooke Schooley, and Macey Levin sharing personal stories curated and directed by Paul Ricciardi. Tickets: \$25 general / \$15 student Info and tickets: www.ancramcenter.org

Author Hali Lee in Conversation

Cornwall Library, 30 Pine St., Cornwall, Conn. cornwalllibrary.org  
A special evening with Hali Lee, author of "The Big We, How Giving Circles Unlock Generosity, Strengthen Community, and Make Change," interviewed by Betsy Vorce. Saturday, June 28 at 5 p.m. Attend in-person only, with registration requested online at cornwalllibrary.org/events

Hands-On Drumming with Craig Norton (All Ages)

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. hotchkisslibraryofsharon.org  
On Saturday, June 28, from noon to 1 p.m., there will be an interactive drum circle for kids and families—everyone plays! Register online.

Qigong for Summer

Hotchkiss Library of Sharon, 10 Upper Main St., Sharon, Conn. hotchkisslibraryofsharon.org  
On Saturday, June 28, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, learn the joyful “monkey frolic” Qigong practice—great for balance, agility, and heart health. Beginner friendly. Register online.

Twin Flames at The Stissing Center

2950 Church St., Pine Plains, N.Y.  
On Saturday, June 28 at 7 p.m., experience Indigenous folk duo Twin Flames with special guest Ed Koban at The Stissing Center in Pine Plains. A powerful evening of music blending folk, rock, and Indigenous traditions. Tickets at thestissingcenter.org.

Where The Roads Took Them: Ceramics by Feng Bin & Jack Rosenberg

Eckert Fine Art, 10 Titus Road, Washington Depot, Conn.  
On Saturday, June 28, 2 to 6 p.m. there will be an artist's reception at Eckert Fine Art for "Where The Roads Took Them: Ceramics by Feng Bin & Jack Rosenberg." Refreshments will be served. Eckert Fine Art is pleased to announce a joint show featuring the work of Jack Rosenberg and Feng Bin. Show runs through July 26.

Westerly Canteen at Foxtrot Farm + Flowers

6854 NY-82, Stanfordville, N.Y.  
Summer Celebration dinner on the farm. The evening begins at 6pm with drinks in the garden, followed by a lovely 4 course plated dinner featuring Hudson Valley farmers as they ramp up their peak season crops. (ticket price includes wine) Tickets at www.exploretock.com/westerly-canteen/event/552914/summer-celebration-foxtrot-farm

Wynona Wang, Piano

Gordon Hall, Music Mountain, 225 Music Mountain Road, Falls Village, Conn. musicmountain.org  
At 7 p.m. on June 28, Music Mountain will host a concert by Wynona Wang on piano.

JUNE 29

Erick Johnson in Conversation with Gary Stephan

Furnace — Art on Paper Archive, 107 Main St., Falls Village, Conn.  
On Sunday, June 29 at 4:30 p.m., join abstract painters Erick Johnson and Gary Stephan for a conversation on geometry, color, and visual language. Artwork will be on view through July 6.

Last week's WotW

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Stissing House Feast with Chef de Cuisine David Nathans

Stissing House, 7801 S. Main St., Pine Plains, N.Y.  
On June 29, 5 to 8 p.m., join Chef David Nathans for an intimate, all-inclusive feast featuring wood-roasted chicken, salt-baked trout, seasonal sides, and craft cocktails. Includes cocktail hour, open bar, and silent auction. Proceeds benefit Greater Hudson Promise Neighborhood. Cocktail attire.

Euclid Quartet

Gordon Hall, Music Mountain, 225 Music Mountain Road, Falls Village, Conn. musicmountain.org  
At 3 p.m. on June 29, Music Mountain will host a concert by the Euclid Quartet.

JULY 1

“Dancing With Hoops” Hula-Hooping Workshop

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

On Tuesday, July 1, at 2 p.m., join Judi Jones aka ENERGIZER for a musical and interactive hula-hooping program at the David M. Hunt Library. Please register on the library website or contact the library via phone, email, or in-person.

First Tuesday at 7 Summer Talk

South Canaan Meetinghouse, 12 Rte. 63, Falls Village, Conn.  
The Falls Village-Canaan Historical Society's next First Tuesday at 7 Summer Talk will be on July 1, 7 p.m. at the South Canaan Meetinghouse. Guest speaker will be Peter Vermilyea and his topic is called All Honor to the Ladies: Litchfield County Women and the Civil War. The talks are always free. Donations are appreciated. Light refreshments will be served.

JULY 2

Plywood Bugs Art Workshop with Erika Crofut

David M. Hunt Library, 63 Main St., Falls Village, Conn. huntlibrary.org  
Wednesday, July 2, at 2 p.m. Join Hunt Library as every kid designs and paints their own plywood bug to decorate the library garden with local artist Erika Crofut! Materials and artistic inspiration provided. Please register online.

JULY 3

Annual Cake Auction and Party

Sharon Historical Society & Museum, 18 Main St., Sharon, Conn.  
July 3 at 5:30 p.m.

One of Sharon's favorite summer cocktail parties and biggest fundraiser of the year for the Historical Society. Local bakers compete with creative cakes. Bid high, eat well, and meet new Executive Director Abbey Nova.

...Junior Brown

told the audience about recording with the Beach Boys on their “Stars and Stripes Vol 1.” album before launching into their song “409.” A studio performance can be seen on YouTube.  
These days, Brown doesn't have any plans

to record new music of his own. Instead, he's stepping aside to give his wife more moments in the limelight.  
“The next project is gonna be Tanya's. She's got one called 'Meet the Misses.' It's available on our website. She's just

great,” he said.  
With several Grammy, Academy of Country Music, and Country Music Association Awards, Brown has received well-deserved accolades. But he has to be seen live to fully comprehend his incredible talent.

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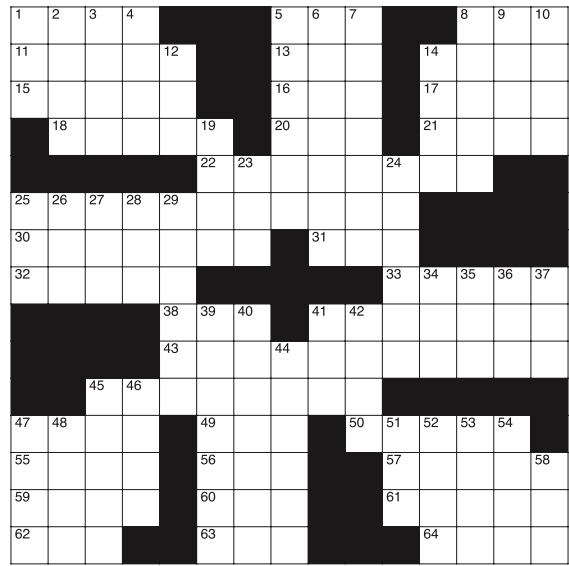
Brain Teasers

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- 1. Computer manufacturer
- 5. Noted space station
- 8. Kurt Russell film “Captain”
- 11. Automaton
- 13. Everyone has one
- 14. Incline from the vertical
- 15. Fights
- 16. Dunn & Bradstreet (abbr.)
- 17. Finishes off
- 18. Places to store things
- 20. Dutch painter Gerard
- 21. Smaller quantity
- 22. There's a North, South and Central of these
- 25. In an early way
- 30. More spacious
- 31. Short-term memory
- 32. One who possesses
- 33. Sesame
- 38. Forbid
- 41. A way to explain
- 43. Not around
- 45. Evoke or suggest
- 47. Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
- 49. Dekameter
- 50. Fencing sword
- 55. “Luther” actor Idris
- 56. Affirmative (slang)
- 57. Afflicted
- 59. One point north of northeast
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- 62. Hong Kong food stall: — pai dong
- 63. Not the start
- 64. Post

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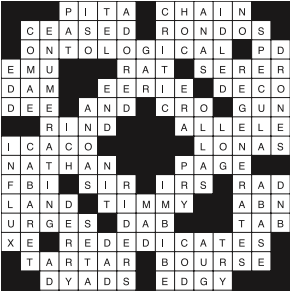
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- 2. Fiber from the outer husk of a coconut
- 3. City in ancient Syria
- 4. College army
- 5. More disturbed
- 6. Pays no attention to
- 7. Restored
- 8. Competitions
- 9. Lyric poems
- 10. Famed American lawman
- 12. Expression of disappointment
- 14. Scars



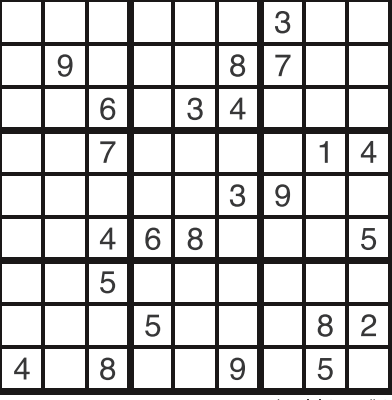
- 19. Satisfy
- 23. Central European river
- 24. Brass instrument
- 25. One who gets paid to perform
- 26. Propel with oars
- 27. Long period of time
- 28. Woman (French)
- 29. Type of plane
- 34. Pitching stat
- 35. Pointed end of a pen
- 36. Pro sports league
- 37. Body part
- 39. Inoffensive
- 40. Yellowish cotton cloth
- 41. Feline
- 42. Does not tell the truth
- 44. Set out to attract
- 45. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- 46. Abba \_\_, Israeli politician
- 47. Repair

- 48. Genus of flowering plants
- 51. Tributary of the High Rhine
- 52. Prejudice
- 53. C. European river
- 54. Restrain
- 58. Father

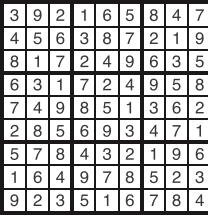
June 19 Solution



Sudoku



June 19 Solution



Word of the Week

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


- 1. Worn to catch a baseball
- 2. One who lays tile
- 3. Untamed animal behavior
- 4. A king's domain
- 5. Interns are here to \_\_\_\_



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Sports



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Chimney Hole is where the Esopus stops and the Ashokan Reservoir starts. It is a famous spot and is full of fish, although you wouldn't know that from today's futile and stupid outing.

Reporting remote from the river

By Patrick L. Sullivan

BOICEVILLE, New York — Pecked out on hand computer hence telegraph style. Hit Esopus at 6 a.m. on what is likely hottest day of 2025 so far. Water temp 63. Idea was to chuck big stuff into Chimney Hole to annoy smallmouth. Brilliant plan that did not work even



The conditions called for big, heavy, and hairy flies. None of them worked but it was a good plan.

Athletic award winners at Housy

FALLS VILLAGE — The Housatonic Valley Regional High School Athletic Department had its spring season and senior sports awards ceremony on May 29. The following student-athletes were honored at the ceremony:

- Girls Tennis:**  
Most Improved: Mis Di-Rocco  
Sportsmanship: Mia Belter  
Tyburski: Abby Perotti  
Most Valuable: Victoria Brooks

- Baseball:**  
Most Improved: Wesley Allyn  
Sportsmanship: Austin Bachman  
Tyburski: Logan Miller  
Most Valuable: Anthony Foley  
JV MIP: Daniel Moran  
Stevenson: Logan Miller  
**Boys Track & Field:**  
Most Improved: Anthony Labbadia  
Sportsmanship: Patrick Money  
Most Valuable: Kyle McCarron  
Tyburski: Owen Shnepf  
**Girls Track & Field:**  
Most Improved: Gabriela Titone  
Sportsmanship: Harper Howe  
Tyburski: McKenzie Lotz  
Most Valuable: Amelia Dodge  
**Boys Tennis:**  
Most Improved: Gustavo Portillo  
Sportsmanship: Jassim Mohyidin  
Tyburski: Baxter Hayhurst  
Most Valuable: Manasseh



PHOTOS BY RILEY KLEIN

HVRHS seniors Kyle McCarron, leading the pack at left, and Tessa Dekker, dribbling at right, were selected as Athlete of the Year in 2024-25.

- Matsudaira  
**Girls Lacrosse:**  
Most Improved: Lily Danforth Gold  
Sportsmanship: Katelin Lopes  
Tyburski: Annabelle Carden  
Most Valuable: Lou Haemmerle and Lola Clayton  
**Softball:**  
Most Improved: Madison Gulotta  
Sportsmanship: Abby Hogan  
Tyburski: Payton Wagner  
Most Valuable: Kylie Leonard  
JV MIP: V Salazar  
Stevenson Award: Camdyn Tallon  
**The Mountaineer Award**  
Given to 9th through 11th grade students who participated in all three seasons:  
Wesley Allyn, Peter Austin, Hayden Bachman, Wyatt Bayer, Mia Belter, Nico Bochnovich, Olivia Brooks,

- Victoria Brooks, Hunter Conklin, Katherine Crane, Arianna Danforth Gold, Lily Danforth Gold, Adelyn Diorio, Braeden Duncan, Lydia Fleming, Chloe Hill, Hannah Johnson, Jonas Johnson, Madelyn Johnson, Luca Flordis, Anthony Labbadia, McKenzie Lotz, Finian Malone, Simon Markow, Jackson McAvoy, Meadow Moerschell, Owen Riemer, Carson Riva, Vilija Salazar, Ryan Segalla, Silas Tripp, Federico Vargas Tobon, Nathan Young, Ivy Zheng.  
**Master of Sport**  
A senior who is a member of a varsity team all three seasons during their senior year:  
Zach Bezerra, Daniela Brennan, Tessa Dekker, Amelia Dodge, Sam Marcus, Kyle McCarron, Khyra McClennon, Lola Moerschell, Patrick Money, Gabriela Titone

- 4 year award:**  
Zach Bezerra (Track), Kyle McCarron (Track), Patrick Money (Track), Gabriela Titone (Track), Harper Howe (Track), Sara Huber (Track), Lola Moerschell (Track), Lola Clayton (Lacrosse), Tessa Dekker (Lacrosse), Lou Haemmerle (Lacrosse), Olivia Peterson (Lacrosse), Austin Bachman (Baseball), Daniela Brennan (Softball), Madison Dewitt (Softball), Abigail Hogan (Softball), Kylie Leonard (Softball), Abigail White (Softball), Manny Matsudaira (Tennis).  
**Athlete of the Year:**  
Kyle McCarron and Tessa Dekker  
**CAS CIAC Scholar Athlete:**  
Daniela Brennan and Manny Matsudaira  
**Pinnacle Award:**  
Daniela Brennan and Manny Matsudaira

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