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Racecars roar in NASCAR's return to Lime Rock Park

By Riley Klein

LAKEVILLE — For the first time since 2011, Lime Rock Park hosted National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing events June 27 and 28.

It was billed as the largest event in modern track history with an estimated 20,000 fans attending.

The action kicked off Thursday, June 26, when a massive hauler parade rolled into town. A “Pit Stop Party” was held at the White Hart Inn in Salisbury where drivers signed autographs and met with fans.

Dan Winkley, hotel manager at the White Hart, said, “We’re super excited to have NASCAR in our town. We have elevated our staffing levels. We’ve got all hands on deck ready to go to welcome in the big crowds.”

One of the drivers at the White Hart was Ben Maier, a 16-year-old making his NASCAR truck series debut. “I’m pretty excited to just figure out the car and figure out what I’m getting into,” he said.

Toni Breidinger, the lone female



PHOTO BY SIMON MARKOW

High-speed action made for a weekend of excitement at Lime Rock Park Friday and Saturday, June 27-28.

truck racer of the weekend, said, “I’m most excited to be at a new track. I’ve never been here before, so I think that’s really fun.”

Maier and Breidinger both competed in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series, a national circuit known for launching the careers

of stars like Kyle Busch, Kevin Harvick and Chase Elliott.

On Friday, June 27, at about 11 a.m., the members of the parking team at Trinity Episcopal Church across the street from Lime Rock Park were ready for action. Visitors could park their cars in the field and take a short and leisurely stroll over to the track.

Meanwhile, crews were hard at work in the paddocks. Drivers prepared for racing, emergency personnel were on duty and the LRP staff helped guests enjoy a day at the track.

Buz McCall, driving a 1998 Monte Carlo, was getting laps in ahead of the NASCAR Classic series race later that night. At 78

years old, McCall was the oldest driver of the weekend. His opponent, Ray Webb, had raced against McCall many times in the past and said he remains a tough competitor. “He’s still got it. Oh yeah.”

Kent firefighter P.J. Haviland was stationed near the pit lane in case of emergency. He said training for the event was extensive and covered most possible scenarios. “It was a simulator,” Haviland explained, which included extinguishing propane fires, cutting off power inside cars, removing steering wheels and similar rescue procedures. Of his trackside post, he said “It’s great.”

Some Housatonic Valley Re-

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PHOTO BY DAVID CARLEY

Residents overflowed Kent Town Hall Friday, June 27, forcing the vote to ban wakesurfing on Lake Waramaug to be rescheduled.

Unprecedented crowds force postponement of wakesurfing vote

By Alec Linden

KENT — Residents arrived in droves to a town meeting on the evening of June 27 to vote on a controversial ordinance that would ban wakesurfing on Lake Waramaug — so many that it forced First Selectman Marty Lindenmayer to disband the meeting before a vote

could be held, citing public safety and fairness concerns.

Would-be attendees were still flooding into the line outside the doors when Lindenmayer announced to the already packed room that the meeting would be postponed until the town could find a way to fairly and safely account for the vote of each resident who wished to cast a ballot. Fire Marshall Timothy Limbos determined

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Eating invasives: Sustainability and indulgence unite at Swyft for Green Crab Week

By Alec Linden

KENT — Kent’s New American tavern Swyft had an unusual addition to its menu of locally-sourced, elevated fare last week – the European green crab, an invasive crustacean that has wreaked havoc on New England’s fisheries and coastal ecosystems, but which also happens to be very tasty.

“People just don’t know that they’re delicious,” Executive Chef Ryan Carbone said during a moment of respite between the Friday, June 27, lunch and dinner rushes. “They can be eaten and we can do our part to control the population

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PHOTO BY ALLISON MITCHELL

Green crab arancini, with crab provided by Wulf’s Fish and napa cabbage from Rock Cobble Farm.



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Online This Week

Cornwall makes progress on sewer project
In June, the Wastewater Management Project in West Cornwall Village Construction Committee interviewed engineering firms, requested release of funds from HUD and made progress toward securing the site. 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.

Driver flees vehicle after guardrail collision

On the evening of June 21, John Naula, 24, of Bethel was travelling north on Route 63 in Cornwall near the intersection with Cornwall Hollow Road when he struck the metal guardrail, causing disabling damage to the passenger side. Naula abandoned the vehicle, a Toyota Corolla Matrix, and was later found uninjured at the Shell gas station in Goshen. Naula was issued a misdemeanor summons for evading responsibility and failure to maintain lane. He was scheduled to appear at Torrington Superior Court on July 2.

Near head-on on Route 4

August Farina, 51, of Torrington was driving with two passengers on Route 4 in Cornwall on the morning of June 22 when a Mercedes-Benz ML350, driven by Claudia Proenca-Silva, 51, of Poughkeepsie, New York, crossed the center double-yellow lines and collided with the passenger side of Farina's Subaru Legacy Sport.

Farina's vehicle veered off the roadway and came to a rest in the embankment, while Proenca-Silva's car came to a stop in the roadway. All were transported to Sharon Hospital for possible injuries. Proenca-Silva was issued an infraction for failure to maintain lane.

Stop sign mishap

On the morning of June 24, Joseph Hall, 53, of Taconic was driving with his family on Route 41 in Salisbury in a Subaru Outback when a Ford F350 Super Duty, driven by Leon McLain, 65, of Lakeville collided with the left side of his vehicle. McLain stated he was attempting to cross Route 41 on Farnum Road and thought Hall's blinker was on, so attempted to move on from the stop sign but instead hit the Outback, disabling it. His own vehicle received functional damage and needed no tow. No injuries were reported from the accident, and McLain was issued an infraction for failure to obey a stop sign.

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

Railroad Days changes course, keeps spirit on same track

By David Carley

NORTH CANAAN — The 61st annual Railroad Days in North Canaan, now called Old Railroad Days, has undergone some changes this year. It will be divided into two events: Canaan Summer Nights Carnival in July and Old Railroad Days in August.

Jenn Crane, chair of the North Canaan Events Committee, stated, "The Committee decided to separate out the events, so every month there would be something going on." She added, "We are hoping to continue to build on different events, but keep them spread out, as not only does it give more opportunities for the community to participate in, it also separates out the need for how often we ask for volunteers."

The Canaan Summer Nights Carnival begins Wednesday, July 16, and runs to Saturday, July 19. From 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. each night

there will be carnival rides, games, sweets, food trucks, and live music on the Lawrence Field. Ticket booths will be open 30 minutes before the rides open. The festivities on Saturday begin at 3 p.m. and conclude with a bang: a fireworks show, the Firemen's parade and the church barbeque chicken dinner.

The Old Railroad Days will now be taking place from Aug. 8 to 10 at Canaan Union Station with a new format that is "much shorter with more of a focus on trains, community and town history," Crane explained. The official program in August is still being planned and finalized.

Many events, inspired by programs and articles from some of the first ever Railroad Days in the 1960s, will be coming back, such as walking history tours, the community picnic, Model A car displays, a free movie,



PHOTO BY DAVID CARLEY

The carnival will take place in mid July, but the rest of Railroad Days, now called Old Railroad Days, will occur in August.

bed racing, a pancake breakfast, the Night Market, live music and plenty of train-related activities.

Crane noted, "Railroad Days started as a way to celebrate community and visit

the past. Over the years it changed a lot along with who ran/hosted it." This marks her second year as chair of the NCEC with a goal of expanding events in North Canaan across the calendar. In doing so, it gives more opportunities to bring the town and visitors together.

Crane explained the Old Railroad Days' separation from the carnival, the shorter timeframe and the re-emphasis on the railroad gives the town history its very own spotlight. "The Housatonic Railroad plays a large part reaching out to different trains, museums, and affiliates to all gather together at Canaan Union Station," she added.

For updates and more information visit NorthCanaanEventsCommittee.org.



PHOTO BY RILEY KLEIN

Crash on Route 7

In the late afternoon Monday, June 23, a Chevy Silverado collided with a utility pole coming around a bend on Route 7 in North Canaan. Airbags deployed after hitting the pole. The responding officer said no injuries were reported.

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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.salisburycr.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@salisburycr.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

TAX COLLECTOR'S NOTICE, TOWN OF CANAAN

Pursuant to Sec. 12-145 of the Connecticut statutes, the undersigned Tax Collector of the Town

of Canaan gives notice that she will be ready to receive Motor Vehicle taxes and the first installment of Real Estate & Personal Property taxes due July 1, 2025 at the Tax Collector's office in the Canaan Town Hall, 108 Main St, Falls Village, CT on Monday's & Wednesdays 9am-12pm. Payments must be received or postmarked by August 1, 2025 to avoid interest.

All taxes remaining unpaid after August 1, 2025 will be charged interest from July 1, 2025 at the rate of 1.5% for each month elapsing from the due date of the delinquent tax to the date of payment, with a minimum interest charge of \$2.00. Sec. 12-146

Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer of his/her responsibility for the payment of taxes or delinquent charges. Sec. 12-130.

Rebecca M Juchert- Derungs, Tax Collector, CCMC
06-19-25
07-03-25
07-17-25

Notice of Decision Town of Salisbury Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission

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

on June 23, 2025:

Deemed Not Exempt - Application 2025-IW-060D by Sharri Posen requesting a declaratory ruling for dredging silt and removing invasives from a 0.25 acre pond. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor's map 19 as lot 06 and is known as 225+227 Undermountain Road, Salisbury. The owners of the property are Sharri and Richard Posen.

Deemed Exempt - Application 2025-IW-061D by Scott J. Nash requesting a declaratory ruling for a new dock on East Twin Lake. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor's map 58 as lot 02 and is known as 198 Between the Lakes Road, Salisbury. The owners of the property are Scott and Diane Nash.

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

Town of Salisbury Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission
Sally Spillane, Secretary
07-03-25

Notice of Decision Town of Salisbury Water Pollution Control Authority

Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the Water Pollution Control Authority

of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on June 25, 2025:

RESOLVED: That the WPCA finds that there is sufficient capacity to accommodate the proposed project from ARADEV, LLC at 104 & 106 Sharon Road (Wake Robin Inn) and 53 Wells Hill Road, Lakeville as shown in the site plans submitted on May 15, 2025 based on the analysis contained in the report of SLR International Corporation dated April 28, 2025 as supplemented and reviewed by the WPCA's consulting engineer Tighe & Bond in its report dated May 21, 2025. This capacity determination is contingent on the implementation of recommended improvements to inflow and infiltration as described in the Tighe & Bond report, in addition to the standard connection and other fees.

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 Water Pollution Control Authority
Donald Mayland, Chairman
06-03-25

TAX COLLECTOR TOWN OF SALISBURY CT LEGAL NOTICE
The taxpayers of the

Town of Salisbury are hereby notified that I have received the Warrant and the Rate Bill to collect taxes on the Grand List of October 1, 2024 with a levy of 11.00 Mills. Said taxes become due on July 1, 2025. If said Real Estate and Personal Property tax is over \$100.00, it is payable in four installments due: July 1, 2025, October 1, 2025, January 1, 2026, April 1, 2026. Motor Vehicle tax shall be paid in one installment due: July 1, 2025. Payments must be received or postmarked by August 1, 2025. If said Real Estate, Personal Property and Motor Vehicle taxes are not paid on or before August 1, 2025 interest at the rate of 1.5% (18% annually) will apply. The minimum interest charge is \$2.00. Taxes can be paid by mail addressed to: Tax Collector, PO Box 338, Salisbury CT 06068. WPCA Sewer use fees for the year July 1, 2025 are also due and payable on August 1, 2025. Tax office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-4pm. There is a drop box in the vestibule of the Town Hall open 9am-4pm, Monday-Friday and a 24 hour drop box on the Factory Street back side of the Town Hall. Please check salisburycr.us for additional credit card payment information. FAILURE TO RECEIVE A BILL DOES NOT INVALIDATE THE TAX OR THE INTEREST. Please

contact the Tax Collector's Office 860 435-5189 or taxcollector@salisburycr.us if you do not receive a bill or have questions. Dated this 5th day of June 2025.

Jean F. Bell, CCMC Tax Collector Salisbury, CT 06068
06-19-25
07-03-25
07-24-25

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF CHARLES D. HEWETT, JR. Late of Salisbury (25-00160)

The Hon. Jordan M. Richards, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Litchfield Hills Probate Court, by decree dated June 10, 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: Steven P. Goldberg c/o Michael Downes Lynch Law Office of Michael D. Lynch, 106 Upper Main Street P.O. Box 1776, Sharon, CT 06069

Megan M. Foley, Clerk
07-03-25

Our Towns

The Hydrilla Menace

Twin Lakes group continues battle against invasive hydrilla despite delay in federal funding

By Debra A. Aleksinas

SALISBURY — A lack of federal funding has caused the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to scale back efforts to combat a highly invasive strain of hydrilla in the Connecticut River this summer, prompting Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D) to request \$5.5 million from Congress so that a field eradication and management project started last year can continue.

The budget standstill aside, in Salisbury the Twin Lakes Association (TLA) is proceeding full speed ahead in its battle against hydrilla. Two years ago, East Twin became the first lake outside of the Connecticut River to identify the virulent strain in its waters. Since then, 10 additional waterbodies have been found to harbor the worrisome weed.

Armed with a \$500,000 lake management budget for 2025 and a permit for herbicide treatment from the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEEP), the lake association is launching a sustained attack on hydrilla throughout summer into early fall.

Lake management costs have risen exponentially since hydrilla's arrival. In 2022, the TLA budgeted



PHOTO BY DEBRA A. ALEKSINAS

David Mathus, left, launched his boat into East Twin Lake from O'Hara's Landing Marina on Sunday, June 22, with assistance from marina service manager Colin Brooks.

about \$60,000 to manage the Twin Lakes, of which the town of Salisbury contributed roughly \$40,000.

Referring to this year's estimated \$500,000 in expenses for herbicide applications and aquatic plant monitoring, "We don't see this going down," said TLA President Grant Bogle of costly battle.

Fundraising efforts have proven fruitful, with association members responding generously. Eight large donors have given \$10,000 or more. In all, 82 members donated at least \$1,000 each, totaling \$350,000 since last August.

Filling the budget gaps were contributions from the state and town, each contributing \$75,000, and a \$25,000 grant was received from the Bates Foundation.

And while the state has been generous with grants, that source cannot be guaranteed and, therefore, fundraising is crucial, Bogle noted. "We have to take control here. If it happens great, but we're not planning on it."

Plant surveys, herbicide treatments underway

The lake association sprang into action once the Connecticut River variant of hydrilla was identified

the waters around O'Hara's Landing Marina by forming a coalition of local, state and federal scientific and environmental advisors.

TLA board member Russ Conklin, who has since been appointed vice president of lake management, recently gave an update to the association's annual membership meeting on June 14 at Isola Bella, which drew 62 attendees.

He explained that George Knoecklein of Northeast Aquatic Research, the TLA's limnologist, will be conducting four major plant surveys this year. They started in June

and will continue throughout the summer.

"The first three are to determine where the various species are and to confirm that we've gotten all the hydrilla locations that we think are contained to the East Bay," said Conklin, who noted that the whole-lake surveys typically take place over five to six days.

"George goes out and meanders around all of the shallow places of all the lakes," said Conklin. In early fall, divers will explore deeper depths, as was done last year resulting in new hydrilla beds discovered farther into the lake in a path leading from the marina.

The TLA has hired Shrewsbury, Massachusetts-based lake management company SOLitude to apply multiple, low doses of the herbicide Sonar, in keeping with DEEP's permit.

Results from this year's treatment will be reported back to the state and will be shared with the association's scientific partners, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station (CAES), state and local officials and other lake groups.

Research scaled back

Last year, USACE and the CAES tested five locations around the Connecticut River with various herbicides. However, the current federal budget standstill means that research has been scaled back, which concerns environmentalists and lake groups both within and outside of the Connecticut River Valley.

Keith Hannon of USACE's New England Division, who is among the TLA's coalition of advisors, confirmed last week that due to the fiscal year 2025 federal budget continuing resolution, his agency's aquatic plant control research program has not received a budget appropriation for the current fiscal year.

"USACE does have money available to use from previous appropriations for the CT River hydrilla project that doesn't expire but this money provides a significantly limited budget for the project in fiscal year 2025."

That said, his agency will continue to execute the program with whatever funding becomes available, noted Hannon.

"In general, if continued no action or limited response to hydrilla persists, it is reasonable to expect the plant will continue to spread at the current rate."

A busy day of inspections, launches

On a recent Sunday afternoon, David Mathus of Salisbury was among the steady flow of boaters looking to launch into East Twin. He guided his 21-foot Sun-Deck motorboat into the water, with assistance from Colin Brooks, service manager at O'Hara's Landing, as the line to launch grew.

Nearby, Keenan Wysocki, one of several boat monitors assigned to check boats coming in and leaving the lake, kept a watchful eye out for hydrilla fragments that might be hitching rides on boats either entering or exiting the lake.

According to Conklin, the TLA is exploring the possibility of adding boat washers at the marina, at a cost of between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

Mathus, who sits on the boards of both the TLA and nearby Salisbury School, said he is concerned about the federal budget standstill and its potential impact on hydrilla research.

He credited the TLA for its aggressive action to halt the spread locally, and said he hopes federal funding to fight the scourge continues. "I also have a place near the Connecticut River, so I know how badly it's been affected there."

Water authority gives Wake Robin Inn applicants nod to proceed with project

By Alec Linden

LAKEVILLE — During a brief meeting midday on Wednesday, June 25, the Salisbury Water Pollution Control Authority voted unanimously to approve the sewer specifications of the controversial proposed expansion of the Wake Robin Inn.

Pending WPCA approval has long been a potential roadblock for the applicant, ARADEV LLC.

During the contentious public hearing sessions before the Planning and Zoning Commission in the final months of 2024, many residents claimed that the increased sewer load and runoff potential from the new development should be reason alone for the propos-

al's denial.

P&Z itself has said repeatedly that it would not be able to permit the project without prior approval by WPCA.

At the Wednesday meeting, the Authority briefly reviewed the May 21 report from its third-party engineering consultant, Tighe & Bond, announcing that the study found the town's sewer system has sufficient capacity for ARADEV's plans.

WPCA Chair Donald Mayland noted that approval had to be "contingent upon successful 'I&I' treatment" demonstrated in the plans, which the Tighe & Bond review affirmed that it was. "I&I" stands for "inflow and infiltration" and refers to a sewer's ability to handle increased load from stormwater runoff.

The Authority took a brief recess during the meeting while the town's attorney Rich Roberts drafted a motion of approval, which he emphasized must specify the dates of the material reviewed, as the future of the application remains uncertain considering pending litigation against P&Z and may change details. After reconvening, the motion was read aloud and approved

unanimously.

While the WPCA approval marks a milestone for the project, the potential restraining order against the P&Z remains a significant hurdle for ARADEV. P&Z has scheduled its public hearing for Aug. 5 to allow the court time to render a decision on the litigation, which will determine how and if the application is able to move forward.

Sharon considers switch to appointed town clerk

By Alec Linden

SHARON — The Board of Selectmen hosted an informational meeting with the public on Monday, June 24 to discuss a proposed ordinance that would change the town clerk position from an elected role to one appointed by the BOS.

As per an announcement on the town website, the switch is meant to allow the field of applicants to extend beyond Sharon residents, as well as attract candidates who may not wish to participate in the election process. The public notice said the move would protect the clerk's job security, as there is no limit on repeating terms so long as the position's requirements and standards are satisfactorily met.

First Selectman Casey Flanagan reported public feedback on the topic was constructive. "The overall sentiment from the room was supportive of the idea to make the transition from elected to appointed," he said.

One specific comment that may affect the final language of the ordinance suggested the concept of a "hiring committee" be broadened from just the heads of the



PHOTO BY LEILA HAWKEN

Sharon Town Hall is located on Main Street.

Democratic and Republican Town Committees to allow the BOS to consult with others during the hiring process who may be familiar with the role, such as the registrars and current town clerk.

Current Town Clerk Linda Amerighi said June 30 that some questions have arisen since the informational meeting, and she emphasized that she is available to discuss the topic with any Sharon voter but not during business hours. "I want to be sure that before any decisions are made that people have an opportunity to understand what this means for Sharon," Amerighi said.

The BOS is in the process of incorporating the public's input into its final proposal ordinance that will be sent to town meeting for a vote. A date for the town meeting has yet to be announced.

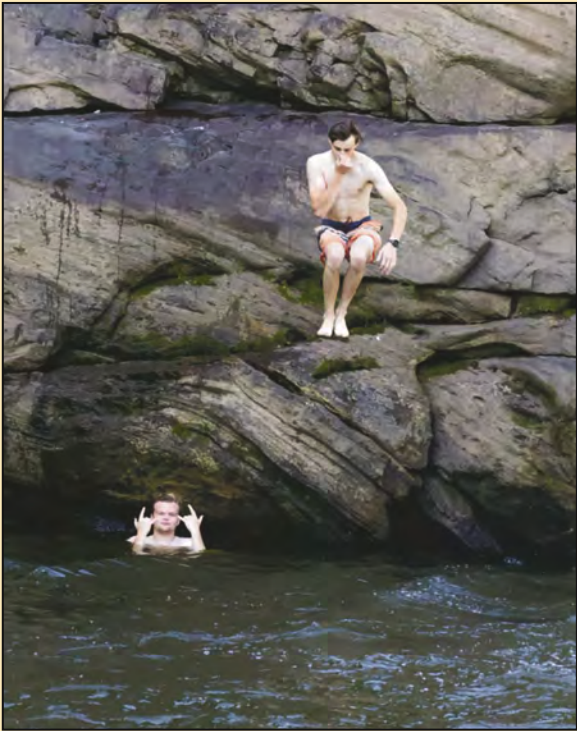


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Splash down

Steven Barber, of Cornwall, makes the leap out of the heat Tuesday, June 24, into the cool pool of Great Falls with Finn Scribner already enjoying the water.

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Salisbury Housing Trust opens doors to future ‘land bank’ thanks to small parcel donation

By Debra A. Aleksinas

SALISBURY — A 100-foot by 100-foot plot of land at 235 Housatonic River Road recently donated to the nonprofit Salisbury Housing Trust by landowner Michael Klemens is being hailed by affordable housing advocates as an example of how a little-known and often misunderstood state statute known as 8-30g can support affordable housing initiatives in town.

“We’ve been talking about this for years, getting residents to donate small parcels,” through Connecticut General Statute 8-30g, said Jocelyn Ayer, director of the Litchfield County Centers for Housing Opportunity.

“What 8-30g does is that it gives zoning flexibility to affordable housing organizations. Getting a generous donation from that will hopefully encourage other residents to do the same.”

John Harney, president of the Housing Trust, referred to Klemens’ gift as “unbelievably generous,” and is the affordable housing group’s first building site meeting the requirements of 8-30g.

This newly acquired parcel, comprising 9,965 square feet and conveyed by warranty deed from Klemens to the Salisbury Housing Trust,

Inc., on June 11, is situated outside of municipal services on a scenic road that runs along the Housatonic River.

Reflecting on his land donation, Klemens, who serves as Chairman of the Salisbury Planning and Zoning Commission, said he had long explored developing the lot for himself, but ultimately decided to donate it for affordable housing.

He explained that “Under current zoning, it’s just not a minimum lot size, so I would have had to get a variance from the ZBA, but with 8-30g, those restrictions go away. I thought about it for a long time, but decided that the real potential is that if somebody built an affordable house under 8-30g, it eliminates the need for a variance.”

Salisbury’s Plan of Conservation and Development, adopted last December, “was quite clear about the benefits of the 8-30g statute,” noted Klemens.

“This is a first for the Housing Trust,” noted Harney. “We have renovated and

developed historically where there is town sewer and water, but we need to look elsewhere in the future to find land that will require a well and septic and build on that.”

Harney noted that while the state statute does not directly govern the process of land donation, it does create a favorable environment for relaxing land use regulations and supporting affordable housing initiatives, including the donation of undersized lots.

“Through Michael’s generosity, the housing trust can bank a number of these parcels for the future,” said the SHT president. “Without land, we can do nothing, but with land and with 8-30g, we can do everything.”

Klemens said his gift to the Housing Trust is the final step in protecting and preserving acreage that he and his partner Kenneth Leabman amassed decades ago, all of which is located on Housatonic River Road between the road and the river and includes rare vernal pools and unspoiled views.

That entire swath of land, he said, has since been put into conservation with the Housatonic Valley Association (HVA).

According to Julia Rogers, HVA’s senior land protection manager, the area protected by Klemens’ conservation easements comprise about 15 acres along the Wild & Scenic stretch of the Housatonic River and protects critical habitat for amphibians.

“I wanted to protect that side, with its beautiful vernal pools, the river and not a single house there,” said Klemens. “We put the house lots into conservancy, then there was this scrap of land that was just out there, on the other side of the road. I held onto that small parcel, which was separately taxed, and separately deeded.”

Klemens referred to his donation to the Housing Trust as “the last cog” in his quest to preserve environmentally sensitive land in perpetuity and at the same time allow for a family to be able to afford to live in an area of town which might otherwise have been out of reach financially.

“At last, my legacy is going to be a beautiful river preserved, put into conservation, and an affordable housing lot. I have left my imprint on the community.



PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Susan Galluzzo, at left, addresses the crowd Saturday, June 28, for the 10 year anniversary of the Lakeville Community Conservancy.

Celebrating 10 years of conservation efforts in Lakeville

By Patrick L. Sullivan

LAKEVILLE — The Lakeville Community Conservancy (LCC) threw a party Saturday, June 28, at Bauer Park at Factory Pond in Lakeville.

LCC president Susan Galluzzo noted that in the organization’s 10-year history, this was its first event.

The occasion was the 10-year anniversary, which coincided with the installation of a new sign that provides the visitor with the history of Factory Pond.

For instance:

“Factory Pond is a relic of a colonial-era hydropower system that depended on a wooden water wheel to run machinery in the 1762 Salisbury Furnace, where pig iron mined in the vicinity was forged and refined. The furnace was a critical supplier of cannon and ammunition to patriot troops during the American Revolution.”

Galuzzo said the group was formed because Lakeville “needed a little attention.”

The group has created public parks, fixed up Community Field, and added plants in front of the post office, among other projects.

Galuzzo said the group created an infrastructure to make the village a more pleasant place for visitors to get out of their cars and explore – and support local businesses.

To cheers, Galuzzo said in its decade of existence the LCC has raised some \$300,000, almost all of which went into the various projects.

“We have no staff,” she said.

Housing group reviews progress, plans

By Alec Linden

SALISBURY — Affordable housing options in Salisbury are actively expanding, reported Salisbury’s Affordable Housing Commission at its June 26 regular meeting as it reviewed a flurry of progress updates from various projects around town.

Commission Vice Chair Elizabeth Slotnick announced that the long-awaited Holley Place affordable rental apartment development is nearly build-ready, anticipated to be under construction by the end of the year. “We’re getting very close,” Slotnick said.

She also explained that the results of a study on the Pope property’s habitat for the state-listed wood turtle – conducted by wildlife biologist and Salisbury P&Z Chair Michael Klemens – and a resulting map of developable land are not expected until September. The study is part of a slew of early-stage efforts in a plan to develop the land into an affordable housing campus that also features recreational facilities and adheres to conservation ideals.

Chair Jennifer Kronholm Clark reported that Salisbury is soon to have “two new homeowners on Perry Street.” She said that two families with young children had been chosen from the application pool to be the first owners of the newly installed affordable houses. She said that she hopes for the deals to be closed and the houses handed over by the

end of August after some finishing touches — “we’re very excited about that.”

She noted that in Cornwall, the installation of two more affordable homes under the same Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity-led initiative as Perry Street has been delayed by the detection of an underground spring on the site. The length of the pause was unclear, but Kronholm Clark anticipated it to be several weeks.

The Salisbury Housing Trust, an independent nonprofit that seeks to expand Salisbury’s affordable homeownership opportunities, had previously amended its construction plans at the Undermountain Road site, moving one of the buildings to save several large oak trees on the property. The issue has been sensitive with some residents who feel the trees to be a historic component of downtown Salisbury.

At the June 26 meeting, Kronholm Clark said that one of the trees was found to be rotten through after it was felled. Another old oak on the property, which would pose a direct threat to the homes if rotten, will be tested and cut down if it is deemed to be dangerous.

The Commission also addressed a “letter to the editor” published in the June 12 edition of the Lakeville Journal, in which Lorraine Faison argued for the proposed Pope property complex to be moved from the site due to concerns about

the density of development and the sensitive ecology of the area.

She suggested the Mary V. Peters Park on Long Pond Road as a promising alternative, but the Commission explained that the park had already been assessed and

determined to be unviable for the development for several reasons, foremost was its lack of sewer connection and the logistical difficulty of installing a septic system on the site. The Commission reported that extensive ledge had been found on the site.

April, May real estate sales in North Canaan

By Christine Bates

NORTH CANAAN — In the last five years, the median price of a single-family home in North Canaan has risen from \$168,000 to \$284,750, an increase of 69%, in line with the regional market in Connecticut.

At the end of June there were eight single family homes listed for sale with six of them offered at under \$500,000.

Transactions

79 East Main St. — 3 bedroom/1 bath home on 3.25 acres sold by Estate of Michael Tyler, Estate of Larry

Tyler, Keith F Tyler and Stephen C. Tyler to Carlos Mario Pineda Coreas and Mirna Marisol Chavez for \$81,250 recorded on April 17.

25 Honey Hill Road — 4 bedroom/2 bath home built in 1954 sold by Community Residences Incorporated to Joshua C. Bergenty and Lana K. Knudson for \$340,000 recorded on April 28.

68 Allyndale Road — 4 bedroom/3.5 bath home on 1.51 acres sold by VRMTG Asset Trust US Bank Trust National to S. Sodhi and K. Sodhi Gurmeet for \$413,400 recorded on April 29.

55 Allyndale Road — 3

bedroom/2 bath home sold by Deborah Gasperini and Susa Throop to Rosa Barnaba and Hoah Cooper for \$322,000 recorded on May 12.

37 Old Turnpike Road — 4 bedroom/2 bath house sold by Annette L. Roddy to Lemon Properties LLC for \$90,000 recorded on May 12.

65 East Main St. — 2 bedroom/1 bath home sold by Oueslati Haithem to Seaside Capital LLC for \$165,000 recorded on May 14.

305 Ashley Falls Road — 1.2 acres lot across the road from the Caddie Shack sold by Michael Rossi to Ashley

Falls Owner LLC for \$68,000 recorded on May 27.

**Town of North Canaan real estate transfers recorded as sold between April 1, 2025, and May 31, 2025, provided by the North Canaan Assistant 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.*

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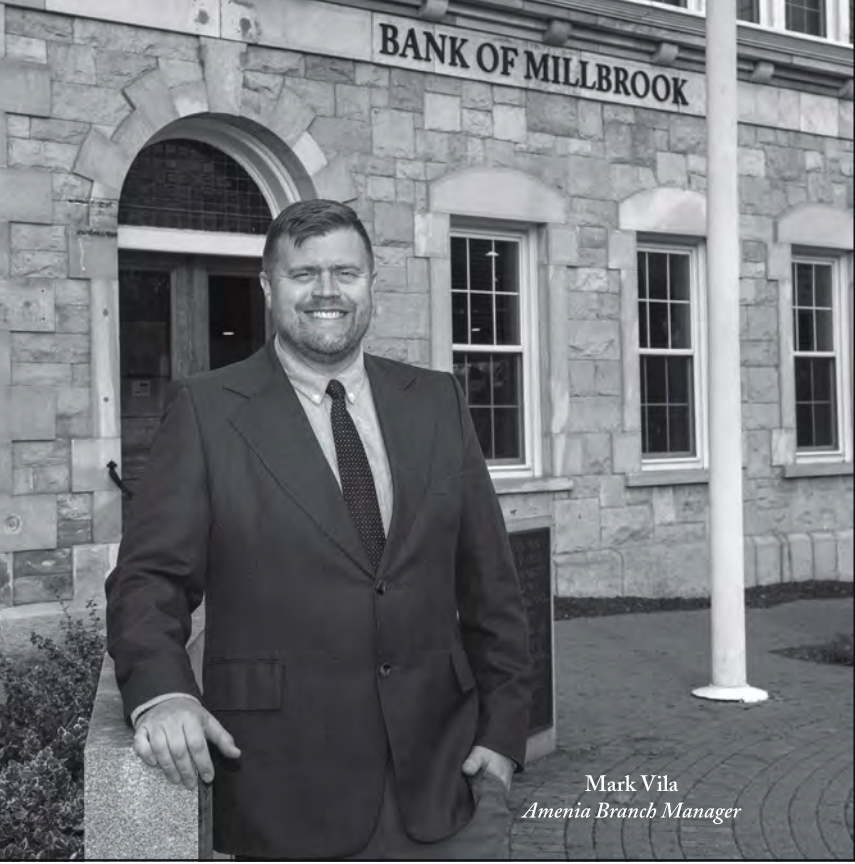
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OBITUARIES

James H. Fox

SHARON — James H. Fox, resident of Sharon, passed away on May 30, 2025, at Vassar Brothers Hospital.

Born in New York, New York, to Herbert Fox and Margaret Moser, James grew up in Hastings-on-Hudson, New York. He spent his summers in Gaylordsville, Connecticut, where he developed a deep connection to the community.

James attended Millbrook School, Ripon College, and the Culinary Institute of America in New Haven, Connecticut.

He proudly served in the Navy and his dedication to his craft led him to later own several restaurants, including the renowned Fox & Fox in Gaylordsville, and most recently, Panini Cafe in Kent. He went on to become a staple at the Cornwall Farmer's Market, known for his delicious soups.

James lived in Sharon, for 20 years, where he cherished the serenity tending to the gardens and property. Perpetually in motion, he filled his days with gardening, tending his property, and engaging in hobbies such as collecting model cars, wood-working, and perfecting his



culinary creations. He never hesitated to take on a new project, no matter the scope. Not many 82-year-olds can say they fully remodeled a bathroom single handedly. After a full day of work, one of his greatest joys was relaxing at the end of the day in front of the fireplace.

James is survived by his constant companion of 22 years, Kathie Dolan; his two sons; Adam Fox of Montpelier, Vermont and Emmett Fox of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; his brother, Tom Fox of Phoenix, Arizona; his brother-in-law, Gary Sarachan of St. Louis; and several nieces, including Sydney Fox Sarachan of St. Louis, Carrie Fox of Phoenix, and Amanda Fox of Columbus, Ohio. He also leaves behind his grandson, Aidan Fox of New Hampshire, extended family, Erin Dolan, Megan Mollica, Rory Dolan, his dog, Django, and his cat, William.

James will be deeply missed by all who knew him. His unique sense of humor and culinary excellence will live on in the hearts of his family and friends.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements. All services are private.

Richard Stone

FALLS VILLAGE — Richard Stone of Main Street passed away June 25, 2025, at Charlotte Hungerford Hospital in Torrington.

Born Feb. 12, 1942, in Ossining, New York, Richard was son of the late Howard Stone and Victoria (Smith) Stone.

He attended public schools in Ossining and then studied architecture at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York. After graduation he became a licensed architect.

Richard admired contemporary architecture by Corbusier, Philip Johnson, and Louis Kahn, but also many earlier and folk designs. His projects included re-erecting, at the Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, Massachusetts, the 18th century Chinese house “Yin Yu Tang”, and also restoration of the historic Delaware &



Hudson office building in Albany, New York. Broad cultural interests led him to travel around the world, but especially in Caribbean lands and Latin America.

Long a resident of Falls Village, Richard had a concern for the built environment surrounding him. More importantly, he cherished neighbors, church, and friends near and far.

Richard is survived by his three brothers; Thomas of Peabody, Massachusetts, William of Canaan, New Hampshire, and Kenneth of Medford, Massachusetts, their wives, and many nieces, nephews, and step siblings.

A service will be held at Trinity Episcopal Church, 484 Lime Rock Road, Lakeville, Connecticut, on Thursday, July 31, at 11:30 a.m.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.

Mary Steele Cooney

SALISBURY — Mary Cooney, 63, a beloved daughter, sister, aunt, and friend, died suddenly of a previously undiagnosed medical condition on Feb. 14, 2025.

Mary was born in Barre, Vermont on Dec. 22, 1961, the first child of Lucy Wright Cooney and George Scatchard. Mary spent her early childhood in Vermont, later moving with her mother and siblings to Brookline, Massachusetts, Little Compton, Rhode Island, and settling in Salisbury, Connecticut in 1973. Mary attended Salisbury Central School and graduated from Housatonic Valley Regional High School. At Housatonic, Mary discovered her love of theater, choral singing, and was a dedicated member of Future Farmers of America.

During her high school years, Mary, who never lost her joy in play, became the beloved babysitter for many local families. She delighted in playing with the kids, teaching them, loving them, and treasuring all the shared moments inherent in spending time with children.

Mary's love of animals, and especially horses, blossomed during this time. A keen student of horseback riding, Mary acquired her own pony, Queen Anne, when she was 14 years old. Despite her seemingly quiet demeanor, with animals Mary was fearless, and she handled lively Queen Anne with bravery and spirit.

After graduating from Housatonic in 1980, Mary studied at Warren Wilson College in Asheville, North Carolina, and then at Confederation College in Thunder Bay, Canada, graduating in 1988 with a degree in Arts Management. After college, Mary moved to Vancouver, Canada where she worked for a music management group, Michael Godin Management. Mary never enjoyed the spotlight but preferred working hard behind the scenes. Her childhood role as the eldest in a large family prepared her well for the varied demands of managing performing artists.

Mary relocated to Edmonton, Canada in 1998. She loved the relaxed, informal feel of the city, enjoyed shopping for organic food at the local farmers' markets, and developed a strong interest in natural living and regenerative farming. A longtime vegetarian, she enjoyed cooking and sharing meals with friends. She was



an exceptionally skilled knitter and was never without a knitting project. She hated injustice of all kinds and believed passionately in the possibility of a fairer, more peaceful world.

Mary had an adventurous streak, which saw her backpacking through Europe as a college student in the 1980s. Later, she fulfilled a lifelong dream of traveling to Australia and working on a sheep ranch. Yet no matter where she was in the world, Mary maintained an intense loyalty and closeness to her family. Despite living her adult life in Canada, far from her roots in New England, Mary traveled home for family gatherings in the US and the UK and could always be relied upon to turn up whenever anyone needed her help. She had a special connection with her nieces and nephews and genuinely loved playing with them and joining in their games. A visit from Auntie Mary invariably resulted in shrieks of laughter from her young relatives.

Mary's sudden death came as a devastating shock to her family, who mourn the loss of her wonderful sense of humor, her incredible generosity and selflessness, and most of all, her loving heart.

Mary is survived by her parents, Lucy Wright Cooney, Michael Cooney and his wife, Margot Bridgett, her sisters, Ellen and her husband Peter Mullin, Lorien and her husband Adam Smyer, Beecher Grogan, Alison and her husband Sasha Hinkley, Kelly Cooney, her brothers Bill Cooney and his wife Andrea Reyer, Sam, Chris, and, Aaron Cooney and his wife Cammi Fulvi, and fourteen nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her father, George, and her cherished niece, Lucy Grogan. Mary also leaves behind her beloved Canadian friends, Tristan Spearing, his fiancée Sara Wollstein, and Carol and Joe Lewis.

Mary's memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 26, at 3:00 p.m., at Trinity Episcopal Church, 484 Lime Rock Road, Lakeville, Connecticut. Light refreshments will be served after the ceremony.

The family hopes to reconnect and share stories with local friends in the Salisbury area. We hope you can join us.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Clemmons Family Farm at clemmonsfamilyfarm.org or Oxfam at oxfamamerica.org.

Barbara A. Long

PINE PLAINS — Barbara A. Long of Pine Plains, passed away peacefully on June 7, 2025, at Noble Horizons where she had resided since December. She was born on Jan. 5, 1942, in Queens, New York to the late Otto & Anna (Scheich) Hafner.

A graduate of Fordham University, Barbara earned her Master's in Social Work and dedicated her career to serving individuals suffering from domestic violence, drug, and alcohol abuse within New York State. Her unwavering determination to uplift those around her illustrated her belief in the power of support and understanding.

Barbara's life was marked by her profound compassion and commitment to helping others.

Barbara cherished her family deeply and is survived by her daughters, Jean Prager, Jennifer Loveday, Jodi Pantley and her fiancé, Julio, as well as her beloved grandchildren: Shawn Prager, Gessner Pantley Jr., Delaney Pantley, Jordan Escobar, John M. Long, and Emily

Kirschenbaum. Additionally, she is survived by her brother, Charles (Malay) Hafner, along with several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Predeceased by her brother, Otto Hafner.

Barbara had a deep appreciation for nature; she loved gardening and spending time outdoors where she found peace and joy. Her fondness for marine life was evident in her passion for dolphin and whale watching during her visits to Cape Cod. She also had an affinity for wolves and Native American culture.

Barbara will be remembered for the warmth and love she brought to her family and friends. Her legacy of compassion, strength, and dedication will continue to inspire all who were fortunate enough to have known her. Services will be held at the convenience of the family.

Donations in Barbara's memory may be made to Noble Horizons, Activities Department, 17 Cobble Road, Salisbury, CT, 06068. Please visit www.peckandpeck.net to leave a message of condolence for the family.



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OUR TOWNS

NCCF boosts local nonprofits with grant funding

TORRINGTON — The Northwest CT Community Foundation Draper Foundation Fund recently awarded \$619,650 to nonprofit organizations serving Northwest Connecticut.

Established by Jim and Shirley Draper, the fund continues to impact the region with grants awarded annually to a selection of area nonprofits, along with competitive grants to additional organizations and projects that address community needs.

The grant recipients include:

Community Health and Wellness Center of Greater Torrington received \$20,000 to support an on-site community food pantry for cli-

ents in the Torrington location.

The Housing Collective's Litchfield County Center for Housing Opportunity received \$25,000 to support capacity for direct project work with the all-volunteer nonprofit affordable housing organizations in Northwest Connecticut.

KidsPlay Children's Museum received \$30,000 to support a pilot Youth Engagement Program in the Summer of 2025 and general operating support.

Colebrook Preservation Society received \$45,000 to support interior renovation of the Colebrook Store Building.

Connecticut Foodshare received \$10,000 to support

the mobile food pantry service in Winsted.

FISH of Northwestern Connecticut received \$6,550 to support lighting replacements and upgrades for the FISH shelter and food pantry.

Great Mountain Forest received \$10,000 to support a site development plan to guide campus improvements for public programming.

Little Guild of Saint Francis received \$35,000 to support the final construction costs of a new shelter facility.

Torrington Youth Service

Bureau received \$10,000 to support youth development programming with Outside Perspectives in Fall 2025 for 10 to 12 high school students.

Town of Colebrook received \$5,650 to support the installation of automatic door openers at the Community and Senior Center to improve ADA compliance.

Warner Theatre received \$5,700 to support the purchase of audio equipment frequently requested by touring shows that is currently rented on a per-show basis.



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Buckle up for what’s taking place in space

Everything you know, everything you think you can plan for in the next 10+ years is wrong. Faster than the changes to the backbone of civilization and industry during the ‘70s and ‘80 resultant from the Apollo Program (computer chips, MRI, CAT Scans and an endless list — including your cellphone) — what is taking place now will change everything on Earth in the next 10 to 20 years.

Data centers and all communications are moving off Earth. Why? Because computers and data centers (which are only many, many computers in one warehouse) need massive cooling and cooling needs energy. Some data centers now operating use more electricity than the New York City Subway system, hour after hour, day after day. The same data center, in space, in near absolute zero needs only low power for the chips from solar panels.

China is building a solar array in space, right now, with a design of over one square mile. Yes, almost six football fields in size.

Now, let’s explain something here. Arthur C. Clarke, the Sci-Fi author, was a brilliant scientist. He calculated a point above the Earth where the gravitational pull of Earth would balance out with a satellite’s inertia to move away from Earth and the satellite would, in effect, rotate over a specific spot on Earth... seemingly stationary above that point. Originally called the Clarke Orbit, it is now called GEO (geostationary orbit). You put your computer and data center at that point and up and down links to Earth are constant and clean.

A scientist recently said, “You control GEO and you control the world’s industry and communication.” When you put Quantum computers at GEO along with the data centers, you can save more than 50% of all – the entire! -- electrical consumption now being built and planned for on Earth.

A VIEW FROM THE EDGE

PETER RIVA

Now you may wonder at news items about a return to the moon. That same scientist said, “And if you control the moon, you also control GEO.” Why? Because the moon has all the advantages of low gravity, easy solar arrays, and cool temperatures for these data and computer locations. Oh, and the moon has lava tubes for safe habitation and there’s Helium3 there – a vital cooling chemical for Quantum computers. Why Quantum computers? Quantum computers compared to the fastest current computers are like a F1 race car is to a hula-hoop. One Quantum computer recently performed a calculation that would have taken a Cray Supercomputer 10,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 years to perform, it did it in under 5 minutes. Couple that with automation and AI and tasks will be performed you cannot possibly imagine.

Think space exploration is all about satellites and warfare? Medical research in zero gravity accounts for 50% of the greatest breakthroughs in medicine in the last decade... that’s why Russia is staying in the game with another \$56,000,000,00 next year to rebuild their own space station. And China? Their space station is growing in size and capability, already 75% of ours.

The Apollo era brought us a 100% change in everything we have, everything we use, everything we know, design, invest in, and invent. This next space era will come quicker and with more fundamental change than you can possibly imagine. So, the message I want to impart here? Space is the future. Buckle up and get involved.

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

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Several points to consider on North Canaan’s proposed tripartite ordinance

1. North Canaan would join the ranks of many other towns in Connecticut and across the country in depoliticizing offices that should not be political. Tax collector, town clerk and treasurer are all purely administrative positions, they do not create or weigh in on policy. There’s no real reason that any of these positions should be left up to a politicized vote.
2. The existing language stipulates that these positions be appointed and, if necessary, removed by a majority vote of the Board of Select-

men, which effectively renders the minority selectperson’s vote inert.

3. Is this simply a continuation of Brian Ohler’s ongoing crusade to oust Jean Jacquier from the position of Town Clerk? He wasn’t able to do it through litigation, so is he now trying to do it through legislation?

4. Considering points 2 and 3, the current language of the ordinance would allow the majority party to appoint or remove anyone they so choose, regardless of qualification or efficacy, and thus

render the depoliticization of the positions highlighted in point 1 ineffectual. The language should be amended to require a unanimous vote of the Board of Selectmen.

5. We have seen across the country in the last decade and especially in the last year just how much damage can be done by placing unqualified people in positions of power within a government. I would like to see a more specific design from the Board of Selectmen of the intended selection process

and qualifications they will be looking for in candidates.

6. Such an important and impactful change to the structure of town government should be conducted through a ballot question on Election Day when more people have the opportunity to cast a vote, not through a special meeting only a few weeks after its introduction on a Monday night when many are unavailable and unable to attend.

Ashlee Baldwin
North Canaan

Ask yourself, what price would you pay?

Lately I have been reflecting on those who fought in the revolution and those who fought in the two great wars of the 20th century many of whom died. From my birth in 1939 to the present I have lived in a world shaped by their commitment and sacrifice.

What price would I pay today to preserve the rule of law under the constitution of the United States as I have known it? I immediately answer that I would gladly give my life to preserve those freedoms for my grandchildren. This is easy to say as an 85

year old.

Then I think of my grandchildren, ages 21 and 18, putting on uniforms and entering combat to preserve the liberties I have long taken for granted. Reluctantly and with conflicting emotions I would support their participation. To contemplate a life under Hitler, Putin, Kim Jong-Un and others is unimaginable. Mary and I recently spent several weeks in Albania where, for 50 plus years, no one could enter or leave. One could only live or work where directed.

Contemplate today’s at-

tacks on the press, independent universities, medical science, habeas corpus, the judiciary, voting rights, minorities, separation of church and state, historical truths.

Ask yourself what price would you pay to preserve human dignity and our freedoms?

Philip V. Oppenheimer
Lakeville

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The proliferation of yard signs in Lakeville

Yard sign proliferation is getting a bit ridiculous in Lakeville. It seems a bit analogous to the broken window theory that visible signs of disorder encourage more disorder. Here yard sign placement seems to encourage more signs and more signs encourage more signs. Wells Hill Road is awash in Wake Robin protest; many town corners advertise Music Mountain among other business and service signs. There are the Ukraine, and stop gun violence signs, and maintenance and contractor signs. It has all gotten to be too much.

The Wake Robin protest

signs only benefit the sign maker, as the decision to approve or disapprove the expansion is not based on public opinion. So many of the other signs seem to support causes that won’t cause the owner any blow back. I haven’t seen any signs that support Russia or express an opinion or support for Israel or Palestine. And, by the way stop gun violence would infer that other forms of violence are okay. I still see save the rail trail even though it doesn’t appear to be in any danger.

Please stop!

Dan Lewis
Lakeville

Let’s grow together

Finding joy in the little things is a good place to start each day, week and season. However with politics throwing a monkey wrench into the idea of celebrating as a nation with a growing gap of the ‘have’s and ‘have-nots among people and corporations’ there’s plenty to ponder.

It’s important to know 250,000 people filled the streets of NYC protesting with calls for a “No Kings Act” meaning we need to clarify and count on the U.S. president working with Congress to represent all people and follow the Constitution. Basic support people have counted on for healthcare and food stamps along with Social Security have prompted serious concerns among people and many leaders such as the bellringer Chris Murphy!

No one seems protected by the law and plenty seem above it. Many are responding with calls to join together locally and online to organize meaningful efforts to help people and advocate for human rights on all levels.

Let’s grow together in our collaboration, creativity, and caring responses, perhaps meeting an hour before planned events to talk ‘on the sidewalk’ if that’s the only option.

Mother Nature is reminding us of the freedom and abundance of the great outdoors and sharing gardening and team work efforts.

Please be in touch if you’d like to join in such efforts for each age and stage of life to grow community and gardens of positivity and good food too!

Catherine Palmer Paton
Falls Village

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Viewpoint

TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

125 years ago — 1900
During the unusually severe electrical storm in Kent Friday afternoon of last week, Walter Hall, a farmer aged 50, was struck by lightning and instantly killed. Mr. Hall was sitting at the dinner table in his home at the time.

It is supposed that a hen lays only lays one egg a day, but Benjamin Cleaveland is in a position to dispute this statement. Last week he placed one of his motherly old hens in a coop by herself in order that her brood might learn to shift for themselves. About noon he went to the coop and found a nice fresh egg. He thought nothing of that, but when he happened there again late in the afternoon and found another nice freshly laid egg, he was naturally somewhat astonished. The coop was fixed in such a way that no other hen could get into it, and there is but one solution to the matter — that hen laid two eggs in one day. Both were of ordinary size but slightly different in color. This goes to prove that even the hens are enterprising in Lakeville.

James Winterbottom of Lime Rock was subpoenaed to appear in New Haven on Tuesday as witness in a divorce suit. “Jim” didn’t know any of the parties concerned in the case, but had to go nevertheless. Had heard something, perhaps.

A horseless wagon passed over the road leading from Cornwall to Falls Village and northward last Monday. It was probably the first one to venture over that course. It was being run about 12 miles an hour. The occupants, a man and woman, didn’t delight in scaring every horse they met, but would stop the machine and wait until a team would pass. If all drivers would be as considerate as this we should have fewer runaways than people expect to experience in the near future.

The residents of Bostwick Hill witnessed an interesting incident in natural history on Monday. A hive of bees belonging to F.H. Chapin swarmed on one of the small trees on Thomas Martin’s lawn. Mr. Chapin was soon on hand and it was interesting to watch him handle the big bunch of buzzing insects. He would lift them up with his bare hands, and those that were flying around in the air would settle upon him but never a one offered to sting him. Mr. Chapin said they know him and they certainly acted as if they did. He says they never sting him and he soon had this swarm nicely hived without losing a one.

100 years ago — 1925
Due to the severity of our winters, it has been apparent for many years that a receiving vault should be built at Salisbury Cemetery. A suitable piece of ground has been reserved for this purpose by the Cemetery Association, and a very generous gift has just been made as a nucleus of the fund. Although it is planned to build the vault on the grounds of the Salisbury Cemetery Association, it is intended that it be used by all creeds.

The gas bus going east at 10 o’clock left the rails at Twin Lakes on Tuesday and pretty nearly buried its nose in the lake. Fortunately no one was injured, but the bus had to be laid up for repairs,

a steam train taking its place. The bus had to be hauled out of its predicament by the Canaan switch engine.

With the new marriage licensing law, passed by the general assembly during the last session which went into effect Wednesday, both parties to the marriage union must sign the license before it can be issued. The requirements of the law will necessitate that both the man and woman appear before the town clerk to swear to the statements and sign the license. Heretofore only one party to the marriage was required to swear to the statement and sign the license.

Interlaken Inn is now open for guests. The work of restoring the Inn since the recent fire has progressed rapidly and satisfactorily and Mr. and Mrs. Percy are to be congratulated upon the fact that the house is now ready for its large list of guests.

50 years ago — 1975
A block of 4 1975 commemorative stamps honoring the 200th anniversary year of the United States Military Services will be released for sale this Friday, July 4, with one American soldier strangely resembling Taconic resident Weston Pullen. The fact is the man on the Bicentennial stamp IS West Pullen. He was asked to pose for the stamp last year by artist and illustrator Edward Vebell of Westport, and Pullen agreed. At that time though, Pullen, while he knew the modeling job was for a stamp, did not know it was for the nation’s Bicentennial stamp.

State Police Trooper Dean Hammond was surprised early last Thursday morning to find a snowman, yes, a five-foot snowman, standing in the middle of Route 41 in Sharon just south of the Sharon Post Office. State Police Sgt. Peter Lawson took a photograph, believing that otherwise no one would credit the presence of a snowman. The snowman, the work of an unknown prankster, was removed from the highway by troopers.

The old Beckley Furnace on the Lower Road in Canaan is one of six sites mentioned for restoration in a preliminary proposal drawn up by the State Department of Environmental Protection. The preliminary report notes that with the increased interest in historical places and events that is being generated by the nation’s Bicentennial, there is also increased awareness of how certain historical land uses shaped Connecticut’s landscape. The Beckley Furnace was listed as being desirable for restoration because it rests on two acres of land already owned by the state. It is readily accessible to the public and is in better repair than some of the other sites.

Like shadows out of the past, a detachment of Colonial horsemen appeared in Northwest Connecticut this weekend. The riders are members of the first troop Philadelphia City Cavalry who are reenacting George Washington’s historic ride to take command of the nation’s first army 200 years ago. The

troop, then called the Light Horse of the City of Philadelphia, acted as Washington’s bodyguard on that long ago ride to Cambridge, Mass. Today it continues its long history as part of the 104th Cavalry Division, Pennsylvania National Guard.

25 years ago — 2000
It will be a bittersweet parting when the Rev. Gilbert Larsen and his wife Jody leave Sharon next week for their new home in Florida. After 17 years in the pulpit of Christ Church Episcopal, the minister is retiring as of Aug. 1. But with vacation time due, his final sermon was given last Sunday and the couple plans to hit the highways next week. “It’s been a wonderful experience for Jody, me and the kids,” said Rev. Larsen, speaking of his two sons, Gilbert and Robert. “It (Sharon) is a marvelous place to raise kids. The people are wonderful. Because of the closeness, sometimes I felt like the parson for the whole town.”

CANAAN — After many months in limbo, a pending dam permit sighed its last breath this week when Phoenix Horizon failed to move to reopen the public hearing process. The Department of Environmental Protection had gone back and forth with the would-be developer, trying to pin down its intentions. After numerous extensions to the hearing process that began a year ago, the matter was declared terminated as of June 27. But all that no longer matters. As of June 14, Phoenix Horizon no longer owns the Sand Road property where it attempted to build up to 73 single-family homes. Webster Bank foreclosed on a mortgage June 14.

A home accessories store on Main Street in Lakeville was robbed of \$12,000 worth of goods and \$150 in cash on the evening of June 15. Bonnie Mulville has owned April 56, a home accessories and gift shop, for 21 years, Bonnie’s husband, John, said, “and this is the first time this has ever happened. They cleaned out the cash register and took a lot of glitzy stuff, salad servers and cast aluminum trays and a whole glass case of jewelry.” The thieves also stole several wall clocks. “It was not any little robbery,” Mr. Mulville said. “It was terrible.” A few days later, Mrs. Mulville’s wallet, which had been stolen, turned up again. “Someone found it in the bushes on Route 44 with the money and credit cards still in it,” Mr. Mulville said. Only the robbers know why they tossed the wallet but kept the cash from the cash box.

Sheffield Plastics Inc. has presented \$500 scholarships to three students at Mount Everett Regional High School for their efforts in resolving a computer problem that faced the company. The checks, presented by Sheffield Plastics Human Resources Director Janet Force, were in appreciation for the work of Ashley Winseck, Claire Mielke and Amanda Janusz when the girls were freshmen. The project was performed under the supervision of Mount Everett technology teacher Charlie Flynn.

What nominated Mamdani in NYC is trouble here too in Connecticut

Far-leftists in Connecticut’s Democratic Party are so excited by Zohran Mamdani’s victory in the Democratic primary for mayor of New York City that they are starting to think about challenging Governor Lamont if he seeks the party’s nomination for a third term.

Having vetoed unemployment compensation for strikers and a housing bill that, while cheered by the left, was more bluff than substance, the governor has just polished his reputation as a moderate at the expense of leftist support. But Lamont’s reputation as a moderate is still overdone. He has pledged to keep giving the state employee unions everything they want and he remains as much a supporter of illegal immigration, transgenderism, and political correctness as any leftist.

Though Mamdani’s victory scares moderate Democrats as well as the political right, it too may be overdone. For Mamdani’s two top opponents in the primary were badly compromised. A federal criminal indictment, canceled by President Trump, caused Mayor Eric Adams to withdraw from the Democratic primary and to try get re-elected as an independent instead. That left former Gov. Andrew Cuomo, disgraced by a sexual harassment scandal that forced him to resign four years ago.

By some calculations Mamdani’s vote total in the primary was only 9% of all New York City voters, and it’s a long way to Election Day with plenty of time for Adams or a Republican nominee to seize the flag of moderation. There’s also plenty of

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time for Mamdani’s critics to mock his public record and the likely expense of his platform.

Like many on the left, Mamdani believes that nearly everything desirable should and can be free. He wants free public transit, free child care, a freeze on apartment rents (but not a freeze on the expenses landlords must pay), and groceries subsidized by city-operated supermarkets.

Who is to pay for all this? Not the recipients of the goodies but “the rich,” on whom Mamdani would raise taxes — if he could, but he can’t, since New York City income tax rates are set by state government, not city government. That is, his platform is a fraud.

But Mamdani has a point, and it resonates especially with city residents: The cost of living is too high. Indeed it is, and not just in New York City but in many other places, like Connecticut. Unfortunately, like most leftists, Mamdani is not interested in bringing costs down; he just wants to transfer them to others, perpetuating a vicious cycle.

That cycle began with government driving up the cost of living, especially the cost of housing, with inflation and taxes, crushing the poor and the once-middle class. This caused people to seek more free stuff and subsidies from government, prompting government to oblige (and, of course, to grow), thereby

driving inflation and taxes up more, causing people to demand still more subsidies and free stuff and government to oblige, and so on.

Why can’t so many people afford to feed themselves and care for their children anymore? *Why* haven’t wages kept up with inflation?

These questions don’t interest elected officials, probably because they would implicate themselves by asking. But answers can be inferred.

Wages aren’t keeping up with inflation because work skills aren’t, since public education, having reduced itself to social promotion, is not producing as many people equipped to support themselves and their children.

Welfare policy has wrecked the family, depriving millions of homes of fathers and breadwinners.

Government’s mistaken financial priorities, like the supremacy of government employee unions, has diverted money from important services to the public.

The admission of millions of illegal immigrants has depressed the wage base for the less-skilled labor being produced by public education.

Mamdani’s victory is a measure of New York City’s impoverishment by government. People will always vote for free stuff if the plan is to get someone else to pay for it, and, as the French economist Frederic Bastiat discerned long ago, government is the great fiction by which everybody tries to live at the expense of everybody else.

Chris Powell has written about Connecticut government and politics for many years.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

How can we help save the bees?

Bees, butterflies and other pollinators are in trouble.

We are in trouble too, as the bee and butterfly numbers plunge, who will pollinate our fruit, vegetables, trees and flowers? We will have no food without pollinators.

The use of insecticides such as Neonicotinoids have reduced the numbers of our bees and butterflies to dangerous lows. Many countries have banned these products yet the EPA, Environmental Protection Agency, and the BLM, Bureau of Land Management, and the US Department of Agriculture, are spraying thousands of acres of public lands with these products.

Today most seeds are coated with pesticides, usually with neonic insecticide. The growing plant infuses the chemicals throughout the entire plant—from its roots to its fruit to its pollen—making it toxic to birds, bees and butterflies.

Europe has suffered the same loss of pollinators, so many countries like Germany and Switzerland do not mow the grass along the sides of their roads. They let grass and wildflowers grow freely unsprayed to help the pollinators. We can do that.

The Connecticut State Senate bill SB9 limits the use of neonicotinoid pesticides. The bill bans neonics on lawns and golf courses and blocks using the pesticides on school grounds. But it does allow landscapers to use neonics on trees and shrubs next to lawns. Governor Lamont signed it into law on June 10th 2025. New




PHOTO BY JOHN COSTON

York and Vermont have already passed a similar bill to protect pollinators. Neonics are now banned in Europe and the EU has proposed banning importing crops sprayed with those products.

How can we help? We can stop mowing part of our lawns to grow wildflowers for the bees and butterflies. We can stop using pesticides in the garden and instead use liquid detergent and white vinegar to spray plants against pests. We can buy our seeds at websites where


we are sure that they are not infused with pesticides. You can join the Pollinator Pathway in Connecticut to give bees and butterflies a route to migrate safely through properties not using pesticides. We can contact the EPA, the Department of Agriculture and the BLM to complain about spraying public lands. Pollinators are too important for our country both now and in the future.

Lizbeth Piel
Sharon



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An issue that frequently comes up regarding wetlands is what to plant as a buffer zone at the edge of a lake or stream... natives or cultivars? The answer: using native plants for wetland and lake buffers in Connecticut offers numerous ecological benefits, promotes biodiversity, reduces maintenance, and helps protect water quality. While some cultivars may offer aesthetic appeal, prioritizing native species ensures long-term ecosystem health and resilience. For more in depth information, please see the Candlewood Lake Buffer Guidelines on how to plant and maintain a buffer zone and their recommendations for native plants at conservect.org/southwest/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/candlewoodbuffer.pdf.



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NASCAR

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gional High School students were hard at work in the Paddock Concession Stand. During a lull in the line, Gustavo Portillo, Wyatt Merwin and Sam Berry spoke of the efforts that went into the weekend.

“It was a lot of prep. A lot of wrapping, burgers, patties and everything,” said Portillo. “It hasn’t been too busy,” Portillo said of the Friday crowd, but Berry noted, “The main races are tomorrow.”

Saturday afternoon brought perfect summer weather for the NASCAR Craftsman Truck LIUNA 150 Race at 1 p.m.

Rev. Heidi Truax of Trinity Episcopal Church gave the pre-race invocation.

“Racing in beautiful Lime Rock reminds me of the psalm “I lift up my eyes to the hills,” but our eyes are focused right now on the track, not so much the hills,” she said at the start of her prayer.

The park was packed for race day. Finn Scribner, of Torrington, was attending his first NASCAR race. “It’s good. It’s loud,” said Scribner. “First time I’ve been here since I was 5 or 6. My grandparents got me tickets for my birthday.”

Frankie Muniz, former star of the TV show “Malcolm in the Middle,” competed in the truck series race driving the No. 33 Ford F-150.

The LIUNA 150 was won by Corey Heim in dominant fashion, leading nearly every lap of the race. It was his fifth Craftsman Truck series win

this season. After his first-ever race in Lakeville, Heim said, “Seeing the atmosphere and the fans that came out was super cool. Everyone seemed so excited to have NASCAR at Lime Rock. Really hoping they continue this trend and we can come back in the future.”

The ARCA Menards Lime Rock Park 100 was won by Thomas Annunziata, marking his first career ARCA victory. It was his second race at LRP this year after finishing 2nd in the Trans Am 2 Classic in May.

Lime Rock Park CEO Dicky Riegel commented on Annunziata, “He’s a son of Lime Rock Park. You know, that guy, all he does here is win and podium.”

At the end of the action-packed weekend, Riegel said, “It’s been amazing. After three years of putting this together, it’s just been fantastic.”

Concrete attendance numbers were not available, but Riegel said it was “absolutely a modern record for this place.”

Gordon Gustafson reported Sunday that while Friday was fairly slow with about 100 vehicles parked at Trinity Episcopal Church, the field was completely filled Saturday with 494 cars and later arrivals had to be turned away.

Reporting from Patrick L. Sullivan and Simon Markow contributed to this article.



PHOTO BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

Trucks zipped around Lime Rock Park’s 1.5-mile road course in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck LIUNA 150 on Saturday, June 28.



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Lime Rock Park CEO Dicky Riegel, second from left, presented the trophy to Thomas Annunziata, center, after he won the ARCA Menards Lime Rock Park 100 on Saturday.



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Area fire crews watched trackside.



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Spectators of all ages came out to Lakeville for the weekend of racing.



PHOTO BY SIMON MARKOW

Jason Kitzmiller’s No. 97 car sustained damage after a hard hit on lap 18 of the ARCA Menards Lime Rock Park 100 race Saturday.



PHOTO BY TOM BROWN

Corey Heim celebrated with a burnout after leading 99 of 100 laps in the LIUNA 150 race Saturday.

INVASIVES

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to a degree.”

What brought this unlikely ingredient into Swyft’s kitchen was an initiative called Green Crab Week, which took place from June 20-29. The yearly event is an exposition in which gastronomie-meets-sustainability nonprofit GreenCrab.Org partners with restaurants, fishmongers, fisherman and other seafood-oriented organizations to demonstrate the culinary versatility of this small but ecologically devastating crab.

Native to the eastern North Atlantic, the green crab was introduced to New England waters in the early 19th century, likely brought

over in the ballasts of European merchant ships. Since then, it has established itself along the coast from South Carolina to Newfoundland, severely impacting eelgrass habitat and shellfish populations throughout its new range. It has also found a footing on North America’s west coast, Australia and South Africa, and is expected to push even further afield as climate change alters ocean temperatures and ecosystems.

Swyft was one of three Connecticut restaurants — and the only in the interior — to participate in Green Crab Week out of more than 75 businesses along the East

Coast. Other partnering establishments were BLDG, in New Haven, and The Shipwright’s Daughter in Mystic. Oakville, Connecticut’s seafood purveyor To The Gills also joined in.

Carbone said David Standridge, founder and executive chef at the sustainable seafood-focused Shipwright’s Daughter, embraced the green crab at his restaurant early on. Carbone cited Standridge, alongside a Boston-based fish wholesaler he uses called Wulf’s Fish that regularly stocks the crab, as his inspiration for taking part in this year’s Green Crab Week.

“I just wanted to do our

part in the Northwest Corner,” he said.

While it’s Swyft’s first foray into Green Crab Week, Carbone affirmed that sustainability and environmental consciousness fit firmly into the restaurant’s ethos, which it shares with its hyperlocal tasting-menu restaurant next door, Ore Hill. Protecting the land that provides the food, and the livelihoods of those who harvest it, is central to a responsible and respectful chef’s mission, he said.

And when it comes to seafood, it’s personal: “It’s my favorite thing to cook. It’s my favorite thing to eat. And all the things we love to eat in New England — the lobsters,

the clams, what have you — are affected by this green crab population.”

Carbone said he hopes a sustaining green crab fishery develops in the region, not only to keep their numbers in check but also because they’re simply a great addition to the kitchen.

For Swyft’s crab week menu, Carbone opted to make a stock to act as a risotto base — a method which uses the entire animal and doesn’t require the wasteful and time-consuming process of picking meat from the small crustaceans.

Carbone’s stock crushed the meat and shells together in a boil flavored with aromatics like onion and garlic alongside “a couple kinds of seaweed to reinforce that ocean flavor.”

The result was a “really, really aromatic, flavorful stock” that was used to cook the

risotto that would be deep fried into arancini for an appetizer or shared plate. The fried risotto balls were served on a bed of seaweed aioli and vinegar-chili dressed napa cabbage sourced from the Ore Hill & Swyft-owned Rock Cobble Farm just several miles down the road in South Kent.

The experience wasn’t only gastronomic — servers chatted with guests about the species and GreenCrab.Org’s work. At the meal’s end, informational cards prepared by the nonprofit were dropped with the bill so that diners returned home with more than just a sated palate.

While Green Crab Week is over, Carbone said his time with the invasive has just begun: “It’s a versatile ingredient, and I’m really excited to dig in after this week and start to use it and incorporate it into more of my food.”

WAKESURFING

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the building would breach maximum capacity and could not accommodate the crowd.

The major ticket item of the evening was a vote on a highly polemic ordinance that would effectively ban wakesurfing on the lake, a sport that requires boats to produce wakes large enough that the surfer is able to ride the wave under its own power. An ordinance regarding the regulation of open burning and another regulating fire alarm systems were also meant to be voted on at the meeting.

Many residents expressed they had never seen such a throng at Town Hall votes — “even for a presidential,” said Richard Welsh as he waited in line before Lindenmayer made the call.

Lindenmayer said previous meeting turnout on the issue in Kent led him to believe the meeting room at Town Hall could handle the numbers. A public hearing held on June 17 had only filled about half the seats, and Lindenmayer said they had set out even more chairs for the vote. Still, the room

was far from able to host the masses that turned out.

Several locals said the high turnout should have been anticipated given the buzz surrounding the highly contentious topic. For the past several weeks, yard signs have been popping up beside Kent streets urging residents to vote either yes or no on the ordinance.

One sign campaign in favor of the proposed ordinance features the phrase “Big Waves = ...” followed by one of a number of possible risks associated with the activity: “Choppy Water Skiing,” “Swamped Boats,” “Dangerous Docks” and “Harm to our Lake.” Issues of public safety and the ecological health of the lake have been key talking points in previous public meetings surrounding the proposed regulation of the sport.

Other signs are against the ban, arguing for other restrictive measures that don’t go as far as a full-on ban. “Wave Restrictions Work,” reads one. Another sign echoes a “freedom of recreation” sentiment expressed by many

who have opposed banning the sport: “Share the Lake.”

The opinion of the energized crowd on Friday evening was difficult to determine without a vote, however, many residents were vocal in their desire to see the ordinance passed. Welsh, who enjoys fishing on Lake Waramaug, said that he felt the lake is simply too small, and too shallow, for the sport.

“They’re absolutely going to affect the lake bottom,” he said of the large waves generated while wakesurfing. A disruption of the sediment at the lake’s bottom, which is said to contain phosphates that may cause potentially harmful algal blooms if disturbed, has been widely posited as a reason to limit large wakes on the lake.

Several other attendees, however, who wished to remain anonymous, felt that the town leadership was overstepping by regulating the sport.

After Lindenmayer ordered the postponement, he said that the Board of Selectmen would discuss on Tuesday, June 31 how to best

organize the vote so that each resident who wishes to participate may do so fairly and safely. He said that changing the venue to the higher-capacity Community Center or Kent Center School were viable options, as was calling for a referendum.

As the crowd dispersed outside Town Hall, the atmosphere grew tense. New Preston resident John Amster approached Lindenmayer and the two traded harsh words regarding the ban and Amster’s ability to vote on it. Amster, who spoke against the ordinance at the June 17 hearing, pays taxes in Kent through property owned by a trust, which Kent does not consider adequate voter criteria.

After a heated exchange, the two men separated and the masses began to fizzle in earnest, holding their votes for another day. No new date had been set as of June 30.

In order to take effect, the ordinance must be approved by Kent, Warren and Washington residents, as the lake is situated at the border of the three towns.

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Taking on Tanglewood

Now is the perfect time to plan ahead for symphonic music this summer at Tanglewood in Lenox, Massachusetts. Here are a few highlights from the classical programming.

Saturday, July 5: Shed Opening Night at 8 p.m. Andris Nelsons conducts the Boston Symphony Orchestra as Daniil Trifonov plays piano in an All-Rachmaninoff program. The Piano Concerto No. 3 was completed in 1909 and was written specifically to be debuted in the composer’s American tour, at another time of unrest and upheaval in Russia. Trifonov is well-equipped to take on what is considered among the most technically difficult piano pieces. This program also includes Symphonic Dances, a work encapsulating many ideas and much nostalgia.

On Sunday, July 6 at 2:30 p.m., the next master pianist, Yefim Bronfman, joins Andris Nelsons as he conducts the BSO in the Shed. Bronfman features in an All-Beethoven program. Hear the Leonore Overture No. 2 followed by the Piano Concerto No. 3, a deeply expressive work that highlights the lively interplay between the BSO strings, winds, and Bronfman’s piano. After intermission, experience the epic Symphony No. 5.

On Saturday, July 12 at 8 p.m. in the Shed, the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Andris Nelsons join pianist Seong-Jin Cho in celebrating the 150th birth year of Maurice Ravel. Expressive, sincere, and wonderful, Cho’s playing is bound to create a rich evening of music that includes “Prelude to The Afternoon of a Faun” (Debussy), “Piano Concerto in G” (Ravel), “Piano Concerto for the Left Hand” (Ravel), and “La Mer” (Debussy).

On Sunday, July 13 at 2:30 p.m. in the Shed, the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Finnish conductor Esa-Pekka Salonen will be a superb combination, along with the energetic young Finnish violinist Pekka Kuusisto. Kuusisto comes from distinguished musical lineage, and he’s equally captivating whether performing classical works or masterfully weaving Northern European folk melodies. The program



Aerial view of The Shed at Tanglewood in Lenox, Mass.

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includes “Tumblebird Contrails” (Gabriella Smith), “Violin Concerto” (Sibelius), and “Symphony No. 5” (Sibelius).

On Saturday, July 19 at 8 p.m. in the Shed, the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Andris Nelsons present the Piccini’s “Tosca,” with special guest singers Kristine Opolais, Seok Jong Baek, Bryn Terfel, Patrick Carfizzi and the entire Tanglewood Festival Chorus, with James Burton conducting. Expect an unforgettable evening in the Shed, with beauty and brilliance at full volume—star power layered on star power.

Beginning Thursday, July 24 at 8 p.m. in Ozawa Hall, the TMC Festival of Contemporary Music kicks off with Ortiz and the Mexican Tradition. This year’s festival runs through Monday, July 28 and features music of Mexican music educator and composer Gabriela Ortiz Torres, Carnegie Hall’s composer in residence for the

2025 season. This superb Festival within a Festival is a proverbial “Box of Chocolates”, where you never quite know what flavor is in the middle until you bite.

On Friday, July 25 at 8 p.m. in the Shed, the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Andris Nelsons welcome Spanish-born violinist María Dueñas. At a mere 18 years old, Dueñas has already won the 2021 Menuhin Competition, including the audience award. The BBC also named her as its “New Generation Artist 2021-2023.” This program includes “Air,” from Orchestral Suite No. 3 (J.S. Bach), and “Adagio from Symphony No. 10” (Mahler) before Mendelssohn’s “Violin Concerto”, “Calm Sea”, and “Prosperous Voyage.”

On Sunday, July 27 at 2:30 p.m. in the Shed, the Boston Symphony Orchestra and Andris Nelsons welcome pianist Lang Lang. Lang Lang is squarely in the 100%

not to be missed category, and this afternoon the audience will be indulged with “La Calaca” (Gabriela Ortiz) for string orchestra, Piano Concerto No. 2 (Saint-Saëna), and Beethoven’s “Symphony No. 6, Pastoral.”

On Saturday, August 16 at 8 p.m. in the Shed, the Boston Symphony Orchestra join with German conductor and concert pianist Anna Handler and young Italian-German-American violinist Augustin Hadelich to present the Brahms’s “Tragic Overture,” “Symphony No. 4” (Schumann), and Tchaikovsky’s Violin Concerto. The constellation this evening looks

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Peter Cusack teaching at the Scoville Library.

ART: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Peter Cusack’s vivid color of experience

When Peter Cusack first moved from New York City to Torrington, Connecticut pre-Covid, he thought he was going to be alone. “Wasn’t that ridiculous?” he said now, laughing. “I thought I was the only artist up here. Then I quickly learned that if you throw a stone, you hit an artist.”

In 2019, Cusack launched the Journal of Cornwall Contemporary Art (COCOA), originally imagined as a sort of art salon-meets-magazine-meets-espresso bar. “I realized I could channel this energy and give all these artists something to do and write about,” he said. “I had this idea of creating an exhibition space modeled after the Center for Italian Art in Soho,” he continued. “It would be beautiful, with a library and an espresso machine... but I couldn’t

pull it off. I just needed more money than I had.”

So instead, he built the magazine. “I thought, let’s create a space for conversation. It was a literary magazine for artists.” COCOA ran quarterly for four years but quickly became a full-time endeavor, filled with deeply considered layouts and writing. “Production took over and it just became 24-7. I wasn’t painting. It was too much.”

Today, Cusack balances painting, teaching, and mentoring and infuses it all with his own blend of formal rigor and improvisational warmth. He teaches regularly at the Scoville Library and White Hart Inn in Salisbury, as well as one day a week at The Art Studio NY. His program, “The Vivid Color of Experience,” combines traditional skill-building with

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2024 High School Theater Apprentice Alex Wilbur building scenery.

THEATER: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

Playhouse apprentices

The Sharon Playhouse has announced its 2025 cohort of High School Theater Apprentices, a group of talented students from Housatonic Valley Regional High School (HVRHS), made possible through an ongoing partnership with the 21st Century Fund for HVRHS.

This summer, five students — Sara Ireland (Salisbury), Jackson Olson (Falls Village), Celestia Galvin (Sharon), Mira Norbet (Sharon), and Ishaan Tantri (Lakeville) — have been selected for the prestigious Theater Apprenticeship Program. Now in its fourth year, this competitive opportunity immerses

high schoolers in the full spectrum of professional theater production.

Funded through a generous grant from the 21st Century Fund, an independent nonprofit that champions innovative education, the program places students alongside theater professionals and Broadway veterans at the Sharon Playhouse. Apprentices receive hands-on experience in scenic design, stage management, lighting, sound, arts administration, and more.

“The 21st Century Fund’s support has been transformative,” said Michael Kevin Baldwin, Education and Community Director at the Playhouse. “These students

aren’t just observing, they’re contributing in meaningful ways. They’re building confidence and gaining real insight into careers in the arts.”

The impact of the program is deeply felt by its alumni. “My four weeks at the Playhouse were the best part of my summer,” said Katelin Lopes, a 2024 apprentice. Fellow apprentice Tess Marks added, “Everyone I worked with was incredibly kind, supportive, and interested in helping me succeed. This opportunity was incredibly valuable to me.”

For more information and a schedule of performances, visit: <https://www.sharonplayhouse.org>

...vivid color of experience

Zen-inflected awareness and encouragement. “The idea is that all of your life’s experience gives you momentum for learning,” he explained. “Everyone already comes with so much; they just need to be shown the path.”

Cusack’s teaching style is hands-on but reflective. His curriculum is structured, but always responsive to the individual. “When someone’s doing independent study, they come to a block, and that’s when I start really teaching. When their teacup is empty, that’s when I add a little.”

His students often express amazement at what they can do under his guidance. “People say, ‘I didn’t know I could draw this,’ or ‘This is the first time anyone has actually taught me.’ That’s why I’m so passionate about it.”

Rebecca Schweiger, founder of The Art Studio NY, said of Cusack, “He’s devoted to his students, and they adore him. People are so surprised at how much they can learn in such a short time.”

After graduating from Syracuse University as

an English major, Cusack spent five years in publishing, including at “Consumer Reports.”

“I was sitting in front of a computer all the time, and I hated it,” he said. So, he left it behind and moved to rural France to study painting under Ted Seth Jacobs, the late master draftsman and Zen-influenced teacher. “There was no cell service, just a pay phone in the village,” Cusack recalled. “I was 28, 29 years old. I became very romantic about it. I learned French, taught my girlfriend to drive stick shift in the fields. It was a movie.”

That year changed everything. “Everything I teach here really comes from that time,” he said. “He (Ted Seth Jacobs) really showed me how to actually do things. Once it clicked, I was off and running.”

He now draws from his hybrid background in painting, publishing, and illustration and distills it into clear lessons for his students. At 53, Cusack says he’s enjoying a creative life he only once dreamed about.

His paintings have been shown at Mary

MacGill in Germantown, Judy Black Memorial Park in Washington Depot, and Craven Contemporary in Kent. His work is in the permanent collections of the New York Transit Museum, the Museum of American Illustration, and the United States Air Force Art Collection. His name appears in the pages of “Architectural Digest,” “New England Home,” and “An Illustrated Life.”

Yet, it’s teaching that most feeds him. “Painting is a wonderful way to interact with the world,” he said, “and teaching — especially up here — connects me to the

BOOKS: LEILA HAWKEN

Drawn together: Secrets of the design world

An appreciative audience gathered on the patio at the architecturally and historically significant Troutbeck Conference Center on Friday, June 27, to hear a guided panel discussion of the newly published book, “Drawn Together: Studio DB: Architecture and Interiors.”

The permanence of the setting within Troutbeck’s stone exterior wall and patio under ancient sycamores provided a setting for an intimate discussion of architecture, design and the creative process.

Moderator and design tracker David Graver, Chief of “Surface Magazine,” guided the discussion to probe the design philosophy and creative collaborative process that leads to successful spaces at the hands of local authors Britt (design expert) and Damian (architect) Zunino. They live with their four children not far from Troutbeck.

Having built their Amenia home ten years ago, Britt said that in addition to being neighbors to Troutbeck, they are also members. They also enjoy being active with the Wassaic Project.

“The Troutbeck community is amazing,” Damian said, “so many

creative people, artisans and collaborators.” Those three themes were prominent during their conversation with the moderator.

“The book is a record of the body of our work,” Britt said. “We spoke of collaboration.”

“Every project is specific to our clients,” Damian said. “We want to tell their stories. Narrative is important.”

Turning to Studio DB itself with Graver’s question about role division, Britt replied that it is a dialogue — a push and pull — but that she and Damian respect each other.

“The melding of ideas makes the project stronger,” Damian added.

Both agreed that working together for the last 18 years has been rewarding.

Asked about creative conflicts, Britt explained that the two debate and compromise. Together, they have figured out what is really important.

Britt replied that they are always seeking inspiration, sometimes finding it in quiet places. Damian added that just being in Amenia gives them time to think

through ideas.

Recent Studio DB projects have been completed in Texas and California. The two are about to begin work on two townhouses in Brooklyn Heights. Britt described her current interest in design of wallpaper and murals.

Their design process involves all-important collaboration and gaining an understanding of the client by communicating at length.

“It’s a large community of collaborations that are part of the design process,” Damian said, emphasizing the team aspect.

The first project ever done years ago by Britt and Damian was to design a pet store.

“We had zero budget,” Britt recalled. They designed and executed the cabinetry, although neither of them possesses that skill.

“It was the cutest pet store,” Britt added.

“If we’ve never done it before, there is the exciting challenge,” Damian said. “Drawn Together: Studio DB: Architecture and Interiors” is available at Oblong Books in Millerton.

...Tanglewood

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to become especially bright, colorful, and passionate. Plan to come early and stay late.


On Sunday, August 17 at 2:30 p.m. in the Shed, the Boston Symphony Orchestra welcomes conductor Dima Slobodeniouk, who was born in Moscow and settled in Finland. Pianist Jean-Yves Thibaudet is another musician not to miss; every appearance is fresh and lively. This program includes “Threnody (In Memory of

Jan Sibelius)” by William Grant Still, “Piano Concerto No. 2” (Liszt), “Valse triste” (Sibelius), and “Symphony No. 3.” (Sibelius).


The 2025 Tanglewood season promises to be another exciting one. A quick note: the BSO has faced issues with ticket resellers posing as official sources and charging inflated prices. To avoid this, be sure to purchase tickets in advance only through bso.org.

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Catching and kvetching in the Catskills

I recently returned from a week's vacation at the ancestral manor in the Catskill village of Phoenicia. Few things are as tedious as kvetching about the weather, but kvetch I must.

During my week off the weather went from a good impression of the Northeast in late September to Las Vegas in August.

The first day dawned clear and positively chilly at 55 degrees. I went to a nearby stretch of Woodland Valley Creek where I had unfinished business in the form of a brown trout I hooked last year and failed to bring to the net. In Tangled Lines parlance, this is called a "compassionate release." It's a tricky bit of stream that comes down in riffles and pockets and empties into a wide basin hemmed in by a modest cliff on the river right side and a couple of boulders on my side.

You can stand on the boulders and scare everything, or you can creep around and crouch behind the boulders, peering over them in the vain hope of seeing what you're doing.

After conventional tactics failed, I rigged up two heavy nymphs, one drab and one sparkly, on a 10 foot Tenkara rod.

The length of the rod gave me barely enough leverage to keep the line tight while perched behind my boulder.

The third time through something tugged at the other end. I thought it was a rock at first but then it moved around.

Fish on! (I never say "fish on!") At this moment the Zen simplicity of the fixed-line rod went out the window as I was confronted with a) keeping the fish hooked while b) getting upright from a baseball catcher's crouch and savoring the resulting back pain while c) scrambling around the boulder in order to d) step into the deceptively deep hole, almost falling face-first into the water.

Somehow I kept this 15 inch or so brown trout on until the very last moment, when it came unbuttoned but e) hung



PHOTOS BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

Scenes from a week of fishing in upstate New York in mid June.

TANGLED LINES
PATRICK L. SULLIVAN



there in the soft water for a split second, just long enough for me to slide the net under it.

The brown took the sparkly nymph, in case you were wondering.

My main fishing buddy Gary Dodson took the wheel the next day for an extended tour of the Beaverkill watershed, with a pit stop beforehand to play with wild rainbows in a small brook near the Pepacton reservoir.

Along the way we stopped in Livingstone Manor at Dette's fly shop, which is halfway between a retail business and a shrine. I bought some isonychia patterns I didn't need for the good of the house.

And we visited another fly tyer, Quinn Still-Zinsel of Quinn's Fly Box (see his shop on Etsy).

Of course this made me think of the Bob Dylan song "The Mighty Quinn." Instant earworm.

We hit a lovely stretch adjacent to the state campground on the Beaverkill, where I was pleasantly surprised by a couple of decent-sized brown trout that grabbed my Chubby Chernobyl in lieu of the nymphs and wet flies I had tied on a dropper.

This is why I prefer a dry-dropper rig, where the big bushy and highly visible dry fly serves as an indicator, to indicator rigs.

Indicators don't have hooks in them.

My nomadic attorney Thos. showed up the next day, and we investigated a little blue line. I caught wild brookies and browns, half a dozen of each, and all on a size 10 Parachute Adams that was subsequently retired to the Chewed-Up Fly Hall of Fame. The white post was completely gone, and most of the tail. Makes me wonder just how picky these fish are, anyway.

Then it got hot. Way up in my valley, it's usually five to 10 degrees cooler than it is down in the cities of the plain.

Well, on the second day of the heat wave it was 102 in the shade. That means it was worse down below. I don't know for sure because I didn't go anywhere.

Instead I read Lee Child's Jack Reacher novels and hydrated.

There were two small-mouth attempts, a stupid and futile effort at dawn at Chimney Hole on the Esopus, and an afternoon assault on the Schoharie in Prattsville.

Just as the 2025 Colorado Rockies occasionally win a ballgame, Thos. outfished both Gary and

yours truly on the Schoharie. The final score was one smallmouth to two compassionate releases to zilch, in the order specified above.

Long-time readers will want to know about the Bad Cinema lineup over this vacation. At the ancestral manor we are unafflicted by internet or cell phone signal, so we

must watch DVDs.

We watched episodes of the 1941 Republic Pictures serial "The Drums of Fu Manchu," as an appetizer before the main events, which were:

"Shatter," a 1974 epic about an international assassin trying to make sense of Peter Cushing's wind-swept hair; "The Big Bird Cage," a 1972

women in prison flick that is thoroughly appalling in every possible way; "The Legend of Hell House" (1973) with Roddy McDowell pursing his lips and a revealing visual essay on the state of British dentistry; and "The Devil Rides Out," a 1967 devil movie with Christopher Lee as the hero for a change.

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TRI-CORNER CALENDAR

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JULY 3

LGBTQIA+ Game Night

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

The David M. Hunt Library will partner with Out in the Corner to host LGBTQIA+ game night on Thursday, July 3, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Bring your own game, play one of the games provided, or just come to hang out. This program will be held monthly on the first Thursday of the month.

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—some whimsical, some stunning, all delicious. Bid high, eat well, and meet new Executive Director Abbey Nova.

JULY 5

Book Sale

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

Saturday, July 5, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Come browse our great selection of books, as well as audio books, DVDs and more! New books upstairs and well loved down in the basement. Children's books are FREE downstairs.

Small Engines Workshop

Rock Steady Farm, 41 Kaye Road, Millerton, N.Y.

July 5, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. In this training, participants will learn how two stroke and four stroke engines function and their various parts. Folks will come away with a better understanding of how to prevent common issues with their small engines as well as basic diagnostic knowledge. This class is ideal for folks who have operated small engines and would like to learn the mechanics of their equipment. Bring your own small engine to learn with, if you have one. www.rocksteadyfarm.com/registration/working-with-small-engines-2025

JULY 8

“The Wizards School of Magic” Workshop with Tom O’Brien

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

On Tuesday, July 8, 3:30 p.m., join magician

Tom O’Brien in this fun, fantastic “Wizard School” magic workshop and learn four new magic tricks to stun your family and amaze your friends at the David M. Hunt Library. Please register on our website or contact the library before the spaces – alakazam – disappear!

JULY 9

Garden to Table Series: Pickling

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

Wednesday, July 9, 3:30 p.m.

Our community garden is bursting with delicious vegetables — let’s use them! Join us for Garden Club on alternate Wednesdays June through August for Garden to Table, where we’ll take vegetables from the community garden and use them to create delicious bites. On July 9 we’ll be Pickling using beans, fennel, and more from the garden. You can also bring your own produce from home! This event is free and open to the public.

JULY 10

Fossil Dig at the Library

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

Thursday, July 10, 3:30 p.m.

We’re bringing the dig to the David M. Hunt Library! Experience paleontology for yourself at our mini fossil dig with REAL fossils to find and identify on July 10th at 3:30pm. Participants will “dig” through sand, rocks, and shells for micro- and small fossils namely from the Miocene era, and work to identify what animal they belonged to while learning more about early life on our planet. Let’s get digging! This event is free and open to the public.

Painting Music at Music Mountain

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

On Thursday, July 10 at 3 p.m., there will be a multigenerational event where artists, amateurs, and beginners paint while listening to live music. Guided by Vincent Inconiglios and Artistic Director Oskar Espina Ruiz. Materials provided. Rain or shine, held indoors. Tickets: Adults \$20; Students, Teachers, Veterans \$10; Under 19 free (please reserve free tickets in advance).

Info & tickets: musicmountain.org

JULY 11

Learn to Play Fridays

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

Every Friday from 3 to 5 p.m., level up your game skills at the library this summer with our Learn to Play Fridays! Every Friday this summer we’ll be teaching and playing all kinds of old-school, screen-free card games. Stop by July 11 for UNO, War, and Cheat; July 18 for Euchre; and July 25 for Bridge. These events are free and open to the public.

Finding Nemo, Jr.

Sharon Playhouse, 49 Amenia Road, Sharon, Conn.

Friday, July 11 at 2 p.m. and Saturday, July 12 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Musical adaptation of the Pixar classic, performed by local youth ages 11 to 16.

Where the Mountain Meets the Sea

Ancram Center, 1330 County Route 7, Ancram N.Y.

July 11 to 20, 2025

A Haitian man travels from Miami to California on a once-in-a-lifetime road trip and, years later, his gay son travels the same route in reverse. These parallel journeys allow them to forge a connection that had eluded them for years.” *Where the Mountain Meets the Sea* was previously produced by Manhattan Theatre Club.

Summer Concert Series: Jonny Grusauskas

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

On Friday, July 11 at 6 p.m., The David M. Hunt Library and the Falls Village Recreation Committee are excited to offer a summer concert series on the lawn of the David M. Hunt Library. On July 11 at 6 p.m. the library will host Jonny Grusauskas. Jonny is a founder of the Music Cellar in Millerton, N.Y., a space dedicated to music education. He performs solo and as part of the band lespecial. Pack a picnic, bring chairs or a blanket, and join us on the library lawn for music this summer! The second concert will be a Community Open Mic on Friday, Aug. 8 at 6 p.m. These events are free and open to the public.

Last week’s WotW

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Word of the Week

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

1. Mt. Vesuvius’ infamous action
2. Big box store Home _____
3. One suit in a deck of cards
4. To shell out cash
5. What NASCAR fans crave

JULY 12

Book Signing

The Wish House lawn, 413 Sharon Goshen Tnpk., Cornwall, Conn.

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 12, author Gregory Galloway will be at the West Cornwall farmer’s market with copies of his latest book, "ALL WE TRUST." In the book, what starts out as a family squabble turns into an international battle between competing crime organizations, moving from small town New England to San Francisco to Mexico.

Ingrid Freidenbergs: COLLAGE REDUX!

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

Exhibit: July 12 through August 8

Reception: Saturday, July 12, 5 to 7 p.m.

Art Talk: Thursday, July 24, 5:30 p.m.

This exhibit features the richly layered collages and box constructions of Latvian-born artist Ingrid Freidenbergs, whose work has been praised by The New York Times for its sensitivity, atmosphere, and historical depth.

JULY 13

July Fest

Cornwall Village Green, Pine St., Cornwall, Conn.

Fun for all ages Sunday, July 13, from 5 to 8 p.m. on the Green. Come dance with music by The Joint Chiefs and food from Hot Z’s, Nibbles n’ Noms and Peter Doda’s Ice Cream. Games, face painting, slime with Makayla, and hose off with a fire truck.

JULY 15

Book Release: The Met and Its People, by Jonathan Conlin

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

On Tuesday, July 15, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., author Jonathan Conlin and art historian Michael FitzGerald discuss Conlin’s new book. This groundbreaking bottom-up history reveals behind-the-scenes stories of the people who shaped the Met, from artists and curators to museum goers and security guards. Registration is required, and information is available at scovillelibrary.libcal.com/event/14156442

JULY 16

Peace Corps Program

Kent Senior Center, 16 Swift Lane, Kent, Conn.

Five Kent Residents who served in the Peace Corps in the 1960’s and 1970’s will speak at the Kent Senior Center on Wednesday, July 16, at 11 a.m. as part of the “People and Places of Kent” series co-sponsored by the Kent Senior Center and Kent Historical Society.

JULY 17

Modern Calligraphy Workshop with Debby Reelitz

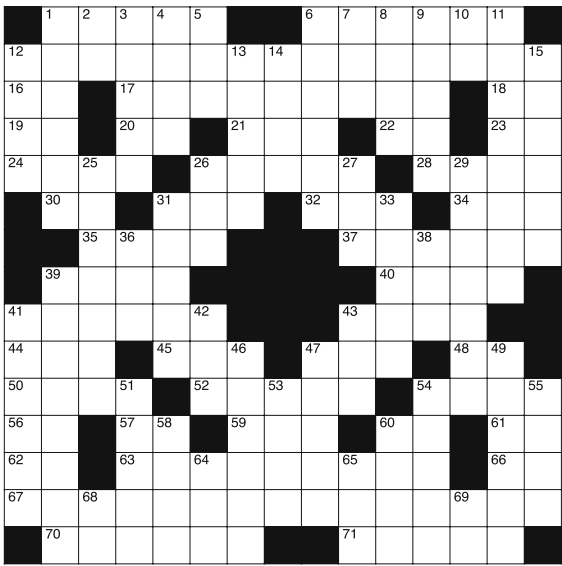
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On Thursday, July 17, 4 p.m., come learn the popular and playful Modern Calligraphy with calligrapher Debby Reelitz at the David M. Hunt Library! In this workshop, you will learn where this style comes from, strategies on how to create this lettering style and projects to use the skills you have learned. No experience necessary! More information about Debby Reelitz is available at: letteringdesign.com This program is free and available for ages 8 – adult or younger with permission. Sign up today or contact the library to register.

Brain Teasers

CLUES ACROSS

1. Notes
6. Long-haired dog breed
12. ESPN’s nickname
16. Spanish be
17. Disadvantage
18. Of I
19. Actor Pacino
20. On your way: ___ route
21. Fifth note of a major scale
22. Companies need it
23. News agency
24. Faces of an organization
26. Ponds
28. Samoa’s capital
30. Partner to “Pa”
31. Adult male
32. Cool!
34. Used of a number or amount not specified
35. No No No
37. Hosts film festival
39. British place to house convicts
40. Made of fermented honey and water
41. Chief
43. College army
44. Thyroid-stimulating hormone
45. Consume
47. One point north of due east
48. For instance
50. Brews
52. Alaskan river
54. Not soft
56. Atomic #22
57. “The Golden State”
59. “The world’s most famous arena”
60. Larry and Curly’s pal
61. One billion gigabytes
62. Conducts inspections
63. Malaria mosquitoes
66. Unit to measure width
67. Features
70. Affairs
71. Letter of Semitic abjads



12. Put on
13. Influential Norwegian playwright
14. Christian ___, designer
15. Fulfills a debt
25. Style
26. More (Spanish)
27. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
29. Remedy
31. Disturbance
33. “The Martian” actor Matt
36. Express delight
38. Brooklyn hoopster
39. 1900 lamp
41. Motionless
42. One’s mother (Brit.)
43. Relative biological effectiveness (abbr.)
46. Compels to act
47. Gardening tool
49. Ancient country
51. Frightening
53. Wimbledon champion Arthur

54. Popular plant
55. Database management system
58. Gasteyer and de Armas are two
60. Where soldiers eat
64. Tenth month (abbr.)
65. Illuminated
68. Atomic #18
69. Adults need one to travel

June 26 Solution

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Sports



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Clocking heat

On a toasty afternoon Tuesday, June 24, North Canaan Resident Trooper Spencer Bronson joined a group of youth baseball players at Steve Blass Field. Radar gun in hand, he captured their pitching speeds with each player getting three throws. The top velocity was 38 MPH, closely followed by a 37 MPH fastball. Nikki Blass, coach of the Northwest Connecticut Steve Blass Little League AAA Red Sox, thanked Bronson on social media: “As hot as it was you were still willing to add fun to our morning.”

Summer basketball tips off 43rd season with growing numbers

By Theo Maniatitis

TORRINGTON — When Bill Notaro could not find anywhere for his kid to play summer basketball in 1982, he ended up founding what is known today as the Torrington Summer Basketball League. The league began its 43rd season in June at Vogel-Wetmore School in Torrington, one of the league’s three venues alongside Forman School in Litchfield and the famous Torrington Armory. Girls and boys from 5th grade through high school compete in highly competitive and entertaining games until August, when a champion for each division

is crowned. The league now has 51 teams — eight more than last year — but still about 20 shy of pre-pandemic levels. Notaro has rekindled participation, and the league is becoming increasingly competitive. “Last year was probably the strongest the league had been in a while,” said Notaro. “There were so many battles and close games. It was really good.” The Armory, the league’s longest standing home, boasts a shiny new floor this year. True to tradition, there’s still no air conditioning. When the temperature rises, games are hot and sweaty; players emerge glistening



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HVRHS’s Henry Berry dunks in practice.

like a glazed donut, and not because Dunkin’ is a league sponsor. Despite the sweltering

heat, kids return each year because it gives them the chance to sharpen their skills for the fall season. “The high school coaches like the feeder system, they like their younger kids playing,” Notaro explained. “And most of the summer leagues don’t deal with 5th and 6th grades boys and girls and the 7th and 8th grade boys and girls” Both the Housatonic Valley Regional High School’s boys and girls teams will be returning for another season, looking to improve their performance after finishing in the lower half of the standings last summer. Games are running nightly at the Armory, Forman or Vogel, with some nights featuring simultaneous action at all three venues. Schedules are available at www.quickcores.com/torringtonct.

Cricketers support local ambulance corps

By Patrick L. Sullivan

LAKEVILLE — The Salisbury Cricket Club held a charity match at Community Field in Lakeville Saturday, June 28. The match was a fundraiser for the Salisbury Volunteer Ambulance Service. There were ballcaps and t-shirts for sale, and in keeping with the relaxed atmosphere, all proceeds and donations went into a big jar. About 22 players, and about the same number of spectators, were on hand as things got started a little after

11 a.m. David Shillingford announced the rosters and went over the ground rules peculiar to the field. One spectator asked if she was sitting in foul territory (as in baseball), only to learn that there isn’t any in cricket. The field is an oval shape. There is an outer boundary, but the cricket equivalent of a fair ball can go in any direction. The pitch is a rectangular area in the middle of the oval and is where the batters and bowlers do battle. This concludes the cricket

lesson. The first batter was Ben Gore, who with wife Victoria recently became U.S. citizens. The Gores and their two teenage children, who were born in the U.S., split their time between New York and Salisbury. Before heading out to the pitch, Gore hung an American flag from the tent supports, being careful not to let it touch the ground. The project required some duct tape improvisation, but the newly-minted citizen got it done.



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Ben Gore bats the ball at Community Field June 28.

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