

Who's who and what's what?

A look at town government in the NW Corner

By Alec Linden

Northwest Corner towns are officiated and represented by a varied group of commission members, staff and elected officials, positions that run the gamut from salaried to volunteer, appointed to elected, and with a range of term lengths.

This system of governance dates back to before the founding of the United States of America, and while the structure remains intact, certain components have changed over time and continue to change to this day. Some towns have shifted from electing Town Hall staff such as town clerk, tax collector and treasurer to appointing employees in these positions. Salisbury has an appointed town clerk. Cornwall will appoint a tax collector this November for the first time. North Canaan and Sharon still elect such officials, but have held public hearings earlier this year on the potential shift to appointments.

Understanding these positions can be a complex task, which is why a Lakeville Journal reporter relied on the help of town officials and municipal documents to compile a who's who and what's what of our towns' governments. Find below a primer for the complicated world of Northwest Corner administration and authority, but bear in mind this list is not comprehensive, and many more vital roles keep things running at town hall and beyond.

Board of Selectmen

At the heart of Connecticut's municipal governance schema is the quintessentially New England selectboard, composed of the first selectman who administers day-to-day governance in town, and is assisted by two other selectmen. The Board of Selectmen is responsible for appointing various positions and roles in town commissions and for hiring and firing staff, as well as initiating and instituting town ordinances via Connecticut's municipal democratic format, the Town Meeting. All selectmen in the Northwest Corner are allocated salaries from the town budget.

In other parts of Connecticut, some towns have begun the shift to a more modern leadership system. Winchester, for example, has adopted a "Council-Manager" form of governance. In this system, a non-partisan town manager was

appointed to serve as the Chief Executive Officer of the town, supervising department heads and town staff, and the Board of Selectmen acts as the legislative body.

Planning and Zoning and the Board of Finance

Beyond the selectmen, who are elected to two-year terms, the Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Finance chairs play major roles in towns' development. Both positions, which are volunteer, are appointed by a vote within the board or commission, whose members are elected by residents. The officer's terms are limited by their total term time on the commission, which is either four or six years depending on the town.

The P&Z chair helms the commission that reviews projects that relate to the town's zoning regulations and directs development to align with the town's state-mandated Plan of Conservation and Development.

The BOF chair heads the commission that reviews and approves the annual municipal and education spending plans and sets the annual mill rate.

Town Clerk

The town clerk, which is appointed or elected depending on the town, is a crucial, paid staff position responsible for maintaining the public record as well as keeping important statistics and managing licensing.

Finance Director

The treasurer, or finance director, oversees town accounts, and is responsible for receiving, investing and maintaining records of municipal funds. The treasurer is a paid staff position that is appointed or elected in different towns.

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Diamond concludes coaching career as hockey co-op team disbands

By Copey Rollins

LAKEVILLE — At the end of February 2025, Dean Diamond led his last game as head coach of the Housatonic ice hockey team.

Diamond's multi-decade career on the ice was filled with exhilarating wins, tough losses and a lot of pizza.

"My kids joined Salisbury Youth Hockey, so I started coaching Red-

hawks in '96," said Diamond from his seat in Deano's Pizza in Lakeville, surrounded by pictures of his teams on the ice and a plethora of trophies.

A pizzeria owner and hockey coach, Diamond's pies and pucks have long gone hand-in-hand. "The kids would come in here after games and wipe me out of pizza," he

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PHOTO BY LANS CHRISTENSEN

Back to school

With summer break behind them, students across Region One stepped eagerly into a new school year on Tuesday, Aug. 27 at Kent Center School, young learners arrived for class with first day outfits, bookbags and smiles.

From values to valedictorians: One family's path to achievement

By Jules Williams

CORNWALL — "Matsudaira" can be translated from Japanese to mean "peaceful pine," evoking a sense of enduring strength that reaches great heights.

The Matsudaira family of Cornwall has embodied this symbolism with a stream of six successful children.

Rachel Matsudaira, a current counselor at Housatonic Valley Regional High School, is the mother of six children who each attended the school. Her husband, Yoshihiro Matsudaira, died earlier this year before their youngest son graduated as HVRHS's 2025 valedictorian.

The family resided in Japan for twelve years doing missionary work before receiving a grant to come back to the United States. They landed in Connecticut and began to thrive.

Manny Matsudaira, the youngest of the Matsudaira clan, was the 2025 valedictorian of Housatonic Valley Regional High School.

At HVRHS, each child placed in the top percentile of their classes and five of the six became either valedictorian or salutatorian.

While there were many factors that led to her children's success, Matsudaira spoke of a few she felt were most important.

Firstly, the children were all raised close together as a family unit rather than as individuals, and looked to each other for inspiration and instruction. "The oldest one sets the pace, the tone, and they kind of all follow in suit," Matsudaira explained. After her oldest son be-

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PHOTO BY PATRICK L. SULLIVAN

'Swift Night' a hit at Housy

By Alec Linden

FALLS VILLAGE — On the picturesque evening of Thursday, Aug. 21, the fields behind Housatonic Valley Regional High School were alive with the typical sounds of pre-season sports: the piercing whine of a coach's whistle, the thud of shoulder pads crashing together on the football field, and the gruff commands from a captain. However, a different type of

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Wedding Announcements



Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Good of Lakeville, would like to announce the marriage of their son, Kyle Good, to Shannon Murphy. The bride is originally from Holden, Mass. and they met in Boston, Mass. The wedding took place June 21, 2025, at the Worcester Country Club in Worcester, Mass. The couple honeymooned in Mallorca, Spain, and now reside in Watertown, Mass.



Anna Hunt and William Cain were married on Saturday, Aug. 9, 2025, at the Daniel M. Cain Chapel in Salisbury, Conn., and the reception was immediately following on the Salisbury Boys School Campus. The bride is the daughter of John and Kim Hunt of Fort Myers, Florida. The groom is the son of Kathleen and Daniel M. Cain of Naples, Florida, and West Cornwall, Conn. They plan to honeymoon in Paris, France, and the Cotswolds, England, and will be residing in Naples, Florida.

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Downtown Salisbury rear end accident

On the afternoon of Aug. 13, Andreanna Stossel, 27, of Poughkeepsie, New York was driving south in a BMW 328i on Undermountain Road in Salisbury, approaching the stop sign at the intersection with Main Street. When she stopped, she was struck from behind by a Jeep Wrangler, driven by Molly Tanner, 52, of Millerton, New York. Neither driver was injured, and both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene. Tanner was issued a written warning for failure to keep a reasonable distance resulting in an accident.

Driver flees single-vehicle accident

Early in the morning on Aug. 18, Sugeily Rivera, 49, of Waterbury was traveling south on Route 63 in Canaan when she lost control of her BMW 328i and left the road-

way, eventually coming to a final rest in the northbound lane. The vehicle suffered disabling damage from the accident and was towed from the scene. Rivera fled the scene of the accident, and was reportedly uninjured.

Assault on pregnant victim

On Aug. 18 at 11:50 a.m., troopers arrived at a Cornwall residence in response to a domestic dispute. Charles Broadbent, 37, of Cornwall was subsequently arrested and transported to Troop B, where he was processed for three crimes: disorderly conduct, strangulation and assault of a pregnant victim. The 35-year-old victim was reportedly uninjured by the attack. Broadbent was issued a \$25,000 cash bond, which he was unable to post and was held for his court date on Aug. 19.

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

Housatonic Heritage Walks return for 23rd year

Free, guided walking tours throughout Berkshire County, Massachusetts and Litchfield County, Connecticut are scheduled to return Saturdays and Sundays from Sept. 6 until Oct. 5.

The historical walks will shed light on the region's past, covering indigenous heritage, iron and industry, wildlife and foliage, and terrain and weather.

For a full list of tours, visit housatonicheritage.org

All walks will be outdoors. Water and hiking boots are suggested, as is bug repellent and a preparedness for inclement weather.

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Online This Week

Cornwall considers regional waste authority

The Board of Selectmen discussed the benefits of Cornwall joining the Northwest Regional Resource Authority. More at lakevillejournal.com



PHOTO BY TOM CARLEY

Norfolk Transfer Station mishap

A man was pinned under his Subaru on Saturday, Aug. 23, after he had exited the car but then attempted to stop it from rolling into the metal disposal bin at the Norfolk Transfer Station. Norfolk Ambulance and the Norfolk Volunteer Fire Department responded within minutes and lifted the vehicle, freeing the man whose left leg had become wedged between the car frame and a concrete slab, according to a witness who said the driver was standing after he was freed.

Correction

In an article about the SVNA scholarship awards, a board member's name was misspelled. It is Nancy Stoer.

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Our Towns



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The only transfer in Norfolk in July was the sale of this Greek Revival home in the center of Norfolk at 17 Maple Ave. for \$550,000.

Norfolk real estate

By Christine Bates

NORFOLK — Three condo sales on Greenwoods Road spiked Norfolk real estate activity during the months from April to July. Among the 13 transfers there were seven single family residences with six closing at \$500,000 or above. This summer, the number of days a house remains on the market in Norfolk has fallen to only 16 days in July 2025, down from 56 days last year.

At the end of August, seven single family homes were for sale with four listed above \$3 million. Of the six land parcels for sale, three are asking above \$1 million.

Transactions

338 Westside Road – 5 bedroom/3.5 bath home built in 1908 sold by Samuel A. and Alice C. Anderson to Jenny Childs Preston for \$500,000 transferred on April 2.

12 John Curtis Road – National Iron Bank’s 2,523 square foot commercial building sold by National Iron Bank to 144 MSEH LLC for \$695,000 transferred on April 7.

Old Goshen Road – 4.4 acres sold by Jane Denise Elmy to Lynda S. Cohen for \$30,000 transferred on April 7.

122 Tower Hil Road – 3 bedroom/2.5 bath home on 2.1 acres sold by Francesco and Josephine Ferorelli Co.-Trustees and Martha Saxton Trust Agreement to Safe & Good LLC for \$800,000 transferred on April 9.

243 Schoolhouse Road – 4 bedroom/3.5 bath home built in 1761 sold by Jonathan P and Lindsey L. Pizzica Rotolo to Christophe and Tenzeen Choonvala Vohmann Living Trust for \$1,275,000 trans-

ferred on June 24.

508 Litchfield Road – 4 bedroom/4bath home on 13.1 acres sold by Heather M. McShane to Andral L. Moss and Peter R Chaffetz for \$1,250,000 transferred on June 26.

47 Maple Avenue – 3 bedroom/2 bath house sold by Estate of William J. Zibluk to Christian A. and Pamela E. Marino for \$205,000 transferred on June 30.

3 Greenwoods Road East, Unit 3A – Condo sold by Jerry Rosenfeld and Marion Harris to Kelly M. Philips for \$195,000 transferred on June 30.

75 Greenwoods Road East, Unit 2 – Condo sold by Christopher S. Bagnall to Aaron Kuem Lai and Heather Brooks Perkins for \$178,000 transferred on June 30.

3 Greenwoods Road East, Unit 2B – Condo sold by Kelly M Philips to Christopher S. Bagnall for \$139,500 transferred on June 30.

Parker Hill Road – 60 acres sold by Brett Austin Robbins for \$80,000 to Eric Schleich transferred on July 8.

17 Maple Avenue – 4 bedroom/2.5 bath Greek Revival home sold by Peter R Chaffetz and Andra L Moss for \$550,000 to Brian M Van Baush and Amy D Sullivan transferred on July 28.

** Town of Norfolk real estate transfers recorded as sold between April 1, 2025, and July 31, 2025, provided by Norfolk Town Clerk. Transfers without consideration are not included. Current market listings from Smart MLS. Note that recorded transfers frequently lag closed sales by a number of days. Compiled by Christine Bates, Real Estate Salesperson with William Pitt Sotheby’s International Realty, Licensed in CT and NY.*

N. Kent Road swimming hole closed until further notice

By Alec Linden

KENT — Hopeful river-goers were disappointed last weekend to arrive at North Kent Road, an access point to a popular summertime hangout on the Housatonic River, and find both sides of the dual entrance barricaded with a state trooper vehicle on guard.

Kent’s Resident Trooper Vicki Donahoe, sitting in the vehicle on Saturday afternoon, said that the town decided to close the location to vehicles after litter was left behind the previous weekend, which saw several hundred visitors flock to the swimming hole.

“It wasn’t horrific,” she said, but on Monday morning there were a number of trash bags that had been left by the trailhead on the bottom of the road, and more loose litter down the trail and on the beach. The action follows weeks of public outcry from residents disturbed by late night parties and garbage buildup at the site.

Trooper Donahoe had been stationed at the road’s entrance since 10:30 a.m. and had turned many vehicles away. She resumed the position on Sunday and is set to spend all of Labor Day weekend watching the roadway. Donahoe said she is confident that the measures will



PHOTO BY ALEC LINDEN

Trooper Donahoe on patrol at the North Kent Road entrance on Saturday afternoon, Aug. 23.

keep recreators from making it down to the river: “I think it’s going to work.”

Kent First Selectman Marty Lindenmayer announced the closure on Aug. 20 in an email to the town, warning that anyone who attempts to move the barriers and utilize the roadway will be “prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.”

Lindenmayer’s statement frames the decision as a “safety, security, sanitary, and ecological response,” and that the town is seeking a permanent solution. Lindenmayer is able to close the road because it is town owned, though a long-term plan for the site will involve several other interest groups, such as

Eversource Energy, the state Department of Energy and the Environment, the Kent Land Trust and the Housatonic Valley Association.

In a conversation before the closure, HVA Watershed Conservation Director Mike Jastremski said any future plan for the swimming hole must see the river as a public resource, not just as a problem that needs a solution.

“I think it’s incumbent upon us, and when I say us, I mean the whole constellation of stakeholders around river access to accommodate that desire in a way that is best for site neighbors, for river towns, for visitors and for hitting those three legs of the stool, which are safety, eq-

uitability and sustainability.”

At an Aug. 4 Board of Selectmen’s meeting, Jastremski suggested the installation of a dumpster and port-a-potty at the site as a means of dealing with the most immediate issues. In an Aug. 21 comment, Lindenmayer stated that since the town does not manage the shoreline of the river, “there is no way we are going to assume the financial responsibilities of manpower and equipment it would take to manage having a dumpster and/or port-a-potty on site.”

Lindenmayer said that he plans on leaving the road closed until the weather cools and people focus their leisure time elsewhere: “hopefully by mid-to-late September.”

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OBITUARIES

Cynthia Gene Duntz

SALISBURY — Cynthia “Cindy” Gene Duntz, born on Nov. 2, 1955, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on Aug. 19, 2025, in Albany, New York. She was 69 years old.

Cynthia devoted her life to caring for others through her work as a Certified Nurse’s Aide. Her dedication and compassion made a meaningful difference in the lives of those she served throughout her career.

Cynthia found joy in the simple pleasures of life—gardening, cooking, baking, and spending cherished time with her family, especially her grandchildren. These moments brought warmth to her days and to those around her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Wesley and Kay Baker, and her husband, Gary Duntz Sr.

Cynthia is lovingly re-

membered by her children; Gary Duntz Jr., Loretta Duntz, and Heather Enslow; six grandchildren, Billie (Ryan) Thitchener-Jeanin, Ashley (Brandon) Bartnicki, Joshua Duntz, Alexyss Duntz, Chase Bonhotel, and Tyler Bonhotel; and three great-grandchildren, Dalton and Sawyer Jeannin, and Juliette Bartnicki. She also leaves behind her life partner, Otis Byrd Jr.; two sisters, Evelyn Macaulay and Susie Surrilo; two brothers, John Baker and Tony Baker; as well as several nieces and nephews.

Her presence will be deeply missed by all who knew her. May her memory bring comfort and peace to those she touched.

In keeping with her wishes, there will be no calling hours. A celebration of life to be held at a later date.



Clyde Perham Weed

CORNWALL — Clyde Perham Weed, 74, passed away peacefully at his home in West Cornwall, Connecticut on Sunday, August 17.

Clyde was born in New Orleans, Louisiana to Jeanne and Herbert Weed. He was the grandson and namesake of Clyde E. Weed, Chairman of the board of Anaconda Copper.

Clyde was a gifted scholar. He did his undergraduate work at Vassar College, his Master’s and PhD at Columbia University. He was a wonderful Professor of Political Science and taught at Colgate University, Baruch College and spent the last 20 years of his career as a tenured Professor of Political Science at Southern Connecticut State University.

Clyde had remarkable energy and a vivacity that is hard to explain! Through his teaching, kindness and mentorship he touched so many lives.

He also wrote two important works on political realignment theory, “The Nemesis of Reform: The Republican Party during the New Deal,” published by Columbia University Press; and “The Transformation of

the Republican Party 1912-1936 from Reform to Resistance”. At the time of his death, he was completing a manuscript on the political thought of Walter Lippmann during the New Deal.

Clyde loved nature and all animals. He spent many happy years walking and loving the natural beauty in West Cornwall.

Clyde leaves behind his wife of 24 years, Amy Weed, and brother Michael Weed of Los Altos, California, sister-in-law, Patricia Hurley, nieces, Emily and Maggie Weed, Brielle Cleary and nephews Jesse Weed, Daniel and Teagen Cleary. He also leaves behind his beloved Scottish Terrier “Hoover.”

Calling hours were held at The Kenny Funeral Home, 41 Main Street, Sharon, CT 06069 on Wednesday, Aug. 27 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers please consider sending contributions to The Little Guild of St. Francis, an animal shelter, 285 Sharon Goshen Tpke, West Cornwall, CT 06796.

Clyde was much loved and will be truly missed by all who knew and loved him.

The Kenny Funeral Home has care of arrangements.



SALISBURY — On Aug. 18, 2025, the luckiest man in the world, David Thorne Bayersdorfer, died peacefully at Noble Horizons surrounded, as always, by family and friends. David frequently told all who would listen that he was the luckiest man; to be married to his beautiful wife Nancy; to have two wonderful children, Cara and Jordan; to live in the Northwest Corner of Connecticut, a community he happily called home for more than 50 years; and to teach and coach at a high school he loved.

According to David, his luck began when he was born on May 3, 1946 to Frank and Beatrice Bayersdorfer in Teaneck, New Jersey. He spent his childhood at 231 Queen Anne Road. He loved growing up with his three brothers, John, Frank, and Roger, in Bogota, New Jersey where his early athletic achievements landed him in the Bogota High School Athletic Hall of Fame. As luck would have it, he was admitted to and then graduated from Syracuse University in 1968, setting him on a course to spend most of his adult life as an educator and coach. While at Syracuse, he met and immediately proposed to Nancy Jones of Lakeville, Connecticut. He had to wait for her answer, but after proudly serving his country in the Marine Corps he married Nancy and the happy and lucky couple settled in the Northwest Corner.

David soon found his dream job as a history teacher and football coach at Housatonic Valley Regional High School where he spent the next 33 years of his life, always finding the greatest joy among students and athletes. He wore many hats during his years at Housy, serving as Athletic Director, Vice Principal, and interim Prin-

cipal as well as enthusiastically coaching football, basketball, golf, and even cheerleading. During this time he received two advanced degrees; a Master’s in secondary education from Central Connecticut State University in 1981 and a 6th year degree from Southern Connecticut State University in 1992. In 2008, he was inducted into the HVRHS Athletic Hall of Fame, which he helped found during his time as Athletic Director.

David found further luck, and shocked his family members, when he tried out and landed his dream role as Joe Boyd in “Damn Yankees” for TriArts in 2000 despite not having any previous acting experience...or talent. He quickly became a local regular treading the boards at the Sharon Playhouse, with notable roles in The Full Monty, Crazy For You, Kiss Me Kate, and My Fair Lady.

As David’s luck continued, he retired from education in 2011 giving him more time for his beloved six grandchildren – Cara and Patrick’s sons Jack, Colin, and Luke, and Jordan and Meghan’s children Nash, Locke, and Nell. He enjoyed perfecting his golf game with regular Wednesday night beatdowns of his good-natured buddies, showing off his milfoil management techniques on the Lake, and making countless but joyful trips to the town dump. He considered himself very lucky to see the world with his adventurous wife, journeying to Italy, Ireland, Spain, Portugal, and Africa while always acknowledging his love of travel truly started with an epic cross-country drive with his less-than-enthusiastic family in 1990. He



looked most forward to his yearly baseball trips with his favorite son Jordan and favorite son-in-law Patrick.

Retirement also allowed David more time to serve his adopted hometown. He proudly acted as Senior Warden at St. John’s Episcopal Church in Salisbury for over a decade, won the Community Award of Merit, and was a member of the Democratic Town Committee, Salisbury Central Board of Education, and the Salisbury Planning and Zoning Committee. He served as Chair of the HVRHS 21st Century Fund, helping give teachers and students exciting and innovative opportunities beyond the classroom. He ran the Salisbury Youth Summer Jobs Program which introduced many young people to service within their community. He also taught exhaustively-researched classes at the Taconic Learning Center, continuing his pursuit of knowledge and his love of helping others which he proudly passed down to

his daughter Cara, a public-school educator.

It is said of many men: To know him is to love him. While it was true of David, it’s also true that if you had contact with him you knew he loved you. David will be remembered as kind, fun, and ever-so-curious about life, relentlessly celebrating his loved one’s achievements with constant, powerful support. His wife, his children and grandchildren, his many former students and athletes, and his friends and family will miss him dearly.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, Aug. 30, at 11 a.m. at St. John’s Episcopal Church in Salisbury. Burial will follow in Salisbury Cemetery. Ryan Funeral Home, Lakeville, is in care of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the HVRHS 21st Century Fund. David would also love it if you watched your children or grandchildren play a ball game, go to a good local play, or have a catch with a friend or loved one in his memory.

To offer an online condolence, please visit ryanfhct.com

John N. Franzese

CANAAN — John N. Franzese, was born on Dec. 10, 1947, and died on Aug. 22, 2025, at age 77.

John was born and raised in Huntington, New York. He served in the United States Army, stationed in Germany during the Vietnam War. He rejoined the Army Reserves, serving for seventeen years, rising to the rank of Staff Sergeant E7.

John is survived by his wife of forty-five years, Mary B. Franzese. He was the father of John L. Franzese, of Seoul, Korea, and the stepfather of Christine Zoro, of Boston, Theresa Zoro, of Brooklyn, and the grandfather of Wyeth and Olive Billinger. He is also survived by his beloved sister, Terry Kirillin; brother-in-law, Alex Kirillin; and nephews, Gregory and Michael Kirillin. He was a loving husband, father, brother, uncle, and grandfather.

John moved to Millerton, New York, in 1985 with his family to work at Sharon Hospital as a Radiological Technologist, helping to operate the newly acquired diagnostic imaging machine (CT scan). He eventually became the Chief Technologist of the Radiology Department at Sharon Hospital and later worked at and retired from Columbia Memorial Hospital in Hudson, New York. He retired in 2009, moved to Harrisburg,

Pennsylvania, and then returned to the area almost four years ago, residing at Geer Lodge in Cannan, to be closer to his family.

John was an active golfer and golf enthusiast who also made custom golf clubs for people in the tri-state area. John was also an excellent cook and will be remembered fondly for his famous Italian cooking and cocktails. His hospitality and generosity were often evident around the dinner table and during many celebrations, where he and Mary would host and entertain with warmth and generosity of spirit. He loved motorcycles, watching golf, cooking shows, and movies. His passion for healthcare and helping people was integral to his profession and purpose. He was kind and generous with advice, support, and friendship.

A Celebration of John’s life will be held Friday, Aug. 29, 2025, at Geer Lodge, Hollenbeck Room, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to The North Cannan Volunteer Ambulance Corps at <https://www.northcanaanems.org/donations> or the Residents Association of Geer Gratiuity Fund. Checks can be made out to the Geer Residents Gratiuity Fund and mailed to: 77 South Canaan Road, Canaan, CT 06018.

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Musical on Indian Mountain

On Aug. 22, Sharon Playhouse brought the musical fairytale adventure “Once Upon a Mattress” to Indian Mountain School’s Qianxun Performing Arts Center. Above, Mollie Leonard plays Princess Winnifred, a spirited, quirky swamp-dweller with a heart of gold, determined to win the love of Prince Dauntless.

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Congregation Beth David A reform Jewish Synagogue 3344 East Main St., Amenia SERVICES SATURDAY 10:30 AM Twice Monthly - Followed by Oneg (Calendar at congbethdavid.org) ALL ARE WELCOME Rabbi Jon Haddon 845-373-8264 info@congbethdavid.org	ST. MARTIN OF TOURS PARISH Immaculate Conception, 4 North Street, Norfolk St. Joseph, 4 Main Street, Canaan St. Mary, 76 Sharon Road, Lakeville MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil 4 pm, St. Joseph Church Sunday 9 am, Church of St. Mary Sunday 11 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday 6pm St. Joseph Chapel or Church Thursday 8am Immaculate Conception Church Friday 8am Church of St. Mary ALL ARE WELCOME! For information, please call 860-824-7078
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Back to school in Region One — progress and peril

As high school students in Region One head back to school at the close of a magical summer in Northwest Connecticut, there is much to celebrate from the past year. Housatonic Valley Regional High School will begin the new academic year with the completion of an ambitious capital improvement project that included major upgrades to their auditorium, lunchroom, and tennis facility. Students will also have access to a comprehensive on-site health clinic and they will be greeted by an exciting array of learning opportunities including a new ceramics program and journalism internship opportunities available through a partnership between Housie and The Lakeville Journal. And the school's Academic Bowl team will start the year as defending champions in several of the state's competitions.

But make no mistake about it: storm clouds are looming. After half a year of turbulence ushered in by President Trump's campaign to remake American education, the effects are now hard to miss — even here in our small rural high school. In late spring, Region One Superintendent Melony Brady-Shanley informed the Region 1 Board of Education and local town school boards that the federal government was discontinuing a grant to EdAdvance. This \$8.7 million grant was canceled because it allegedly violated civil rights laws, promoted Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), and undermined student well-being. It enabled 32 schools, mostly in rural areas of Litchfield County, to serve 7,000 students and its cancellation will have palpable results.

The loss of any adolescent mental health services in our high school is a gut punch to students. Their mental health needs have only grown in recent years due to the lingering effects of COVID, rising school violence, increasing economic uncertainty, and unrest in higher education. According to the National Institute of Mental Health, about one in five adolescents aged 13–18 experiences a mental health disorder. The Centers for Disease Control reports that nearly one in four adolescents has seriously considered suicide. These problems are particularly

GUEST COMMENTARY FLORA E. LAZAR, PH.D., LCSW

acute in rural areas like ours. With the near absence of private mental health providers in this corner of the state, the Trump administration's rollback of student mental health services amounts to an attack on the health and safety of our entire community.

Unfortunately, replacing this lost federal funding will not be easy. Region One's costs — many of which the district has little control over — continue to rise. So far, the region has largely succeeded in sparing student-facing programs, asking voters to approve only a 4.5% budget increase for the coming year. This is despite a significant rise in electrical costs, an almost double-digit increase in employee health insurance premiums, and a steep jump in the number of eligible dependents opting into the Region One health plan.

But the chaos coming from Washington extends far beyond budget cuts. A recent Supreme Court ruling allows parents to opt their children out of LGBTQ+ curricula if they believe it conflicts with their religious beliefs. Region One educators will now return to school facing the challenge of how to update and monitor policies in order to comply with this ruling. Such "opt outs" can entail considerable administrative burden to say nothing of their potential impact of various school populations.

Most worrisome, these developments come at a time when educators are already wrestling with other critical issues—such as school safety, cellphone use, and artificial intelligence in schools. The confluence of all these challenges ensures that Region-One school boards and administrators will have a full plate this year as they work to ensure that students continue to have the resources and programs they need to build on the successes of recent years.

The author is a retired historian and clinical social worker in the Northwest Corner. She represents Salisbury on the Region One Board of Education.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Resource: Learning Center courses

Arriving in Salisbury in 1990 with a new baby, my long medical training just completed and about to launch my solo practice, I was tantalized by periodic articles in The Lakeville Journal about the class offerings at the Taconic Learning Center. Semester after semester I'd choose the most interesting classes I'd take someday, when I would have time to sit for a couple of hours and learn. Of course life only got busier, and it wasn't until 32 years later, after retirement, kids grown, that I was finally able to enroll in some TLC classes. In the three years since I've enjoyed about a dozen classes, subjects as

disparate as Zen Buddhism and The Roberts Court. I've learned more history, of the Middle East and the U.S., than I ever did in school. I've spent glorious winter mornings listening to Stravinsky and Miles Davis. I've participated in lively discussions of literature. And, best of all, I've met so many interesting and learned people, both teachers and participants.

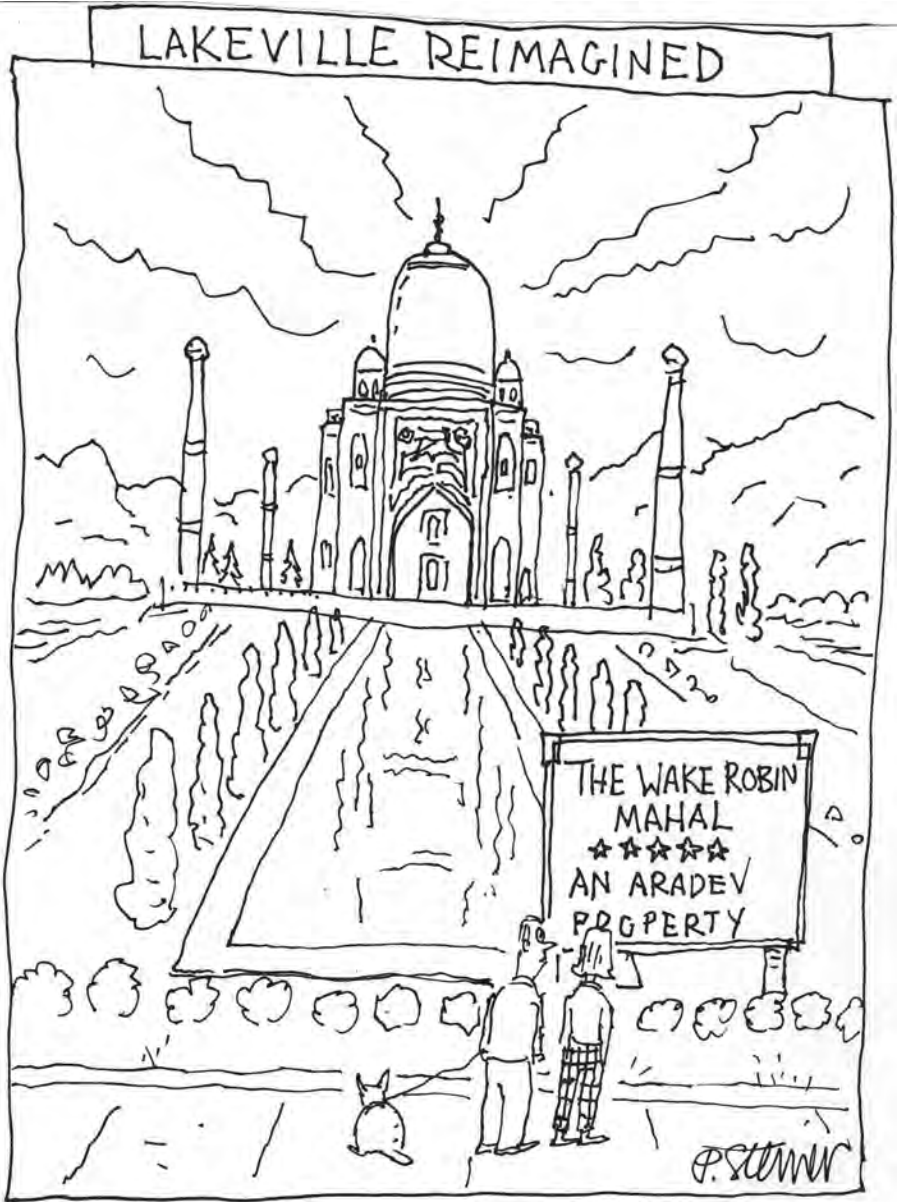
TLC classes are offered from 10 to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. for up to eight weeks. There is a break in the middle of each class for refreshment. No homework, no quizzes, no final exams. Attendance is not taken. The cost is \$60 a year, for as few or many class-

es as you like. Go to www.taconiclearningcenter.org/index3.php for more info, the list of course offerings, schedules, and registration. We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful resource for learning, right here in the Northwest Corner.

Hope to see you in class!

Laurie Slotnick
Salisbury

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Send to publisher@lakevillejournal.com Include name, town and phone number. Please keep letters to 500 words or less.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wake Robin proposal would destroy Lakeville

My husband and I have attended almost every Salisbury Planning and Zoning Commission Zoom meeting regarding the Aradev proposal to redevelop and expand the Wake Robin Inn in Lakeville. Despite repeated attempts by the developer to adjust their hotel expansion plans to accommodate the many objections to it, we think the current proposal, if approved, will still destroy Lakeville.

During the Wake Robin hearings, the Salisbury Planning and Zoning Commission has never acknowledged that Lakeville is a village located within the Town of Salisbury. We have our own statistical geographical place that is subject to its own census count, possesses its own

zip code, and is defined by a clear boundary. When it comes to municipal governance, Lakeville is part of the Town of Salisbury, but the village has its own history, identity, and local characteristics that distinguish it from Salisbury. Most importantly, we are smaller.

In the 2020 census, the population of Salisbury was 4,194 and the population of Lakeville was 1,059 (about 25 percent that of Salisbury). An expansion of The Wake Robin Inn from its current small size into a large, high-end hotel with a party event room, a restaurant seating 180 people, and a destination site for party events, would be a shocking change for Lakeville to absorb. It would cause direct harm to

the surrounding residential neighborhood, not to mention harm to Lakeville as a whole. We say this because an expansion of this size will lead to an increase in automobile traffic and traffic congestion, noise and light pollution, and a noticeable increase in trash and delivery trucks necessitated by the operations of the hotel. All of these things would have an impact on the quality of life of those living in the vicinity of the hotel, and lead to a devaluation of our homes.

Lakeville already has a destination site for large parties—the Interlaken Inn. Unlike the Wake Robin, with only 12 acres, however, it sits on 30 acres, and its restaurant seats 60 people, not 180. Importantly, the White Hart

Inn, located in the business section of Salisbury, is also a destination site, but it offers only 16 rooms, with restaurant seating for around 75 people (with additional porch seating is available when weather permits).

In the end, everyone needs to ask, what good is there in permitting a hotel expansion and renovation in the middle of a zoned residential area that's currently remarkably quiet? And what good does it do our village to become a destination site for parties?

We urge the Planning and Zoning Commission to do the right thing and vote this proposal down.

Laurie Fendrich
Peter Plagens

Lakeville

Save our universities and protect our future

Ron DeSantis, governor of Florida, attacked the state university system, first targeting New College, a small liberal arts college in Sarasota. He appointed politicians instead of academics to the boards that govern Florida's higher education. He directed them to purge hundreds of general education courses he considered left leaning. These courses now have become elective and don't count toward graduation require-

ments. Professors fled the state, and Florida faces a serious teacher shortage. This was considered by conservatives as a blueprint of what to do across the country.

Trump now is attacking private and public universities. At Brown University in Rhode Island, they are now permitting government oversight of admissions which could reduce the number of minority and female students accepted, instead of choosing the brightest students. Universities count on federal grant money to fund department chairs and research, but that should not give Trump the right to control them academically.

The U.S. was considered the brain drain of the world as the top students from abroad fought to come to our universities. On graduation the brightest were offered jobs at medical laboratories and businesses and often they became Americans. Many American winners of the Nobel Prize are foreign born and naturalized citizens. With Trump's attack on our universities and research

institutions, European countries are now welcoming our scientists, three Yale professors have already moved to a university in Canada.

Like many blue states, Connecticut sends more tax money to Washington than we receive in federal benefits. We have many colleges and universities in Connecticut. We must create laws to

protect them from Trump's demands for money and federal academic control. Our Connecticut university graduates are the future doctors, lawyers, nurses, researchers, scientists and politicians who help make us a powerful country. We must protect our future.

Lizbeth Piel

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TURNING BACK THE PAGES

NORMA BOSWORTH

125 years ago —
August 1900

Edward Downer of Colebrook caught a turtle last week Wednesday which weighed forty-four and three-fourths pounds. He was fishing for small fish in a pond near his house when he caught the turtle.

SALISBURY — Mr. Hortie, brother of W.W. Hortie, has entered the employ of the Cutlery Handle Co.

Canaan now has a black bear; must be the one seen here recently.

Mrs. Choulet living on the farm of E.E. Swift near Norfolk has a Bantam rooster which, after insisting on setting for two weeks, was accommodated by having six ordinary hens' eggs placed in the nest. From these he now has four nice chicks, which he tends to with motherly kindness, scratching for them during the day and brooding them at night.

100 years ago —
August 1925

Taconic was again visited by a disastrous fire a little after midnight Monday, when the beautiful mansion of Mr. Herbert Scoville was burned to the ground. Calls for fire apparatus were sent to Lakeville, Canaan and Sharon, and all companies responded in remarkably quick time. It was a fine exhibition of what could be accomplished by pumping outfits and had the fire been discovered a little earlier much of the building might have been saved. No estimate of the loss can be given at this time but it will reach at least half a million dollars. The building was filled with many very valuable contents among which were antiques that were practically priceless in fact many are of the opinion that the contents will constitute a larger loss than that of the building itself. Many cars and several hundred people gathered at the spot but little could be done except to express sincere sympathy for Mr. and Mrs. Scoville in the loss of their beautiful home. The couple left last Sunday and were to sail for Europe this week.

SALISBURY — The many friends of Reginald Kelsey will be interested to know that he is to broadcast songs from Station W.T.I.C. Hartford on Monday evening at about 6:00 standard time.

The new pumper engine of the Lakeville Hose Company arrived Monday afternoon by rail and was unloaded on Tuesday afternoon. The new engine is a beauty and one of which the entire town can well be proud. The new engine is not a chemical engine. Technically it is called a triple combination pumper and hose car with a booster tank. It is fitted with a rotary pump capable of delivering 620 gallons per minute.

NOTICE — Any one who is interested in joining a National Rifle Club, communicate with the undersigned at once. With the proper number of members we can get a large issue of free equipment from the U.S. War Department. If you wish to join tho you do not shoot a rifle, join as instruction will be given members. Capt. James W. Farmer, Taconic.

Miss Sadie Frink took a trip to Niagara Falls recently.

50 years ago —
August 1975

A new study of Connecticut lakes shows that those in the Northwest Corner have deteriorated considerably since a similar survey was taken 35 years ago. The study, undertaken by scientists at the Connecticut Agricultural Experimental Station in New Haven states Lake Wononscopomuc is among the bodies that has shown severe deterioration while East Twin Lake Washining and Bantam Lake have suffered moderate eutrophication.

Jacob Orth of the South Ellsworth section of Sharon called The Lakeville Journal last week telling us of his ripening cantaloupe and muskmelon patch, which he described as totaling some 300 melons. Orth, who has been trying to grow melons for the past 10-12 years with little success attributed this year's triumph largely to Mother Nature with this season's warm temperatures.

Students at the North Canaan Elementary School will notice some changes when school reopens on Sept. 3. Among the changes are a lengthened school day and new bus schedules. The new day will run from 8:45 a.m. until 2:45 p.m., a half hour longer than last year. All students will be dismissed at the same time this year with no late bus run.

After more than a year of delay, plans have finally been made to move the Canaan portable classrooms to their new site near the Canaan town hall. Canaan contractor Richard Bunce has agreed to move the building the short distance to its new location. Once moved, the buildings will undergo alterations to turn it into additional office space for the town hall. The space is needed for boards and commissions that presently have no permanent quarters.

FALLS VILLAGE — The new school bus, purchased to replace a five-year-old bus previously in use, was delivered to Lee H. Kellogg School last Thursday. The

new bus will seat 55 passengers and the padding on the bus meets the safety requirements of state standards. Its purchase price was \$10,742 with a trade-in.

25 years ago —
August 2000

A special thank you to Richard Bianchi of Canaan for returning a Lakeville Journal vending machine that he found on his property. The machine was taken from in front of Paramount Laundry in Canaan.

CANAAN — “Can we eat on the playground?” was a question frequently asked of parents at McDonald's restaurant for the last seven years. Dismantling began on the brightly-colored tube slide and ball pits of the “Playplace” on Saturday. The playground and picnic tables will all be removed from the little island in the middle of the parking lot. McDonald's owner Joseph Deutsche said the equipment had outlived its usefulness and there are no immediate plans to replace it.

CANAAN — The town pool closed for the season Aug. 14. While the weather has not been conducive to swimming of late, residents will be out of luck if the temperature rises. A Labor Day closing was moved up when the underground wiring to the pool's filtration system was “fried.” Town officials are blaming a power surge, which they believe occurred following a power outage on the morning of Aug. 14.

The first Falls Village Volunteer Ambulance Service barbecue will be held Sept. 2 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Cornwall Auto Body at the intersection of routes 7 and 126. Money raised at the event will help pay for a new ambulance to replace the current rescue vehicle, which is the oldest in-service ambulance in Connecticut.

Fed chief reverses rare week of decline in the markets

Fed chairman Jerome Powell kicked off his Aug. 22 speech at the annual Jackson Hole Economic Policy Symposium by admitting that the economic outlook may warrant a change in the Fed's tight money policy. That was Fed speak for it is time to cut interest rates. Markets soared on the news.

Economists will debate endlessly whether Powell's sudden turnaround reflects the mounting pressure by the administration on the Fed to cut interest rates or worries that unemployment may be rising. In the meantime, all the main averages were up more than 1.5%.

The assumption (more than a 90% chance) is that this first-interest rate cut will occur on September 17, the date of the Fed's FOMC meeting. The question most are already asking is how many more cuts are in the cards between that meeting and the end of the year. The market believes two more cuts will occur. The next series of economic data points, released before their next meeting, will determine that.

If inflation data comes in higher than expected, then there may be only one cut in September. Readers know that I am expecting hotter inflation readings to continue through the end of the year. Powell seems to be aware of that as well. He said the risks from inflation remain “tilted to the upside.” Like me, he also believes that tariff-related inflation pressures “are now clearly visible.”

Balancing out the inflation risk, however, is the growing unemployment risk. Job risk became a factor after the Bureau of Labor Statistics revealed that unemployment had been ticking up for the last three months. Most analysts believe that the July non-farm payrolls report will also show weakening job growth. The onset of tariffs has made the job of managing monetary policy tricky at best.

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Suppose that is the case, why cut interest rates at all? Therein lies the rub. Ostensibly, the fear of further job losses. However, the pressure by the Trump administration to remake the Federal Reserve Bank is growing by the day. By September, if Congress votes to approve Stephen Miran, the president's Chair of his Council of Economic Advisors, to the Fed, at least three members of the FOMC will be Trump appointees.

Last week, Trump made it clear that he planned to fire Fed Governor Lisa Cook if she doesn't resign — and he did so this week on Monday — giving him four out of 12 FOMC members in his pocket. It is likely that the president, unless somehow appeased in the short run, will continue to find cause, reasons, or excuses (manufactured or otherwise) to continue his persecution of the remaining Fed members not under his control. From Powell's point of view, the political circumstances might justify a “hawkish” cut next month to alleviate the pressure. Sort of a cut in time to save nine (FOMC members).

Before Friday, the S&P 500 was down 2.2% last week, while the NASDAQ was lower by 4%. That was the second week in four that markets sold off only to bounce back. However, under the hood, those sectors and stocks that have driven the market's gains over the last few weeks were trashed.

Investors sold momentum names like Palantir, Tesla, and Nvidia. Other artificial intelligence names took it on the chin, falling by double digits. Some software stocks were down more than 20%. Wall Street bears have long argued that valuations in the

AI space are absurd. Companies with little to offer investors beyond some mention of AI in their company name or business saw their stock price triple and quadruple in a matter of weeks.

Bulls say that valuations don't matter. No one knows how AI power will transform the world's economies, but they believe that the AI potential must be measured in mega-trillions of dollars. Given that thesis, it was a shock when Sam Altman, the CEO of ChatGPT, one of the movers and shakers behind AI, joined the fray.

He said last week that the billions of dollars flowing into the AI arms race risk causing a bubble comparable to the dot-com crash of the early 2000s. “Are we in a phase where investors as a whole are overexcited about AI? My opinion is yes. Is AI the most important thing to happen in a very long time? My opinion is also yes.”

But Powell's comments on Aug. 22 effectively dismissed all these misgivings as investors rushed to buy the dip. Interest rate-sensitive sectors and stocks lead the charge higher. Small-cap stocks, as represented by the Russel 200 index (3.87%), outperformed. The dollar fell almost a whole percentage point since expectations of lower U.S. interest rates mean a lower dollar. As such, both gold (+1%) and silver (+2.28%) as well as cryptocurrencies also chalked up some significant wins.

The last few weeks of mild corrective actions have now given way to higher stock prices and possibly another attempt to regain former highs. I could see the S&P 500 Index tack on another 75 points or so to 6,550 -6,570. Are we out of the woods and on our way to the moon? Not yet, I see another decline once we reach my target sometime in September.

Bill Schmick is a founding partner of Onota Partners, Inc., in the Berkshires.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Trump's leadership is decimating our country

The Trump cartel is decimating our country. It has reached the level of such criminality and toxicity its hard to recognize the United States. Now the gerrymandering happening in Texas is the latest despicable crime being committed. Republicans are trying to deliver five new GOP congressional districts to Donald Trump by cracking Democratic districts. Doing this will let King Trump cling to power which is what his administration is all about.

Does anyone wonder what will come of the meeting between Putin and Trump? Putin is a tyrant and dictator without regard for anything but power and money. King Trump greatly admires him and seems to be following Putin's playbook with his own administration. The contrast between Trump's reception of Zelensky, a leader trying to save his country, and Putin, a corrupt and cruel overlord shows King Trump's affinity for

total dictatorship. Trump's minions are at his beck and call no matter how illegal or immoral his orders are.

Where are all the jobs, lower food prices and gas prices, infrastructure repair, and tax cuts for working Americans instead of his billionaire cohorts? King Trump's plan to shut down the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the only agency that monitors big banks and corporations predatory practices, will hurt working families. He clearly doesn't care about childcare, healthcare, and grocery and gas prices.

King Trump has bashed diversity, equity, equality, and inclusion initiatives. DEI officers have been fired and private institutions are being pressured to end DEI practices. Isn't our country supposed to reflect an acceptance of all people regardless of ethnicity or sexual orientation? We have moved so far away from the ethics that made our country a place

of freedom. We have fought wars, laid down lives in defense for liberty and King Trump is tearing all that down. Not just him, but all his henchmen, groupies, puppets, and stooges hanging on his coattails.

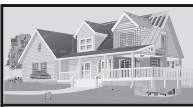
King Trump is a master of

chaos so he will continue to deflect, lie, cheat, and make billions of dollars for himself and his cartel. We, the people, will continue a downward slide watching him say to us “Let them eat cake.”

Gretchen Gordon


Sharon

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The Salisbury Housing Trust is currently building two affordable homes at 26 and 28 Undermountain Road here in Salisbury. The foundations are complete and today the first house has been set by Signature Building Systems. Very impressive to see how the four boxes that have been built in Moosic, PA are gently lifted in the air and set on the foundation. For more information on how the houses are constructed, please visit www.signaturebuildingsystems.com/. The second house will be set this Thursday, Aug. 28th and if of interest, please come in the morning to watch how this all happens. A special shout out to George Hill who supervises and coordinates the building of these affordable homes! Also to Brandon Flint of Lime Rock Race Track who allowed the semi trucks with the houses loaded to stage at the Park! All very exciting! For more information on the Salisbury Housing Trust, please see: www.salisburyhousing.org/.



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GOVERNMENTS

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Tax Assessor and Collector

The municipal government is exclusively responsible for the assessment of property taxes, and the tax assessor is the agent who ensures assessments are made properly, and that the grand list remains accurate. The tax collector's duty is to oversee the proper collection of those taxes. These paid positions are variously elected and appointed and may be part-time or full-time. Several of our towns employ the same assessor or collector.

Zoning Enforcement Officer and Land Use Administrator

The zoning enforcement officer is the municipal staff point person for all land use commissions, such as P&Z, Inland Wetlands and Watercourses, and in some cases a historic district or preservation commission. Also known in many towns as the Land Use Administrator, this paid position receives all applications and inquiries relating to land use, issues permits for to those applications, and investigates violations of zoning and IWWC regulations.

Salisbury

Salisbury's first selectman is Curtis Rand, who is currently serving his tenth term in the role. The salary for the position is budgeted at \$101,835 for fiscal year '26. The second and third selectmen, whose salaries are budgeted at \$11,540, are Christian Williams and Katherine Kiefer. All selectmen's terms expire with the municipal elections this fall, but they may run for re-election.

P&Z commissioners serve four-year terms, with current chair Michael Klemens' term ending in 2027. The BOF chair, Pari Forood, holds a six-year term, set to expire in 2029.

The town clerk is a BOS-appointed, four-year term position in Salisbury, currently held by Kristine Simmons. The clerk's salary is budgeted at \$69,696.

Salisbury refers to its chief financial officer as its comptroller, a role responsible for all operations of the town's finance department. The appointed position is budgeted at \$99,650, and is held by Joseph Cleaveland as a four-year term.

The tax assessor position, held by Kayla Johnson who performs the role for many towns in the area, is appointed and budgeted for a \$75,000 salary.

The tax collector is a four-year appointed position, held by Jean Bell. The position's salary is budgeted at \$62,550.

Abby Conroy is the town Director of Land Use, a hired staff position. The role has a budgeted salary of \$99,685 for FY'26.

Sharon

Sharon's first selectman is Casey Flanagan, currently serving his first term which is set to expire this year like all selectmen across our towns. The first selectman's salary is budgeted at \$84,821 for FY'26. The rest of the board is filled by Lynn Kearcher and John Brett. Kearcher was paid \$6,221 for the role during the last financial year, while Brett declined payment.

P&Z's chair is Laurance Rand III, serving a four-year term set to expire in 2029. The BOF is headed by Thomas Bartram, also serving a four-year term that ends in 2029.

Sharon's town clerk is Linda Amerighi, who has served over 30 years in the role. Its salary is budgeted at \$63,803 for FY'26, and runs four-year terms. The BOS is currently reviewing a draft ordinance that would transition the role from being publicly elected to

BOS-appointed.

Tina Pitcher is the town treasurer, an elected position with a two-year term length. The treasurer's salary is budgeted at \$22,825.

The tax assessor is an appointed part-time role with no defined term length, held by Jennifer Dubray who works in several towns in the region. The town has budgeted \$53,799 for its salary.

The tax collector, an elected role serving two-year terms, is Donna Christensen. The position is budgeted for a \$41,179 salary.

Sharon's Land Use Administrator is a BOS-appointed role, served by Jamie Casey. The position's payment is divided between its various commission affiliations: \$44,640 for P&Z and \$8,599 for the IWWC.

Kent

Marty Lindenmayer is currently serving his first term as Kent's first selectman. The position is budgeted for a \$83,647 salary, while the second and third selectmen are set to be paid \$6,051 each. Lynn Mellis Worthington and Glenn Sanchez are currently sitting on the board, which is set to move around with Lindenmayer's departure in November.

P&Z is led by Wes Wyrick, whose six-year term on the commission expires this year.

The BOF is currently led by Nancy O'Dea Wyrick, whose six-year term also ends this year.

Kent's clerk is Darlene Brady, who is serving a four-year term in the elected role. The position's salary is budgeted at \$66,723.

The town treasurer is Barbara Herbst, who works for both Kent and Cornwall. The position is held in four-year terms, and is appointed by the first selectman. Its salary is budgeted at \$52,569.

The tax assessor, currently Jennifer Dubray, is appointed by the BOS and has no stated term limit (TK confirm). The town has budgeted \$51,069 for the position.

The tax collector is an elected role of two-year terms, currently held by Deborah Devaux. The position is budgeted \$47,744.

Kent divides the salary of its Land Use Administrator, currently Tai Kern, between P&Z (\$59,115) and the IWWC (\$31,830). This is an appointed employee position.

Cornwall

Gordon Ridgway has been Cornwall's first selectman since 1991, and is currently serving his 18th term. Rocco Botto and Jen Hulburt Markow fill the other two board positions. The first selectman's salary is budgeted for \$68,217 while the second and third selectmen are paid \$4,961 each.

The P&Z chair in Cornwall is Anna Timell, who will serve until her term ends in 2029.

Joseph Pryor is the BOF chair, and his term will also run out in 2029.

The town clerk is Vera Dineen, who serves an elected two-year elected position, set to expire in 2026. The clerk's salary is allocated \$53,378 on the FY'26 budget.

The town's finances are handled by both a chief finance officer, Barbara Herbst, who was appointed to her position and is budgeted for a \$47,371 salary.

The tax assessor's salary is \$25,046, and is an appointed position with no term limit currently held by Kayla Johnson.

The tax collector position was recently changed from an elected role to an appointed one, and is held by Jean Bouteiller, whose term ends this year. The budgeted salary for the collector is \$30,935.

The town's zoning enforcement is handled by Land Use Administrator Spencer Muselman, who is paid hourly at a rate of \$37.90. The town has budgeted approximately \$28,500 in total land use wages for the fiscal year.

Falls Village

Dave Barger is currently serving his first term as Falls Village's first selectman. The position has a budgeted salary of \$40,540, while the other two selectmen are paid \$5,335. Those roles are held by Chris Kinsella and Judy Jacobs.

P&Z is chaired by Greg Marlowe, who just began a new term this summer. His five year term expires in May 2030.

Ginger Betti is serving as the finance chair, with her six-year term on the commission set to end this fall.

The town clerk is an elected position with a four-year term, currently occupied by Johanna Mann. The role is budgeted a salary of \$36,613.

Michelle Lynn Hansen is treasurer/bookkeeper, paid two separate salaries for each role for a budgeted total of \$39,703. The position is appointed by the BOS and served in four-year terms.

Kayla Johnson is the town's chief tax assessor, an appointed position, and is budgeted a salary of \$25,403. The town also hires an assistant assessor, currently Theresa Graney, whose salary is marked at \$13,484. Both positions are appointed with no term limit.

Collecting duties are handled by Rebecca Juchert-Dेरungs, whose salary is set at \$22,374. The position is appointed and serves a four year term.

Falls Village is developing a new position in the '26 fiscal year for a joint planning consultant and ZEO role, currently held by Janell Mullen

and budgeted for a salary of \$26,160. The role is appointed, with no term limit.

North Canaan

Brian Ohler is serving his first term as first selectman, joined by Craig Whiting and Jesse Bunce on the board. The first selectman's salary is budgeted at \$24,000, while the second and third selectmen are paid \$6,500 each.

P&Z is led by chair Mike O'Connor, whose four-year term ends in 2027..

Doug Humes is chair of the BOF, and his term will conclude in 2029 after a six-year term.

The clerk's office is currently unoccupied since the ongoing absence of Jean Jacquier beginning in February of this year. The position was allocated a salary of \$38,000 for the fiscal year.

Emily Minacci is the town's treasurer with a budgeted salary of \$27,000.


The tax collector's office was also also vacated earlier this year when Jennifer Jacquier left resigned. It has since been filled by Launa Goslee as a contractor until the November election. The position is budgeted a salary of \$23,000.

The clerk, treasurer and tax collector are currently elected positions, though a vote to install ordinances that would switch each to an appointed office with a four-year term length will be on the November municipal election ballot. If voted through, any switch of a position to be appointed will only happen after this election cycle is completed.


Jennifer Dubray handles the tax assessor duties in town, which are budgeted \$39,175 in compensation. It is an appointed position with no term length.

The town also appoints a ZEO, George Martin, with a salary of \$15,100 laid out on the budget.

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DEAN DIAMOND

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remembered.

Diamond’s own kids advanced from Redhawks to Housatonic co-op hockey in 2003, which is when he began his tenure with the high school team.

For Diamond, hockey was always centered on family. “My three boys all played hockey,” he explained. “My daughter was my hockey manager for four years in high school.” But even after all his kids graduated, he remained coach of both the Redhawks and the Mountaineers.

Diamond coached each team for about 20 years meaning that for a while the two overlapped. Being a coach of two teams and the owner of a restaurant was not easy, “I was living on the ice,” Diamond remarked, “at about 7:30 or 8 [p.m.], after the dinner rush, I would do my hour

and a half practice, come back here and finish up.”

Despite his busy schedule, he remained part of the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) Hockey Committee and sat on the board of the Salisbury Redhawks.

“Every season had memories, every season had great kids and every season meant something,” said Diamond.

Housatonic co-op hockey had good years and bad, winning up to 15 games in a season some years and losing just as many in others. “We had games at Hotchkiss where we would have 200 to 300 people. For many local people, it was Friday night, go to a Housy game at Hotchkiss.”

The best year for the co-op happened to be the one that was cut short by COVID in March of 2020. Diamond recalled, “We were the 15

seed in States, and we beat the number two seed in one of the biggest upsets in Connecticut history. We were all over the news.”

After the huge win, Housatonic was up against an easy team in the quarterfinal and hoped to make it to Yale University’s rink for the semifinals. “We got a call after our biggest win ever that they canceled the rest of the season. Our kids were devastated.”

Co-op disbands

For the team, the biggest challenge was always the roster. Until recently, Housatonic hockey was made up of a five-school co-op consisting of HVRHS, Wamogo High School, Northwestern Regional High School, Oliver Wolcott Technical High School and Torrington High School.

This forced athletes to

travel long distances to get to practices and games.

A devastating blow came when Wamogo merged with Litchfield High School in 2024 and the newly formed Lakeview High School chose to join a co-op with Shepaug Valley High School.

“This was extremely unfair,” said Diamond, “The CIAC Co-Op Committee never asked me as a coach how that would affect our numbers.”

This change cost Housatonic three players, including the only two goalies. This — along with some athletes quitting and some injuries — caused the roster to be reduced to as few as seven players in the 2025 season.

After the season, Northwestern and Wolcott Tech backed out, thus ending the Housatonic co-op team.

Next year HVRHS hock-

ey players will join with New Milford High School’s team. Games and practice will be on Canterbury School’s rink, approximately 40 minutes away from HVRHS. Some practices may be held at The

Hotchkiss School if possible.

Though he knows his days of coaching are behind him, Diamond remarked, “If there was any way to keep it going, I would do everything in my power to help out.”

MATSUDAIRA

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came valedictorian, the others also began to view that as a goal.

Many of their extracurricular activities were family oriented, such as every kid playing the same sports, which helped manage taking care of such a large family.

The family was raised to deeply value their Christian faith, reading the Bible daily and living by its scripture. One of their favorite verses is, “Do your best unto the Lord,” as it establishes a set of expectations for each child, not backed by just the parents’ wishes but by God himself.

Matsudaira also spoke of the multicultural influences on her strategy of raising her family. Not only did she live in Japan, she also met many other international Christians during her time there, allowing her children to experience a “third culture.” She was able to pick and choose strategies from the many cultures she encountered to raise her family the way she believed was best.

All having entered adulthood, the Matsudairas are now spread across the U.S. but still keep in close contact with each other.

Matthew, the eldest, lives in Florida, and works both as a consultant and as an independent oil painter.

Marina, the second oldest, attended Harvard University and tutors kids alongside her full-time job as a stay-at-

home mom to three children of her own.

Manuella, or Ella, graduated from Rhode Island School of Design with a degree in architecture and is preparing for her architectural exams while, like her brother, oil painting.

Micah just received his degree from Springfield College and has moved to Boston, managing a gym and using his exercise science to manage sports facilities.

Melody is a rising junior at Davidson College, studying biology and tentatively interested in cancer research and treatment, or perhaps osteopathy.

The youngest, Manasseh, or Manny, is attending Harvard, potentially majoring in economics and environmental policy.

To those who are also raising children or considering it, Matsudaira advises thinking about the big questions. “There are so many things we think we value. I say this from experience that we don’t actually value it,” she said.

She also highlighted the importance of forming relationships with other people. It is the close relationships you have, such as the bonds between her family, that will support you in times of need.

“Make your relationships right, become the person that you’re going to value and that leads to a good legacy. You don’t have to be famous.”

SWIFTS

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noise droned on behind the clamor from the gridiron: the twittering of chimney swifts, who swooped and pirouetted overhead before settling into their seasonal residence in the school’s long-defunct chimney.

There was also the addition of about 30 ornithologists, conservationists, volunteers and other bird-curious members of the public who had gathered to watch the swifts’ mesmerizing evening ritual and learn more about the unique species. The occasion was Swift Night, an annual event hosted by the Sharon Audubon Center that highlights the built-in connection between our region’s central educational institution and bird conservation.

“This is the sort of thing we live for,” said Eileen Fielding, director of Sharon Audubon Center, during her opening remarks as more birds flew in from the horizon to join the acrobatic group above. Despite two bald eagles perched above a distant field and the occasional shouts and laughter from a sports team finishing practice, the swifts’ agile display above held the group’s gaze skyward. “The swifts are the show,” said Fielding.

The HVRHS chimney is a “very important chimney for our regional swifts,” said Bethany Sheffer, naturalist and volunteer coordinator at Sharon Audubon, during her remarks. During their annual fall migration, fleeing the impending cold and heading for balmier climes in the Amazon River Basin, traveling groups of swifts roost collectively in large, defunct industrial chimneys for several weeks at a time. Each autumn, Sharon Audubon releases several dozen swifts it has rehabilitated at the chimney to join the migrating pack.

HVRHS science teacher Kurt Johnson has acted as the school’s liaison with Sharon Audubon for several years on the swift project, most recently installing an antenna to track newly-tagged birds as they pass near the school, either on their migration path or if they happen to return to settle in the area over the summer.

This year, Sharon Audubon placed tracking devices — “kind of like a backpack,” said Mackenzie Hunter, wildlife rehabilitation assistant at the Center — on about twenty of its rehabilitated swifts, joining a “continent wide effort” to “pinpoint” where to focus conservation efforts, explained Fielding.

Johnson has participated closely in Sharon Audubon’s efforts both with his family and with HVRHS’s student-led Local Environmental Action Group, whose motto is “thing globally, act locally.” He said the swift migration and tracking project offers students an opportunity to see “a tangible example of science in action.”

Swifts are a unique species in that they have both flourished and suffered from human intervention on the landscape. Unlike most other commonly seen bird species in New England, known as passerine or perching birds, swifts are not able to stand upright and can only cling to vertical surfaces. Prior to European colonization, they built their nests on the inner walls of hollow trees, however their numbers expanded when chimneys started popping up on the landscape.

Now, as out-of-use chimneys are being torn down en masse, these distinctive birds are losing their human-built homes while further development eats up the rest of their habitat. Sharon Audubon reports that their numbers have declined by nearly 70%.



PHOTO BY ALEC LINDEN

A volunteer releases a rehabilitated swift, with the roosting chimney in the background.

Sharon Audubon is one of New England’s foremost rehabilitation centers for chimney swifts, taking in birds each summer from nests that have fallen into fireplaces or have otherwise been injured or abandoned. Sunny Kellner, who has been the wildlife rehabilitation manager at the Center for a decade, says it’s usually the first muggy and humid week that the hatchlings start coming in, the saliva-bound nests literally melted by the heat.

The Center also offers consultations for homeowners who find uninjured birds, which can be safely installed back into the chimney. Kellner said they make great houseguests by eating thousands of insects, and their nests have zero structural or functional effect on the chimney.

For Swift Night, Sharon Audubon staff brought out a surprise: over 40 rehabilitated swifts to be released into flock gyrating and twirling above the HVRHS chimney. Volunteers lined up to let the birds fly, holding their small bodies in gloved hands before giving a gentle toss. The birds took a moment to find their wings before giving a few powerful beats and banking upwards to join the rest of the aerialists.

As the last light faded from the sky, the swirling mass of hundreds of swifts slowly thinned as birds dove headfirst into the chimney, as if “sucked in by an invisible vacuum,” as Sheffer put it. Several night owls dwindled in the twilight, feasting on a late-night snack of insects, but before long the last stragglers had dropped into the vast brick chimney for another night’s rest.

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The Union Cemetery Association will hold its annual meeting on Sept. 13, 2025, at St. Thomas Church, 40 Leedsville Rd., Amenia, NY from Noon to 1:30 PM. If attending, please bring a couple of dollars to give to the Church’s Food Pantry. If you have family in the Cemetery, we are always looking for new Board members. Also if you wish to donate to help support the Cemetery, you can send a check made out to Union Cemetery Association and mail it to Union Cemetery Association, Gail Seymour, 16 Townsend Blvd., Poughkeepsie, New York 12603. Call Gail with any questions at 845-454-6641.

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Notice of Decision
Town of Salisbury
Planning & Zoning
Commission

Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on August 18, 2025:

Approved with the condition that documents concerning remediation of the property are provided to the Land Use Office—Special Permit Application #2025-0295 by owner 235 Belgo Road LLC, for vertical expansion of a nonconforming barn proposed for conversion to single family residence in accordance with Section 503.2 of the regulations. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor’s Map 09 as Lot 09 and is located at 235 Belgo Road, Lakeville.

Any aggrieved person may appeal these decisions to the Connecticut Superior Court in accordance with the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes §8-8.

Town of Salisbury
Planning &
Zoning Commission
Martin Whalen, Secretary
08-28-25

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

Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the Agent of the Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission of the Town of Salisbury, Connecticut on August 11, 2025:

Approved—Application IWWC-25-66 by Carol Magowan for/to “Replacing existing deck with mudroom addition”. The property is shown on Salisbury Assessor’s map and lot 23 37 11 and is known as 50 HAMMERTOWN ROAD, SALISBURY. The owner of

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Busking in the Berkshires

While playing outside in the early post-pandemic days, Berkshire Busk! founder Eugene Carr had an epiphany: why not expand the idea of performing on the street (aka busking) into a full-fledged festival in Great Barrington?

As an entrepreneur and cellist, Carr envisioned a well-organized jamboree featuring regional talent, including musicians, acrobats, storytellers, fire-eaters, and more. He formed a team, connected with local businesses and the town of Great Barrington, and launched Berkshire Busk! in 2021. Since then, Berkshire Busk! has grown into a summer staple for Great Barrington.

In the summer of 2024, over 25,000 people experienced Berkshire Busk!. The festival is free to the public, provides a big boost to local businesses, and spectators can tip performers.

Busking takes place all over the world, either organized by individual performers or via busking festivals. Artists like The Roots, Tracy Chapman, Phoebe Bridgers, and Old Crow Medicine Show have all cut their teeth performing on the street.

General Manager Carli Scolforo is a Berkshire native with a love of music and writing. She can often be seen roaming the streets of Great Barrington, making sure everything's in order, and serves as the festival's face on social media.

"This year is the fifth anniversary of Berkshire



Brent McCoy of Secret Circus Show at Berkshire Busk!

Busk!, and it's been an amazing summer," said Scolforo. "We were able to welcome back a lot of our favorite performers, and bring in some new experiences as well. After getting rained out last year, we were able to host our first outdoor movie night in partnership with The Triplex Cinema and the Boon-docks Film Society."

Scolforo added, "This summer, we also introduced our first Open Mic Night, hosted by local recording artist and music producer Jackson Whalan. We were really pleased with the turnout of talent. The sheer amount of talent that's hidden within an hour or so drive of Great Barrington always astounds us."

Local businesses sponsor various busking spots, like the Berkshire Money Management Stage in the parking lot

between the Triplex Cinema and Mama Lo's BBQ. Typically, buskers bring their own amplification, while there are few spots — such as Berkshire Mountain Distillery in Sheffield — provide power.

Berkshire Busk! will end its season with a fireworks display on its last night on Saturday, Aug. 30.

Berkshire Busk! is endorsed by the Select Board of the Town of Great Barrington and is entirely supported by sponsorship fees from companies and organizations, as well as philanthropic donations from granting organizations, individuals and the Town of Great Barrington.

It operates under a fiscal sponsorship agreement with the Nonprofit Center of the Berkshires and participates in Mass Cultural Council's Card to Culture program — in collaboration with the Department of Transi-

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THEATER: NATALIA ZUKERMAN

'Sylvia' brings heart, humor and one unforgettable dog to Sharon Playhouse stage

What if the dog onstage was played by a person? That's the delightful twist in A.R. Gurney's "Sylvia," opening at the Sharon Playhouse on Aug. 29. In this clever and heartfelt comedy, the title character — a stray pup who disrupts the lives of a married couple — is portrayed not in costume but by an actor who brings insight, charm, and chaos to the role.

Stepping into Sylvia's paws is Jen Cody, who is returning to the Sharon Playhouse in a starring role for her third year in a row, ready to bring this spirited dog to life. She's joined by Jonathan Walker as Greg, the middle-aged man smitten with his new four-legged friend, and Jennifer Van Dyck as Kate, his wife, whose patience and identity are tested by Sylvia's sudden presence in their home.

Directed by Colin Hanlon, this production balances elements of



PHOTO BY ALY MORRISSEY
Jonathan Walker as "Greg" and Jen Cody as "Sylvia" in rehearsal at The Sharon Playhouse.

comedy and emotional depth. Gurney's script may be filled with laughs but at its core, "Sylvia" explores loyalty, companionship, and how love sometimes arrives in unexpected forms. The play premiered Off-Broadway in 1995 and has since become an audience favorite for its wit, warmth, and originality.

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Labor Day weekend art, design and local finds

The unofficial end of summer is here, and while some of us may mourn the shortening days and cooler nights, the culturally-inclined denizens of the Litchfield Hills, Berkshires and Taconics have plenty to look forward to.

During Labor Day weekend, visit one of the offerings below, and maybe even take home a watercolor, rug, or locally-crafted wooden bowl to ready your home for the indoor season ahead.

Kick off the weekend with libations and bites from legendary New York City importer Rosenthal Wine Merchant at Mad Rose Gallery (5916 North Elm Ave., Millerton). The evening will mark the end of Paul Chaleff’s ceramics exhibition, which closes at the end of the weekend. Ashley Gilbertson and Franco Pagetti’s photography exhibition “Fragments in Time,” which has been extended through Sept. 21, will also be on display. RSVP by emailing info@mad-rosegallery.com.

Head to the Cornwall Library (30 Pine St., Cornwall) for its seventh annual weekend-long Art Sale, and peruse an endless supply of prints,



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Paul Chaleff’s exhibit at Mad Rose Gallery in Millerton.

posters, watercolors, photos, paintings and more, with price tags ranging from a very reasonable \$20 to much greater sums.

The Library has announced that this year’s selection will “run the gamut from the antique to the contemporary, from the jazzy and colorful to the classic black and white, from realistic to abstract.” Thanks to generous donors, the sale will feature works from notable artists such as Amedeo Modigliani, Enrique Chagoya, Marc Simont, Leonard Baskin, Ruth Gannett, Robert

Andrew Parker, Nicole Eisenman, R. H. Quaytman, and others, as well as a special exhibition of vintage photos, paintings and posters from late artist Duncan Hannah.

For more information and hours, visit cornwalllibrary.org/labor-day-art-sale/.

Visit the Barn at the Pine Plains location of beloved antiques and décor purveyor Hammertown (3201 NY-199, Pine Plains) and find the coffee table of your vintage dreams this weekend. Up to 75% off home goods and furniture of all

kinds will be available.

This year’s iteration of the biannual tent sale features a “Makers Market” with local artisans, craftspeople and food vendors.

Visit <https://shop.hammertown.com/blogs/journal/hammertown-labor-day-tent-sale> for additional details and hours.

The Berkshire Woodworkers Guild, a coalition of local woodworkers that supports the local industry and its craftspeople, is hosting its 25th Fine Woodwork Show at the Berkshire Botanical Garden (5

West Stockbridge Rd., Stockbridge) this weekend. Attendees will have the chance to watch 32 masters from around the Tri-Corner region demonstrate their trades, from woodturning to boat building and French polishing.

The event will also announce the allocation of \$32,000 from its scholarship fund to support 9 aspiring woodworkers, and host a silent auction of guild member-crafted pieces to support next year’s fund. Works from the artisans will also be available for viewing and sale.

Pittsfield, Massachusetts’ Hot Plate Brewing will provide frothy, local ales for swilling, while SoCo Creamery of Great Barrington will be pedaling its handcrafted ice cream for sweeter options for the whole family. Great

Cape Baking Co., from Dover Plains will offer a full breakfast and lunch menu, including donuts, while Pleasant & Main from Housatonic will be providing the caffeine and crepes. Further details can be found at berkshirewoodworkers.org.

Artists across Cornwall will fling open their studio and gallery doors to welcome Labor Day culture ramblers on Saturday afternoon. An eclectic lineup of ten participating artists will show their work, ranging from pottery to sculpture paths, allowing participants a chance to enjoy the fresh late-summer weather as they meander through Cornwall’s green valleys from studio to studio. For a list of the artists, a map, and directions to each studio, visit cornwallct.org/event/cornwall-open-studio-2025/.

MUSIC: THOMAS JENSEN

Handler debuts, Hadelich dazzles in thrilling night at Tanglewood

On Saturday, Aug. 16, we were excited to see the debut of new Boston Symphony Orchestra assistant conductor Anna Handler, and the return of violinist Augustin Hadelich. Another warm evening in Lenox with humidity near 100 percent, couldn’t stop a massive crowd from gathering.

Handler strode onto the Shed stage with purpose, greeted the evening’s concertmaster, Alexander Velinzon, and took the podium for Brahms’ “Tragic Overture.” Right away, her crisp, powerful conducting style — clearly reminiscent of Andris Nelsons’ — was effective at bringing Brahms to life. She urged forth the strings, waved in the brass and percussion with verve, and caressed her winds in an emotional way.

Velinzon and the stings were superb — a powerfully played Brahms. Handler made her mark. She bowed modestly, placing hand to heart, and pointed to credit various sections and individuals. She



PHOTO BY HILARY SCOTT

Anna Handler makes her BSO debut.


strode off stage with pace and quickly returned for Schumann’s “Symphony No. 4.”

No. 4 begins with


somber tones and develops into something else: Ziernlich langsam

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- CT Renegades Horse Show	- Sheep Judging	10:00am - Sheep Judging
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BOOKS: LEILA HAWKEN

The Dogist: Understanding human-canine bonds

Elias Weiss Friedman, acclaimed canine photographer and creator of "The Dogist," brought heart and humor to Troutbeck's Luminary Series in Amenia, sharing stories that celebrated the enduring bond between humans and their dogs.

The event, held Sunday, Aug. 24, was paired with The Little Guild of Cornwall, giving attendees the chance to meet and greet a small selection of dogs available for adoption. Friedman is passionate about organizations that advocate for canine welfare and service training, making The Little Guild a natural partner for the event.

A best-selling author, Friedman brought along his latest book, "This Dog Will Change Your Life," that was greeted with brisk sales and the chance to obtain a signed copy. His Instagram postings have amassed a loyal following of more than 11 million and growing. To date, he has photographed more than 50,000 dogs.

"Dogs complete every aspect of human life," said Charlie Champalimaud, Troutbeck owner,



Elias Weiss Friedman, aka The Dogist, photographing adoptable pup Petunia from the Little Guild at Troutbeck and signing books after his talk.



PHOTOS BY LEILA HAWKEN

who served as interviewer for the event. "I just love dogs, and I'm very excited to see people come together," she added. Her own family dog, Rocky, accompanied her and charmed the audience with exemplary behavior.

"I've been following you for years," said

Priscilla McCord of Lakeville, speaking with Friedman before the event began. McCord also serves as a board member at The Little Guild.

"You are an artist and storyteller," said Champalimaud, introducing Friedman to the audience of more than 100

dog lovers gathered in Troutbeck's pole barn. Friedman said he has been developing The Dogist concept and brand for the past 11 years.

"I had an understanding of the cultural phenomenon of dogs," he said. "Dogs are a source of joy. I wanted to write

about that," he added, noting that dogs are also hilarious.

"I was a shy kid with a dog," Friedman recalled. "Dogs are generous with their eye contact."

"I've moved the needle a bit in how we appreciate our dogs," he said of his role as The

Dogist. Over the years, his work has included helping dogs find homes or receive service dog training.

Asked about recent advances in artificial intelligence in learning to communicate with animals — particularly current research into communicating with whales — Friedman noted that we already communicate with dogs, though often through our own ego. "There is no shortage of communication," he said.

He added that some dog owners might not want to know their dogs' honest opinions about their circumstances or lifestyles.

Looking ahead, Friedman will be international in scope, exploring how different cultures view their relationships with dogs. He expects to find meaningful differences and insights across borders.

Next in the Luminary series at Troutbeck will be a talk by Mark Ronson on Sunday, Sept. 7. He will speak about his book, "Night People," pairing the talk with a DJ session. For more information, go to www.troutbeck.com.

... at Tanglewood

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(Rather slow) to Lebhaft (lively) to Romanze: Zierlich langsam, to Scherzo: Lebhaft — Trio, then. Langsam — Lebhaft — Schneller — Presto (slow — lively — faster — very fast.)

It was exquisitely performed with Handler bringing both artistry and quality. It flowed like a river — meandering, then surging with power, until it exploded into a torrent. The build up was sharp; the conclusion loud, and vibrant.

Handler turned to the audience, now a broad smile. She shook Velinzon's hand. Her deeper bows greeted a standing ovation — a glimpse into a bright future.

After intermission, it was up to Hadelich to follow a great orchestral performance.

A large man with larger hair, he dwarfed Handler as he waited on-stage to begin his part in the famous Tchaikovsky "Violin Concerto." Velinzon and the orchestra led the soft opening bars. Hadelich lifted the 1744 "Leduc / Szeryng" Guarneri (lent to him through the Tarisio Trust), and began. Sweet tones emerged.

He had previously played the 1723 "ex-Kiesewetter" Stradivari but switched recently

after hearing the mel-low, more human-like voice he was in search of — and found — in the Guarneri. What followed was smooth, soft, gentle brilliance.

Allegro moderato – Moderato assai served as a warm-up. Then came Canzonetta: Andante —and things really got going. The Finale: Allegro vivacissimmo, Hadelich flew up and down the neck of the Guarneri with such speed and precision that, through binoculars, I caught Velinzon chuckle and

shake his head in disbelief from the best seat in the house.

A virtuoso performance. The crowd roared.

An encore followed: Forrester (arr. Hadelich) "Wild Fiddler's Rag" — fun and flirtatious.

Will there be other evenings as bright as this? Likely, but few and far between.

Will Velinzon and the orchestra continue to create rare conditions where these thermonuclear pyrotechnics are possible? Absolutely.



Anna Handler at Tanglewood.

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AUGUST 28

Book Reading Luncheon

SVNA Home Assistance, 30A Salmon Kill Road, Salisbury, Conn.

Thursday, Aug. 28, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., local Lakeville Author and SVNA Home Assistance Caregiver Brian Hoff Reads from his comedy book "Twisted Terminology," a humorous look at over 100 historical sayings we still use today — like "Cat's Out of the Bag," and "Head Over Heels."

AUGUST 29

Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra

Stissing Center, 2950 Church St., Pine Plains, N.Y.

Aug. 29 at 7 p.m.

The Northern Dutchess Symphony Orchestra returns to Stissing Center with Broadway musicians Rachel Handman and Keve Wilson for a show-stopping evening of music and stories. From Bach to Wynton Marsalis, Astor Piazzolla to Aaron Copland, their program leaps joyfully across genres and eras.

Tickets: www.ndsorchestra.org

Sylvia at Sharon Playhouse

Sharon Playhouse, Sharon, Conn. SharonPlayhouse.org

Aug. 29 to Sept. 7.

Jen Cody stars in A.R. Gurney's comedy Sylvia, directed by Colin Hanlon. This heartwarming and witty play follows a man whose life is changed when he brings home a stray dog—played by a human actor. Featuring Jonathan Walker, Jennifer Van Dyck, and Sienna Brann. Tickets at SharonPlayhouse.org

Berkshire Opera Festival Presents Verdi's La Traviata

Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center, 14 Castle Street, Great Barrington, Mass.

Friday, Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m. Verdi's beloved opera follows Violetta, a Parisian courtesan who gives up everything for love—only to face heartbreak when fate intervenes. A story of passion, sacrifice, and the fleeting nature of happiness, set to some of opera's most unforgettable music.

Labor Day Art Sale

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

Kick off the holiday weekend at a celebratory reception on Friday, Aug. 29 from 6 to 8 p.m., launching Cornwall Library's annual Labor Day Art Sale. Sale hours continue on: Saturday, Aug. 30, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 31, 10 am to 4 pm, Monday, Sept. 1, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Great finds and one-of-a-kinds! All profits benefit the Cornwall Library.

AUGUST 30

Cornwall Artist Open Studio Tour

Cornwall, Conn.

The 19th Annual Cornwall Open Studios will be Saturday, Aug. 30, 1 to 5 p.m. Past year's Open Studios have really showcased part of what makes Cornwall special. More info and the map of studios is available at www.wishhouse.com

Neon Moons Dance Party at Stissing Center

Stissing Center for Arts & Culture, 2950 Church Street, Pine Plains, N.Y.

Aug. 30 at 7 p.m. Admission: \$10 cover. Join honky-tonk band Neon Moons for a lively night of country grooves and dance-worthy jams. Tickets and info: thestissingcenter.org

Berkshire Woodworkers Guild Fine Woodwork Show & Silent Auction

Berkshire Botanical Garden, 5 West Stockbridge Road (Route 102), Stockbridge, Mass.

Saturday & Sunday, Aug. 30 and 31, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: \$5 General | \$3 BBG Members. A weekend show and sale of fine woodworking by artisans from the Berkshires and nearby regions. Live woodworking demos, silent auction to support scholarships, and local food vendors on site.

SEPTEMBER 1

Thomas Franken: "Yesterday & Today"

Kent Art Association, 29 South Main St., Kent, Conn.

Opening Reception: Saturday, Sept. 6, 5 to 7 p.m. Exhibition Dates: Sept. 1 to 30. A special showing of over 25 original works, including large-scale paintings not previously exhibited. Reception coincides with the KAA's Sculpture Invitational Show.

SEPTEMBER 2

History Talk Series

South Canaan Meetinghouse, 12 Rte. 63, Falls Village, Conn.

The Falls Village-Canaan Historical Society's 1st Tuesday at Seven Summer Talk will take place on Sept. 2, 7 p.m. at the South Canaan Meetinghouse. The final talk of the season is on Stunt Pilot Stanley Segalla & the History of the Canaan Airport. Stan's son, Billy Segalla, also a stunt pilot, will be the speaker. The talk is 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. British tea time pastry
2. Budget-friendly; frugal
3. Arrive at a goal
4. Summertime destination
5. School is back in session

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and has free admission, although donations are appreciated. For more info call 860-824-5607.

SEPTEMBER 4

Local Author: Leigh Stein at The White Hart

The White Hart, 15 Undermountain Rd., Salisbury, Conn.

At 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 4, Leigh Stein discusses her new novel "If You're Seeing This, It's Meant for You" in conversation with Amelia Wilson. Tickets \$15, includes a drink and \$5 book voucher. Presented by Oblong Books, the White Hart Inn, and Scoville Library. Info: oblongbooks.com/event/white-hart-leigh-stein.

SEPTEMBER 5

First Friday Music

Congregational Church of Salisbury, 30 Main St., Salisbury, Conn.

First Friday Music returns to Salisbury UCC Sept. 5 at 12 p.m. with Baroque music by vocalist Allison Gish and cellist Kyra Saltman. Free to the public. Doors open at 11:45 a.m.

Banned Book Club: As I Lay Dying

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

Friday, Sept. 5 at 4 p.m. David M. Hunt Library and the Falls Village Equity Project will host a Banned Book Club.

This month we will be discussing the book "As I Lay Dying" by William Faulkner. Copies of the book are available at the library. This group is open to anyone high school aged and older.

SEPTEMBER 6

AI: Prompting and Practical Tools with Pam Doran

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

Saturday, Sept. 6, 11 a.m. to noon.

This AI information session is interactive, showing several tools such as ChatGPT, Perplexity and others in action. Pam Doran will demonstrate the differences in their outputs, how prompt

wording affects results, and techniques for getting reliable, source-cited responses. We'll also discuss responsible use of AI for learning and creativity. Pam can run all tools using only browser-based tools.

Donald Sosin & Joanna Seaton: Silent Film & Live Music

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

Sept. 6, 7 p.m.

Screening of F.W. Murnau's Sunrise (1927) with live music by Donald Sosin (piano) and Joanna Seaton (vocals/percussion). A landmark silent film accompanied by original music from renowned performers and composers.

...Sylvia at Playhouse

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Rounding out the cast is Sienna Brann, taking on a trio of roles that highlight the play's comic versatility. The design team includes Christopher and Justin Swader (scenic), Kathleen DeAngelis (costumes), Bobbie Zlotnik (wigs), Wheeler Moon (lighting), and Graham

Stone (sound), ensuring the story is grounded in a fully realized world, albeit one occasionally seen from a dog's point of view.

Performances run through Sept. 7 at the Sharon Playhouse. For tickets and more information, visit sharon-playhouse.org.

Brain Teasers

CLUES ACROSS

1. Taxis
5. Space Systems Command
8. Plant seed by scattering
11. Alliances
13. Fiddler crabs
14. Heroic tale
15. Yemen capital
16. Misleading gesture
17. Cain and __
18. Simple shoe
20. Hundredweight
21. Children's toy in the snow
22. Gets rid of
25. Free of deceit
30. Performed a dance
31. Chinese philosophical principle
32. Exaggerated
33. Refrain from inflicting
38. A doctrine
41. Can be subdued
43. A place to bathe
45. Land used for pasture
48. Curved piece of iron
49. Automobile
50. Fencing sword
55. Breezes through
56. Child
57. NBA legend Iverson
59. Horsley and Iacocca are two
60. Midway between northeast and east
61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
62. U.S. leader during much of WW2
63. Lair
64. Fibrous material

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14. Graduation garb
19. A way to record
23. Not good
24. Weather events
25. A pituitary hormone
26. Jamie Foxx film
27. Rocker's accessory
28. One point east (clockwise) of due north
29. One who obtains pleasure from another's pain
34. Consume
35. Licensed for Wall Street
36. Sick
37. Israeli city __ Aviv
39. Removed the husk
40. Mass of rocks and sediment
41. Two-year-old sheep
42. Area units
44. Prison overseer

45. Walked
46. Wartime escort aircraft carrier
47. Tax
48. 50 percent
51. Swiss river
52. Tattle
53. Actor Idris
54. Resist authority (slang)
58. Egg of a louse

August 21 Solution

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August 21 Solution

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Sports



Above, Daniel Moran represents Housatonic Valley Regional High School in the season-opening golf match against Lakeview High School in Litchfield Thursday, Aug. 21. Moran led HVRHS with a score of 48. Jonas Johnson, below, shot 53.



Housationic varsity golf tees off

By Simon Markow

LITCHFIELD — Housatonic Valley Regional High School took on Lakeview High School for the first golf match of the season Thursday, Aug. 21. Hosted at Litchfield Country Club, six golfers from each team faced off. HVRHS coach Peter Vermilyea was thrilled to see his team tee off for the first time this season. Litchfield coach Robert Gollow said the rain from the day prior would not affect players. “Being the first rain of August, the grass soaked right in. It shouldn’t affect them.”

It was about 67 degrees at tee time, cloudy with calm wind. As the game went on, the wind died down and the sun peaked out, heating up the



PHOTOS BY SIMON MARKOW

Landon Cooper calculates a putt in the match against Lakeview Aug. 21.

air as well as the game while the sun went down in the afternoon. Lakeview won the meet with a team score of 183 to HVRHS’s 225. Player scores

from the meet will contribute to the season totals for state rankings. Lakeview’s Ryan Blasavage led with a score of 40. Julian Salvietti shot 45, Connor

Aldrich 49 and Chase Reynolds 49. HVRHS was led by Daniel Moran who shot a 48. Jonas Johnson shot 53, Jacoby Reeve 60 and Ava Humes 64.

Haystack Mountain Challenge trail races in Norfolk Oct. 5

NORFOLK—Run the scenic trails of Norfolk during the 12th annual Haystack Mountain Challenge trail races Sunday, Oct. 5. Sponsored by the Norfolk Land Trust, the challenging half-marathon race, which includes two runs up Haystack Mountain, starts at 9:30 am. The 10-K kicks off at 10:45 am and includes

a summit of Haystack. The 5-K, at 11 a.m, features a traverse through Barbour Woods. This year all runners will receive a free slice of pizza from Pete-za Mobile Pizza and Norbrook Brewery will sell beverages as well. Registration for the half-marathon is \$35 and the 10-K and 5-K are \$25. Registration for households

up to four people is \$60 and \$80 for the half marathon. All races start at the Barbour Woods trailhead, 75 Lovers Lane, Norfolk. You can register at online by going to runsignup.com/Race/CT/Norfolk/NorfolkLandTrust-TrailSeriesHaystackMountainChallenge

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