



**POLICE & FIRE**

**GPD to Host Benefit Car Show**



The Greenwich Police Department Scholarship Fund Benefit Car Show will take place on June 7, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Town Hall, with a rain date of June 8. The event will feature classic, antique, custom, and exotic vehicles, along with food trucks, a DJ, and a 50/50 raffle. Proceeds support scholarships for children of Greenwich Police officers, with vehicle registration fees and sponsorships contributing to the fund. Photo is 2024 Best in Show winner Al Small and his 1965 Chevy Corvette.

Photo Credit: Bob Capazzo

**Patrol Responds to Storm Damage**



After a recent storm, Patrol 2 responded to multiple calls for downed trees and wires across town. Volunteer fire companies assist during high call volumes, allowing career fire engines to remain available. CCFPP, an all-volunteer fire service company, has served Greenwich since 1927 and is seeking new volunteers at recruitment@ccfpp.org.

Photo Credit: Cos Cob Fire Police Patrol

**Police Union Contract Secures Raises**

The Silver Shield Association and the town have finalized a three-year labor contract that includes annual wage increases of 2.75% in the first year and 2.95% in the second and third years. The agreement, covering July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2027, also raises employee healthcare contributions in the second and third years. The Representative Town Meeting approved the contract, which will cost approximately \$93 million over three years.

**FROM TOWN HALL**



The Town of Greenwich Parks and Recreation Foundation will host its third Earth Day beautification event at Mianus River Park on April 26 from 9 a.m. to noon. Volunteers will meet at the Cognewaugh Street entrance to plant trees, remove invasive species, clear debris, and reinforce trails, with tools provided.

Photo Credit: Contributed

**Town Hall Staircase Repairs Underway**



The staircase behind Town Hall leading to Havemeyer Field and the running track is closed

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## Coming Soon: Bagpipes, Bands, and a Grand Irish Day



St. Patrick's Day Parade from year's past. John Ferris Robben photo.

By noon on Sunday, March 23, they will begin to gather— young families tugging strollers into position, old-timers finding their usual spots along Greenwich Avenue, teenagers in hooded sweatshirts shoving hands into pockets against the creeping chill. The forecast predicts 49 degrees, though it will feel cooler in the shade. The clouds will thicken, but the air will stay dry—ideal conditions for a parade.

And this is a town that still loves parades.

At precisely 2 p.m., outside Greenwich Town Hall, a whistle will sound, sharp and unmistakable. It will signal the start of the 49th annual St. Patrick's Parade, and from that moment, the town will move in step—marchers pressing forward, bagpipes keening, banners lifting into the breeze. The procession will follow its well-worn path: up Field Point Road, along the Post Road, down Greenwich Avenue,

where shopkeepers will step onto sidewalks to catch a glimpse of the spectacle, where children will dart between legs for a better view, where some people, knowing exactly what's coming, will still lean forward in anticipation.

The parade belongs to the bagpipes. Always has. Four pipe bands will take their turn filling the air with that unmistakable, mournful wail: Greenwich Pipe Band, Fairfield County Police Pipes and Drums, Westchester Firefighters Pipes and Drums, and Fairfield Gaelic Pipe Band. For those who grew up on these streets, the sound is tied to memory—the first deep drone of the pipes a signal that the parade has truly begun.

The music will keep coming, layered and bright. Ten bands in all, including the Port Chester High School Marching Band, the Tappan Zee Bridgemen, Nash Drum Corps, Wholly Brass Band, Sound Beach Community Band, and the Connecticut Patriot Fife

and Drum Band. There will be the metallic snap of snare drums, the steady pulse of bass drums. The brass sections will cut through the afternoon air, polished horns gleaming under a gray sky.

There will be dancers, of course. Irish step dancers from two local schools—the Lynn Academy of Irish Dance and the Harney Pender Keady Academy of Irish Dance—leaping, kicking, landing hard on the pavement with the practiced precision of years spent mastering the form. They will move with the discipline of athletes and the grace of something older, something remembered.

The parade will bring together at least 75 marching groups—local schools, scouts, fire departments, police officers in pressed uniforms, civic organizations that have been sending delegations for decades.

The antique vehicles will roll through, each carrying a story. And then, the Pyramid Shriners Motor Patrol—always a favorite,

their miniature cars weaving and spinning in tight formation. Children will clutch at coat sleeves, laughing, pointing. Parents will smile, knowing exactly what's coming but enjoying it just the same.

This year, a new group will step onto the route—a contingent from the Wallace Center, formerly the Greenwich Senior Center, walking alongside members of the Friends of the Wallace Center. They will march together, a reminder that history is not only something to be celebrated but something to be carried forward.

Father Richard Murphy will walk at the front, wearing the green sash that marks him as this year's Grand Marshal. A priest, a chaplain, a man whose name is now inked into the long history of this parade.

For parade details and updates, visit [www.greenwichibernians.org](http://www.greenwichibernians.org).

## Days Before Splashdown: Astronaut Suni Williams' Message to Greenwich

By ELIZABETH BARHYDT



Suni Williams being helped from the capsule which splashed down off the coast of Florida on Tuesday.

The astronauts are home. SpaceX Crew-9 splashed down safely off the coast of Florida on March 18, bringing NASA astronauts Suni Williams, Butch Wilmore, and Nick Hague, along with Roscosmos cosmonaut Aleksandr Gorbunov, back to Earth after months aboard the International Space Station. But just days before their return, Williams was floating in orbit, speaking to an audience at Christ Church Greenwich. Projected onto a giant screen in the sanctuary, she shared insights on resilience, life in space, and the perspective gained from circling the planet 16 times a day.

Suni Williams floated, her hair drifting upward, her movements slow and deliberate as she navigated the confined space of the International Space Station. She was being interviewed by Marek Zabriskie, the rector at Christ Church and a former reporter

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**COLUMN**

## What Have I Seen So Far in Hartford?



By TINA COURPAS

Six months ago, I stood before the voters of the 149th District, making the case for pragmatic, results-driven leadership in Hartford. The campaign was a hard-fought race, defined by conversations with residents about the issues that matter most—fiscal responsibility, local control, and the need for balance in our state government. In November, the people of Greenwich and Stamford placed their trust in me, and I am honored every day to represent them in Hartford.

The transition from candidate to legislator happens swiftly and the learning curve is steep for many reasons. One of those reasons is that Hartford doesn't exactly function like the "real world." In fact, sometimes it loses touch with a "real world" perspective.

Here are five initial observations about our CT General Assembly, from the perspective of both a State Rep. on the "inside" and as someone who promises never to lose touch with the "real world."

**The State Budget Involves Difficult Tradeoffs—It Can't Be a Collection of "Wish Lists"**

The biggest shock since arriving in Hartford has been how many legislators and advocates make compelling, impassioned arguments for their priorities—without addressing the fundamental question: how do we pay for it?

Here are some of them:

**"All kids in CT should have access to free Universal Preschool so that they can have an academic head start."**

**"Low-income tenants in CT should have access to free legal representation in landlord-tenant disputes."**

**"We need more programs which invest in the arts in CT."**

**"We need to invest in bike paths for our towns."**

Like you, I wish we could fund every single one of these ideas. The real question is how we balance our state's priorities, recognizing that resources are finite, we cannot tax citizens to the sky, and we cannot bankrupt the state's future.

Every family, business, and adult knows that budgets involve tradeoffs. They are not wish lists.

**There Is a High Degree of Professionalism and Civility in Our State Government**

On opening day of the 2025 session, Speaker of the House Matt Ritter described CT's rich history of civil discourse and ability to work in a bipartisan manner. I have been so gratified to see that, for the most part, he was right. Legislators disagree, set boundaries, challenge arguments, and express strong emotions, yet the Connecticut legislature maintains a high degree of professionalism. In general, the level of civility in the debate in Hartford is something of which we should all be proud.

**In Hartford, There Are a Lot of Misconceptions About Greenwich**

In Housing Committee last week, one witness said that

*In fact, sometimes it loses touch with a "real world" perspective.*

Greenwich lacked adequate affordable housing because of "NIMBY, exclusionary, and racist" beliefs. I respectfully called him out on that statement. It is false and unproductive.

Greenwich is socioeconomically diverse, with 44% of public-school students qualifying for free or reduced-price lunch and over 40% identifying as nonwhite.

I have also heard that Greenwich does not "do its part" in the state—an equally untrue statement. Our town contributes 10% of Connecticut's total income tax revenue under one of the most progressive tax structures in the country.

These misconceptions about Greenwich hinder good policymaking. An important part of my role is ensuring that my colleagues in Hartford understand the realities of our community rather than legislating based on false assumptions.

**The Legislature Disregards the Existence of the Free Market When Convenient**

When it comes to more government spending, the General

Assembly seems to rely on the principle that the free market works. For example, "if we pay teachers more, more young people will enter the teaching profession." True. BUT, when it comes to legislation that stimulates the growth of business in CT, the free market is completely disregarded.

For example, Connecticut charges CPAs nearly twelve times what New Jersey does for license renewal. Why would anyone want to be a CPA in CT with that kind of overhead? And yet that is CT's law. (I filed a bill to change this.)

The free market works, and not just when it is convenient for legislators. We should use its principles to create economic incentives and reduce hurdles to stimulate our private sector in CT.

**The Legislature Is Severely Lopsided. This Impacts Policymaking Materially.**

Connecticut is a one-party state, with Democrats controlling the governorship, both legislative chambers, and key executive offices, giving them a trifecta and supermajority. This imbalance affects policymaking at every turn.

This imbalance lowers

the standard for legislation, as supermajority-backed bills do not require thorough vetting to pass. Legislative imbalance also means less accountability in government. The party responsible for a "bad bill" a few years ago has the votes to squelch all calls for accountability today. Finally, legislative imbalance pulls our state to the extreme. Super-progressive policies can and are passed because even if the moderate Democrats and all Republicans try to pull a bill to the center, they are still outvoted.

Republicans in Hartford pack a huge punch relative to our numbers, as I imagine Democrats would if the supermajority were reversed. That is a good thing because balance produces better results. All constituents of the 149th have an open invitation to join me for a day in Hartford. Regardless of your political affiliation, you will see starkly and quickly how imbalance is not positive for any state.

**Thank You to the 149th District**

Thank you again to the 149th District for sending me to Hartford as your State Rep. I will continue to do all I can to represent you with integrity and excellence, fully immersed and committed to the world of our General Assembly. But I promise to always keep at least one foot firmly planted in the real world.

**COLUMN**

## A Playground, Not a Single Path

By JILL S. WOOLWORTH, LMFT

There is no single path that will lead us to a well-crafted life. Children have latitude to swing on the swings, play in the sandbox, or jump on the trampoline. So do adults. Why not try out the jungle gym, or climb the slide backwards?

The boundaries of our playgrounds are clear—they are the fences made of our values. We can explore without fear.

A variation of this "playground" concept is "trying on dresses in a store." How will we



Illustrated by Wajih Chaudhry

know if we like a new job or a new behavior until we try it on? In a store we feel no anxiety when we reject an item of clothing after trying

it on. We learn from whatever we "try on"—even if we end up discarding it.

Amon gave himself permission to "play" by taking different night courses before deciding on a major career change. Kate gave herself permission to approach each date as a "play date," instead of as a pre-marital assessment task.

Excerpted from Jill Woolworth's book, *The Waterwheel*, available at Diane's Books, Dogwood Bookstore, Amazon, and barnesandnoble.com.





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**COLUMN**

## P&Z Weighs Proposals, Amendments, and a Jiu Jitsu Studio

BY ANNE WHITE

The Greenwich Planning and Zoning Commission held two key meetings over the past week, reviewing a series of development proposals, zoning amendments, and a proposal to convert a vacant bank building into a Jiu Jitsu studio.

At the March 11 meeting, the Commission evaluated applications for residential conversions, commercial redevelopments, and waterfront modifications, while the March 17 planning session focused on proposed zoning amendments that could impact future development throughout town.

**Development Proposals: Housing Conversions, Waterfront Redevelopment, and Pickleball Courts**

One of the most substantial applications involved Sabine

*Several high-profile applications remain under review, including the mixed-use redevelopment of 240 Greenwich Avenue and Berkley Insurance Company's plan to demolish multiple structures for a new office complex.*

Doverton LLC, which sought to build a residence, carriage house, and multiple accessory structures on a 20.54-acre estate at 45 Doverton Lane. The Commission opted to continue the discussion, delaying a final decision pending further review.

Another proposal from 530 Old Post Rd Partners LLC aimed to convert an office building into a 10-unit residential complex, including one affordable unit, in the GBO zone. The application remains in pre-application review, meaning no binding action has been taken.

Meanwhile, the Riverside

Yacht Club presented a plan to repurpose a portion of its parking lot for two pickleball courts. The Commission raised concerns about parking congestion and how the courts might impact access to the waterfront, prompting additional deliberation.

One of the more debated proposals came from JED Martial Arts, LLC, which seeks to convert the long-vacant Bank of America building at 30 South Water Street into a Jiu Jitsu training facility.

**Jiu Jitsu Studio Proposal Sparks Debate Over Parking and Zoning Compliance**

The Jiu Jitsu proposal

generated significant discussion, largely over parking constraints and whether the new use would be less non-conforming than the former bank.

Attorney Chip Haslun, representing the applicant, argued that while the proposed fitness center would require 16 parking spaces, it would still be less under-parked than the bank, which had a 10-space deficit under previous zoning rules. The site currently has 12 spaces plus one handicap space, leaving the new business four spaces short of its requirement.

To address this shortfall, Haslun suggested a shared parking agreement with the adjacent George Italian Seafood & Steakhouse, which is owned by the same property owner. Commissioner Nicholas Macri supported exploring this option, particularly to determine whether restaurant peak hours and Jiu Jitsu class times could be coordinated to avoid overlap.

During public comment, Byram Neighborhood Association treasurer Al Shehadi voiced strong community support for repurposing the vacant building.

"The likelihood that another bank branch is going to open in this location is somewhere between zero and none," Shehadi said. "To keep this as a bank use is going to pretty much condemn it."

He added that requiring strictly waterfront-related businesses in the area was impractical without large-

scale redevelopment, given the location's layout and zoning constraints.

Commission Chair Margarita Alban agreed, citing other marinas that had struggled to survive on maritime-related businesses alone.

However, before proceeding, the Commission requested that the business owners submit data on parking demand from their existing Jiu Jitsu location in New Rochelle, New York. Alban noted that real-world data on peak parking hours, congestion levels, and scheduling efficiency could provide insight into whether the South Water Street location would be viable under existing conditions.

"It doesn't have to be super precise," Alban said, "but take a look at when you're seeing peak parking demand. Sometimes, after classes, people hang out a little bit, and if you gap classes differently, your parking opens back up."

The Commission will revisit the proposal after reviewing the parking analysis and potential shared-parking agreement.

**Zoning Amendments: Affordable Housing, Environmental Protections, and Historic Preservation**

The March 17 planning session shifted focus from development applications to broad regulatory changes that could reshape Greenwich zoning policies. The Commission reviewed several key amendments, including:

**Affordable Housing in Business Zones:** Proposed

changes to Section 6-110 aim to clarify regulations on residential units within commercial districts, balancing housing expansion with zoning restrictions.

**Riparian Corridor Protection District:** A new section would restrict development near water bodies to prevent erosion and protect local ecosystems.

**Energy Efficiency Standards:** Updates to Section 6-14(c)(22) would require site plan applications to include energy efficiency narratives, aligning new developments with sustainability initiatives.

**Historic Overlay Zone (HO) Modifications:** Amendments to Section 6-109 seek to strengthen oversight of historic buildings, ensuring greater compliance with preservation requirements.

**Nursing Home Conversions:** Modifications to Sections 6-5(a), 6-13, and 6-93 would clarify zoning for the conversion of nursing homes under Connecticut General Statutes Section 8-2r.

**Future Deliberations and Pending Decisions**

Several high-profile applications remain under review, including the mixed-use redevelopment of 240 Greenwich Avenue and Berkley Insurance Company's plan to demolish multiple structures for a new office complex.

The Jiu Jitsu studio proposal is expected to return for further review, with the Commission evaluating parking feasibility, shared-parking agreements, and peak-hour analysis before making a decision.

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## Get Ready for the Whistle as Officer Cunningham Kicks Off Our Annual Parade



Greenwich's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will begin with a time-honored tradition on March 23 at 2 p.m., as Police Officer Grant Cunningham (left) blows the ceremonial police whistle to signal the start of the procession. Cunningham, whose family hails from County Cork, Ireland, has been selected for the honor this year, continuing a practice that celebrates both community service and Irish heritage. Each year, a member of law enforcement with Irish roots is chosen to perform this role, recognizing the longstanding connection between Irish immigrants and public service in Greenwich. Last year, Officer James Ketterer, whose ancestors were from County Mayo, led the parade with the same whistle. In 2023, Police Sgt. Ryan Carino, with roots in County Cork, held the honor.

## RTM Honors McKnight, Approves Contracts & Agreement



Appointments Committee Vice Chairman Frederick Lee pays tribute to Robert McKnight at the RTM meeting.

BY ANNE WHITE

The Greenwich Representative Town Meeting (RTM) gathered March 10 at Central Middle School and via Zoom, opening with a tribute to longtime member Robert J. McKnight, Jr., before shifting into tense debates over police and town labor contracts. The meeting also saw scrutiny over a solar energy agreement that raised concerns about indemnification clauses.

### A Soldier, a Public Servant, a Straight Shooter

Before the RTM turned to its agenda, Moderator Alexis Voulgaris addressed the chamber. "Bob was a dear friend of mine and someone who I often would turn to when I wanted an honest, unfussy opinion about an issue," she said. "He was as no-nonsense and as straight-shooting as they came."

McKnight, who served on the RTM for nearly 30 years, was known for his unwavering dedication to Greenwich and his deep military record. Seated in the audience were his longtime partner, Angie Riki, his niece, Tuesday Tambori, and other family members.

District 4's Lucy von Brachel stepped forward with an emotional eulogy. "Bob was a straight-shooter, humble, dedicated, loyal, and kind," she said. "He was patriotic, honorable, and generous—a stand-up guy."

Von Brachel detailed his military service, recounting that McKnight had been awarded two Purple Hearts, five Bronze Stars,

a Silver Star, three Air Medals, and two Army Commendations. But McKnight, she noted, never boasted about his accolades. "When asked, Bob would simply say he 'served his country' and always made a point to honor all veterans," she said.

Former Byram Neighborhood Association Chair Joseph Kantorski, speaking on behalf of past and present Byram leaders, described McKnight as "principled, honest, and deeply committed." He noted McKnight's efforts to preserve the Thomas Lyon House, as well as his role in the formation of the Greenwich Preservation Trust.

Appointments Committee Vice Chairman Frederick Lee reminded members of McKnight's work in shaping the RTM itself. "For three decades of showing up, speaking up, and always putting Greenwich first," he said. "Your legacy in this body will continue to inspire all of us fortunate enough to serve alongside you."

A moment of silence followed. (see our full story on Robert McKnight on page ##)

**Labor Contracts:** The RTM then turned to two labor contracts that had already passed committee scrutiny.

Michael Mason, the Town Labor Negotiator, presented the first contract, covering the Silver Shield Association, which represents Greenwich's police officers. Finance Committee Chair Greg Zorthian presented the case for the contract, emphasizing that Greenwich had secured an

unusually low wage increase. "No other police contract in Connecticut has a wage increase under 3% per year, and we secured that," he said. A vote of 164-6 approved the funding for the contract.

Budget Overview Committee Chair James Waters dismissed the idea that rejecting the contract would lead to better terms. "There was a strong belief that if this went to arbitration, the town would end up with a worse outcome," he said.

A similar debate followed the GMEA contract discussion, which adjusted dispatcher salaries to address hiring shortages.

"There are 15 positions, but only 11 are filled," Brown told the RTM. "That means a lot of overtime because we have to have people in those seats."

The restructured pay scale eliminated four lower pay steps, effectively raising starting salaries. Waters framed the change as necessary: "This contract makes it more attractive to hire and retain dispatchers."

A vote of 167-3 approved funding for the contract.

### Solar Agreement: A Financial Win or a Legal Risk?

The RTM's final debate centered on a power purchase agreement with Greenskies LLC, allowing the company to install solar panels at the Cohen Eastern Greenwich Civic Center. The agreement required Greenwich to indemnify Greenskies under certain conditions, which drew scrutiny from the Legal and Policy Committee.

Public Works Committee Chair Cheryl Moss argued that the financial benefits outweighed the risks. "The insurance policy to cover the indemnification clause costs only \$3,000 a year, so we come out ahead," she said.

Legal and Policy Committee Chair Jane Weissbecker wasn't convinced. "The contract appears to have mutual indemnification for breach of contract, which is unusual," she said.

Behind the scenes, some RTM members questioned whether Greenwich should be entering into agreements with indemnification clauses that could expose the town to financial risk. "This is where small legal details turn into big financial problems," one member noted privately.

Despite those concerns, the RTM approved the agreement 151-4, with 17 abstentions.

**Looking Ahead** Before adjourning, Moderator Voulgaris reminded members of upcoming community events.

She highlighted the Greenwich Girl Scouts and League of Women Voters' "Women in Government" event on April 6. "We invite all women in government, Board of Education members, RTM members, and town staff to help our youngest constituents learn how to make an impact in our community," she said.

She also encouraged participation in the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 23, where RTM members will march under an official banner.

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## Senator Fazio's Policy Priorities: BiPartisan Solution to Energy Costs, Taxes and Zoning

By TYLER AMORANDO

Affordability is a vital concern for many Connecticut residents, and Senator Ryan Fazio has made it the focus of his legislative efforts. From tax relief to energy costs and local decision-making, Fazio is advocating for policies that he believes will help lower the cost of living and improve the state's economic well-being.

"Some of my top priorities in terms of proposals have been centered around affordability," said Fazio. "This means lowering the tax burden, making sure the budget is fiscally responsible, lowering energy bills, and protecting local control of decision-making for towns and cities over planning and zoning, among other things."

One of Fazio's key concentrations is in energy policy. He has been quite vocal about the need to lower energy rates, particularly by reducing public benefits charges. Although getting broad support for this has been a challenge, he remains hopeful.

"My colleagues on the energy committee and the majority of the Democrats don't support my proposal to take public benefits charges out of the electric bill," he explained. "However, we're going to continue to try to work in a bipartisan way to get some incremental improvements to policy."

Even though his full proposal has not been accepted, Fazio remains committed to making progress. "I am disappointed that they won't take my full proposal, but I'm going to work as best as I can to get as much positive movement as I can," he assured.

Another priority for Fazio is protecting local zoning and planning rights. He has expressed strong opposition to efforts that would shift more control away from towns and cities and to the state level: "I'll continue to try to fight against efforts to take away planning and zoning rights from towns and cities."

However, Fazio believes there is a path forward with bipartisan reform. "I have tried to be proactive in offering bipartisan solutions to reform and to giving towns more local input on housing and zoning issues, while also trying to improve housing affordability and availability in our state."

Fazio has also been a vocal supporter of fiscal responsibility. He has consistently

supported the budget guardrails put in place, which he credits with preventing tax increases and keeping state finances in check.

"On the budget, I've been a strong supporter of the budget guardrails that were passed in 2017 on a bipartisan basis. Those budget guardrails have stopped major tax increases from happening over the last seven years even after we've had many major tax increases in the state."

Fazio has also worked on more targeted measures aimed at reducing costs for Connecticut residents, focusing on lowering occupational licensing fees, which he argues place an unnecessary financial burden on workers.

"For three years, I've been proposing to lower licensing fees on the hundreds of thousands of Connecticut workers who have to pay hundreds of dollars to the state government every year just for the right to work," he stated. After years of advocating for change, he was able to find common ground with Governor Ned Lamont on the issue.

"After three years of proposing it, I'm glad to report that the governor has signed on to a proposal," Fazio said. "We've made a bipartisan announcement, him and I, on our support for that type of policy. We're going to hopefully be able to pass it into law, along with other efforts to find common ground with colleagues across the state."

Bipartisanship remains a key focus in Fazio's approach. While he acknowledges the challenges of working across party lines, he continues to look for areas where cooperation is possible.

"I've been working on some very specific bipartisan proposals to improve quality of life and lower the cost of living in the state," he said.

Fazio's proposals reflect his broader goal of making Connecticut a more affordable place to live while ensuring that fiscal responsibility remains a priority. Whether through energy policy, zoning regulations, or licensing fees, he continues to push for changes he believes will benefit residents across the state. His focus remains on incremental progress and finding bipartisan solutions wherever possible.

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# Coline Jenkins Steps Up to Being Honored for Shining Light on Women's Rights Leaders

By ANNE W. SEMMES

Coline Jenkins of Old Greenwich is being celebrated this Women's History Month by the National Collaborative for Women's History Sites for her pioneering role in helping to establish a national trail of historical roadside markers citing the women's rights movement. There is one outside her historic family house on Steamboat Road that spells out her notable ancestry as the great, great granddaughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, "one of America's foremost leaders in the women's suffrage movement."

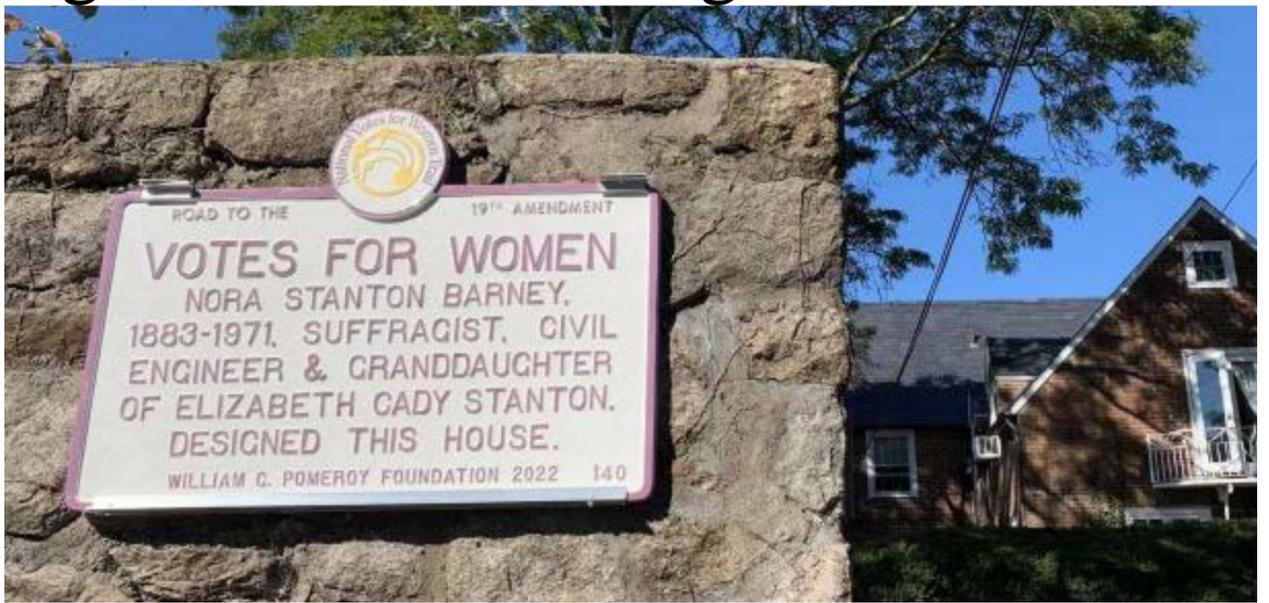
Those are Jenkins' own words that she spoke in 2008 before the U.S. Senate at a hearing arranged by then U. S. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton to testify in favor of a Senate bill 1816 for "the creation of a women's rights history trail." As president of the Elizabeth Cady Stanton Trust, Jenkins had been called upon by Clinton. And it was at the historic 1848 Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls, NY that Stanton "rose to the dias and spoke these words, 'We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men and women are created equal...'"

That alteration of the Declaration of Independence to include women is to be featured as part of the 250th celebratory exhibit of "The Declaration's Journey" at The Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia opening this October. On exhibit will be the desk of Elizabeth Cady Stanton as loaned by Jenkins, whereupon Stanton wrote the "Declaration of Sentiments" that included those words, "all men and women are created equal."

"And this desk will be next to Thomas Jefferson's desk," tells Jenkins, "Because the most important thing is the journey of the Declaration. It isn't that the Declaration was just written in Philadelphia in 1776 - end of story. It's a journey through a nation, through history, through laws, through activism. So, it's a fascinating journey, and my family is a part of that journey...and I'm honored to be part of it."

Jenkins grew up visiting that house on Steamboat Road, where her mother Rhoda Jenkins, an architect, lived and her suffragist grandmother Nora Stanton Barney, a pioneering civil engineer. "They were very active building houses and being socially active, politically active." She visited Seneca Falls as a teenager and seen Elizabeth Cady Stanton's house. "But through my lifetime," says Jenkins, "My mother and I helped in any way we could with the interpretation of the house's history or the photographs. And then eventually it became a National Park."

She recalls a memorable event of reading a book called "Eighty Years And More," reminiscences of Elizabeth Cady Stanton. "It's not really an autobiography...its online, you can read it. And when I read it, it was like putting on an old



A Steamboat Road historical roadside marker citing the women's rights movement. Contributed photo.



Coline Jenkins' 2024 Trailblazer Award "for her leadership in creating the National Votes for Women Trail." Contributed photo. shoe. It fit perfectly, it just felt very comfortable. I was learning about her by being with my grandmother and my mother. Those values were coming down, how women were viewed."

In her married life Jenkins became a representative of the RTM some 30-plus years ago where she remains a member, now heading District 6 in her Old Greenwich neighborhood. It was there her awareness of how women were viewed became apparent in one of her first acts, a resolution that would make the language of the Greenwich government "gender inclusive...It passed with only three of 230 dissenting." She's learned with all this women's history, "It takes time to change things."

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But she's managed to make a bold imprint with sculptures of her ancestor. Her efforts were successful for the return of the "Portrait Monument," a long-forgotten statue of Stanton and fellow suffragists Susan B. Anthony and Lucretia Mott to the Capitol Rotunda in Washington in 2000. Then as vice-president of Monument Women there was that "breaking of the bronze ceiling" with the first sculpture of females - "Monument to Suffrage Pioneers" - added to Central Park in 2020. Jenkins tells the tale.

"It was the one hundredth year of the passage of the 19th Amendment. But the idea was conceived in 2013. A couple were walking through Central Park visited by 42 million people, and they're looking at all the statues of a lot of great men...And then there was Alice in Wonderland and Mother Goose females. But where are the women? Which is a good question to ask everywhere. And so, they called me to ask if I knew anything about Elizabeth Cady Stanton?" Thus, an organization called "Where Are the Women" was created that brought into being a statue featuring Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, and Sojourner Truth. "And so, it was a very long process, but it was a successful process."

With all these accomplishments what is Jenkins most proud of? "I helped to spread the knowledge. For instance, there's something called

History Day, a nationwide competition in schools where they set a theme. This year they set rights and responsibilities. So, I've heard from Nebraska, Delaware, New Jersey kids calling me up from 8th to 12th grades, and they compete to learn history. And so, I try and spread this history because I think it's very good for women and men and girls and boys."

Looking back at Elizabeth Cady Stanton's young life she says, "She was unmarried. She was smart, but there were no colleges open to her. No professions or professional education. She's doing stuff with no pay. She can't serve on a jury; she can't run for office. She cannot vote...My life is so much better. Not only my life, but many American lives are so much better, and we're a stronger nation for that."

But then we have yet to have a woman President? She has a surprising, if hopeful, response. "Well, I am telling you that on my gravestone, I have engraved, 'I saw the first female president of the United States.' How are you not recognizing the talents of 51 percent of the population where they're more women than men. How can you basically deny something based on gender? And I believe in merit. But I can't believe that we've had a nation for 250 years and never have elected a leader that's female. It just doesn't make sense to me."

## NASA From Page 1

as well as interacting with the audience gathered there, her image projected onto a giant screen in the chancel, the connection between Earth and orbit clear, the voices steady despite the miles of empty space between them.

"I have actually loved it," she said, moving effortlessly through the station. "Before this occurred, I felt like going up for just a week was very short, and this has given me lots of additional time to learn more about life in space, to conduct experiments, to learn from my fellow astronauts, and to learn more about myself in the process."

The church pews were filled with parishioners and schoolchildren, watching as she demonstrated how she and her fellow astronauts lived. She showed them where they ate, exercised, and conducted experiments. She described her workout routine, running on a treadmill mounted to the wall while strapped into a harness to keep her from floating away. She explained how astronauts maintain muscle mass and bone density in a weightless environment.

When an American crewmate handed her an apple, it floated between them for a moment before she caught it. "It looked fresh and nutritious and as though she had just been shopping at Whole Foods," Zabriskie observed. Williams demonstrated the process of rehydrating freeze-dried corn, injecting hot water into a vacuum-sealed bag before eating.

She spoke about faith. Her mother is Christian, her father Hindu. She wears a cross around her neck. On previous missions, she had taken a copy of the Bhagavad Gita into space, then later the Upanishads. She described how looking at Earth from space had deepened her sense of perspective.

"The world is completely unified," she said. "There are no boundaries, only one people; no countries, only one human species; no tribes, races, nationalities, religions, economic levels, or genders, only one people created by God."

She described her participation in a triathlon in space—running on the treadmill, cycling on a stationary bike, and simulating swimming using resistance equipment. She spoke about the astronauts from Russia and Japan aboard the station, how they worked together, sharing knowledge and research in their respective modules.

Her husband and Jack Russell terrier remained

in Houston. The dog's paw prints are tattooed on her arm. She speaks regularly with her husband and her mother. She missed taking a shower.

On March 18, she returned to Earth.

The SpaceX Crew-9 capsule carrying Williams, Barry "Butch" Wilmore, Nick Hague, and Aleksandr Gorbunov splashed down off the coast of Tallahassee, Florida, at 5:57 p.m. EDT. Recovery teams aboard SpaceX vessels retrieved the capsule and its crew before transporting them back to shore. They would soon be flown to NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston, where Williams would reunite with her husband.

In a release, NASA Administrator Janet Petro credited the ground teams and international coordination that brought the crew home. "NASA and SpaceX worked diligently to pull the schedule a month earlier. This international crew and our teams on the ground embraced the Trump Administration's challenge of an updated, and somewhat unique, mission plan, to bring our crew home. Through preparation, ingenuity, and dedication, we achieve great things together for the benefit of humanity."

Williams and Wilmore had traveled 121,347,491 miles over 286 days, completing 4,576 orbits. Williams conducted two additional spacewalks,

bringing her total to 62 hours and six minutes, more than any other female astronaut in history.

The crew had contributed to over 150 scientific experiments. They studied plant growth in microgravity, tested stem cell technology, examined the long-term effects of space travel on the human body. They analyzed whether microorganisms could survive in space, installed patches to repair light filters on an X-ray telescope, and collected samples from the exterior of the station.

The research will continue with the next crew rotation.

The event at Christ Church had been the first time Williams had spoken from space to a faith community. The conversation had been arranged by Len Laporta, a parishioner and her former classmate at the U.S. Naval Academy.

She had been asked about the future—about Mars, about the next step in human space exploration. "Humans will need a successful base on the Moon to resupply and support any future colony on Mars," she had said. "We need to establish that first."

There is hope that Williams will visit Greenwich in person.



NASA astronauts Nick Hague, Suni Williams, Butch Wilmore, and Roscosmos cosmonaut Aleksandr Gorbunov land in a SpaceX Dragon spacecraft in the water off the coast of Tallahassee, Florida on March 18, 2025. Hague, Gorbunov, Williams, and Wilmore returned from a long-duration science expedition aboard the International Space Station. Credit: NASA/Keegan Barber



NASA astronaut Nick Hague and Roscosmos cosmonaut Aleksandr Gorbunov are seen inside the SpaceX Dragon capsule as NASA's SpaceX Crew-9 crew members return to Earth on March 18, 2025. Dragon is scheduled to splashdown in the Gulf of America, off the coast of Tallahassee, Florida, at 5:57 p.m. EDT.

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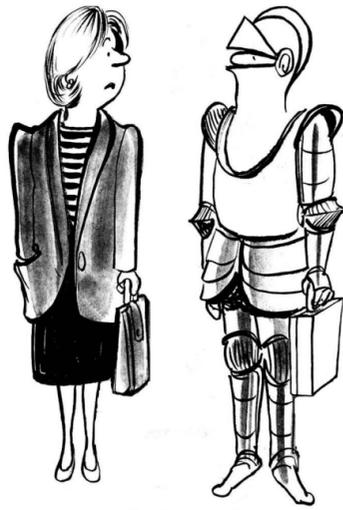
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# Editorial Page



“It helps to be thick skinned around here.”

## The Pernicious Poison of Political Pettiness, Again

Greenwich, long synonymous with civility and public service, finds itself in the throes of something unbecoming: the degradation of political discourse into personal vendettas. This was once a town where neighbors with differing views could debate vigorously by day and still greet each other warmly at the hardware store or the diner. Today, it too often mirrors the dismal spectacle of national politics—where disagreement is not met with reasoned debate on the issues but with character assassination.

Consider the treatment of those who dare to step forward for public service. Their records, their qualifications, even their personal lives become fair game—not for scrutiny but for targeted destruction. This is no longer a simple matter of partisanship. The tribal impulse has metastasized. The usual political enforcers can now whip up a frenzy in any small faction of a party that feels momentarily aggrieved.

Tribalism is the instinct to divide into factions that demand unwavering loyalty, where any dissent is met with hostility and betrayal. It is older than Athens and more persistent than any modern ideology, and it operates with a crude efficiency. In the tribal mindset, political opponents are not merely wrong—they are illegitimate, unworthy of participation in civic life. The result is a politics of excommunication, where individuals are disqualified not by lack of merit but by affiliation.

Worse still, this behavior is amplified by those who thrive on clicks. Online forums, blogs, and social media have become vehicles for public shaming, leveraging innuendo and half-truths to stoke outrage. With a laser focus on what is negative, they turn disagreement into spectacle. This is not discourse; it is toxicity, and it belittles our community.

This is not about one group, nor is it about one election. It is about the sickness of political small-mindedness that has infected local politics. Public servants, once regarded with appreciation for their willingness to give their time and energy, now find themselves subjected to whisper campaigns, media leaks, and the unrelenting machinery of tribal scorn. These tactics serve no legitimate purpose. They do not elevate policy discussions. They do not inform voters. They do not improve governance. Instead, they corrode trust, deter good people from stepping forward, and turn public service into an exercise in self-preservation rather than community stewardship.

What Greenwich has long understood—but what some seem intent on forgetting—is that governance is not combat. It is a responsibility, shared by all who live here, regardless of political affiliation. There was a time when neighbors disagreed without seeking to ruin one another. That time must return.

There is too much to be done, too many genuine challenges that require reasoned leadership. Schools must be run well. Public safety must be upheld. Fiscal discipline must be maintained. These matters, weighty and consequential, should command our attention—not manufactured outrage over whether someone has, in the past, belonged to the opposing tribe.

Those who recognize tribal behavior in their neighbors—and in themselves—must learn to call it out, not for the sake of scoring points but for the betterment of our town. Learning to recognize and reject political tribalism is a skill we can all develop, and doing so will make Greenwich stronger.

Those who know people who engage in these destructive tactics might ask themselves: What kind of town do they wish to live in? One where no one outside their political clique is welcome to serve? One where public trust is so eroded that only the most politically calculating individuals will dare step forward?

Or do they want to live in a Greenwich where those with differing views remain, at their core, neighbors? A place where people understand that good governance is not a zero-sum game and that vilifying political opponents only ensures that fewer good people will participate at all?

The choice is clear. Either Greenwich rises above the worst instincts of modern politics and reaffirms its commitment to reasoned civic engagement, or it succumbs to the toxic gossip tendencies that have turned normal discourse into a cesspool. Those who engage in these tribal attacks may win a political battle today, but we all will lose something far greater.

OP ED

## Here's the Truth: We Can Work Together



By FRED CAMILLO

In Greenwich, we are blessed to have so many residents willing to step up and serve on boards, committees, commissions, and task forces. Since taking office in December 2019, Lauren Rabin and I have had the privilege of interviewing and appointing hundreds of dedicated individuals to these positions, ensuring our town has a deep bench of experienced and engaged volunteers.

Recently, the Selectmen's Nomination Advisory Committee (SNAC) provided us with a letter regarding appointments to the Conservation Commission, which the First Selectman is solely responsible for filling. The commission shared a list of members up for renomination, as well as those who were not seeking another term. Among them was a long-serving, valued member who, based on the information we received, was not planning to continue.

With an opening that needed to be filled, Dr. Michael Goldstein reached out to Lauren Rabin, who directed him to me. After speaking with him, I was impressed by his legal and medical background, as well as his deep interest in environmental issues, particularly groundwater contamination—an area he studied in law school.

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Shortly after, someone seeking to sow division leaked this process to a local blog, which highlighted a violation on Dr. Goldstein's property—an issue he is actively working to resolve. This led to a wave of emails and public comments. Some were constructive, but unfortunately, many were not. Too often, we see this type of unnecessary divisiveness, the kind of political rancor that does nothing to strengthen our community.

In the midst of this, I received an email from a dedicated volunteer in town who questioned why there was an opening at all. I was told that the member originally listed as stepping down was actually willing to continue serving. I immediately reached out and confirmed this to be true. We had been working off the email provided to us in January, and I was happy to correct the situation. That member will now continue serving, which is a great outcome for the commission and our town.

That said, I want to address those who sought to turn this process into something it was not. Anyone who has volunteered in Greenwich knows that stepping up to serve is not about politics—it's about community.

Dr. Goldstein has a long record of service, including his work on the RTM, and he has consistently sought ways to contribute. Attempting to discredit a fellow resident who is willing to serve is not how we do things here.

For anyone who thinks that bullying or threats will work in the future, understand this: it hasn't worked before, and it won't work now.

Greenwich is a town built on service and civic engagement. Many of us who have volunteered for years remember a time when discourse was respectful, when differences of opinion didn't lead to personal attacks. That is the Greenwich I know, and the one I believe the overwhelming majority of our residents still value.

To those who continue to serve with dignity, putting the good of the town ahead of personal or political motives—thank you. Your contributions are what make Greenwich strong. As Teddy Roosevelt once said, it is the person in the arena who truly matters. I encourage those who spend their time criticizing from the sidelines to step up, get involved, and be part of the solution.

LETTER

## Has The Hamill Rink Project Simply Been Kicked Down The Road?

Anyone interested in ice skating in our town was surely seriously disappointed in the outcome of the Jan 21 RTM rejection of the Rink User Committee's proposed plan to replace the Hamill Rink.

I would like to put the current proposal and discussion in perspective. In 2005 a group of skating supporters joined together to attempt to persuade the Town to move forward on the replacement of the Hamill Rink. We all knew first hand of the condition of Hamill and its poor standing in relation to rinks in our area. We sought participation from the eight or so skating organizations in town and raised sufficient funds for a feasibility study and an architectural study. The architect proposed that the rink be demolished and rebuilt in its current location. The plan depended on one very important requirement: that we could find a location which would support a temporary rink for the two skating seasons during construction. We were convinced at the time that we could find such a location. We were wrong. We looked at what seemed to be every marginally feasible site in town. They included Roger Sherman Baldwin park, the Island Beach parking lot, Binney Park, Byram Park, the GHS tennis courts, the Cos Cob power plant, the field behind Town Hall, a site on upper King Street and one in Banksville. In order for the sites to be feasible, they had to satisfy 5 requirements; sufficient power, adequate space for parking, outdoor lighting, adequate sewer service and an accepting neighborhood. All sites failed. Ironically, a priority site, the Cos Cob power plant, was specifically rejected by the RTM. At any rate, the Town decided not to proceed at that time.

Fast forward to 2021 when First Selectman Fred Camillo appointed the Rink User Committee of twelve civic minded individuals to assist the Dept of Parks & Recreation to formulate a plan. The Committee undertook an updated version of the same exploration to find a

Town site which could accommodate a temporary or permanent covered rink. They reported the same results as the prior search in 2005.

Now First Selectman Camillo, in response to the unfortunate RTM Jan 21 decision, has proposed yet another committee, the Hamill Rink Task Force,

at all, and that “the Jr Cardinals will probably cease to exist”.

Then is there any realistic chance of the new committee finding an acceptable site for a temporary or replacement rink? It is my view that no amount of additional committee work will change the conclusion of the

*Creating yet another committee will not solve the problem*

this time composed of nine civic-minded individuals, to “evaluate the possible options”. So here we go again, having the same discussions as 2005 and 2024. At the end of the day, this new committee will be faced with the same three basic dilemmas:

No rink for two seasons. Will the Town be satisfied with a solution which requires basically shutting down all skating activities currently based at Hamill for probably two seasons?

Alternative location. Can we find a location in town which could accommodate the rink on a temporary or permanent basis?

If the answer to #1 and #2 is “No”, proceed with the “Flip”? Will the Town proceed on the project as currently proposed, recognizing the objections raised by the four Byram residents?

The damage done by shutting down the Town's rink for two or so seasons would be considerable. As outlined by Coach Jack Duffy of GHS, there is very little available ice time in the surrounding rinks, and certainly insufficient time to accommodate the needs of GHS, much less the Town's instructional and free skate offerings. In his own words: “This kind of ice time is simply not available in our area...If this rink is taken offline, our programs will be set back for two or three years. They will be at risk for their survival”. He also said that the GHS boys program might take five years to regain its footing and the girls program might not recover

2005 and 2024 studies, that the reality is that there is little to no chance, in Greenwich CT, that there is a site capable of accommodating a satisfactory covered artificial rink for two seasons. The technology certainly exists to construct a temporary rink if you have the appropriate site. The site is the issue. Of course, if the Town is interested in contributing millions in funding to either buy a site or address the short-comings of any particular site, that would better the odds.

But creating yet another committee will not solve the problem. All it will do is kick the can down the road. At the end of the new Committee's work, after two or more years of committee work, there is an extremely high probability that their conclusion will be that there is no available location. Two more years will have passed and we will be right back where we started. Is this in anyone's best interests?

So let's be clear about the consequences of the Jan 21 vote. The primary result will be delay. With the Town decision to proceed with yet another committee, the delay will most likely run to several years, and, in my view, will result in exactly the same conclusion as the current proposal.

Alternatively and preferably, I would urge the RTM to reconsider their decision.

Frederic Putnam

LETTER

# Fueled by Generosity: The Heartwarming Impact of Meals-on-Wheels

Every morning in Greenwich, a quiet act of kindness unfolds. As the sun rises, a team of dedicated volunteers loads up their cars with carefully prepared meals, ready to bring nourishment and connection to those in need. And at the heart of this daily mission? You—our generous donor.

Your support fuels every aspect of Meals-on-Wheels, Inc. of Greenwich, ensuring that no senior or homebound individual goes without a nutritious meal. Because of you, someone like an 82-year-old widow, doesn't have to worry about what she'll eat today. She opens her door each morning to a friendly volunteer delivering a meal tailored to her dietary needs.

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Beyond just meals, your contributions help Meals-on-Wheels keep its services affordable. At just \$8 for two meals a day or \$6 for one, your donation ensures that cost is never a barrier to nourishment. As demand for our services has grown by 20%, your kindness has allowed us to keep up, reaching more neighbors in need and expanding our impact in the community.

When you make a donation to Meals-on-Wheels, know that you are not just providing food - you are delivering comfort, companionship, and security to those who need it most. You are the reason someone in Greenwich can enjoy a nutritious prepared meal, the reason a volunteer gets to brighten someone's day, and the reason our community remains strong and connected.

Thank you for being part of this mission. Every meal we deliver carries your kindness with it, and we are deeply grateful for all you do.

*With appreciation,  
The Meals-on-Wheels, Inc. of Greenwich Team  
Lori Jackson, President*

## Pathways and Laurel House: A Partnership for Empowerment



BY PETER TESEI

In our ongoing mission to provide quality care and opportunities for individuals in need, Pathways is proud to highlight our partnership with Laurel House. Together, we are working to create meaningful change for those facing mental health challenges, and we are particularly grateful for the generous support from our community that makes our initiatives possible.

One of our most recent collaborative efforts is our work with Laurel House and their Harrison Hoffman's Thinking Well Center. Thinking Well is a therapeutic, evidence-based Cognitive Remediation program designed to help individuals with serious mental illness overcome cognitive impairments that interfere with daily life. By improving critical thinking skills, participants can achieve greater independence, succeed in the workforce, pursue education, and better engage with their communities. The program includes instructor-led, computer-based exercises followed by discussion groups that help reinforce and apply cognitive skills in real-world settings.

"We are excited to collaborate with Laurel House in bringing the Thinking Well program to Pathways. While we are just beginning this initiative, we are confident that it will provide our clients with the tools they need to enhance their cognitive skills and achieve greater independence." - Peter J. Tesei, Executive Director of Pathways, Inc.

Laurel House is one of only three organizations in Connecticut offering this transformative program, which follows the NEAR (Neuropsychological & Educational Approach to Cognitive Remediation) model. The success of Thinking Well is evident not only in the improved cognitive functioning of its participants but also in tangible life outcomes—securing employment, enrolling in post-secondary education, transitioning to independent living, and fostering greater social engagement. Participants frequently report increased self-confidence and a newfound ability to achieve personal recovery goals established at the beginning of the series of 10, 20, or 30 sessions.

"This evidence-based program has already served hundreds of individuals at Laurel House and in the community with positive outcomes. I look forward to seeing the positive impact it will have at Pathways." - Linda M. Autore, President and CEO of Laurel House, Inc.

At the heart of this initiative is the legacy of the late Harrison (Harry) Hoffman, a Greenwich resident and dedicated educator, social services advocate, and longtime supporter of Laurel House. Mr. Hoffman, a graduate of Dartmouth College and the Teachers College of Columbia University, spent 23 years as a teacher and counselor, shaping the lives of countless students. He understood that every individual learns differently and believed in the importance of tailoring education to meet each student's needs—a philosophy that aligns perfectly with the individualized approach of the Thinking Well program.

Through our partnership with Laurel House, Pathways remains dedicated to identifying innovative and financially responsible solutions to support our clients. The Thinking Well program exemplifies the power of collaboration, demonstrating how strategic



Laurel House Thinking Well Counselor and Client

partnerships can create life-changing opportunities while operating within tight budgets.

We extend our deepest gratitude to those who make it all possible. Whether through generous donations, grants, community partnerships, or advocacy, every contribution plays a vital role in building a stronger, more inclusive community. We invite others to join us in supporting initiatives that transform lives—because together, we can create pathways to a brighter future for all.

*Peter J. Tesei is the Executive Director of Pathways Inc. and previously served as Greenwich's First Selectman for 12 years (2007-2019). His public service spans 37 years as a former RTM District 9 Chairman and Board of Estimate & Taxation Chairman. He has served on several non-profit Boards and community organizations and has been leading Pathways since November of 2021.*

COLUMN

## Pledge to Make a Difference



BY STEPHANIE DUNN ASHLEY

On Monday, March 3rd, we gathered at Town Hall to raise the Red Cross flag as First Selectman Fred Camillo proclaimed March as Red Cross Month in Greenwich.

This marked a tradition began over 80 years ago, when President Franklin Roosevelt issued the first national Red Cross Month proclamation. It is a month where we celebrate the work of the Red Cross and the people who make it possible our volunteers and supporters.

I couldn't think of anybody better to raise the flag that morning than Ross Ogden, who this year will celebrate 65 years as a volunteer with the American Red Cross. He started his Red Cross journey when he was in high school, alongside some other notable Greenwich residents like police chief Jim Heavey.

Ross has held a variety of roles with the Red



Red Cross volunteers led by Ross Ogden raised the flag over the town green.

Cross since he began his service by responding to emergency calls on his bicycle. Currently, he is our lead volunteer for biomedical services, working with community groups locally to set up blood drives, and encouraging all residents to roll

up their sleeves and help save a life.

For his commitment to the Red Cross, we are so excited to honor Ross next month during our 39th annual Red and White Ball: A Salute to Service and Valor.

Ross' humanitarian spirit advances the lifesaving legacy of our founder, Clara Barton, to prevent and alleviate human suffering. Generation after generation, people have come together to adapt this timeless mission and support the health of our communities. We could not do the work we do without them.

Every day, people rely on Red Cross volunteers for support. There are many ways you can help, too. During Red Cross Month, you can support our lifesaving mission by visiting redcross.org to make an appointment to give blood or platelets at the Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center in Greenwich or at the drive nearest you. During March, the Red Cross will offer free A1C screening for diabetes and pre-diabetes on all successful donations. You can also volunteer to provide care and hope to people in need. And finally, you can sign up to take a class learn lifesaving skills like first aid, CPR and how to use an AED, so you can help in the moments that matter.

However you choose to celebrate Red Cross Month, please know we appreciate having you as part of our community!

*Stephanie Dunn Ashley is the CEO of the American Red Cross Metro New York North Chapter.*

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## New Briefs From Page 1

for repairs. The fields remain open and can be accessed through Greenwich Commons via Bolling Place. An update will be provided when the stairs reopen.

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### New Rink Task Force Moves Forward

A newly formed nine-member task force met for the first time to elect officers following the RTM's rejection of the Municipal Improvement proposal for a new Hamill Rink. The group, organized by First Selectman Fred Camillo, will evaluate potential sites and costs for the project, with \$24 million allocated in the 2027-2028 budget. The task force plans to meet weekly and will submit recommendations to the First Selectman's office.

### AROUND TOWN

#### Willow Oak to Replace Tree

A mature honey locust tree outside Shreve, Crump & Low on Greenwich Avenue has been removed after an assessment determined that necessary sidewalk and drainage repairs would cause irreparable root damage. The town had previously explored alternatives to preserve the tree, but none were feasible while meeting safety and infrastructure requirements. A willow oak will be planted in its place.

#### Playful Pup Bubba Needs Home



Bubba is a playful, sweet-natured dog who carries a toy wherever he goes, as if life is one big game. This neutered bully-breed mix, around two to three years old, is full of energy and affection. While his goofy charm makes

him instantly lovable, he'd thrive with an experienced owner who understands his breed's needs. To learn more or adopt Bubba, contact Greenwich Animal Control at 203-622-8299 or visit the Greenwich Town website.

Photo Credit: Greenwich Police Department

### Jujitsu Studio Proposal Moves Forward

A martial arts studio is proposed for the long-vacant former Bank of America building at 30 S. Water St., requiring approval from the Planning & Zoning Commission. The project faces a parking shortfall, with 12 available spaces instead of the required 16. The commission has requested data on parking demand from a similar facility before proceeding with further review.

### Bush Statue Project Seeks Alternatives

A plan to build a statue of former President George H.W. Bush in downtown Greenwich was rejected by the town's Historic District Commission due to concerns about its impact on an existing World War I memorial. The project, which included a fountain, was funded by private donors, but financial support was contingent on the statue's approval. First Selectman Fred Camillo is now considering alternative locations for the statue.

### Town Targets Energy Efficiency Improvements

The town set a goal to cut energy costs by at least 20% but has only reduced usage by 2% since 2020, while energy spending has increased by 25%. A report from the Energy Management Advisory Committee (EMAC) found that while smaller energy-saving measures have been implemented, larger projects, like the \$112 million Central Middle School rebuild, continue to rely on conventional energy systems.

### LOCAL BUSINESSES AND NONPROFITS

#### Christ Church Greenwich Supports Families



Christ Church Greenwich is working to collect 1,500 dozen eggs to help families facing food insecurity. Organized by the church's Outreach Committee, the effort depends on community support. Those who wish to contribute can purchase eggs online to help provide fresh food to those in need.

### Biophilia Exhibit Opens at Flinn

The Flinn Gallery at Greenwich Library opened the exhibit Biophilia on Thursday, featuring works by six artists curated by Ellen Hawley. The exhibit explores the concept of biophilia, coined by biologist Edward O. Wilson, which refers to humanity's connection to nature. Related programming includes an artist talk on March 30, a film screening on April 11, and a 3D-printed lamp project.

### Greenwich Girl Scouts Lead Ceremony



At the March Representative Town Meeting, Greenwich Girl Scouts from North Street School and Central Middle School led the color guard before the meeting. The Girl Scouts and the League of Women Voters will host the second annual Women in Government event at Town Hall on April 6, inviting local government officials to meet with scouts. Girl Scout cookie shipments are expected to arrive in Connecticut this weekend.

Photo Credit: First Selectman Camillo Community Connections

### Round Hill Music Co. Opens

Round Hill Music Co. will open in Greenwich this May, offering a retail space for high-end guitars, vinyl records, and music-related merchandise. Founded by Josh Gruss, CEO of Round Hill Music, the store combines instrument sales with curated vinyl sections and a live performance stage. It will also host in-store performances featuring artists from Round

Hill Records, local musicians, and touring acts.

### OG Drainage Project Progresses

The Old Greenwich drainage improvement project on Tomac Avenue, Harding Road, and Forest Avenue resumed on March 24. The final phase involved full-depth asphalt restoration on Harding Road near Fairfield Avenue, expected to last about two weeks. Work took place during the day, with temporary steel plates installed overnight to protect curing concrete. **Rothy's Opening First Connecticut Store**

Rothy's will open its first Connecticut store at 238 Greenwich Ave., replacing Baccarat. The footwear and accessories brand, which launched online in 2016, now operates 26 physical locations. Rothy's products are made from recycled materials and are machine washable.

### PEOPLE IN TOWN

#### Frantz Donation Supports Greenwich Civic Center

L. Scott and Icy Frantz have pledged a donation to fund the gymnasium at the Cohen Eastern Greenwich Civic Center, pending approval from the Representative Town Meeting (RTM). The civic center, originally built in 1950 and demolished in 2022, was largely funded by a \$5 million donation from the Steven & Alexandra Cohen Foundation. The facility's opening has been delayed, and an official date has not yet been announced.

#### Ruth Wilson Celebrates 107th Birthday



Ruth Wilson recently celebrated her 107th birthday. A former kindergarten teacher, she remains active online and continues to connect with others. She is widely recognized in Cos Cob for her

long-standing presence in the community.

Photo Credit: First Selectman Camillo Community Connections

### SCHOOLS

#### Holocaust Survivor Speaks at Whitby

Holocaust survivor Sami Steigermann spoke to Middle School students at Whitby School about his life and experiences. His visit connected with the seventh-grade curriculum, as students are reading Night by Elie Wiesel. He discussed resilience, positive thinking, and overcoming adversity.

### SPORTS

#### Cardinals Shine in Historic Basketball Season



Greenwich High School's girls varsity basketball program has had several standout seasons, including championship runs in the 1980s, a state finals appearance in 2016, and a deep tournament run in 2020. The 2024-2025 Cardinals continued that legacy with a dominant 19-1 regular season, an FCIAC West Division title, and a trip to the CIAC Class LL semifinals, where they fell 48-37 to Southington. Greenwich finished the season with a 21-3 record, marking one of the program's most successful campaigns.

Photo Credit: Dan Utzinger

### LOCAL POLITICS

#### FROM HARTFORD

#### Attorneys General Defend Education Funding

Connecticut Attorney General William Tong and 20 other state attorneys general have sued the Trump administration to stop its plan to dismantle the U.S. Department of Education, which includes cutting its workforce by 50%. The lawsuit argues that the administration lacks the legal authority to unilaterally shut down the depart-

ment, which oversees federal education programs affecting millions of students. The attorneys general seek a court order to block the cuts, citing potential harm to education funding, civil rights protections, and financial aid processing.

### ACROSS CT

#### Ticks Resurface in Connecticut

Ticks are emerging in Connecticut, including invasive species like the Asian longhorned tick, which carries multiple pathogens. With around 12 tick-borne diseases in the state, including R. parkeri rickettsiosis and the Powassan virus, researchers are monitoring their spread. Residents are encouraged to check for ticks, use repellents, and submit specimens for testing if needed.

#### GM Motors Recall

General Motors is recalling 90,081 Cadillac and Chevrolet vehicles due to a transmission defect that may cause sudden wheel lock-up. Affected owners will receive notification letters starting April 21st, and GM will install monitoring software at no cost. Vehicle status can be checked at <https://www.nhtsa.gov/>

### OUR NEIGHBORS

#### Phil Lesh Honored in Port Chester

Port Chester officially renamed the corner of Westchester Avenue and Broad Street Phil Lesh Lane on March 14, in honor of the Grateful Dead bassist's 85th birthday. The location, outside The Capitol Theatre's "Door 12" stage entrance, marks the spot where Lesh performed 106 times since the venue's 2012 reopening. The ceremony featured Lesh's son, Grahame Lesh, and a lineup of musicians, recognizing his long-standing connection to the theater and village.

#### UConn Plans BLVD Housing Conversion

The University of Connecticut plans to convert The BLVD apartment building in Stamford into student housing, allowing current tenants to stay until April 2026, with an option to terminate leases early without penalty. The sale is expected to close next month, with UConn able to lease vacant units by fall 2025 and fully transition the building by July 2026.

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# American History Through Broadway Musicals

By ANNE WHITE

Cary Ginell, a Grammy-nominated author, theater critic, and historian, delivered a virtual presentation to the Greenwich Retired Men's Association on his latest book, *Carefully Taught: American History Through Broadway Musicals*. Speaking via Zoom, Ginell explored how Broadway musicals have shaped public understanding of American history, analyzing both celebrated and obscure productions that tackle significant events and cultural shifts.

"Broadway musicals have long been a lens through which Americans explore, reconstruct, and revise their understanding of national identity and history," Ginell said. His presentation examined 40 musicals that engage with historical themes, including *Ragtime*, *Assassins*, and *1776*, alongside lesser-known shows such as *The Scottsboro Boys* and *1600 Pennsylvania Avenue*.

## The Power of Musical Storytelling

Ginell, a longtime theater critic for BroadwayWorld.com and *The Acorn*, described his book as "an exploration of how musicals have depicted history, not just in terms of accuracy but in terms of cultural impact." He traced the evolution of historical storytelling on Broadway, from early works like *Show Boat* to contemporary hits such as *Hamilton*.

He explained that his book's title comes from South Pacific's *You've Got to Be Carefully Taught*, a song that challenged racial prejudice in postwar America. "Hammerstein's lyrics explicitly stated that racism is not innate—it's learned," he said. "That was groundbreaking at the time, and Southern legislators even tried to have the song removed from performances."

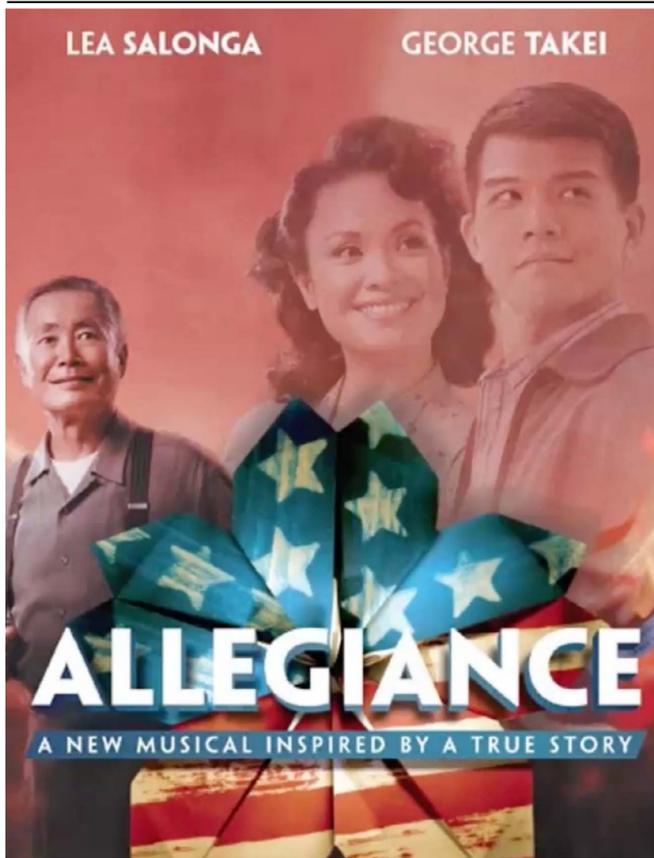
Broadway's treatment of American history has frequently involved creative liberties. Ginell pointed to *1776*, which dramatizes the signing of the Declaration of Independence. "The show compresses history, cutting the number of delegates and tweaking the timeline," he said. "But it captures the spirit of the debates and the personalities involved."

Ginell contrasted *1776* with *Hamilton*, which revolutionized historical storytelling by using hip-hop and casting nonwhite actors in founding-era roles. "Hamilton is brilliant in how it blends historical research with contemporary music, making history feel alive and urgent," he said.

## Race, Politics, and Controversy on Stage

Many of the musicals Ginell

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discussed addressed issues of race, politics, and social justice. He cited *Show Boat* as a pioneering work that "broke racial barriers by depicting Black characters with dignity and depth at a time when they were typically reduced to stereotypes." The show's signature song, *Ol' Man River*, became an anthem for racial struggle, particularly as performed by Paul Robeson.

He also examined *The Scottsboro Boys*, a 2010 musical about nine Black teenagers wrongfully convicted of rape in 1931 Alabama. The show used the minstrel format to critique racism, but audiences struggled with its satirical tone. "It was an intentional creative risk," Ginell said. "The show wanted to make people uncomfortable, but that didn't translate to commercial success—it closed after 49 performances."

Ginell highlighted *Parade*, which tells the story of Leo Frank, a Jewish factory superintendent lynched in Georgia in 1915 after being falsely accused of murdering a young girl. "Parade is one of the most hauntingly powerful musicals about American antisemitism," he said. "The music and lyrics capture the rising hysteria of the era, and the show remains painfully relevant."

Other musicals tackled the politics of specific historical figures. *Fiorello!* depicted reformist New York mayor Fiorello LaGuardia and won the Pulitzer Prize. *Bloody Andrew Jackson* reimagined Jackson's populism through an alternative rock score. "That show was way ahead of its time in drawing parallels between Jackson and modern populist movements," Ginell said.

Some productions failed despite strong creative teams. *1600 Pennsylvania Avenue*, a Lerner and Bernstein collaboration chronicling a century of U.S. presidents, collapsed under the weight of its fragmented narrative. "It was a disaster," Ginell said. "Even Bernstein was seen banging his head against a wall during rehearsals."

## The Absence of Recent History in Musicals

One of Ginell's most intriguing observations was the absence of Broadway musicals covering events beyond the Reagan era. "The last historical event depicted in a major Broadway musical was the Reagan assassination attempt in *Assassins*," he noted. "That was over 40 years ago. Where are the musicals about 9/11, the Great Recession, or the tech

revolution?"

He speculated that the proximity of recent history might make it difficult for playwrights to find the necessary distance for storytelling. "Broadway thrives on nostalgia and reinterpretation," he said. "It may take another decade or two before we see a great musical about the 21st century."

## Q&A and Audience Engagement

Following his presentation, Ginell fielded questions from RMA members. One attendee asked about *Show Boat*'s initial reception. "It confused audiences at first," Ginell replied. "It wasn't the typical lighthearted musical of its era. People weren't sure how to react. But once the critics raved about it, it became a massive hit."

Another member inquired about the role of Jewish composers in Broadway history. Ginell referenced the book *Making Americans: Jews and Broadway Musicals* and emphasized the profound influence of Jewish artists. "Broadway's golden age was built by Jewish composers and lyricists—Rodgers and Hammerstein, Irving Berlin, Sondheim," he said. "They shaped how American history is told on stage."

As the session concluded, Ginell encouraged attendees to explore Broadway's historical works. "Musicals don't just entertain," he said. "They shape how we remember our past."

## His book, Carefully Taught, was made available for purchase following the presentation.

The talk can be viewed by going to the RMA website at <https://greenwichrma.org>, and clicking on "Speakers."

The RMA's next speaker is Isabel Lopes, P.E., Structural engineer, WSP. "The Canarsie Tunnel Project" on March 26 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Christ Church Greenwich, Parish Hall, 254 E Putnam Avenue. The program will also be shown on Zoom: <https://bit.ly/30IBj2l>

The Canarsie Tunnel is a critical link in the New York City Transit system, carrying 225,000-240,000 riders each weekday on the L subway line between Manhattan and Brooklyn. In October 2012, when Superstorm Sandy hit New York City, the severe flooding that

ensued caused considerable damage to the concrete duct banks, tracks, signal equipment and other electrical equipment in the tunnel.

Isabel Lopes became involved in the project when a revised repair plan became needed to accommodate directions from Governor Andrew Cuomo to avert the originally planned 15-month shutdown of the tunnel. Her presentation will give an overview of the major modifications to the tunnel, with a focus on the repair of the tunnel bench walls by means of structural fiber-reinforced polymer panels. The revised final design of the modifications to the tunnel successfully allowed construction to take place over intermittent tunnel closures on nights and weekends only.

Isabel Lopes is a structural engineer in the National Bridges and Structures Group at WSP. Isabel's 14 years of experience in structural engineering includes analysis, design, inspection, and load rating of long span bridge and tunnel structures. Her responsibilities include preliminary and final design and analysis of bridge structures, construction support services for new bridge structures, structural repair and retrofit of existing bridges and tunnels, and inspection and load rating of existing structures.

Over the past 10 years following Superstorm Sandy, based on her strong analytical ability, Isabel has also worked extensively on flood repair and resiliency projects associated with the increasing effects of climate change. Her recent projects include the rehabilitation of two MTA Subway tunnels under the East River in New York City and the design for flood mitigation improvements and portal flood gates on a roadway tunnel in Lower Manhattan.

*Note: The views expressed in these presentations are those of the speakers. They are not intended to represent the views of the RMA or its members.*

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BY EDWARD HORSTMANN

In his autobiography, the writer, Kurt Vonnegut, told a story about a man who approached him at a book signing in Pittsburgh, and said, "Please tell me it will all be okay."

"Welcome to Earth, young man," said Vonnegut. "It's round and wet and crowded. At the outside you've got about a hundred years here. And there's only one rule that I know of: you've got to be kind."

Of all the stories that Jesus told, a few have become especially well-known. One of them is called the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), and it shines a spotlight directly on the human capacity for kindness. Jesus told this story when a lawyer asked him what he needed to do to inherit eternal life. When Jesus and the questioner agreed that loving God above all and our neighbors as ourselves would certainly meet the minimum requirement, the lawyer pressed the matter by asking, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus then told the story of a man who had been robbed, beaten, and left for dead by the side of a road. Two persons with religious authority and credentials saw the man but offered no assistance. But a Samaritan man happened by, saw the person in need, and responded. He treated the man's wounds, brought him to an inn, and

# The Greatest Kind of Good

*The greatest power that lies within us is the power to be an experience of goodness for one another*

handed over money for others to care for him until the Samaritan could return. "Which among the three [who had a chance to help] was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" asked Jesus. The lawyer replied: "The one who showed him mercy." "Go," said Jesus, "and do likewise."

The complication in this story is that Jesus portrayed as good a man who might have been thought otherwise by those who first heard the story. At the time of Jesus, Jews and Samaritans shared a common heritage but had developed different views about certain sacred traditions, and those differences had apparently hardened into hard feelings. It seems that at least some of Jesus' listeners would not have understood how it was possible to pair the word good with the word Samaritan. Yet Jesus did just that.

This story has certainly inspired people to be good since it was first told. But it is also a pain because it calls us to be compassionate when we do not want to be good. It reminds us that we may be called to do good when it is not convenient or easy to do so. It challenges us to set aside concerns for self-preservation as we care for others. Caring for the

strangers in our midst, especially when it is popular to be distrustful of strangers, can appear irrational or reckless.

When I consider people who are extremists for love in the spirit of the Good Samaritan, I think of how a Palestinian family responded some years ago when their son was killed.

His name was Ahmed Khatib. He was 12 years old, and he was shot by Israeli soldiers during street fighting near his house in Jenin, the West Bank. The boy had been holding a toy gun. He was taken to an Israeli hospital, where he died after two days. His parents made the decision to allow his organs to be harvested for transplant to Israelis. Six people received new life thanks to their kindness; one of them was a seven-month-old child. Ahmed's mother, Abla, said, "My son has died. Maybe he can give life to others."

Martin Luther King Jr. once made this observation about the Samaritan's actions. "As the Samaritan looked upon the injured man at the side of the road," said Dr. King, "he could have asked, 'What will happen to me if I help this man?'"

Instead, he asked, "What will happen to this man if I don't help him?"

Don't you wish that this question would haunt the political leaders of our nation?

What will happen to people if we cut Medicare, if we cut Medicaid, and reduce Social Security benefits? What will happen to the most vulnerable people of our nation if we do not help them?

And it is within the power of all of us to help. After all, Jesus did not tell a story about a superhuman Samaritan but a good Samaritan. Jesus seems to have believed that we possess the capacity to embody the greatest kind of good, and so to those who heard the story for the first time he said, quite simply, "Go and do likewise." The greatest power that lies within us is the power to be an experience of goodness for one another, for the most vulnerable among us, for those who do not agree with us, and for the creation itself.

Thank God that God is always reaching out to us to help and heal. Thank God for the God-given power that helps us to touch lives in similar ways: to build bridges of understanding rather than walls of separation. Let's put that power to good use.

*The Rev. Dr. Ed Horstmann is the Senior Pastor/Head of Staff at Round Hill Community Church in Greenwich. Creating art is also an important part of his ministry. He and Susan, his wife, and their feisty Miniature Schnauzer, Dot, live in the back country of Greenwich and are faithful fans of the Minnesota Vikings. Ed's artwork can be viewed at edhorstmann.com*

# Worship Directory and Services

## Assemblies of God

**Harvest Time Church**  
 1338 King St., 203-531-7778  
[www.htchurch.com](http://www.htchurch.com)

Worship Services: Sun, 9 & 10:45am. All services are streamed on the church's website and YouTube channel. In addition to Sundays, there are also groups for children and teens on Wednesday evenings. *Anchor Night! for Young Adults: Friday, March 21, 7pm. Fire In The Night: March 28, 6pm.*

## Baptist

**First Baptist Church**  
 10 Northfield St.; 203-869-7988  
[www.firstbaptistgreenwich.com](http://www.firstbaptistgreenwich.com)

Sunday Servings: 11:30am, Facebook Live or for Devotion: 11-11:25am (Dial in 701-802-5355, Access code 360922).

**Greenwich Baptist Church**  
 10 Indian Rock Ln; 203-869-2807  
[www.greenwichbaptist.org](http://www.greenwichbaptist.org)

Worship: Sun, 11am (in person and online through Facebook & YouTube). Children Sunday School: 9:30am, ages 9-14y. Adult Bible Study: Sun, 9:30am, Fellowship Hall. Prayer Gathering: Wed, 7pm, Pastor's Office or virtual on Google Meets.

## Catholic

**Sacred Heart Church**  
 95 Henry St.; 203-531-8730  
[www.sacredheartgreenwich.org](http://www.sacredheartgreenwich.org)

Mass: Mon-Fri, 7am (in the Chapel); Saturday Vigil, 4pm (in Church); Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am. Confessions: Sat, 3-3:30pm or by appointment. Divine Mercy Prayer Group: Wed, 7-9pm. Prayer Group: Thu, 4-5pm, in the Chapel, 38 Gold St, All are welcome. *Ministry to the Homebound: if you, or someone you know, is homebound and would like a priest visit you, call the Rectory at 203-531-8730. Stations of the Cross: All Fridays during Lent, 6:30pm, in the Church, All are welcome. Stations of the Cross: All Fridays during Lent, 6:30pm, All are Welcome. Easter Food Drive: We are collecting non-perishable food donations for Easter baskets. Please leave items at the front or rear entrances of the church each weekend through Sunday, April 6. Suggested items: \$20 Store gift cards (Stop & Shop or Shoprite); canned tuna, chicken or turkey; pasta; stuffing; soups; rice; beans; peanut butter; jelly; powdered milk; cereals; coffee; tea; juice; spaghetti sauce; instant mashed potatoes; macaroni & cheeses; canned fruits and vegetables. Palm Sunday Vigil - March 23, 4pm. Easter Vigil - Holy Saturday - March 30, 7:30pm.*

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 178 Greenwich Ave.; 203-869-9393  
[www.stmarygreenwich.org](http://www.stmarygreenwich.org)

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 469 North St.; 203-869-5421  
[www.stmichaelgreenwich.com](http://www.stmichaelgreenwich.com)

Mass: Mon-Fri: 7:30 & 9am. Sat: 9am & 5pm. Sun: 7:30, 8:30, 9:45am, 12 & 5pm. Confession: Sat: 4:15-4:45pm; Wed: 9:30-11am & 6:30-8pm. Eucharistic Adoration: Wed, 9:30am-8pm. *New Day Bereavement Program: through Nov. 17, Thu, 7-8:30pm & through Nov. 30 (skipping Nov. 23), Wed, 4-5:30pm, 203-869-5421.*

**St. Timothy Chapel**  
 1034 North St.; 203-869-5421

Mass: Sat: 4pm (Vigil Mass). Sun: 11am.

**St. Paul Church**  
 84 Sherwood Ave.; 203-531-8741  
[www.stpaulgreenwich.org](http://www.stpaulgreenwich.org)

Mass: Mon-Thu: 9am; Sat: 4pm (Vigil); Sun: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am. Confession: Sat, 3-3:45pm. Mass on Holy Days: Vigil: 5:30pm, 9am & 12:15pm. Visit the website for information regarding the Bereavement Group (twice monthly) and weekly volunteer opportunities at the Don Bosco Kitchen and Food Pantry with the St. Paul Mercy Volunteers. All masses are available via livestream through the website. *Evenings For Married Couples: 1st Thurs of every month, 7:30pm. Fridays in Lent: Candlelit Stations of the Cross, 5:30pm, immediately following we will have Soup & Bread in the Parish Center, all are welcome.*

**St. Roch Church**  
 10 St. Roch Ave; 203-869-4176  
[www.strochchurch.com](http://www.strochchurch.com)

Mass: (Reservations and/or for viewing via live streaming): Mon-Fri: 7:30pm; Sat: 5pm; Sun: 7:30am (Concelebrated for Previously Scheduled 9:30am Mass Intentions), 10:30am, 12pm (Spanish). Mass Intentions: consult the bulletin for time. *Lent: Stations of the Cross: Fridays through April 11 - English, 5:30pm; Spanish, 7pm. Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament: First Fridays, 9am-5pm.*

## Christian Science

**First Church of Christ, Scientist**  
 11 Park Pl; 203-869-1555  
[christiansciencet.org/greenwich](http://christiansciencet.org/greenwich)

Sundays: 10:30am. Sunday School: for students up to 20yrs, 10:30am. Wed: 7:30, testimonies of healing - call in for all services 203-680-9095 code 520520\*. Reading Room, 333 Greenwich Ave. 203-869-2503, M-F, 11-3, some Saturdays. Bibles and children's books for sale.

## Community

**First Church of Round Hill**  
 464 Round Hill Rd; 203-629-3876  
[www.firstchurchofroundhill.com](http://www.firstchurchofroundhill.com)

In-person worship: Sundays, 10am.

**Round Hill Community Church**  
 395 Round Hill Rd; 203-869-1091  
[www.roundhillcommunitychurch.org](http://www.roundhillcommunitychurch.org)

Weekly Sunday Worship services in the Sanctuary at 10am or online at [roundhillcommunitychurch.org](http://roundhillcommunitychurch.org) anytime. Children's Worship (grades K-5) meets during the 10 am service. Please call the Church Office or visit the website for the most up-to-date information, events, and schedules. *Tools for Aging Well, 2nd Wednesday of the Month, 11am-12pm, Sanctuary. Round Hill Art & Craft Studio: Mondays, 1-4pm. Family Bingo: Saturday, March 22, 6-8pm, free & open to the public, RSVP to [lisa@roundhillcommunitychurch.org](mailto:lisa@roundhillcommunitychurch.org).*

## Congregational

**The First Congregational Church**  
 108 Sound Beach Ave; 203-637-1791  
[www.fcocg.org](http://www.fcocg.org)

Worship: In-Person & Virtual: Sundays, 10am. Live-streaming on YouTube and Facebook, and broadcast on WGCH (1490 AM). Connect during the week: Friday: Friday Email Blast (sign up by calling the church office); Church school before worship most Sundays, 9am for preschoolers through grade 6. Online programming available via Zoom. A joyful community diverse in spiritual backgrounds and beliefs. *NAMI Family to Family Class: Saturday, March 15 - 8-session educational program for family, significant others and friends of people with mental health conditions, Free, Register, [namisouthwestct.org/event/nami-family-to-family/2025-03-15](http://namisouthwestct.org/event/nami-family-to-family/2025-03-15). St. Patrick's Day party - Women's Fellowship: Monday, March 17, 3pm.*

**North Greenwich Congregational**  
 606 Riversville Rd; 203-869-7763  
 (Instagram photos and videos @north\_greenwich\_church)

Worship Service: Sun, 10:30am, in person.

**Second Congregational Church**  
 139 E Putnam Ave; 203-869-9311  
[www.2cc.org](http://www.2cc.org)

Sunday worship: 8:30 & 10:30am. Children's Chapel during worship 10:30am worship. *Winter /Spring Yoga: Fridays, 9-10am (\$20/week). Teddy Bear Story Hour: Saturday, April 5, 8am, at Coffee for Good. Coffee & Connection: Saturday, April 5, 10am, (Reservation required). Holy Week: April 13-20. Good Friday VBS: April 18, 9-11:30am (Register by April 15).*

## Episcopal

**Anglican Church of the Advent**  
 606 Riversville Rd; 203-861-2432  
[facebook.com/greenwichanglican](http://facebook.com/greenwichanglican)

Service: Sun, 9am, Holy Eucharist. Sunday School during academic year.

## Christ Church Greenwich

254 E. Putnam Ave; 203-869-6600  
[www.christchurchgreenwich.org](http://www.christchurchgreenwich.org)

Holy Eucharist: Sundays, 8am, In-person only, Chapel. Messy Church Eucharist: every Sun, 8:45am, In-person only, Parish Hall. Holy Eucharist: 10am, In-person or livestream, Main Sanctuary, Children's Chapel during the service. Choral Evensong or Sung Compline: In-person or livestream, 5pm. Wednesdays: Preach and Teach Eucharist (new time for this mid-week service), 12:15pm, In-person only Chapel. Thursdays: Choral Evensong, 6:30pm, In-person or livestream, Main Sanctuary. *Youth Confirmation: Sundays, Sept. 15 - June 7, 11:15am-12:15pm. The Disciples of Christ in Community: Tuesdays, Sept. 17 - Nov. 19, 7-8:30pm. Book Study: The Anxious Generation: Sundays, March 30 & April 6, 11:15am. Joyful Noise with Anna Leimbach: Sundays, April 6, May 11, June 1. Joyful noise with Rob Mathes: Sundays, March 30, April 27, May 25, June 29, 5pm. Lenten Lectio Divina with Rev. Tim: Wednesdays, through April 16, 11:15-11:45am, Chapel. "Eggs for Easter" Drive: through May 1 - we need your help to provide 1,500 dozen eggs for food-insecure families to be delivered directly to the Neighbor to Neighbor food pantry - Donate eggs online here: [amplify.ampyourgood.com/user/campaigns/4738](http://amplify.ampyourgood.com/user/campaigns/4738). Sunday Forum with Vasileios Marinis, Professor of Christian Art and Architecture at Yale Institute of Sacred Music: Sunday, March 23, 11:15am. Women's Conference: Saturday, March 29, 8:30am. Pack Lunches for Food Insecure Children at Filling-in-the-Blanks in Norwalk: Saturday, March 29, 9:30-11:30am.*

**St. Barnabas Episcopal Church**  
 954 Lake Ave.; 203-661-5526  
[www.stbarnabasgreenwich.org](http://www.stbarnabasgreenwich.org)

Holy Eucharist: Sundays, 10am (in person & livestreamed). *Join us as we celebrate that God is with us through thick and thin throughout the season after Pentecost. Every Sunday features joyful preaching, beautiful music, and a warm welcome for kids and parents. Summer Sundays feature preaching by our priest in charge, the Rev. Dr. Justin E. Crisp, and the music of Marnus Greyling. Children are always welcome in church, and childcare is provided all morning in our nursery. Come take a breath with us this summer.* Visit us in person, on our website, and on social media (Instagram: @st.barnabasgreenwich). Small church feel - Big church experience.

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church**  
 200 Riverside Ave.; 203-637-2447  
[www.stpaulsriverside.org](http://www.stpaulsriverside.org)

Worship: Sundays, 10:15am (in person and streaming). Coffee hour immediately following worship service in Selleck Hall. Sunday School (including frolic Fatih class for toddlers 2+) in the Children's Chapel downstairs - drop-off starts at 10am. Ongoing: Neighbor-to-Neighbor food drive box by office door. Pick-up is every Thursday morning. *"The Way of Love" a Lenten Dinner conversation about faithfulness in turbulent times: Thursdays during Lent, 6:30pm, RSVP required to Ann.post@stpaulsriverside.org.*

**St. Saviour's Episcopal Church**  
 350 Sound Beach Ave; 203-637-2262  
[www.saintsaviours.org](http://www.saintsaviours.org)

In-person Service: Sundays, 10am.

## Jewish

**Chabad Lubavitch of Greenwich**  
 75 Mason St.; 203-629-9059  
[www.chabadgreenwich.org](http://www.chabadgreenwich.org)

Please visit our website for details on Shabbat services, classes, programs and more. *Judaism 101 for Moms: Thursdays, 9:20am. Kabbala & Challah: Thursdays, 9:15am, \$20 p/class. Annual Gala: March 27, 6pm, Tamarack Country Club.*

## Congregation Shir Ami

One W. Putnam Ave; 203-274-5376  
[www.congregationshirami.org](http://www.congregationshirami.org)

All services, programs and celebrations are available online via Zoom. *Kabbalat Shabbat: Fridays, 7-9pm, First Presbyterian Church. Soul Spa - Torah Study: Saturdays, 10am, on Zoom.*

**Greenwich Reform Synagogue**  
 92 Orchard St.; 203-629-0018  
[www.grs.org](http://www.grs.org)

Join Rabbi Gerson and Cantor Rubin every Friday, 6pm for Shabbat Services, and once a month for Tot Shabbat, 5:30pm. All in person services are also live streamed on Zoom. *GRS Reads: "The Netanyahus" - Thursday, March 27, 12pm.*

## Temple Shalom

300 E. Putnam Ave.; 203-869-7191  
[www.templeholom.com](http://www.templeholom.com)

Services - In-person and virtual Friday night Shabbat services, 6:30pm & Saturday morning Shabbat services, 10:30am. *Shabbat Mishpacha: Saturday, March 22, 11am. Passover Mini-Series with Rabbi Mitch: Thursdays, March 27 & April 3, 7:30pm, on Zoom. Teen Shabbat Dinner: Friday, March 28, 7:15pm. Shabbat Dinner & Discussion with Yediyah Harush "From Battlefield to Seder Table: Resilience, Strength, and Building the Future of the Negev": Friday, March 28, 7:15pm.*

## Lutheran

**St. Paul Lutheran Church**  
 286 Delavan Ave.; 203-531-8466  
[www.firstpaul.com](http://www.firstpaul.com)

Sunday Divine Service: 9am. Sunday Bible Study: 10:30am. Wednesday Dinner: 5:30pm. Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm.

## Methodist

**Diamond Hill United Methodist**  
 521 E. Putnam Ave.; 203-869-2395  
[www.diamondhillumc.com](http://www.diamondhillumc.com)

In-person & Online Worship Service every Sunday, 10am, followed by a time of Fellowship. Wednesday Noonday Prayer & Wednesday Evening Bible Study. (Details at [diamondhill.com](http://diamondhill.com)).

**First United Methodist Church**  
 59 E. Putnam Ave.; 203-629-9584  
[www.fumcgreenwich.com](http://www.fumcgreenwich.com)

Sunday Worship, 9:30am (except the last

Sunday of the month at 10:30am). Virtual Daily Gathering: Mon-Fri, 3pm, Zoom. Talking with Your Hands: Mon, 3pm. Reading this World as a Christian: Tue, 3pm. Back to Rock - music with Mr. Bruce: Tue, 3pm, via Zoom. Reading the Shape of Scripture: Wed, 3pm, via Zoom. Spring Bible Study: Thu, 3pm, via Zoom. Tea & Talk: Fri 3pm, via Zoom.

**Bethel African Methodist Episcopal**  
 42 Lake Ave.; 203-661-3099

Worship via teleconference: Sun, 11am and until further notice (Dial-in number: 425-436-6380, Access code: 612220).

## Nondenominational

**Dingelton Community Church**  
 376 Stanwich Rd., at Barnstable Lane

Sunday Service: 10:30am. Philip Antinone - Chaplain.

## Revive Church

90 Harding Rd., Old Greenwich (Old Greenwich Civic Center)  
[www.myrevive.org](http://www.myrevive.org)

Worship Service: Sun, 10am, Holiday Inn 980 Hope St, Stamford. Online Sermons available on Facebook ([facebook.com/myrevivechurchgreenwich](http://facebook.com/myrevivechurchgreenwich)) and on YouTube. All groups are online. Direct any prayer needs to the prayer chain at 203-536-2686 or [revivecfm@gmail.com](mailto:revivecfm@gmail.com).

## Stanwich Church

202 Taconic Rd.; 203-661-4420  
[www.stanwichchurch.org](http://www.stanwichchurch.org)

Sunday Morning Worship Service: 9am & 10:45am. Kids Ministry for grades 5 and under, and Student Ministry for grades 6 & above, are offered. Praise & Prayer Night: 6pm on the First Sunday of each month. Live stream and recorded media are available at [stanwichchurch.org](http://stanwichchurch.org). We'd love to meet you here!

**Center for Spiritual Development, NSAC**

293 Sound Beach Ave; 203-637-4615  
[www.Center4SpiritualDev.org](http://www.Center4SpiritualDev.org)

Sunday Service (hybrid: in-person & virtually on zoom): 7pm. Virtual Children's Lyceum (ages 5-14): 3rd Sunday of the month, 10-10:40am. Healing Service: 3rd Thursday of the month, 7-7:30pm. (Email [Albertsonpcc@gmail.com](mailto:Albertsonpcc@gmail.com) for registration and Zoom Links). *Spiritual Mediumship class - The Joy of Mediumship: Mondays, 7-9pm on March 24, 31, April 7, 14 & 21, \$120.*

## Trinity Church

5 River Rd.; 203-618-0808  
[www.trinitychurch.life](http://www.trinitychurch.life)

In-Person Services: Sun., 9:45am, Hyatt Regency Greenwich, 1800 E. Putnam Ave., Old Greenwich; 10am, Trinity Westchester, 2111 Boston Post Rd, Larchmont, NY; 11am, Saxe Middle School, New Canaan. *Youth Revival Day: Sunday, March 23, 2-6pm, All Middle and High Schoolers, Walnut Hill Community Church, 156 Walnut Hill Rd, Bethel, \$15.*

## Presbyterian

**First Presbyterian Church**  
 1 W. Putnam Ave.; 203-869-8686  
[www.fpcg.org](http://www.fpcg.org)

Worship: Sundays, 10am.

**Grace Church of Greenwich**  
 89 Maple Ave.  
 203-861-7555  
[www.gracechurchgreenwich.com](http://www.gracechurchgreenwich.com)

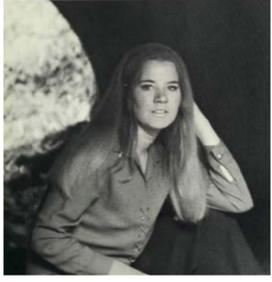
Worship: Sundays, 8:45am, 10:45am & 4:30pm, Woman's Club of Greenwich, 89 Maple Ave. Bible Studies and Sunday School meet in person. All are welcome.

**Living Hope Community Church**  
 38 West End Ave; 203-637-3669  
[www.LivingHopect.org](http://www.LivingHopect.org)

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# Obituaries

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**NINA FUSS GANZ'S  
OBITUARY**

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Nina Fuss Ganz, who left us on November 11, 2024 at the age of 71. Nina was the daughter of Athalea Ganz and stepdaughter of Norman Ganz of Greenwich & Naples, Florida, the beloved wife of the late Jerry Neal and sister of Peter Fuss of Rock Hall, MD.

Born in April 19, 1953 in Greenwich, CT, Nina grew up with a deep love for animals. She devoted her life to working as a veterinary technician where she brought joy and comfort to the lives of countless animals and their families. Her unwavering compassion and commitment to the well-being of each animal she cared for were evident in every aspect of her work.

Nina was also an active and passionate animal rescuer. She dedicated countless hours to rescuing and rehabilitating animals in need, believing that every creature deserved love, care, and a second chance. Her heart was as big as her efforts and her legacy continues to inspire through the many animals she saved and the lives she touched with her unrelenting passion for animals and her tireless commitment to helping others. Local animal facilities in Florida often used her services to foster and heal monkeys at her 6 acre residence in Gainesville, Florida. In addition to her work with animals, Nina was known for her kindness, generosity, and infectious spirit. As stated in the Greenwich Academy year book of 1971, she was described as "a together person". Nina had an uncanny ability to bring comfort to those around her, offering a listening ear and a warm smile when they needed it most. Nina was beloved by all who had the privilege of knowing her and she will be profoundly missed.

She is survived by her brother, Peter Fuss of Rock Hall, Maryland, as well as many beloved friends, colleagues and the countless animals whose lives she touched. She was preceded in death by her mother, Athalea Ganz and her stepfather, Norman Ganz, as well as her late husband, Jerry Neal.

In her honor and memory, please send donations to: Koreymonde Capuchin Rescue, P.O. Box 426, La Crosse, Florida, the last place she supported on a monthly basis until her death in November, 2024. She will be profoundly missed.

**ORLANDO ANTHONY  
TORDO, "LINDO"**

Orlando A. Tordo, 94, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, March 12, 2025. He was a life-long Greenwich resident. He was born on January 28, 1931 in Greenwich, CT, the son of the late Vincent and Carolina Tordo. He was predeceased by his wife Rita Concetta Tordo, his daughter Carol Tordo Brennan, and his sister Regina O'Brien. He retired as an operating

engineer. He was an avid golfer and an active member of the Red Mens of Greenwich. He was the father of three daughters, Linda Roche (Robert) of Morris Township, NJ and Lisa Tordo (Douglas Uhlmann) of Yardley, PA. He is also survived by his sister Adeline Schneider (Walter) of Fairfield, CT and his sister-in-law Gigi Bambace of West Harrison, NY. He is also the grandfather of six grandchildren, the proud great-grandfather of a great-granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews. The visitation will be held Monday, March 17, 2025 from 9 to 10:30am at Coxe & Graziano's Funeral Home, Greenwich, CT, followed by a mass at 11am at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Riverside, CT. In lieu of flowers donations can be made in his memory to the National Giving Alliance in Warminster, PA, [www.NationalGivingAlliance.org](http://www.NationalGivingAlliance.org).

**KENNETH OLSON**



Kenneth Earl Olson, 89, of Greenwich, CT passed away at home on January 11, following a short but courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. The son of Swedish immigrants, Efraim and Victoria Olson, he was born in Chicago, Illinois on October 13, 1935.

After graduating from Morgan Park High School, Ken received a B.S. degree in chemical engineering from Northwestern University in 1957. In 1962, he earned a Ph.D. in chemical engineering from the University of Minnesota and moved to Stamford, CT to begin a lengthy career with American Cyanamid Co., later known as Cytec. As an engineering consultant, he provided technical advice to the leaders of projects throughout the company. In 1993, Ken was the first engineer elected to the position of Research Fellow at Cytec.

Among various interests, Ken was particularly involved in culinary arts. As a teenaged Boy Scout, he was the head cook for his troop's camping trips. That interest grew as he became involved with several social organizations in Greenwich and Stamford that involved meal preparation. It was through such gatherings that he met Erna Rosendale, whom he married in 1968.

Together Ken and Erna built a beautiful life together, moving a number of times but always within the Greenwich to Rowayton area. At each location, Ken furthered his passion for gardening. He was known for his beautiful dahlias, admired by all his neighbors. Another interest was travel, especially on river cruises throughout Europe during his retirement years. Ken also enjoyed kayaking, often spending hours on excursions exploring local waterways and noting the waterfowl. A lifelong student, he enrolled in several courses for seniors at NCC and also studied history through DVD courses. Always an avid sports fan, Ken realized one of his dreams by attending the Rose Bowl parade & game in 1996 to watch Northwestern.

Ken's volunteer activities centered around the First Congregational Church of Greenwich, where he was a member for over fifty years. He served terms as Senior Deacon, Treasurer, and as a Sunday School teacher. For countless years he spent many cold

Saturdays selling Christmas trees on the church's front lawn.

Ken was predeceased by his sister, Violet Jesberg. He is survived by his wife Erna; his devoted daughters, Elizabeth Hasler of Sandy Springs, GA and Christina Olson of Norwalk, CT; and granddaughters, Emily and Julie Hasler. He also leaves a niece and two nephews.

A memorial service will be held at the First Congregational Church, 108 Sound Beach Ave., Old Greenwich, CT on April 12, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. A reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, donations to the First Congregational Church of Greenwich are welcome.

**FRANKIE HOLLISTER**



Frankie Ann Andrews Hollister passed away surrounded by her loving family on March 14, at her home in Edison, GA. She was 74 years old. The cause of death was cancer of the bile duct.

Frankie, firstborn of the late Wallace Reid and Marilena Andrews, was raised in Edison and educated at Calhoun County schools. She graduated from Randolph Macon Women's College in Lynchburg, Virginia, spending her junior year in England at The University of Reading. After graduation, Frankie studied 19th century Russian literature at the University of Virginia, where she met her future husband and then medical student, Dickerman Hollister Jr. Frankie worked in finance in New York and Atlanta before marrying in 1981. The Hollister's settled in Greenwich, CT, where her husband practiced medical oncology. The couple adopted their two children, Catharine Reid (Reid) and Dickerman III (Dickon), blessings from God. A devoted mother above all else, Frankie never missed Reid's concerts with the Christ Church Greenwich choirs and was always courtside for Dickon's tennis matches.

Frankie served in many community organizations, including two terms on the Vestry of Christ Church Greenwich and as Directress of the Altar Guild. She was a member and later president of The Green Fingers Garden Club, garnered many "best in class" ribbons at national flower shows, and was selected as a Garden Club of America Judge. At The Belle Haven Club one summer, she skippered an Ideal 18 through a squall, earning her the moniker "Fearless Frankie." After Dick's retirement, the Hollister's and their dachshund, Edwin, moved to her family's farm in Edison. There, Frankie tended her vegetable and flower gardens, joined the Albany and Cuthbert, GA, garden clubs, and became a certified Master Gardener. She was happiest with her fingers in the dirt planting seeds and tending shoots. Frankie and Dick also traveled worldwide, visiting especially sites of ancient Greece and early Christianity. And there was more: She was an avid reader, a budding watercolorist, and a professional tennis aficionado (Andre, Rafa, & Carlos). Most importantly, Frankie was a devoted parishioner at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Albany, GA., and a dedicated

volunteer in its soup kitchen, "Ladles of Love."

Frankie is survived by her husband, Dick, children Reid and Dickon, her sister Martha Corrigan and husband Chris, and their children Thomas and Mary Wallace.

A memorial service will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Albany, GA on Friday, March 21 at 10:30 AM. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to "Ladles of Love," St. Paul's Episcopal Church (212 N. Jefferson St, Albany, GA, 31701), Christ Church Greenwich (254 E. Putnam Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830), or to a charity of your choice.

**DENA VANECH**



Dena C. Vanech, longtime resident of Old Greenwich, CT, passed away on March 12. She was 97 years old. She was predeceased by her husband of 40 years, Nicholas V. Vanech, and her brother, William Karas.

Born in Brooklyn, NY, Dena was the daughter of Mary and Nicholas Karas. She attended Lynbrook High School. Dena was employed at Progressive Grocer Magazine and worked as a switchboard operator.

She was a member of the Church of the Archangels. She enjoyed singing in the choir. She was passionate about music, travel, fashion and was an avid reader.

She is survived by her children, Basil (Terri) of Greenwich, Dean (Denise) of New Vernon, and Marianne (Denise) of West Simsbury. Dena is also survived by her grandchildren, Christina (James), Nicholas, Catherine (Geoffery), Alexis, Delaney, and her great-grandchildren, Maeve, Lea, and Elijah. Her five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren were her greatest source of happiness.

A small family service for Dena took place on Saturday, March 15.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Ladies Philoptochos Society, c/o Church of The Archangels, located at 1527 Bedford St., Stamford, CT 06905.

**JAMES BOURNE**

James Edelin Bourne, a longtime resident of Greenwich, CT passed away peacefully on March 7, in Dallas, TX.

Jim was born in Wilson, PA and was the son of James and Helen Bourne. He attended Iona prep School, University of Notre Dame and New York University. He served in the US Army and was stationed in Germany with Army Intelligence. For over 30 years Jim worked on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange as a trader beginning with Robinson Humphreys and retiring with Alex Brown & Sons. He was a long-time member of the Greenwich Country Club, Nantucket Yacht Club and the Union Club of New York City.

Jim was preceded in death by his wife Nancie in December. He is survived by his daughter Kim Fisher (Rick) of Dallas, TX, his daughter Ashley Dewey (Brad) of Danville, KY, four granddaughters and two great-grandchildren. He is

also survived by his brother William P. Bourne.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Three Oaks Hospice 331 Melrose Drive, Suite 230, Richardson, TX 75080

**PHYLLIS RECCHIA**



Phyllis Del Bagno Recchia, longtime resident of Greenwich, CT and Vero Beach, FL, died peacefully, surrounded by family on February 9, at the age of 87.

Phyllis was born September 28, 1937, in New York, NY, to the late James and Josephine Del Bagno. She graduated St. Jean Baptiste High School Class of 1956 before enrolling in classes at Rhodes Academy in NYC, where she met the love of her life after his return from serving in the U.S. Air Force.

They married soon after, with Phyllis earning an honorary "PHT, Push Hubby Through" decree by the Student Council of Fordham University for her support toward his completion of his diploma. In return, she called on her husband's input regarding her ideas for efficiency and cost-saving waste that she intended to implement in her position with the International Marketing Department, where she served for many years with General Motors Corporation. Phyllis loved to tell the story of Anthony perusing the 1976 International Herald Tribune cover while overseas for business and finding her solutions and award discussed in a front-page article.

She relocated her family to Greenwich for her husband's work, enjoying her years there with various community service organizations while beginning her second career in real estate with Preferred Properties, and later with Coldwell Banker. She enjoyed cross-country skiing in Vermont, painting, traveling abroad, and continued her childhood passions for piano, as well as horses, riding with the Riding Academy in Greenwich.

Phyllis and Anthony retired to Jupiter, FL, and subsequently in 1998, to Grand Harbor in Vero Beach. Phyllis was an avid golfer and gathered Bocce enthusiasts to spearhead the club's original Bocce facilities and league.

She is survived by her brother, Frank Del Bagno (Fran) of Forest Hills, NY, daughter, Catherine Marie Layne of Agoura Hills, CA, and son, Anthony James Recchia (Paige) of Greenwich, CT. She leaves behind five grandchildren: Sydney Layne of Portland, OR, Charlie, Miles, Wyatt and Olivia Recchia of Greenwich, CT, all who loved their "Mema" and any chance she loved to sneak them away to get her "alone time" and their take on life.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband of 50 years, Anthony Charles Recchia, her parents, and grandson, Eli Layne, in whom she took much pride for his service as a U.S. Marine, serving our country overseas.

Memorial gatherings will take place in Vero Beach, FL, with a spring memorial and inurnment in Greenwich, CT. Arrangements have been entrusted to Strunk Funeral Home in Vero Beach. In lieu of flowers, please consider a

donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude's Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

**SAMUEL BROOKFIELD,  
JR.**



Samuel Lord Brookfield, Jr., was born in New York City and raised in Rye, NY, with his sisters Nancy Brookfield Burke (Duncan) of Greenwich and Alyce "Lee" Rafferty (Jim). He attended Rye Country Day School and graduated from Saint Paul's School and Yale University - Class of 1964.

He is survived by his wife of 42 years Pauline Persons Brookfield and was the proud father of four children (Jon, Chris, Alyce, and Sam) and grandfather of six.

He had a long career in education at the Pomfret School, a Fulbright year teaching at Cheltenham(UK.) the Cranbrook School, and was an assistant director in Yale admissions in the early 80s.

In the 90s he headed up the Business Council for the United Nations. Also he volunteered at Street Squash and was on the Business School Board at Babson College. Later he worked for the Nigeria Higher Education Foundation.

Sam spent a lifetime of vacations in his beloved Adirondack Mountains and died February 5 after valiant twelve-year struggle with Parkinson's.

A service was held at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Manhattan on February 28.

**FRANCIS PATAKY, JR.**



Francis James Pataky Jr. aka Butch died peacefully at his residence on November 25, 2024 at Greenwich Woods nursing home at the age of 72.

He is preceded by death of his father Francis Pataky Sr. He is survived by his mother Dolores Pataky, his siblings Andrew Pataky and his wife Nancy, his brother John Pataky and Vicky, and his sister Mary Kitchens. He also leaves his nieces and nephews, Rebecca Bryant, Justin Pataky, Jason Kitchens, Kiel Pataky, Brian Kitchens, Allison Winters, Douglas Kitchens and Andrew Pataky.

Butch loved to paint and enjoyed being outdoors. He loved to watch the birds and sometimes chirped to them. He always was very friendly to his fellow residents and enjoyed the activities that they sponsored.

He overcame so many obstacles in his life, but never gave up. He was a true inspiration to all of us.

His burial will be held at The First Congregational Church in Old Greenwich with his family.

He will now be with the true love of his life Susan Sandreuter. May he rest in peace.

## COLUMN

# A Mother's Love is the Best Window into God's Love



BY MAREK ZABRISKIE

One of the most poignant passages in the gospels occurs when Jesus is walking to Jerusalem. He already knows what lies ahead of him – bitter conflict, a showdown with Jewish leaders, and most likely his death at the hands of the Roman occupying forces.

He is aware of what happens to prophets who speak truth to power, yet he anguish for his people. As Jesus descends Mount of Olives, he surveys the city skyline and then unleashes a cry from the heart, "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it. How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!" (Luke 13:34)

He suddenly sounds less like a prophet and more like a mother in anguish, as he imagines himself as a hen longing to comfort and protect her brood under her wings. Perhaps more than fathers, mothers carry this immense burden and weight within them, a yearning to protect their children, to see them grow and thrive, aching when they ache, and desiring for them to get along. There may be no greater grief in life than a mother's anguish.

Jesus looks out and wishes that he could gather all of God's children and the wings of God's love. While this was Jerusalem 2,000 years ago, the same tragic scene could unfold today in Jerusalem or in countless other places.

Perhaps guessing correctly that he would be next prophet to die within its walls, Jesus wept. Luke uses a word that actually signifies uncontrollable sobbing and grief. Jesus had risked his own life to bring the kingdom of God to Jerusalem, but the city of God was apathetic.

Instead, the inhabitants followed the "fox," as Jesus called Herod. Herod Antipas governed harshly. He had John the Baptist beheaded. His father, Herod the Great, had 45 Sanhedrin members, 300 officers, his wife, uncle, and four of his closest friends killed.

Barabara Brown Taylor suggests that the story of Jesus' lament for Jerusalem gives us two contrasting ways of leading people. "...Jesus has disciples; Herod has soldiers. Jesus serves; Herod rules. Jesus prays for his enemies; Herod kills his." She asks, "In a

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contest between a fox and a chicken, whom would you bet on?" adding, "the contest between the chicken and the fox turned out to be the cosmic battle of all time... And God bet the farm on the hen."

"Depending on whom you believe, she won," notes Taylor. "It did not look that way, with feathers all over the place and chicks running for cover. But as time went on, it became clear what she had done." She had sacrificed her life for the chicks and returned from death to show them the price that she had paid for them.

Perhaps that is why we call this blessed institution "Mother Church," for like a hen Mother Church shelters her vulnerable chicks and confronts the foxes of this world. She stands firm, does not equivocate, and reminds leaders to act with grace, mercy, and compassion. She is at her best when she refuses to run from the foxes or become one.

On the western slope of the Mount of Olives is a Franciscan church called Dominus Flevit, a Latin name that means "the Lord wept." This modern church is in the shape of human tear. It was built over the spot where Jesus wept for Jerusalem.

He wept because, as God, he knew the danger of men like Herod and because he had great compassion and empathy on the crowd, who he knew would abandon him.

Inside this church is a large window which looks out at the skyline of Jerusalem, where 2,000 years later, Jews, Christians, and Muslims live in tension and hostility. The brokenness of this ancient city mirrors the brokenness of our world today.

Outside Bethlehem lies an enormous, ugly wall covered with graffiti, that makes the lives of Palestinians almost unbearable. Several years ago, our guide, pointed out to us the illegal Jewish settlements, clusters of new condominiums erected in the Palestinian territory.

We listened to Palestinian Muslims describe the constant harassment and humiliation and economic pressures they face that seemed designed to drive them from their homeland, where they are treated as

strangers and outcasts.

We heard Palestinian Christians describe their desperate situation. In 1900, they were 15% of the population. Today, they are less than 2%. Christians have been in the Holy Land for 2,000 years, but now they are caught between traumatized Israeli Jews and traumatized Palestinian Muslims. It is likely that one day there may be no Christians left in the Holy Land.

Some of us gathered one evening to hear two women tell their tragic stories. An Israeli Jew, whose sister had served in the Israel Defense Force, described how her sister was blown up at a bus stop by a Palestinian terrorist. The room was silent.

Then a Palestinian Muslim mother, whose son suffered a seizure, described how she rushed him to the hospital, but was turned back at three Israeli checkpoints. When she finally got him to a hospital, she was told that she had to leave her son. The hospital would notify her about his condition. When the call came, she was told him that he was dead. The room was silent.

Today, Jesus' cry from the heart is directed to the whole earth, where divisions among religions, races, and countries are tragic. It is ironic that the three great Abrahamic religions speak of a God whose essence is love and who call their followers to love one another, but they cannot get along. Sometimes something occurs that turns these religions into the opposite of what they profess, and faith becomes a force for hatred and exclusion.

Islamic fundamentalists do not just disagree with us, they hate us, and Christian and Jewish fundamentalists return the favor. Muslim fundamentalists call for the elimination of Israel. Jewish fundamentalists declare that God gave them all of the Holy Land, and Christian fundamentalists fiercely support Israeli militarism because they believe that Israeli's success is essential for the Messiah to return. It's crazy.

What is missing in all of this is a sense of humility and compassion, a belief that the love of neighbor should trump all the jockeying for land,

resources, and power. The late Chief Rabbi of Great Britain Jonathan Sachs said that we need more than tolerance. We need to affirm the diversity of God's world and the multiple paths of faith, and to harness our faith traditions so that we can come together and build a more peaceful world for all.

In his poem, "September 1, 1939," W.H. Auden notes in this powder keg of a world that "We must love one another or die." To love one another doesn't mean to like each other, agree with each other, or approve of each other. It means that we must respect, honor, and have compassion on those who are different from us. This kind of love is our only hope.

Empathy and compassion are deeply lacking in our world today. Empathy allows us to understand how others feel. Fr. James Martin, a Jesuit priest, notes that "a lack of empathy is at the heart of our mistreatment, mockery, and demonization of the poor, of migrants and refugees, of LGBTQ people and of all those on the margins." Empathy led our government to create safety nets, but now many of those nets are now being shredded.

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That's why Jesus wept, because he didn't want the foxes like Herod to ravage the world, for God is like a hen who longs to protect her chicks. Yes, there's nothing quite like a mother's love to remind us of God's yearning heart, pleading for us to exercise compassion and empathy.

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## COLUMN

## The Power of Silence

*Softening our complaining voice both inside and out, coupled with a daily practice of silence, can change the trajectory of our lives for the better.*



BY RABBI MITCHELL HURVITZ

There's a story about a novice monk who joins a monastery. Every ten years, the novice monk was permitted to break his vow of silence and speak two words. After the first ten years, the new monk tells the head of the monastery: "Food Bad." After another ten years, he pronounces: "Bed Hard." Another decade passes, and the monk finally declares: "I Quit." The head of the monastery looks at the quitting monk and says: "I'm not surprised. You've been complaining ever since you got here."

There is an ancient Jewish tradition of "complaining" and a seeming lack of tradition for

silence. The Torah describes the ancient Israelites as the "ever-complaining" people. The story of the Golden Calf explicitly describes the Israelites as an "ever-complaining, stiff-necked people." Our Biblical heroes also indulge in complaining: Moses, on multiple occasions, complains to God. David complains about feelings of abandonment by God. Jeremiah complains about his frustrations and the heavy burdens he must carry. Habakkuk and Job each complain to God about God.

The Yiddish word for complaining is "kvetch," and kvetching is often a source of Jewish humor.

Once, Mr. Goldberg got very sick and was immediately rushed to the best hospital in his town. There, he received a private room and the most attentive medical care. He stayed there for two days but then insisted on being transferred to a lesser hospital with no private rooms and a strained medical staff trying to care for all their patients.

When the transfer occurred, Mr. Goldberg was placed in a three-patient room with

boisterous "roommates." There, he was visited by a harried young intern on her rounds. She noted, "Mr. Goldberg, I see you transferred from our city's most prestigious hospital. I guess that place doesn't live up to its reputation." Mr. Goldberg replied: "No, the medical care there was wonderful; I can't complain." The Doctor said, "It must have been the nurses then." "No, the nurses were fantastic; I can't complain." "Then it must have been the food." "No, no, the food was sensational. I can't complain." "Something must haven't been good?" "No, everything was perfect; I can't complain." The young doctor is bewildered. She asked, "Then why did you switch to this hospital?" Mr. Goldberg looked at the young doctor and said with a broad smile: "Here I can complain!"

Everyone understands the

humor of this story. But, we must acknowledge that too much complaining often isn't good for us. Kvetching too much warps our life perspective. Seemingly, humans are hard-wired to focus on what is wrong vs. right. Our negative bias must be trained to step back so that our initial response to any challenge isn't disabling. It is best to try and perceive the "big picture." We need to effectively address genuine needs without becoming mired in the quicksand of complaining.

The best way to train ourselves to stop complaining is to practice gratitude. Rabbinic tradition taught two thousand years ago that one should ensure each day to articulate a hundred items for which we are grateful, big or small. Part of our self-discipline is to utilize silence to help us focus on our gratitude. Rabbinic

Judaism teaches that the midbar (desert) is a place of silence where distractions do not confront you. The prophet Elijah didn't perceive God in the "whirlwind, fire, or the earthquake. Instead, in the sound of silence."

Silence isn't always easy. Liturgically, Jews are to engage three times a day in silent devotion, a time for non-distracted focus within our hearts and minds. Silence is supposed to create an incubator for holiness. Our willingness to embrace silence and focus without distraction helps us hear God's whispers. Silence and willingness can soften the complaining noises that interfere with our full enjoyment of God's blessings.

Rabbinic Judaism teaches that silence is a "fence to wisdom." If words are worth one coin, then our silence is worth two. Softening

our complaining voice both inside and out, coupled with a daily practice of silence, can change the trajectory of our lives for the better. It will also help us better hear God and help God better hear our most genuine heartfelt hopes.

Let's do less complaining and more silence.

Shabbat Shalom.  
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## A Life of Service: Remembering Robert J. McKnight, Jr.

Robert J. McKnight, Jr., a lifelong Greenwich resident, Vietnam veteran, and dedicated public servant, passed away on February 23, 2025. His death marks the end of nearly three decades of service to the town of Greenwich, where he was known for his steadfast leadership, integrity, and commitment to community.

McKnight, who was born in Greenwich on November 2, 1948, dedicated much of his life to the betterment of his town. At the March 10 Representative Town Meeting (RTM), where he had been a member since 1996, officials and colleagues honored his memory with detailed tributes that highlighted his service, character, and unwavering dedication.

### A Soldier's Service

McKnight's path to public service began with his military career. A member of the U.S. Army, he served two and a half years as a platoon sergeant in Company B, Second Battalion of the 25th Division's 12th Infantry. He rarely spoke of his experiences, preferring instead to recognize others. "When asked, Bob would simply say he 'served his country' and always made a point to honor all veterans," said Lucy von Brachel, an RTM member from District 4.

His decorations told a different story. McKnight was a highly decorated soldier, earning two Purple Hearts, five Bronze Stars, a Silver Star, three Air Medals, two Army Commendations, and one National Defense medal. "What he kept to himself is that he was a hero and served with great valor," von Brachel said.

Upon returning from Vietnam, McKnight, like many veterans of his generation, found himself in a nation divided over the war. A reporter from the Greenwich Time contacted 19 Vietnam veterans for a group interview—only four agreed to speak, including McKnight. "It wasn't always taken some courage, but it was clear Bob recognized the importance of being a voice for fellow servicemen struggling to assimilate,"

von Brachel noted.

Years later, McKnight spoke at the town's 2015 Veterans Day observance, offering a rare personal reflection. "I stand before you, an American veteran with no regrets, proud to have served and prouder still of all my high school classmates named on [the memorial] behind me. These are my heroes."

### A Relentless Advocate for Greenwich

McKnight's dedication to Greenwich spanned decades. He served on the RTM for over 25 years, representing District 4—Byram—where he rose to Chair. He was also Chair of the RTM Appointments Committee, Vice Chair of the Byram Neighborhood Association (BNA), a founding board member of the Greenwich Preservation Trust, and a member of the Conservation Commission's Cemetery Committee.

"He took on the role of district Vice Chair in 2002 and was elected Chair in the next term," von Brachel said. His commitment to the RTM was unparalleled. "Until January, he had never missed an RTM meeting. Not one."

His influence extended far beyond the legislative chambers. Joe Kelly, a District 2 RTM member, interviewed McKnight in recent years and asked what inspired his deep commitment to community service. McKnight credited his military experience. "Bob said that his military service put him on the path to serving our community and his family," von Brachel recalled.

In Byram, McKnight was instrumental in securing funding for projects like the reconstruction of New Lebanon School. Former BNA Chair Mike Bocchino described him as "a passionate representative of his beloved Byram community and the entire town of Greenwich." Bocchino, who worked alongside McKnight for 11 years, credited him with shaping the BNA into one of Greenwich's most effective neighborhood organizations. "Bob was a student of Robert's Rules of Order and was instrumental in

creating, maintaining, and preserving a neighborhood association that continues to be a model for every community neighborhood in Greenwich to this day."

### A Reluctant Public Figure

Despite his accomplishments, McKnight never sought recognition. Von Brachel recalled his discomfort at a recent RTM meeting when his military commendations were mentioned. "Bob really wasn't keen on being recognized for his accomplishments," she said. "I will not forget the uncomfortable look on his face last November when he stood before us as Alexis [Voulgaris] told us about what turned out to be a fraction of his military commendations."

He was known for his principled approach to governance, refusing to engage in partisan politics. "While studying political science in college, he realized that 'neither party got it right,'" von Brachel said. "If you look at his votes, it's clear that he was truly independent—his loyalty to the community, admiration for those willing to serve the public, and respect for good governance were what really mattered."

### The Heart of the Neighborhood

McKnight's presence in Byram went beyond politics. For 25 years, he worked as the security supervisor for Mead Point, where he became a fixture in the community. "He was the keeper of watch, the anchor of Mead Point, the primary source of local news for residents," Joe and Jill Kelly noted. Even the neighborhood dogs took to him. "His fan club was not limited to humans—her two golden retrievers couldn't resist sneaking over to the guard booth to visit him regularly," said neighbor Leslie Petrick.

His work with the Greenwich Preservation Trust, where he served as Treasurer, was another passion. "Bob was dedicated to preserving historical structures and cultural resources of Greenwich," said Jo Conboy, the Trust's President. "He educated, raised funds, and promoted the history of the town he loved."

### A Legacy of Service

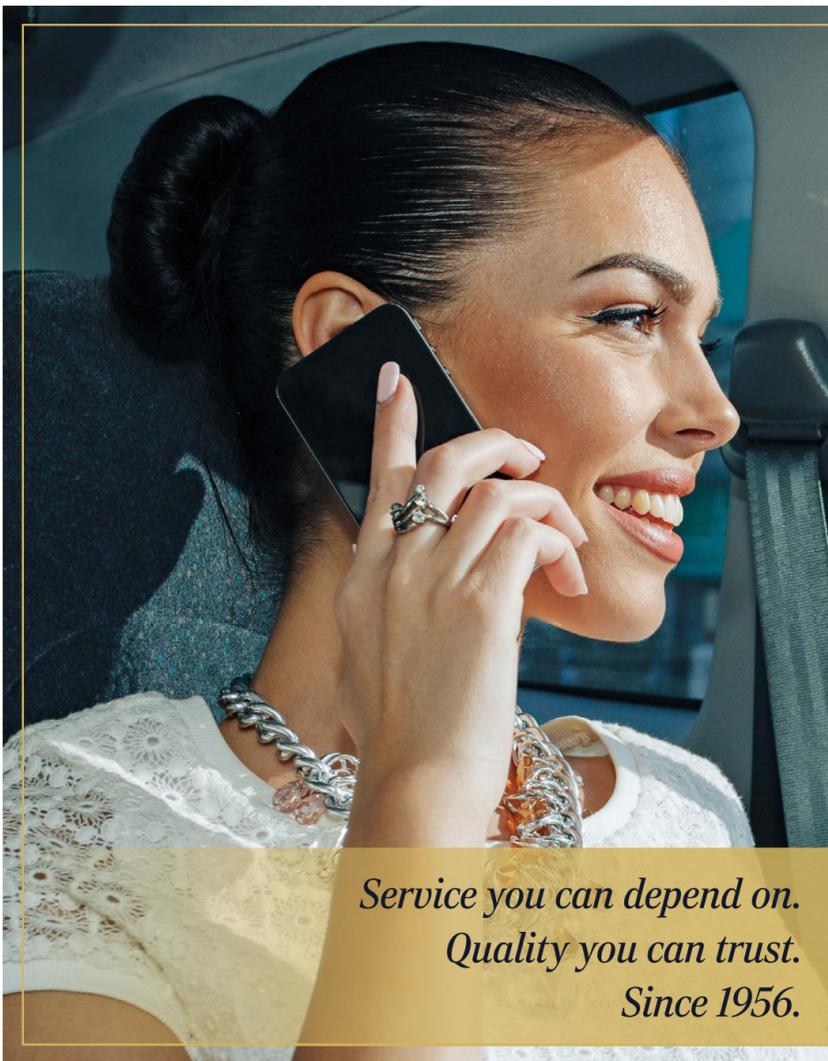
At the March 10 RTM meeting, members honored McKnight's legacy with a moment of silence. "Bob's impact on our community is immeasurable, and his absence will be deeply felt," said Frederick Lee, Vice Chair of the Appointments Committee. "On behalf of everyone here, Bob, thank you. For three decades of showing up, speaking up, and always putting Greenwich first."

His official obituary captured the breadth of his contributions. "Bob was a proud Vietnam veteran who served his country honorably as an Army Sergeant where he was highly decorated for his bravery with two Purple Hearts, four Bronze Stars, three Air Medals, two Army Commendations, and one National Defense medal. He loved the town of Greenwich serving on the RTM for over 25 years, representing his beloved District 4 - Byram as the Chair," the obituary stated. It continued: "He was also recently the Chair of the Greenwich RTM Appointments Committee, founding Board member of the Greenwich Preservation Trust where he most recently served as the Treasurer, Vice Chair of the Byram Neighborhood Association, and member of the Town of Greenwich Conservation Commission Cemetery Committee. Bob volunteered for countless other things we will probably never know about because he did them quietly."

McKnight is survived by his brother John McKnight (Debbie), sister Michele "Mimi" McKnight Tamburri (John Damberg), daughter Missy McKnight, and stepdaughter Jen (Weiner) Schietinger. He was predeceased by his sister Alison McKnight.

His funeral services were held on March 3 at Fred D. Knapp Funeral Home, followed by a graveside service at Putnam Cemetery on March 4.

For those wishing to honor his memory, donations may be made to the Greenwich Preservation Trust or the Boys & Girls Club of Greenwich.



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**FRIDAY, MARCH 21**

**10 a.m.**  
Volunteer Teacher Naturalist Training Sessions: Water Erosion & Watersheds - (Grades 3-4). Greenwich Audubon Center, 613 Riversville Rd. [greenwich.audubon.org/events](http://greenwich.audubon.org/events)

**10 & 11 a.m.**  
Sensory Storytime (Ages 18 months-48 months). Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**3 p.m.**  
FeederWatch Fridays. Greenwich Audubon Center, 613 Riversville Rd. All Ages. Free. Register. [greenwich.audubon.org/events](http://greenwich.audubon.org/events)

**3:30 p.m.**  
Fitness Made Fun! Dance Class For Individuals with Special Needs. YMCA of Greenwich, 50 East Putnam Ave. All ages and abilities welcome. Free. RSVP. [greenwichymca.org/events](http://greenwichymca.org/events)

**4 p.m.**  
Game Hub (Ages 7-13). Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**6 p.m.**  
Swim Kids Night Out. YMCA of Greenwich, 50 East Putnam Ave. Drop-off begins at 6pm, Pickup is no later than 8:30. [greenwichymca.org/events](http://greenwichymca.org/events)

**7 p.m.**  
Central Middle School's production of The Addams Family. CMS George Sepe Memorial Stage, 9 Indian Rock Lane. [ontheatstage.tickets/show/central-middle-school/6797c7b1998f-952c7640dd22/tickets#/productions-view](http://ontheatstage.tickets/show/central-middle-school/6797c7b1998f-952c7640dd22/tickets#/productions-view)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 22**

**10 a.m.**  
Spring Vernal Pool Walk. Bible Street Community Gardens, 129 Bible St. All ages. Free. Register. [eventbrite.com/e/1269175822049](http://eventbrite.com/e/1269175822049)

**12 p.m.**  
Colonial Crafts: Make a "Quill" in the Time Travelers KidStudio. Greenwich Historical Society, 47 Strickland Rd. [greenwichhistory.org/events](http://greenwichhistory.org/events)

**1 p.m.**  
Science Solvers: Polar Bears (Ages 4 & up). Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Free with admission. No reservations required. Also held Sunday, March 23. [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org)

**3 p.m.**  
Bruce Experiences: In Our Right Minds. Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Non-Members, \$10; Members, Free. [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org)

**5 p.m.**  
Central Middle School's production of The Addams Family. CMS George Sepe Memorial Stage, 9 Indian Rock Lane. [ontheatstage.tickets/show/central-middle-school/6797c7b1998f-952c7640dd22/tickets#/productions-view](http://ontheatstage.tickets/show/central-middle-school/6797c7b1998f-952c7640dd22/tickets#/productions-view)

**6:45 p.m.**  
Evening Woodcock Watch. Greenwich Audubon Center, 613 Riversville Rd. Ages 6 & up. \$15. Register. [greenwich.audubon.org/events](http://greenwich.audubon.org/events)

**7:30 p.m.**  
Greenwich Symphony Orchestra concert. Performing Arts Center at Greenwich High School, 10 Hillside Road. [greenwichsymphony.org](http://greenwichsymphony.org)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 23**

**1 - 1:30 p.m.**  
Guided Gallery Tour: Greenwich During the Revolutionary War: A Frontier Town on the Front Line. Greenwich Historical Society. Free with museum admission. Through June 9. [greenwichhistory.org/events](http://greenwichhistory.org/events)

**2 p.m.**  
Greenwich St. Patrick's Day Parade. Beginning at the Greenwich Town Hall. [greenwichhibernians.org](http://greenwichhibernians.org)

**2 p.m.**  
Bruce Experiences: French Film Series: Oceans Seen From the Heart. Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. \$10. [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org)

**2:30 p.m.**  
"Be Thou with Me" - Violin/Piano Bach Concert. St. Catherine of Siena Church, 4 Riverside Ave.

Free admission. Open to all. 203-637-3661. [stcsta.org](http://stcsta.org)

**3 p.m.**  
Greenwich Symphony Orchestra concert. Performing Arts Center at Greenwich High School, 10 Hillside Road. [greenwichsymphony.org](http://greenwichsymphony.org)

**MONDAY, MARCH 24**

**6:30 p.m.**  
League of Women Voters of Greenwich: Community Conversation with State Treasurer Erick Russell. YWCA Greenwich, 259 E. Putnam Ave. Free & open to the public. Register. [lwvgreenwich.org](http://lwvgreenwich.org)

**7 p.m.**  
Perrot Memorial Library: Book Talk: "Expect Great Things!" Discovering Katharine Gibbs and the "Hidden Figures" of the 20th Century Women's Movement. On Zoom. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25**

**9:30 a.m.**  
League of Women Voters of Greenwich: America at a Crossroads: Foreign Policy & Trump 2.0. Greenwich Library - Marx Family Black Box Theater. Free & open to the public. Register. [lwvgreenwich.org](http://lwvgreenwich.org)

**9:30 a.m.**  
Rise & Read (Ages 15 months-48 months). Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. Drop-in program. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**10 a.m.**  
Greek Independence Day Ceremony and Flag Raising. Front steps of Greenwich Town Hall. Open to the public.

**10 & 11 a.m.**  
Bruce Beginnings: Spring Landscapes (Ages 2 1/2-5). Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Free with admission. No reservations required. Also held Wednesday, March 26. [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org)

**10 a.m.**  
Preparing your Vegetable Garden for Spring Planting. Greenwich Botanical Center, 130 Bible St. GBC Members, \$10; Non-Members, \$20. Register. [greenwichbotanicalcenter.org](http://greenwichbotanicalcenter.org)

**10 a.m.**  
Perrot Memorial Library: Perrot Walks at Tod's Point. Free. 203-637-1066 x15. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
Canasta Boot Camp (Tuesdays and Thursdays March 25 & 27 and April 1 & 3). YWCA Greenwich, 259 East Putnam Ave. Members: \$150, Non-Members: \$200. [ywcagreenwich.org/events/canasta-boot-camp-2025](http://ywcagreenwich.org/events/canasta-boot-camp-2025)

**12 p.m.**  
Women's Business Development Council (WBDC): Financial Foundation: Understanding Your Financial Statements. Online. Free. Register. [ctwbdc.org/class-listings](http://ctwbdc.org/class-listings)

**3:30 p.m.**  
Greenwich Land Trust: Spring Amphibian Walk. Converse Brook Preserve. Register. [gl-trust.org/upcoming-events](http://gl-trust.org/upcoming-events)

**4 p.m.**  
Debate Club (For Ages 9-12). Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**6 p.m.**  
Shore Road sidewalk public information meeting. Greenwich Town Hall Meeting Room. [greenwichct.gov/2344/Shore-Road-Sidewalk-Project](http://greenwichct.gov/2344/Shore-Road-Sidewalk-Project)

**6 p.m.**  
Bruce Socials: Trivia At The Bruce. Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. \$10. [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org)

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26**

**10 a.m.**  
Bruce Beginnings Junior: Hello Spring! (ages 12 Months-30 Months). Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Free with admission. First come, first served. [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org)

**10 a.m.**  
Safe Solutions to Gardens & Landscapes with Lorraine Ballato. Greenwich Botanical Center, 130 Bible St. GBC Members, \$10; Non-Members, \$15. Register. [greenwichbotanicalcenter.org](http://greenwichbotanicalcenter.org)

**11 a.m.**  
Retired Men's Association of Greenwich: Isabel Lopes, P.E., Structural engineer, WSP. "The Canarsie Tunnel Project." Christ Church, 254 E. Putnam Ave. & on Zoom. Free & open to all. [greenwichrma.org](http://greenwichrma.org)

**12 p.m.**  
Colonial Toys: Decorate a Top in the Time Travelers KidStudio. Greenwich Historical Society, 47 Strickland Rd. [greenwichhistory.org/events](http://greenwichhistory.org/events)

**12 p.m.**  
Women's Business Development Council (WBDC): Financial Foundations: Small Business Funding: "Meet the Lenders". Online. Free. Register. [ctwbdc.org/class-listings](http://ctwbdc.org/class-listings)

**1:30 p.m.**  
Greenwich Newcomers Club: Knit with Ewe. Doogwood Books & Gifts, 254 E. Putnam Ave. [greenwichnewcomersclub.wildapricot.org/](http://greenwichnewcomersclub.wildapricot.org/)

**7 p.m.**  
Greenwich Tree Conservancy: Tree Doctors. Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. & on Zoom. Submit questions beforehand. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27**

**10 a.m.**  
Open Knitting Drop-In Program. Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**2 p.m.**  
Lifetime of Looking: Women in Art - an art appreciation program for adults experiencing cognitive decline & their caregivers. Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Sign up. 203-413-6741. [kholko@brucemuseum.org](mailto:kholko@brucemuseum.org)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 28**

**10 & 11 a.m.**  
Sensory Storytime (Ages 18 months-48 months). Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**3 p.m.**  
FeederWatch Fridays. Greenwich Audubon Center, 613 Riversville Rd. All Ages. Free. Register. [greenwich.audubon.org/events](http://greenwich.audubon.org/events)

**4 p.m.**  
Escape Room: Escape Roswell's Desert Bunker (Ages 8-13). Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**7 p.m.**  
Evelina Puzaite - Musical Moments, piano concert. Greenwich Arts Council, 299 Greenwich Ave. \$10-\$50. [eventbrite.com/e/1119851920239](http://eventbrite.com/e/1119851920239)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 29**

**8:30 a.m.**  
Women's Conference. Christ Church Campus, 254 E. Putnam Ave. [christchurchgreenwich.org/womens-conference-2025](http://christchurchgreenwich.org/womens-conference-2025)

**10 a.m.**  
Junior League of Greenwich Inaugural Women's Conference. 35 Church Street, Greenwich. [jlgreenwich.org](http://jlgreenwich.org)

**12 p.m.**  
Colonial Crafts: Write with a Quill and Ink in the Time Travelers KidStudio. Greenwich Historical Society, 47 Strickland Rd. [greenwich-history.org/ghs-events](http://greenwich-history.org/ghs-events)

**12 p.m.**  
Green Guardians. Greenwich Audubon Center, 613 Riversville Rd. Register. [greenwich.audubon.org/events](http://greenwich.audubon.org/events)

**1 p.m.**  
Art Adventures: Birthday Party (Ages 4 & up). Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Free with admission. No reservations required. Also held Sunday, March 30. [brucemuseum.org](http://brucemuseum.org)

**1 p.m.**  
CSOPA Portrait Painting Demonstration. Greenwich Botanical Center, 130 Bible St. Open to the public, donations to GBC & CSOPA appreciated. Register. [greenwichbotanicalcenter.org](http://greenwichbotanicalcenter.org)

**5 - 7 p.m.**  
Spring Semi-Formal Dance For Families. YMCA of Greenwich, 50 East Putnam Ave. \$10, Members; \$15, Non-Members; \$50 for 5 Non-Members. [greenwichymca.org/events](http://greenwichymca.org/events)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 30**

**2 p.m.**  
Radcliffe Memorial Concert: The Greenwich Symphony's Trio Carousel. Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. Register. [perrotlibrary.org](http://perrotlibrary.org)

**SUNDAYS, THROUGH APRIL 13**

**8 - 11 a.m.**  
Safe Roads Sunday program at Tod's Point. Traffic will be restricted on the road leading to the Point to allow walkers, joggers and cyclists to enjoy a traffic-free loop that starts and ends at the entrance to the main parking lots. [friendsof-greenwichpoint.org](http://friendsof-greenwichpoint.org)

**SUNDAYS, THROUGH JUNE 9**

**1 p.m.**  
Guided Gallery Tour: Greenwich During the Revolutionary War: A Frontier Town on the Front Line. Greenwich Historical Society, 47 Strickland Rd. Free with museum admission. Through June 9. [greenwichhistory.org/events](http://greenwichhistory.org/events)

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**

**3:30 - 6:30 p.m.**  
Arch Street Homework Heroes - Free after school tutoring (6th-12th grade). Arch Street Teen Center, 100 Arch St. [info@archstreet.org](mailto:info@archstreet.org)

**TUESDAYS:**

**10 a.m.**  
Beginner Bridge with The Perfectly Polite Bridge Group. YMCA members, \$30; nonmembers, \$35. New players welcome. (Register by Monday, 6pm). 203-524- 8032. [greenwichymca.org](http://greenwichymca.org)

**5 - 7 p.m.**

Lighthouse, a Program of Kids In Crisis: LGBTQ Youth Group Meeting. On Zoom. Free. Open to all LGBTQ Youth & allies. 203-661-1911. [lighthouse@kidsincrisis.org](http://lighthouse@kidsincrisis.org)

**WEDNESDAYS:**

**11 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
"Tools for Aging Well" (2nd Wednesday of the Month). Round Hill Community Church, 395 Round Hill Rd. 203-869-1091. [roundhillcommunitychurch.org](http://roundhillcommunitychurch.org)

**11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**  
Relaxed Duplicate Bridge with The Perfectly Polite Bridge Group. YMCA of Greenwich, 50 East Putnam Ave. Members, \$10; nonmembers, \$12. New players welcome. (Register by Tue). 203-524-8032. [greenwichymca.org](http://greenwichymca.org)

**12 - 2 p.m.**  
Waste Free Greenwich's Food Scrap Recycle Program: Drop off scraps at Round Hill Community Church, 395 Round Hill Rd. [roundhillcommunitychurch.org/news/composting-at-rh-cc](http://roundhillcommunitychurch.org/news/composting-at-rh-cc)

**12:15 p.m.**  
Greenwich Rotary Club Weekly Lunch Meeting. Putnam Cottage, 243 East Putnam Ave. RSVP. 203-832-3654. [sheila.goggin@cbmoves.com](mailto:sheila.goggin@cbmoves.com)

**6 - 7:30 p.m.**  
Arch Street Teen Center High School Support Group for boys: Stress, Success, and Teenage Setbacks - moderated by Executive Director Kyle Silver. 100 Arch St. Register. [Kyle@archstreet.org](mailto:Kyle@archstreet.org)

**6:30 p.m.**  
NAMI-CAN (Child and Adolescent Network) Online Support Group - for parents and primary caregivers of children & adolescents, under age 21, with behavioral and emotional issues. Free. [namisouthwestct.org/online-support](http://namisouthwestct.org/online-support)

**2nd WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH:**

**11 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
Aging Well - an informal conversation about different aspects of aging well. Round Hill Community Church, 395 Round Hill Road. Free & open to all. 203-869-1091. [roundhillcommunitychurch.org](http://roundhillcommunitychurch.org)

**THURSDAYS:**

**8 a.m. & 4 p.m.**  
Tai Chi Basic Moves. First Congregational

Church of Greenwich, 108 Sound Beach Ave. Registration required. Tuition is paid as a donation made directly by the participant to abilis, Neighbor to Neighbor, or the First Congregational Church. experience-taichi.org

**3 - 7 p.m.**  
Arch Street After School Programming (All Ages) – every Thursday starting Feb. 22. Arch Street Teen Center, 100 Arch St. archstreet.org

**5 - 7 p.m.**

Kids In Crisis Lighthouse LGBTQ Youth Group Meeting - open to all LGBTQ youth in middle & high school. Wilton Historical Society, 224 Danbury Rd, Wilton. Free. 203-661-1911. lighthouse@kidsincrisis.org. kidsincrisis.org/get-help/lighthouse

**EVERY FRIDAY & SATURDAY:**

**8 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
Book Exchange – choose from a huge selection of books. Holly Hill Recycling Center. Free, or, donate books. (Open every Fri & Sat. books4everyone.org

**GREENWICH LIBRARIES: greenwichlibrary.org**

**Friday, March 21**

**9:30 a.m.**  
Senior Chinese Book Discussion Group. Online. ywang@greenwichlibrary.org.

**10 a.m.**  
Storytime. Cos Cob Library Turret. 203-622-6883.

**3 p.m.**

Innovator-in-Residence: Building the Ultimate Rube Goldberg Machine. Innovation Lab. 203-622-7979. innovationlab@greenwichlibrary.org.

**7 p.m.**

Friends Friday Films: “The Persian Version.” Berkley Theater. cgibbs@greenwichlibrary.org.

**Saturday, March 22**

**9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**  
AARP Tax Help. 2nd Floor Meeting Room. Appointments are NOT required. 203-622-7900.

**10:30 a.m.**  
Meditation for Families with Roberta Brown. Byram Shubert Library Community Room. 203-531-0426.

**11 a.m.**

Technology Help. Learning Lab. 203-625-6560. csherman@greenwichlibrary.org.

**2 p.m.**  
Palisades Opera presents “Carmen” by Georges Bizet. Byram Shubert Library Community Room. 203-531-0426.

**2 p.m.**  
PrintLab: 3D Printing Studio. Innovation Lab. 203-622-7979. innovationlab@greenwichlibrary.org.

**2 p.m.**

Ashforth Children’s Concert: The King, the Cat and the Fiddle. Berkley Theater. 203-622-7940. children@greenwichlibrary.org.

**Monday, March 24**

**9:30 a.m.**  
Little Learners (Registration Required). Children’s Constellation Room.

**10 a.m.**  
Storytime. Cos Cob Library Turret. 203-622-6883.

**11 a.m.**

All Together Storytime. Marx Family Black Box Theater.

**11:30 a.m.**

Blood Pressure Screening. Community Room #5.

**1 p.m.**

Fiction Addiction: Lunchtime Edition: Beautyland. 2nd Floor Meeting Room.

**3:15 p.m.**

Nutmeg Book Club with Ms. Flynn “Anybody Here Seen Frenchie?” by Leslie Connor. Byram Shubert Library Conference Room.

**4:30 p.m.**  
Book Wizards Book Club. Cos Cob Library Turret.

**7 p.m.**

Personal Finances for Everyone. Marx Family Black Box Theater.

**Tuesday, March 25**

**9 a.m.**

Community Sponsored Event: League of Women Voters: Challenges to American Foreign Policy. Marx Family Black Box Theater.

**11 a.m.**

Storytime with Patty (Birth - Pre-K). Byram Shubert Library Community Room.

**1:15 p.m.**

Baby Lapsit in the Stacks. Cos Cob Library Turret.

**4 p.m.**

Book Explorers Book Club. Cos Cob Library Turret.

**5 p.m.**

Meditation & Breathing with Gail (Zoom).

**Wednesday, March 26**

**9 a.m.**

Movers & Shakers (Registration Required). Children’s Constellation

Room.

**10 a.m.**  
Baby Lapsit in the Stacks. Cos Cob Library Turret.

**10 a.m. & 1 p.m.**  
Career Coach - Advanced Excel. Main Greenwich Library.

**11 a.m.**  
Early Walkers in the Stacks! Cos Cob Library Turret.

**1 p.m.**

LaserLab: Design & Create. Innovation Lab.

**4 p.m.**

Puppet Show with Mr. Rogers: “Peaceful Dragon.” Byram Shubert Library Community Room.

**4:30 p.m.**  
ARTscape: Faith Ringgold. Children’s Constellation Room.

**Thursday, March 27**

**10 a.m.**

Japanese Storytime. Marx Family Black Box Theater.

**11 a.m.**

Sensory Storytime (Registration Required). Children’s Constellation Room.

**11 a.m.**

Technology Help. Learning Lab.

**3:30 p.m.**

Kinder...Set...Go. Children’s Constellation Room.

**6 p.m.**

Historical Miniature War Game. Teen Commons.

**7 p.m.**

Drawing on Art History: Frida Kahlo. Byram Shubert Library Community Room.

**Friday, March 28**

**10 a.m.**  
Storytime. Cos Cob Library Turret. 203-622-6883.

**11:30 a.m.**  
Qi Gong. Online. 203-622-6883. lmatthews@greenwichlibrary.org.

**3 p.m.**

Innovator-in-Residence: Building the Ultimate Rube Goldberg Machine. Innovation Lab. 203-622-7979. innovationlab@greenwichlibrary.org.

**7 p.m.**

Friends Friday Films: “The Wild Robot.” Berkley Theater. cgibbs@greenwichlibrary.org.

**Saturday, March 29**

**9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**  
AARP Tax Help. 2nd Floor Meeting Room. Appointments are NOT required. 203-622-7900.

**10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Innovation Experience. - Imagine, Learn, and Create. 203-622-7979. innovationlab@greenwichlibrary.org.

**2 p.m.**

Lecture: “From Versailles to the Forbidden City” with Robert Henrey, Oxford University. Byram Shubert Library Community Room. 203-531-0426.

**Sunday, March 30**

**2 p.m.**  
Artist Talk - Biophilia. Flinn Gallery. 203-622-7947. flinngallery.com

**GREENWICH HOSPITAL: greenwichhospital.org/events**  
**888-305-9253**

**Monday, March 24**

**6 p.m.**

CPR Friends & Family (Infant/Child). 38 Volunteer Ln. \$65. For discount information call 888-305-9253.

**Tuesday, March 25**

**6 p.m.**  
Talk: Fall Prevention and Improving Balance. Greenwich Hospital. Free.

**Wednesday, March 26**

**1:30 p.m.**  
Parkinson’s Disease Support Group - for people with Parkinson’s, their families and caregivers. 260 Long Ridge Road, Stamford. Free.

**6 p.m.**

Talk: Spring Into Shape: Healthy Eating for Weight Loss. Greenwich Hospital. Free.

**Saturday, March 29**

**9:30 a.m.**  
AARP-Safe Driving Course. Greenwich Hospital. \$20.

**NEIGHBOR-TO-NEIGHBOR: ntn-greenwich.org**

**Everyday, all day**  
• 24/7 Food Drive Collection site at North Greenwich Congregational Church, 606 Riverside Road. The weatherproof bin is located outside of the Parish Hall.

• Greenwich Reform Synagogue, 92 Orchard St., Cos Cob.

**Tuesdays, 9 - 11 a.m.**  
Food Drive (drive-thru) at St. Catherine of Siena’s parking area across the street from the rectory entrance, 4 Riverside Ave. (Non-perishable foods, personal care products, large sized diapers (5 & 6) and pull-ups, and knit hats (hand knit or store bought).

**Thursdays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**  
Food Drive at St. Paul’s Episcopal

Church parking lot, 200 Riverside Ave.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Red-CrossBlood.org**

**Sunday, March 23**

**7 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Greenwich Blood Donation Center, 99 Indian Field Rd.

**Monday, March 24**

**11 a.m. - 7 p.m.**

Greenwich Blood Donation Center, 99 Indian Field Rd.

**Tuesday, March 25**

**11 a.m. - 7 p.m.**

Greenwich Blood Donation Center, 99 Indian Field Rd.

**Wednesday, March 26**

**11 a.m. - 4 p.m.**

UConn, One University Place, Stamford.

**Thursday, March 27**

**7 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Greenwich Blood Donation Center, 99 Indian Field Rd.

**Saturday, March 29**

**9 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

American Red Cross, 40 Saw Mill River Road - Upper Level 3, Hawthorne, NY.

**8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

New Canaan Community YMCA, 564 South Ave., New Canaan.

**Sunday, March 30**

**7 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Greenwich Blood Donation Center, 99 Indian Field Rd.

**TOWN MEETINGS: greenwichct.gov/calendar**

**Monday, March 21**

**12 p.m.**  
RTM Call Closes 12 Noon.

**Monday, March 24**

**9 a.m.**  
BET Investment Advisory Committee.

**1 p.m.**

Planning & Zoning Planning and Zoning Commission Briefing.

**5:30 p.m.**

Nathaniel Witherell Board of Directors Meeting.

**7 p.m.**

Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency Meeting. Zoom Webinar.

**Tuesday, March 25**

**4 p.m.**

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting.

**6 p.m.**

Shore Road Sidewalk Project- Public Info Meeting. Town Hall Meeting Room.

**7 p.m.**

First Selectman’s Youth Commission Board Meeting. Town Hall Meeting Room.

**7 p.m.**

NEW DATE: Fair Rent Commission Meeting. Mazza Room.

**Wednesday, March 26**

**6:30 p.m.**

Board of Parks and Recreation Meeting.

**7 p.m.**

BET Public Hearing - Schools.

**7 p.m.**

Planning & Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting.

**Thursday, March 27**

**10 a.m.**

Board of Selectmen Meeting In Person at Town Hall Meeting Room and Virtual via Zoom.

**7 p.m.**

BET Public Hearing - TOG Non-Schools.

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Friday, March 28**

**6:30 p.m.**

GEMS (Greenwich Emergency Medical Service) 4th Annual Back to the 80’s: To Save A Life Gala. Greenwich Country Day School. greenwichems.org/events/back-to-the-80s

**Saturday, March 29**

**8:30 a.m.**

Christ Church Greenwich 3rd Annual Women’s Conference. Christ Church Greenwich. christchurchgreenwich.org/womens-conference-2025

**Sunday, March 30**

**2 p.m.**  
Special Education Legal Fund (S.E.L.F) and SEEK CT’s (Special Education Equity for Kids of CT) Resource Fair. Stamford JCC. eventbrite.com/e/1096645178249

**Tuesday, April 1**

**6 p.m.**  
Greenwich Restaurant Week Opening Night Party. The J House Greenwich. eventbrite.com/e/1236547580099

**Friday, April 4**

**6 p.m.**  
Person to Person’s Spring Benefit “Rising Together.” Serafresca at the

Italian Center, Stamford. bit.ly/Rising-TogetherBenefit

**Sunday, April 6**

**1 p.m.**

The 3rd Annual Hope Day. Arch Street Teen Center. Free. All are welcome. greenwichtogether.org

**2 p.m.**

Greenwich Girl Scouts and LWV Greenwich: Women in Government Expo. Greenwich Town Hall. Free. lwvgreenwich.org

**Thursday, April 10**

**6 p.m.**

River House Adult Day Center’s Pickleball Palooza fundraiser. Pickleball America, Stamford. square.link/u/GdgQOG52

• Planned Parenthood of Southern New England’s Annual Spring Luncheon. Hyatt Regency Greenwich. plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-southern-new-england

**Thursday, April 24**

Neighbor to Neighbor 50th Anniversary. Hyatt Regency, Greenwich. nntngreenwich.org/50th-anniversary-save-the-date

**Friday, April 25**

**6:30 p.m.**

Greenwich Tree Conservancy’s Tree Party. McArdle’s Florist & Garden Center. greenwichtreeconservancy.org/2025-tree-party

**Saturday, April 26**

**9 a.m.**

The Center for Family Justice’s 13th Annual Walk A Mile in Her Shoes. Downtown Fairfield Train Station. centerforfamilyjustice.org

**6 p.m.**

Habitat for Humanity 40th Anniversary Gala. Hyatt Regency Greenwich. habitatcfc.org

**6 p.m.**

American Red Cross Greater New York Region’s Red & White Ball: A Salute to Service and Valor. Riverside Yacht Club. e.givesmart.com/events/DoN/page/order-form2

**Thursday, May 1**

**11 a.m.**

YWCA Greenwich’s Old Bags Luncheon 20th Anniversary. Belle Haven Club. ywcagreenwich.org/events/old-bags-luncheon-20th-anniversary

• Greenwich Arts Council’s “Art to the Avenue.” greenwichartscouncil.org

**Sunday, May 4**

**8:15 a.m.**

Breast Cancer Alliance 5K Run/Walk. Richards of Greenwich. breastcancer-alliance.org

**Wednesday, May 7**

**6 p.m.**

Food Rescue US: “Celebrate Food Rescue US.” The Loading Dock, Stamford. foodrescueus25.givesmart.com

**Friday, May 9**

**6 p.m.**

YMCA of Greenwich’s An Evening in Las Vegas Annual Gala. Greenwich Country Club. greenwichymca.org/events

**Friday, May 16**

**7:30 a.m.**

BIC’s 12th Annual Spring Benefit Breakfast. Hyatt Regency Greenwich. secure.ggiv.com/for/b1cbenefitbreakfast2025/event/12thannualspringbenefitbreakfast

**Saturday, May 17**

**7 p.m.**

Spring for Abilis Gala. Greenwich Country Club. e.givesmart.com/events/GGE

**Saturday, May 24**

**10 a.m.**

Greenwich Town Party. Roger Sherman Baldwin Park. greenwichtown-party.org

**Monday, May 26**

**10 a.m.**

The annual Old Greenwich Memorial Day Parade. Sound Beach Avenue.

**Thursday, May 29**

**9 a.m.**

Children’s Learning Centers of Fairfield County (CLC) 9th Annual Golf Outing. The Stanwich Club, Greenwich. bit.ly/CLC2025GolfOuting

**Saturday, May 31**

**9 a.m.**

Greenwich Concours d’Sport. Roger Sherman Baldwin Park. greenwich-concours.com

**Sunday, June 1**

**10 a.m.**

Greenwich Concours d’Elegance. Roger Sherman Baldwin Park. greenwichconcours.com



## Score Big by Volunteering at Nathaniel Witherell

Hey, high school students (and parents)! Looking for a way to give back, have fun, and maybe even boost that college resume? We've got the perfect opportunity for you!

The Friends of Nathaniel Witherell are calling all compassionate, energetic, and community-minded students to step up and make a difference in the lives of seniors at The Nathaniel Witherell nursing home. Whether you're into arts, music, conversation, or just love making someone's day brighter, this is your chance to shine outside the classroom!

### Why Volunteer?

Sure, community service hours look great on a resume, but this is so much more than that! When you volunteer with the Friends of Nathaniel Witherell, you help bring joy, dignity, and connection to residents who love meeting new people. From hosting events to sharing stories, your time makes a world of difference. Plus, you'll gain valuable life skills, make new friends, and feel the amazing rewards of giving back.

### Game-Winning Example: Greenwich High Girls Basketball Team

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Volunteers from Greenwich High School Girls Basketball Team with great

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### How You Can Get Involved

Jump in and be part of something special! You can volunteer in tons of different ways:

Event Hosting - Help throw fun parties and celebrations (bingo, anyone?).

Art & Music - Share your creative skills or perform for residents.

One-on-One Visits - Brighten someone's day

conversation.

Interested? Signing up is easy! Just visit the Friends of Nathaniel Witherell website to learn more and get started.

### The Perks of Volunteering

Feel-Good Vibes - Few things are more rewarding than seeing the joy you bring to others.

Meet Amazing People - Build friendships across generations.

Develop Life Skills - Improve communication,

patience, and teamwork.

College Application Boost - Stand out with meaningful volunteer experience.

Volunteer Hours - Opportunity to meet required school volunteer hours.

### Join the Movement!

Every act of kindness counts, and YOU have the power to make a difference. Whether you're looking for a meaningful way to spend a few hours or want to commit to ongoing service, volunteering with the Friends of Nathaniel Witherell is a game-changer (literally!).

So, are you ready to score big in your community? Grab your teammates, friends, or family and sign up today! Let's make life brighter - one smile, one story, and one high-five at a time.

Volunteers are always welcome at Friends of Nathaniel Witherell. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mary Tate, Director of Resident and Volunteer Services, at [mary.tate@witherell.org](mailto:mary.tate@witherell.org) or 203-618-4228.

For further information about Friends of Nathaniel Witherell and supporting these vital experiences we provide to those at The Nathaniel Witherell, call Lisa Harding, Director of Development, Advancement & Fundraising at 203-618-4227 or [lisa.harding@friendsofnw.org](mailto:lisa.harding@friendsofnw.org). Please also visit our website at <https://friendsofnathanielwitherell.org/>.

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### ACROSS

- 1 Of utmost importance
- 6 Endangered African herbivore
- 11 YouTube's \_\_\_ vs. BRO
- 14 "The unexamined life is not worth living," e.g.
- 15 Auntie \_\_\_ pretzels
- 16 Knee part's acronym
- 17 Tennis parody on "SNL"?
- 19 Favorable vote
- 20 Apt rhyme for "cache"
- 21 "That's scary!"
- 22 \_\_\_ guards (soccer gear)
- 23 Celebrating after scoring a touch-down?
- 26 Aerial circus act
- 30 The way, to Lao-tzu
- 31 Caramelly candy
- 32 Tel \_\_\_
- 35 Lawn game in Milan
- 39 Epps of "House"
- 40 Papas' partners in rock
- 42 Seized
- 43 Future perfect, for example
- 45 Crushing defeat
- 46 Otherwise
- 47 Popular red wine, for short
- 49 Animals in mazes

- 51 Italian rice dish whose texture is wrong?
- 56 Put-in-Bay's Great Lake
- 57 Mountain pass
- 58 Volt and watt
- 62 "Notorious" SCOTUS legend
- 63 Certain parent, educationally speaking?
- 66 One might hold your beer
- 67 Battery terminal
- 68 Eellike predator
- 69 Tap-\_\_\_ (easy putts)
- 70 Rib
- 71 Accustom

- 18 Captain Marvel's transformation word
- 22 Razor product that's kid-friendly
- 24 Burton of "Reading Rainbow"
- 25 Capture
- 26 Gait slower than a gallop
- 27 Cicero's commonwealth
- 28 "Schmigadoon!" actor
- 29 Boxster automaker
- 33 Texter's prelude to a take
- 34 One may be loaded with cash
- 36 Mixer in a Cuba libre
- 37 Purchase price
- 38 Barely gets (by)

- 41 Michelangelo's "David," e.g.
- 44 Cochlea's site
- 48 Major event, with "the"
- 50 Powder cleanser brand
- 51 Word of gratitude in Grenoble
- 52 Like a megacity
- 53 Endorses, as a contract
- 54 Polynesian island nation
- 55 Subjective columns in the paper
- 59 Camera, for Instagram take
- 60 No \_\_\_ Traffic
- 61 Brown quickly
- 63 Fedora, for instance
- 64 Top that may feature a graphic
- 65 Whiskey grain, perhaps

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## Escape Room by Leonard Williams

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## Family Time Crossword

### The (K) Clues Are for Kids

Created by Timothy E. Parker

### ACROSS

- 1. (K) Addition symbol
- 5. Highway sign abbr.
- 8. (K) 6.273 million square inches
- 12. Italian money, once
- 13. (K) Stick-y three?
- 14. Butter from a yak
- 15. (K) Yemen neighbor
- 16. (K) Bird's bill
- 17. Little brook
- 18. (K) On purpose
- 21. (K) Ancient or antiquated
- 22. Reputation, informally
- 23. "Ladies and gentlemen" could start one
- 26. (K) Exclamation made when making a great discovery

- 27. (K) Tear
- 30. (K) Amazing gift for a football fan (2 words)
- 33. (K) Crab cooker
- 34. (K) Household VIP
- 35. Like some Indians
- 36. "In that case"
- 38. (K) "Hold on for just a \_\_\_!"
- 39. (K) Helpful things for people in the back row
- 44. "About the author" blurbs
- 45. (K) Road rescue
- 46. Lionel train track shape
- 47. (K) Smell like sweaty sneakers
- 48. (K) Number for a single person?
- 49. (K) Forest danger

- 50. (K) Chances
- 51. (K) Pay-\_\_\_-view
- 52. Made a desperate escape

- 23. Enabler of WWW access
- 24. Prefix meaning "recent" or "new"
- 25. Sporting body art
- 26. (K) Money dispenser
- 28. (K) "\_\_\_ be my honor!"
- 29. Tire abbr.
- 31. (K) Ceaseless
- 32. Begin a contest featuring the Ravens
- 37. (K) Corn covers
- 38. Rat residence
- 39. (K) Wasn't truthful
- 40. Corny Southern side dish
- 41. (K) With a bad heart?
- 42. (K) Not in abundance
- 43. (K) Winter vehicle
- 44. (K) Male sib

Can you find the answer to this riddle within the solved puzzle?

PICKED-OUT ROCK?

Look for the answer in next week's paper.

### PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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Previous riddle answer:

What many people hamper?  
1-A) Wash

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## 7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

### CLUES

- 1 fixing a hole (8)
- 2 meandering medieval musician (8)
- 3 honks (5)
- 4 burdened (10)
- 5 telemarketer's gear (7)
- 6 creating confusion (11)
- 7 most profound (7)

### SOLUTIONS

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
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- \_\_\_\_\_
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OVE	PE	CH	SCA	ADED

Previous Answers: 1. BONES 2. BETRAY 3. AMMAN  
4. GOOGLE 5. BAUBLE 6. DIAPER 7. EMERGENCY

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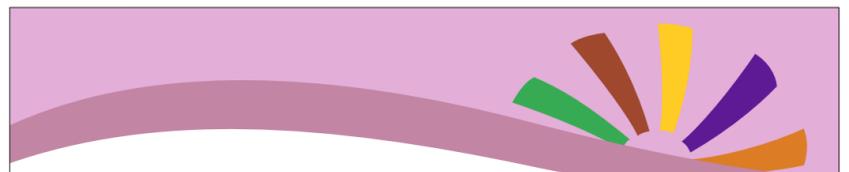
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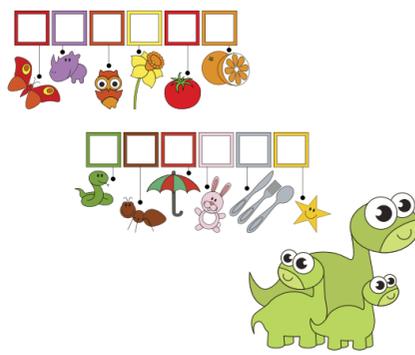
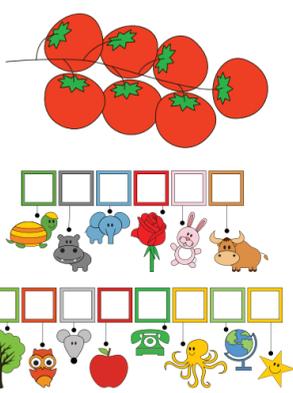
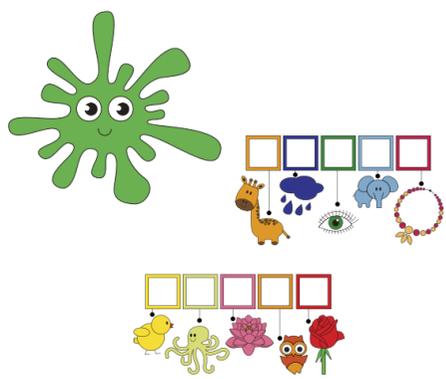
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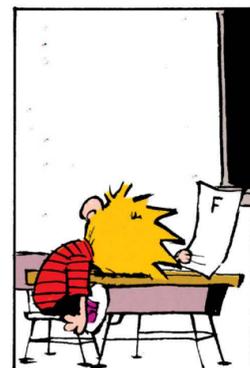
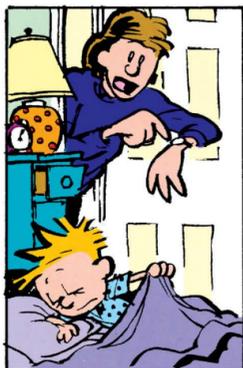
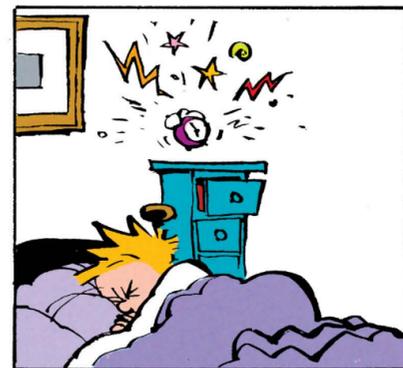


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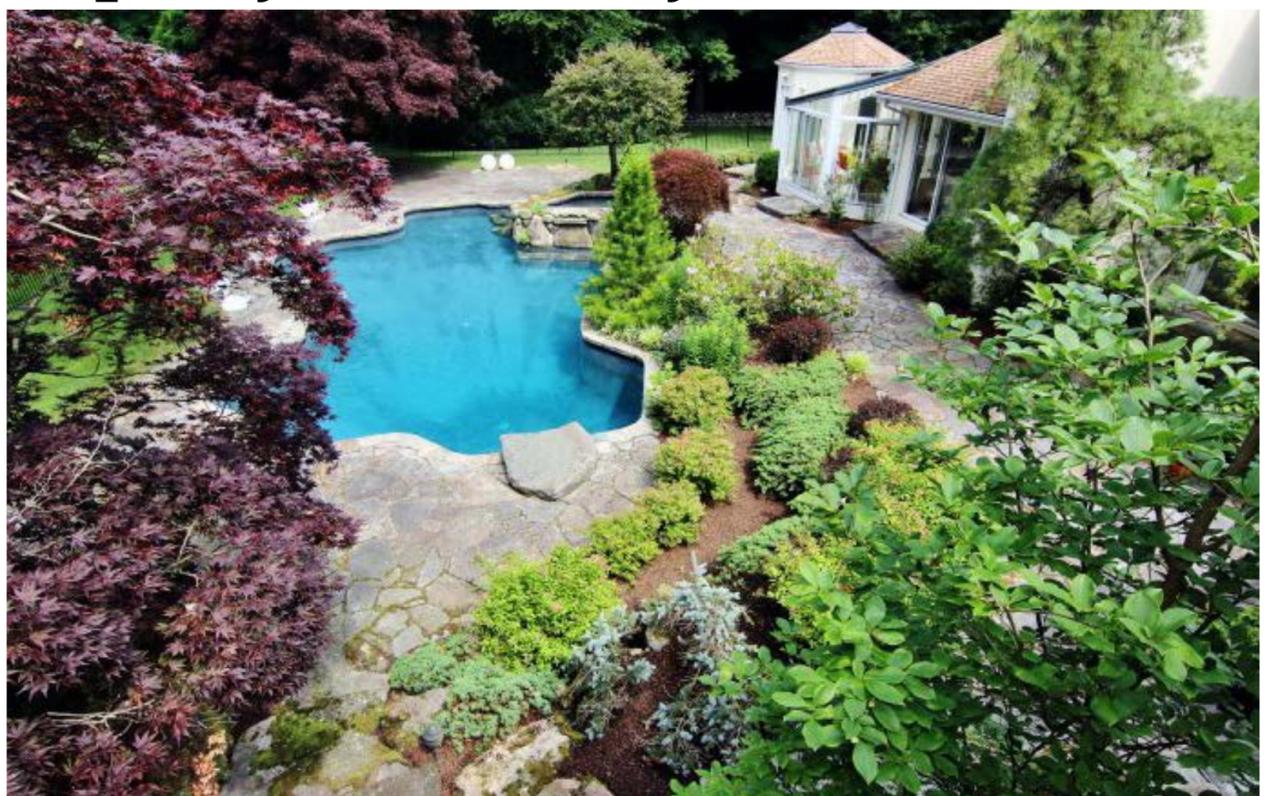
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