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### Local News

**POLICE & FIRE** 

**Greenwich Promotes Safe Medication Disposal** 



On October 25, 2025, from 10am to 1pm, residents can drop off unused or expired medications at the **Greenwich Public Safety** Complex, 11 Bruce Place.

The event is part of National Drug Take Back Day, allowing safe, anonymous disposal.

Its purpose is to prevent misuse and reduce environmental contamination.

**Greenwich Launches** School/Traffic Safety **Program** 

The Town of Greenwich and The Greenwich Police Department are launching a new school zone safety program that uses speed cameras to reduce speeding near schools. A 30-day warning period began on October 20, and will be followed by citation enforcement starting November 19. The program's goal is to improve driver behavior and enhance student safety in school zones.

**Young Student Thanks** Greenwich Police



Baird Kuan and his grandmother visited Greenwich Police **Headquarters** to deliver a handmade thank-you card after his school unit on community helpers. Officers showed him a patrol car and explained their work. The visit highlighted local outreach between the department and young residents. Photo credit: Cos Cob Fire **Police Patrol** 

**Greenwich Agencies Conduct Drone Training** 

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#### **GREEN THOUGHTS**

### **ANNE W. SEMMES**

"Most men, it seems to me, do not care for nature and would

sell their share in all her beauty for a given sum. Thank God men have not yet learned to fly so they can lay waste the sky as well as the earth."

From Henry David Thoreau's essay on "Huckleberries."

### YWCA Greenwich Celebrates Leadership



The Fall Party Co-Chairs Dawn Israel, Megan A. Sullivan, and Angela Chambers are leading YWCA Greenwich's 3rd Annual Fall Party, an evening dedicated to community, celebration, and support for local youth. The gala will take place on Saturday, November 1, 2025, at the Belle Haven Club, where guests will enjoy cocktails, a seated dinner, and live music by MOJO under a festive autumn theme. This year's event will introduce a new tradition with the presentation of the inaugural Youth Champion Award to Dolphins Swim Team Head Coach Nick Cavataro, recognizing his 48 years of service and mentorship in Greenwich. "Coach Nick is a YWCA Greenwich icon, and we are proud to present him with this esteemed award," said event co-chairs Israel, Sullivan, and Chambers. "His unwavering dedication to the Dolphins Swim Team has impacted countless lives, creating an enduring legacy of inspiration, leadership, and community within Greenwich." Proceeds from The Fall Party directly benefit YWCA Greenwich's financial aid and youth programs, ensuring that children across the community have access to quality educational, athletic, and leadership opportunities. Tickets, tables, sponsorships, and program ads are available now. For more information or to contribute to the YWCA's youth initiatives, visit www.ywcagrn.org/fallparty2025

## You Can't Unchop a Tree

By Cheryl Dunson

I subscribe to a site called Wordsmith.org and each day I receive a new word. I thoroughly enjoy receiving a word each day and learning of its etymology and usage. A recent word was one that I knew too well: arboricide. According to the site, the earliest documented use was in 1899 and it is derived from Latin: arbor- for tree and -cide for killing, ie, killing

Sometimes the killing of a tree is intentional and other times it is not. In all cases, you cannot "unchop" a tree. Even dead trees - as long as they don't pose a hazard to property and people - can be beneficial, for example, as a nesting or food source for wildlife as well as source of artistic appreciation. Has anyone seen



Image provided by GTC. **VOLCANO MULCHING** 

deprives your tree of oxygen and makes it vulnerable to pathogens, which may cause the tree to die. Use proper mulching techniques to keep mulch 2"-3" from the tree trunk. More than 3" of mulch prevents water from reaching the soil.

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the beautiful carved eagle at St. which is not done properly. For Mary's/Putnam cemetery created from a dead tree trunk?

about their trees?

· The location of trees to each other is very important because trees protect each other. Extensive clearing of trees weakens and can kill more than just the trees that are removed. Trees also can be weakened by landscape work

example trees can suffer when weed-whacking devices damage So what are some things the trunks of trees or when mulch homeowners can keep in mind is improperly applied creating mulch "volcanoes."

 $\cdot$  Diversity helps to protect your trees. Plant a variety of trees rather than planting many of the same kind. According to the CT Protective Tree Association

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#### October is NDEAM — **National Disability Employment Awareness Month** — and Inclusion **Means Jobs**

"We pair individual skills with real jobs. Inclusive hiring is good business. For employees with a disability, a job is more than a paycheck



By Jenifer Howard

- it is independence, confidence and belonging." -- Kristy Hickman, director of Competitive **Employment Services at** Abilis.

On a weekday morning on Greenwich Avenue, Amie Slade greets regulars at Gregorys Coffee, ringing up orders and restocking displays. Across town, Dylan Shepard preps ingredients in the kitchen at Greenwich Country Club, while teammate Charlie Frasier ensures event spaces shine. At Stop & Shop, Rashadd Hill keeps carts moving and bottle returns tidy, greeting customers as he goes. And at Greenwich Dental Group, Nicole Cohade helps run the sterilization department — a job she has held for more than 20 years.

These are adults with disabilities who help make Greenwich a model for inclusive employment. With October being National Disability Employment

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### **INSIDE**



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### Home Is Where Her Heart Is: Lise **Jameson Retires After 19 Years**

independence in their homes.

A licensed social worker,

After nineteen years of Jameson has supported extraordinary in her efforts to dedicated leadership, Lise hundreds of members through LaPointe Jameson, LCSW, personalized guidance, will step down as Executive connecting them with Director of At Home in trusted service providers, Greenwich, Inc. on October and organizing social and 24, 2025. Jameson joined educational programs. Under the nonprofit in 2006, after her stewardship, At Home founder Marylin Chou expanded its membership, convened a committee to help hosted community events, and older Greenwich residents built a network of volunteers "age in place" and maintain who conduct weekly check-in calls for members.

"Lise Jameson has been athomeingreenwich.org

improve the lives of Greenwich older adults for nineteen years," said Beth Krumeich, president of the At Home Board. "She will be sorely missed."

A farewell celebration will be held Tuesday, October 28, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Fletcher Hall at the Second Congregational Church. RSVP to stefanie@

### Bluegrass Meets the **Divine at Round Hill**

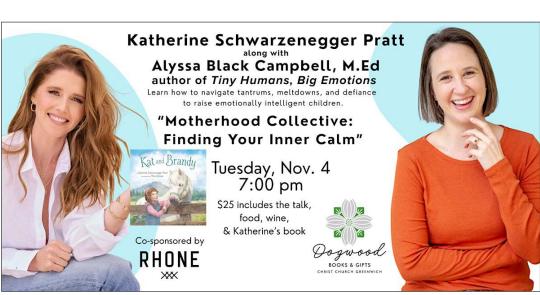
Church will present a joyful in a celebration of life and worship service celebrating music, poetry, and prayer on Sunday, November 2, at 10 a.m., featuring "The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass" by composer Carol Barnett. The Round Hill Choir will be joined by five acclaimed bluegrass musicians and members of the Metropolitan Opera Chorus for a morning that blends sacred choral tradition with the soulful sound of American bluegrass.

This unique service invites the community to experience morning of worship and song. a vibrant musical journey

Round Hill Community storytelling, and harmony connection. The program highlights the church's commitment to bringing diverse musical expressions into worship while fostering joy and unity among congregants and visitors alike.

> Round Hill Community Church is located at 395 Round Hill Road, Greenwich, and nursery care will be available during the service. All are welcome to attend this inspiring

For more information, visit that weaves together faith, roundhillcommunitychurch.org



Children Focus of Author Talks at Christ Church on Tuesday, Nov. 4



#### SEAMLESS BANKING, EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE



# Cathie Wood Says Your House Is Going to the Moon If she's even half right, \$40 trillion in new wealth could rewrite the rules of real estate, where productivity rises but not all homes rise equally.



By John Engel

Cathie Wood says your house is going to the moon.

Not literally, but bear with me as I connect a few dots.

We're all trying to make sense of this economy. How can we reconcile a record-high stock market, soaring home equity, and strong consumer spending with our constant anxiety that it's all about to pop? Self-driving cars and gene editing are thrilling, but sometimes it feels like innovation is just a shiny distraction from the rising price of eggs and coffee.

What does the future really look like – and how can we use that insight to make smarter housing decisions?

Cathie Wood, the chief investment officer of ARK Invest, has built her reputation (and her critics) by betting big on "disruptive innovation." Her flagship ETF was the top performer in 2020 – and the most punished in 2021. But what makes her interesting isn't the scoreboard. It's her data-driven conviction that a convergence of technologies -AI, robotics, genomics, energy storage, and blockchain – will multiply productivity across every sector of the economy.

She may be early or wrong on a few stocks, but if she's even halfright about the *compound* innovation and air conditioning, and you've got effect, then trillions in new wealth are about to be created. And that raises the question I care about most: How will that wealth and century was driven by the computer **innovation reshape real estate** age – from the integrated circuit to here in Fairfield County over the the PC, cell phone, and internet next decade?

After all, that's why people buy last. real estate: long-term potential.

He calls his \$31,500 Omaha home reshape every industry, including real 9. Multiomic Technology "the third-best investment I ever estate. made – but the intangible return has been priceless." For Buffett, a home's value isn't measured in dollars but in stability, memory, and meaning.

Americans seem to agree. We favor 30-year mortgages and now stay in our homes about 12 years on average – nearly 50% longer than a decade ago. Ironically, we change jobs more often than ever, proof not months. Fewer workers, less that we're a mobile society craving permanence somewhere.

Real estate, after all, was the original fire-and-forget investment – the one our grandparents held for decades, not something suited to day-trading or momentum plays. So, what can a woman who spends her life modeling the future of innovation 3. Adaptive Robots teach us about a market built on patience and permanence?

Cathie Wood spoke recently on the "All-In" podcast, presenting a chart that tracks 250 years of innovation, from the steam engine to AI. Each wave of technology, she explained, added between three and eight percentage points to global economic growth. The real takeaway, though, isn't any single invention; it's what happens when they *converge*.

When multiple technologies combine, their impact compounds. The internal combustion engine, electricity, and the telephone working together – powered America's explosive growth from 1890 to 1920. Add radio, refrigeration, the infrastructure that fueled the Florida real estate boom of the 1920s.

The second half of the 20th each layering productivity upon the

Wood argues we're entering a Warren Buffett bought his home in similar phase now, but on a much 1958 and still lives there. He famously larger scale: fourteen technologies, says you should buy a house because all accelerating simultaneously. The you want to live in it, not because question isn't which one will change someone tells you it will appreciate. everything, but how their overlap will Wi-Fi.

fourteen technologies moving up living: clean air, balanced light, and their S-curves right now – each powerful alone, but world-changing 10. Precision Therapies in combination. Here's what that could mean for real estate:

#### 1. 3D Printing

Homes printed on-site in days, waste, and construction that finally catches up to demand.

#### 2. Reusable Rockets

Lower launch costs mean satellite internet everywhere. Remote towns and islands suddenly become connected, livable, and valuable.

Machines that learn on the job will reshape construction. They'll pour foundations, hang drywall, even maintain properties, cutting costs and risk.

#### 4. Advanced Batteries

Energy independence mainstream. Homes that store their own power won't just be sustainable - they'll be status symbols.

#### 5. Autonomous Mobility

60-minute commute becomes productive time. Suburbs stretch outward as self-driving cars erase the distance penalty.

#### 6. Cloud Computing

Homes become data hubs, with systems that monitor maintenance, schedule repairs, and update value in real time.

#### 7. Artificial Intelligence

AI already matches buyers to homes better than agents ever could. The best Realtors will act more like wealth advisors than salespeople.

#### 8. Intelligent Devices

Every system reports in: HVAC, lighting, water, insurance. A home without smart infrastructure will soon feel as outdated as one without from printing more money.

Health data meets home data. Cathie Wood's team tracks Buyers will demand "bio-certified" materials proven to boost wellness.

Healthcare moves home. Medical suites, air purification, and recovery pods make rural estates newly

#### 11. Programmable Biology

Landscaping evolves ornamental to functional: living systems that clean air, repel mosquitoes, and feed pollinators.

#### 12. Digital Wallets

Earnest money transfers in seconds, not days. Global buyers purchase properties instantly, without a bank in sight.

#### 13. Smart Contracts

Closings on the blockchain: 24-hour title transfers, fractional ownership, and automated rule enforcement.

#### 14. Cryptocurrencies

Global wealth flows faster than ever. Bitcoin-standard communities and tokenized real estate exchanges turn homes into liquid assets.

If she's right, Bitcoin hits \$1.5 million by 2030, Tesla hits \$2,000, and the S&P 500 triples as AI drives an additional \$40 trillion in market value — with little or no inflation.

The productivity gains from converging technologies act like a massive supply shock, boosting output per worker and driving down unit costs - more goods, more services, and yes, more housing at lower effective prices. Imagine if we could build homes faster and cheaper; the housing shortage that drives prices higher every year would start to ease. In other words, even as the economy grows by tens of trillions, prices don't have to rise, producing things — including homes

wealth story. What happens to real estate when the economy adds \$40 trillion in capital and productivity explodes? Your beach house, your starter condo, your family compound all of it re-prices in a world awash with new money and new ways to

But not all real estate will rise at the same rate. In a world flooded with new wealth and falling construction costs, the middle of the market may normalize while the extraordinary becomes priceless.

Your New Canaan home – if it's well located, well designed, and unique - is not a commodity. When everything else gets easier to build, it's the irreplaceable that holds value: the ocean view, the Manhattan skyline, the antique with a story. Productivity might lower costs, but it also amplifies the premium on location, location.

That's the bridge between Buffett and Cathie Wood.

Buffett built his fortune by betting on permanence. Wood builds hers by betting on acceleration. Real estate sits exactly between the two: a tangible asset in an age of abstraction, a stable store of value in a world about to speed up again.

So, is your house going to the

Maybe not literally. But if Cathie Wood is even half-right, it's going to be part of a far bigger orbit than you imagined.

You Cathie can watch Wood's talk from the *All-In* at www.youtube.com/ watch?v=majPvUyxP6I

John Engel is a broker on The Engel Team at Douglas Elliman, and he attended his 40th New Canaan High School reunion last weekend. While some classmates flew in on private jets, what everyone really wanted to talk about was what endures: because that growth comes from relationships, purpose, and where they call home. It reminded him that even in - cheaper, faster, and better, and not a world moving at Cathie Wood speed, the most important investments we That's not just a stock story; it's a make are still the ones that ground us.



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# JOYFULNOISE



## with Rob Mathes Sunday, Oct. 26, 5 pm

This casual, uplifting Eucharist worship service series called "Joyful Noise." The liturgy is led by our clergy and the music is contemporary, led by famed Christian musician and producer, Rob Mathes, once a month or Soloist/Violinist, Anna Jacobson, on alternate dates. **All are welcome!** 

Anna Tacobson

Sunday November 23

5:00 pm in the Chapel

Lob Mathes

Sundays
October 26
November 9
5:00 pm
Main Sanctuary

christchurchgreenwich.org

#### Arboricide From Page 1

(https://ctpa.org/invasive-insectsand-diseases/) the increasing list of invasive insects "is a list of many of the most serious biological threats to our trees and forests." Invasive insects such the emerald ash borer and spotted lantern fly have ravaged not just Greenwich but communities across the country. Just like financial portfolios our tree plantings need to be diverse.

·Plan for any construction impacts by talking to your architect, landscape designer and/or contractor to identify which trees you want to save and create a plan to protect them. A layperson's rule of thumb is that the "critical root zone" extends at least as far as the canopy drip line - the breadth of the canopy you see generally reflects the breadth of the roots below. An effective plan should include strategies to avoid impacts such as compaction (eg, avoid stacking equipment and heavy materials underneath trees), damage from machinery (avoid repeatedly driving over the roots of trees), cutting roots when installing utility pipes. One highly visible protection method is to install sturdy protective fences as far out from the trunks of trees as possible to protect the root article, research is also showing that trees that are part of the school campus can enhance University of Washington School "Proximity to trees is associated with a ridiculously broad range of health benefits. I wish we

· The benefits of healthy trees are myriad. Most have heard of the environmental benefits of trees such as the filtering of air, water, and noise pollution and supporting diverse wildlife. Trees also provide financial benefits such as reducing flooding impacts by absorbing rain through their leaf systems and roots, providing shade which can significantly reduce utility bills, and increasing property values by as much as 20%. Add to this, the growing body of research on the benefits of trees and green spaces in our everyday lives to our physical and mental well-being such as reducing stress, boosting the immune system, accelerating recovery from injury or illness, lowering the risk of heart disease and diabetes, reducing aggression, and improving longevity. And as GTC Executive Director Kate Dzikiewicz spotlighted in her recent Sentinel children's ability to manage stress, concentrate, and stay had pills that were this good for understand that needs immersion motivated. In a 2021 WBUR Radio health." (https://hsph.harvard. in nature." We are fortunate to Boston interview, Dr. Howard edu/news/the-health-benefits-oflive in a town with an extensive Frumkin, Professor Emeritus, leafy canopy on public and trees/) Richard Louv, who wrote private lands. As homeowners, of Public Health observed Last Child in the Woods, noted we should not take our trees for

Image provided by GTC. Roots are one of the most vital parts of a tree. They are responsible for nutrient and water uptake, storing energy, and anchoring the tree. 90-95% of a tree's root system is in the top three feet of soil, and more than half is in the top one foot. It is critical that tree roots that lie in the path of construction are protected.

"Biologically, we are all still hunters and gatherers, and there is something in us we do not fully

granted and periodically should give them some attention. We can speak to landscape or tree professionals about care for our tree. newly installed trees as well as those that are well established. Trees like people are susceptible to age, disease, maltreatment, and extreme weather, and a little TLC can go a long way to preserving a tree and the benefits it provides. Remember you can't unchop a

Cheryl Dunson: Advisory Board Co-Chair, Greenwich Tree Conservancy. To find out more about the Greenwich Tree Conservancy, visit us at: www. greenwichtreeconservancy.org.



A Bluegrass Mass

Music Sunday at Round Hill Community Church Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:00 am

A joyful worship service filled with music, poetry, and prayer featuring Carol Barnett's The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass. Our Choir will be joined by five incredible bluegrass musicians and members of the Metropolitan Opera Chorus for a morning of harmony,





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#### **NDEAM** From Page 1

Awareness Month (NDEAM), it's the perfect time to highlight the incredible work of Abilis, the Greenwich-based nonprofit providing services and supports for more than 800 individuals with disabilities and their families throughout Fairfield County.

Abilis' Competitive Employment program helps create more inclusive workplaces and meaningful jobs that improve quality of life for everyone involved. Employment transforms lives - not just for individuals with disabilities, but also for their coworkers, managers, and the community at large. The impact is visible every day across Greenwich, where inclusive hiring has become part of the town's fabric.

First recognized in 1945, NDEAM has grown into a nationwide effort to promote inclusion. In recent years, statewide and local leaders including Governor Ned Lamont, Senator Richard Blumenthal, and Greenwich First Selectman Fred Camillo have issued proclamations recognizing Abilis' leadership in inclusive employment.

Abilis provides job training, internships, placement, and onthe-job coaching that connect its community members with roles at more than 100 local businesses – from cafés and retail counters to hospitals, clubs, and offices.

Abilis operates several of its own training sites, including The Café at Greenwich Library, Abilis Gardens & Gifts, The Abilis Café at its headquarters, and the Island Beach Concession during summer. In Stamford and Darien, Abilis runs Cafés at the Stamford Superior Courthouse, Darien Library, and Darien YMCA. It's also a founding partner of Coffee for Good, where Abilis provides trainees, job coaching and employment placement.

Abilis also partners with Greenwich Hospital, Stamford Hospital, and the Darien YMCA on three Project SEARCH internship programs. These ninemonth internship programs allow participants to rotate through different jobs to gain real-world experience and confidence.

"Our approach is straightforward," said Kristy Hickman, director of Competitive Employment Services at Abilis. "We pair individual skills with real jobs. Inclusive hiring is good business. For employees with a disability, a job is more than a paycheck — it is independence, confidence and

that are best suited for your business.

renovations, yard clean-ups, or large events.

belonging."

Feinsod Hardware in Old Greenwich has been hiring Abilis community members for more than a decade. Other Abilis community members are employed at The Bruce Museum, Home Depot, Stop & Shop, Gregorys Coffee, local dentist offices and restaurants, and the new Wegmans Food Market in Norwalk. "Having individuals with disabilities in meaningful jobs is a win-win for both the employee and the employer," Hickman added.

At Greenwich Country Club, General Manager Keith Armstrong has championed inclusive hiring since 2022, employing five Abilis community members. Dylan Shepard, a Project SEARCH Greenwich Hospital graduate, works as a food-prep cook; Brayden Hone, also a Greenwich Hospital Project SEARCH graduate, assists with dining setups and events; and Charlie Frasier, a Project SEARCH Darien YMCA graduate, maintains the club's facilities and was recently named Employee of the Quarter.

At Stop & Shop, Rashadd Hill works 25-30 hours a week and is known for his upbeat attitude, Rashadd was named Abilis Employee of the Year for 2025. Stop & Shop's partnership with Abilis extends beyond Greenwich, employing individuals in Port Chester and Norwalk.

At Gregorys Coffee, inclusion is part of the company's ethos. Gregorys employs Abilis community members in both their Greenwich and Darien locations.

At Greenwich Dental Group, Dr. David Zadik employs two Abilis community members: Nicole Cohade, who runs the sterilization department, and Alexandra Frumin, who manages hygiene packs for patients.

Thanks to Abilis and its community partners, inclusive employment opportunities are available right here in Greenwich one cup of coffee, one meal, and one shift at a time.

Businesses interested in expanding inclusive hiring should reach out at abilis.us or hickman@ abilis.us.future members may not know you, your spirit, your example, and your commitment to others still live on at that piece of land on Horseneck Lane – a place that will always be "The Club."

Jenifer Howard is a Greenwich resident and public relations professional, who works with tech, consumer product companies, sports, music and nonprofits through her agency J. Howard Public Relations (JHPR).



Amie Slade, an Abilis community member, has been employed at Gregorys Coffee on Greenwich Avenue since the coffee shop opened.



Rashadd Hill works at Stop & Shop in Greenwich and was named Abilis Employee of the Year for 2025.



Abilis community member Charlie Frasier works at Greenwich Country Club helping to maintain the club's facilities. He was recently named Employee of the Quarter.



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### **Quiet Power**

In the early years of this republic, the right to vote was not a birthright but a narrow privilege. It was held by a select few-mostly landowning menwho stood at the center of civic life while others waited outside the circle. America was founded on the idea that liberty was a universal gift, yet its practice came slowly. Over the centuries, ordinary citizens—abolitionists, suffragists, civil rights leaders—pushed against the boundaries of that early exclusivity. They believed that the promise of the Constitution must belong to everyone.

The Constitution itself said little about who could vote. It left the matter to the states, and for decades that meant the electorate remained small, guarded, and exclusive. But the American instinct toward fairness, that restless sense of justice, would not stay quiet. The 15th Amendment gave the franchise to men of every race; the 19th gave it to women. Later, the Voting Rights Act helped dismantle poll taxes and literacy tests-devices that had kept too many citizens from the ballot box. These victories remind us that the right to vote was not handed down like an heirloom; it was claimed and secured through generations of struggle and sacrifice.

We still need to guard it. History tells us that freedom, when left unattended, can fade. Complacency is a kind of quiet erosion—it eats away at the base of things until the structure shakes. The surest protection of democracy is participation in it.

Think about this: in 2000, the presidency turned on 537 votes in Florida. A handful of people barely enough to fill a Greenwich theater—altered the course of the nation. The lesson is simple and permanent: small numbers matter. Local elections matter. The people who serve on boards of education and finance, who decide how our towns are run, affect our daily lives more than distant figures in Washington ever could.

In Greenwich, we are fortunate. We have a tradition of civic engagement that is rare and admirable. In 2023, nearly 63 percent of residents came out to vote in the municipal election—a remarkable figure for a local contest. It speaks to something steady in this community: a belief that public service is a trust and that those chosen to lead should be worthy of it.

Election Day is a little over a week away. Early voting has begun in the Town Hall Meeting Room, and the schedule is posted on the town's website. On Tuesday, November 4, polls will open at 6 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. It is one of those simple, sacred rituals of American life—the quiet walk to a polling place, the names checked off, the small circle filled in.

This year, voters will choose members of our local boards: Selectmen, Education, Estimate and Taxation, and others whose decisions will shape the direction of our town. The future of Greenwich, like the future of the country, is always being written at the ballot box.

Abraham Lincoln once said, "Elections belong to the people. It's their decision. If they decide to turn their back on the fire and burn their behinds, then they will just have to sit on their blisters." There was humor in it, but also warning. Democracy is not self-maintaining; it runs on attention, duty, and care.

So let us vote—not out of habit or partisanship, but out of gratitude. The right to vote is the rarest of civic gifts: it costs us little but demands of us everything. Each ballot is a quiet affirmation of faith-that self-government still works, that freedom still matters, that the people, in all their ordinary wisdom, still rule.

# Editorial Pa

**LETTER** 

### **Arzeno Endorsement**

and I can say without hesitation that she is a proven team player who leads by example. Her strong work ethic, intelligence, discipline, attention to detail, and ability to work effectively with people from all sides make her an exceptional public servant.

Rachel's impressive background speaks for itself. Beyond being the first Democrat elected to represent the 149th District, she founded a successful organic meal delivery business, authored two cookbooks, and worked as a marketing professional for globally recognized firms. She holds degrees from Bryn Mawr

I had the pleasure of serving alongside College and Columbia University, where she critical state funding for the Glenville Corridor, Rachel when she was our State Representative, earned her Master's in Political Science. Closer downtown pedestrian safety initiatives, Central Representative Town Meeting, worked with the Parkway School PTA Board, and volunteered for numerous nonprofit organizations.

> Steve Meskers, we shared one top priority: to zoning, preserved Greenwich-created school curricula rather than accepting one-size-fitsall state programs, and secured a moratorium on inter-district busing. We also obtained

to home, she has served on the Greenwich Middle School, the Boys & Girls Club, and several of our local nonprofits.

As Selectwoman, Rachel will bring the same dedication, problem-solving ability, When Rachel and I were elected as State intelligence, and attention to detail that she Representatives, along with our colleague has consistently demonstrated throughout her years of public service. Greenwich will be deliver for Greenwich. And we did. Together, fortunate to have her steady, thoughtful, and we successfully advocated for local control in experienced leadership at the helm. Please join me in supporting my friends Rachel Khanna, Anthony Moor and the rest of Row A on November 4th!

State Rep. Hector Arzeno

**LETTER** 

# Nourishing Our Future: Why Rachel Khanna's Food Advocacy Matters for Greenwich

for Selectwoman. In a time when our communities are grappling with the intertwined challenges of health, economic disparities and environmental sustainability, leadership that connects the dots between food systems and some of the most pressing issues of our time is both rare and vital. Rachel Khanna provides that kind of leadership for Greenwich. Her food advocacy is rooted in practical solutions and deep care for community well-being.

Rachel's work has long reflected a simple but profound belief: what we eat shapes not only our health but the health of our local economy and our environment. As a legislator and community advocate, she has championed farm-to-school initiatives, School Meals For All and supported policies that

I am writing to express my full for low income seniors. Rachel's support produced in Connecticut strengthens support for Rachel Khanna's candidacy uplifts many organizations that are our regional food system and reduces working to make local nutritious food available to all residents. With the recent cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and other federal food assistance programs, we need a leader who will advocate for equitable access to food.

> In a town known for its wealth, Rachel has never shied away from compassionate, connected, and forwardhighlighting the disparities that persist. thinking. Her efforts remind us that with roughly 22% of our community considered Asset Limited Income Constrained Employed (ALICE) and 7% are at or below the poverty line. By actively participating in Greenwich Foodshed Alliance, which brings food equity to the forefront of civic life, Rachel helps to convert conversation into action.

Equally important, her advocacy expand access to fresh produce such as is rooted in sustainability. Rachel community. the Farmers Market Nutrition Program understands that food grown and

the carbon footprint of our daily lives. Supporting small farmers and local food entrepreneurs isn't just an act of kindness, it's a smart investment in community resilience.

Rachel Khanna's vision reflects the best of what Greenwich can be: Food insecurity exists in Greenwich, food policy is not a niche issue, it's a critical integration of public health policy, environmental policy, and economic

> I ask that you join me in supporting Rachel's candidacy. Voting for Rachel is an investment in a future where every Greenwich resident has access to good food and health, and a thriving

Ali Ghiorse

Lauren is a people person. Lauren is a

Greenwich person.

**LETTER** 

### Elect Lauren Rabin Selectwoman

To The Editor:

In a few weeks residents in the Town of Greenwich will vote to elect members of Town government. My support is going to Lauren Rabin for Selectwoman.

I've known Lauren for well over 30 years. We worked together on a number of issues and projects through our children's public schooling where Lauren was PTA president through Elementary, Middle School and Greenwich High School. Lauren subsequently served on the Board of Education for several years. As a retired teacher I often discussed our schools with Lauren and found her to be an excellent listener and worked tirelessly to improve student learning.

Lauren also served on the RTM and

to get things done. Lauren is honest, accolades. Lauren works tirelessly on respectful and great at finding common behalf of young families watching their

decided to run for Selectwoman. Our society at times can be fractured and Lauren appreciates people have their opinions. Lauren takes all sides into consideration when putting forth an idea, supporting a project or helping to make the Greenwich Community a better place to live. Lauren, who grew up in Greenwich, is all about making our town a safe, respectful and enjoyable. I've understood the value of working together never known Lauren to look for personal

children learn and grow in town, or first I was thrilled when Lauren first responders, teachers, and others who live and work in town or seniors who have lived in town for many years.

Lauren is a people person. Lauren is a Greenwich person. Lauren has stood up for us in the past and I'm confident she will do so in the future. That's why I encourage all residents of Greenwich to join me in re-electing Lauren Rabin for Selectwoman on November 4th.

John W. Macri, Jr.

Thoughtful leadership is more important

than ever. Lauren brings steadiness, civility,

### Lauren Rabin Stands for Transparency and Teamwork

It is our pleasure to support Lauren Rabin for her re-election to her fourth term as Selectwoman. We have been working with Lauren on the Central Middle School Building Committee ("CMSBC") since its inception in July 2022. Lauren, as the Selectwoman, serves the committee in an ex officio capacity and has consistently demonstrated the leadership, thoughtfulness, and dedication that Greenwich needs both for this significant project and for the Town's future.

Throughout the CMSBC process, Lauren has taken a pragmatic and reasoned approach to the work at hand. She never jumps to conclusions; she does her homework before making decisions. Lauren is a staunch supporter of the Town of Greenwich and its residents.

The CMSBC project requires full transparency to our community and directly to its neighbors. Lauren literally went door to door to our CMS neighbors to introduce the chair of the project and to share information about community

and compassion to the Board of Selectmen. Greenwich needs her leadership. building and campus. She believes in on our CMSBC Communications

engagement meetings for the new school than one.

committee doesn't mean just voting effective communication. Lauren is both members do the work. All members a skilled and strong manager as well as of the committee, voting or ex officio a collaborative, can-do person who rolls members, need to contribute to ensure up her sleeves to get the job done. She its success. Lauren is a member who does this all with intelligence, integrity, doesn't seek the limelight; she simply and a positive attitude. wants the work to be done and done the right way, the first time. She doesn't is more important than ever, Lauren claim to have every answer; however, stands out as someone who brings she does her utmost to share facts and steadiness, civility, and compassion connect with subject-matter experts to to the Board of Selectmen. Greenwich find the right answer and inform the needs her leadership. We urge our public. Lauren's unique and extensive fellow residents to vote Row 2B for institutional knowledge of the town and Lauren Rabin for Selectwoman. its operations has been instrumental to the success of our project.

We also work closely with Lauren building consensus and community. She Working Group, where her skills in certainly walks the walk in more ways connecting with residents shine. She is a true team player who understands Serving on a school building the importance of consistent, clear, and

In a time when thoughtful leadership

Steph Cowie & Clare Kilgallen

Sincerely,

## Why I am Running for the BET

Greenwich over Westchester in 1908 to raise a family, recognizing advantages a family that preached and practiced volunteering. I began

I am blessed in many continued in the 1980s and 90s service levels and our ways. My grandparents chose on the RTM and BET, I was excellent schools. We have that I bring to the position that imposes itself on our for the BET, and ask for your fortunate to be asked to rejoin managed succession in the I hold on the BET and ask finances and freedoms. While vote for the entire Republican the BET in 2021.

at schools I attended and moderate, while maintaining positions are superb.

I am proud of what I and senior employees, the Budget Republican team, who have the state, we also pay the most Early voting at Town Hall has even back then. I grew up in the Republican team have Director and the Comptroller similar depth and diversity of in taxes. Taxpayer dollars are started, and regular voting is accomplished. In the last two (CFO) with a combined fifty experience. We are a team that a scarce resource and must be Tuesday November 4th at your years we have successfully years of service to the town. that in my early teen years kept increases in taxes. Our new employees in those

will better serve the town in regarded as such. the future than one dominated by democrats, who also residents of Greenwich with

I have a depth of experience dominate the state government our new team of Republicans

I look forward to serving all

Finance Department of two for your vote for our entire we have the lowest mill rate in team on Row B of the ballot. regular polling places.

Thank you Harry Fisher

**LETTER** 

## Doug Fenton: Why I am Running for the BET

was reduced by \$4mm+ this year by the 6 BET our Republican-controlled the size of their budget cut, (2) the superficiality of their in our overall quality of life. justifications, and (3) their

deeply troubling pattern – that sustainable.

Better analysis doesn't just we've had. I have 20 years Committee of Kids in Crisis, we can do better-for our

of Estimate and Taxation in resounding vote by the RTM will lead to a more efficient including over a decade as a Tiger Foundation in NYC. Most November because I truly when their decision could still local government. That's partner at a hedge fund. I am a importantly, I'll be the first believe Greenwich can-and have been amended. More how we protect and improve delegate of the RTM's Budget BET candidate in years with should—do better. I decided broadly, the school budget the services we value while Overview Committee, where young kids currently in our to run after the school budget debacle reflects a larger, also keeping taxes low and I have focused on grounding public schools, which gives me decisions in data and analysis. a very personal stake in how A lot of you know how My work has earned respect we plan for the future. Republicans. It wasn't just BET's short-term thinking and seriously I take this stuff—from across the political lack of rigor has led to worse through my RTM newsletters spectrum. Further, I serve on every year to protect essential but (1) their lack of diligence outcomes for Greenwich (dmfgreenwich.substack. the boards of the Greenwich services or invest in critical leading up to Decision Day, residents, both financially and com), the editorials I've Alliance for Education and the infrastructure. With the right written, or the conversations Rocky Point Club, the Program planning and leadership.

We shouldn't be scrambling

ignoring the community and a lead to better decisions-it also of experience in finance, while also co-chairing the seniors, our schools, our neighborhoods, and the future of Greenwich.

> If you share this vision, please vote for all 6 Democrats (including me) running for the BET in November.

> > Thank you, Doug Fenton

**LETTER** 

### **Greenwich is the Best**

clash or confusion.

Selectman and fourth Greenwich is "very safe"—a new town arrivals. generation native, is stark contrast to Stamford's November. With his middleof-the-road to conservative Republican values, Fred has guided Greenwich to new heights, earning consistent 60%+ electoral victories affiliations.

coach Bill Parcells' famous resources. reminder, "You are what your leader would have the with such frequency as Fred.

urban struggles.

school district in Connecticut tradition." out of 134 and No. 100 He often quotes sports across academics, teachers, figures particularly NFL clubs, administration, and assets. The Cohen Eastern

as a shining example of among Connecticut's top 10 Median property values have civic excellence—a town safest cities, with violent increased 3.5% year-overwhere families flourish, crime down and property year and up approximately been a fierce defender of sidelines affordability. fiscal responsibility drives crime well below state 10% since 2020, while local control. He testified prosperity and where history averages. Niche.com lauds neighboring towns' growth in Hartford against the solutions tackle daily meets modernity without Greenwich as one of the lags or remains uneven. East Coast's safest suburbs, Greenwich's low and stable which threatened municipal introduced Connecticut's Fred Camillo, the First with 58% of residents saying taxes is a key attraction for autonomy with state- first adaptive signal control

Fred's innovative publicwhile enhancing Greenwich's bureaucracy.

Greenwich, the Gateway neighbors. SafeWise's 2025 of Stamford's and below with public benefit, unlike counter state overreach while residents fled-seeking to New England, stands report ranks Greenwich Darien's and Westport's. Stamford's taxpayer-heavy addressing housing needs

"Work, Live, Ride" bill, challenges like traffic. He mandated zoning overreach. technology at Exit 3's Arch Travel and Leisure Alongside State Senator Ryan Street intersections, cutting seeking his fourth term this higher crime or Norwalk's magazine recently named Fazio's veto threat, Fred's congestion by 20% with Greenwich a top East Coast advocacy helped stall the real-time sensors. A \$4 Educationally, Niche's destination, noting its charm, bill, which was later vetoed million grant now extends 2026 rankings put Greenwich amenities, and "governance by Governor Lamont in 2025 this "smart" system to 29 Public Schools as the 5th best that balances growth with for its excessive intrusion. Post Road signals from His stance preserved Port Chester to Greenwich not possibly be achieved Greenwich's ability to shape Avenue, easing delays and in a town of mixed party nationally out of 11,000, with private partnerships have its own future, unlike towns emissions. an overall A to A+ grades saved taxpayers millions ceding control to Hartford's

Greenwich Civic Center, a another success under Fred's of fiscal discipline and local Greenwich High \$25 million facility opened leadership. Partnering with empowerment or risk the record says you are"— a bold, School ranks No. 5 among in April 2025, leveraged a \$5 developers and working with borrow-and-spend vision black-and-white maxim few Connecticut's 208 public million Cohen Foundation Sam Romeo, President of peddled by his Democratic politicians would dare utter. high schools, while all its donation and \$500,000 for Greenwich Communities, challenger and the Democrat Only a successful political middle schools and several the Frantz Gymnasium, Greenwich has a 15% growth BET candidates. elementary schools earning A delivering a state-of-the- in affordable housing over

locally, unlike Stamford's On zoning, Fred has market-driven approach that and budgets ballooned by

Fred's tech-savvy

Greenwich faces a choice: Affordable housing is continue Fred's proven path

Borrow-and-spend is the confidence to say that quote and A+ grades for excellence. art community hub without the past 5½ years. The town blueprint for Democratic Fiscally, Fred's prudent straining budgets. Greenwich has expanded options like hell holes where unchecked Fred's leadership has governance delivers. Crossing, a \$30 million train the 80-unit Armstrong Court borrowing has led to fiscal propelled Greenwich to the Greenwich's mill rate is station revitalization, further redevelopment, balancing chaos, soaring taxes, and diverse town, worthy of a top of state and national Connecticut's lowest among showcases his knack for inclusion with neighborhood safety declines from which rankings, outshining its large municipalities—half blending private investment character. These efforts many of Greenwich's newest

refuge from homelessness crises, infrastructure decay, progressive overreach. People should not assume it can't happen here!

In a state where many Democrat-run cities and towns are in fiscal chaos and safety declines, Greenwich thrives under Fred's leadership. He's not just managing-he's elevating our

These achievements could without a vision and a plan.

Vote Fred Camillo for This November, First Selectman to keep Greenwich the best place to live, work, and build legacies-far from the Democratic disasters that many of our newer town citizens have left behind.

> If "you are what your record says you are," then Fred's record says nay, shouts - that he is a successful leader in a truly fourth term.

> > David J. Lancaster

### Joe Pellegrino for Greenwich BET

least 20 years and couldn't savvy. think of anyone else who

My husband and I have reproach. He is financially known Joe Pellegrino for at astute, knowledgeable and

His conservative

His conservative approach to investing has made it possible for us to enjoy our retirement, worry-free,

qualified for the BET spot. made it possible for us looking out for our best and he is definitely what track. His character is beyond to enjoy our retirement interests. We have trusted the Town of Greenwich

would be more perfect and approach to investing has worry-free knowing he is him with our life savings, needs to stay on the right

We wholeheartedly

endorse Joe for a position on the BET. You could not ask for a better, more trustworthy candidate.

Joann Mirone

### Re-Electing Laura Kostin for BOE is Important for ALL Students in Greenwich

her tenure, Laura has consistently demonstrated has long been one of the long way since 2021.

I am writing to express since her children entered of Education. my strong support for the the schools 15 years ago in knowledge, dedication, and children with needs in the both accountability and insight. steady leadership. Of note is classroom has steadily compassion. Her approach paraprofessionals has not, community members, such every level of learning in the her voice to advocate against, needs. She is accessible to education. Laura has also student population to ensure

number and takes time to programs including co-taught Laura has also meet anyone and everyone classrooms (she wants more re-election of Laura Kostin the preschool program and been committed to the who asks to speak with her. of them!) and the Unique to the Greenwich Board of kindergarten. At the time, implementation of the This kind of dedication makes Learner program so students Education. Laura has been the GPS Preschool program recommendations of Public her truly unique. Her ability with different learning needs my fellow residents to join an invaluable member of the had a very manageable ratio Consulting Group (PCG), to see every perspective gives in our community are able BOE since 2021. Throughout of children with needs to thereby ensuring that our her the invaluable ability to to access an appropriate typical peers. Due to budget Special Education programs balance technical solutions education without leaving the constraints, the ratio of are strengthened with with empathy and practical district or being outplaced.

Special Education budgets has helped to ensure that our her commitment to Special risen over time while the to this work is informed can be volatile and change most vulnerable students are Education. Special Education number of teachers and by essential input from at any point in the school not overlooked, but instead year, leading to the need supported, advocated for, divisive issues in our district our youngest students learn do!) share first-hand the Laura has consistently voted to thrive. Re-electing Laura and Greenwich has come a are stretched further and challenges faced by families to fund these vital requests will allow her to continue further. This is an issue Ms. raising children with special so that ALL students can this essential work and Laura has experience with Kostin has consistently used needs and their specific access an appropriate advocacy for this vulnerable

Greenwich Public Schools even before joining the Board parents, provides her phone been an advocate for new continued growth and stability of Special Education in Greenwich.

For these reasons, I urge me in supporting Laura Kostin for re-election to the Greenwich Board of Her service on the Board Education. Her continued leadership is vital to sustaining the progress we have made and to ensuring most complex and, at times, meaning the ones helping as myself, who can (and often for interim appropriations. and given the opportunity that every student in Greenwich has access to the education they deserve.

> Respectfully, Mabél Arteaga Balestra

We welcome letters to the editor at www.GreenwichSentinel.com. Letters may be submitted under your name, anonymously, or with a pseudonym — an accommodation we make in recognition of today's fraught climate, in which honest opinions too often invite disproportionate reprisals. All submissions must come from Greenwich residents and should be civil in tone.

## Worship Services

## Assemblies of God Harvest Time Church 1338 King St., 203-531-7778 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. Next Gen Missions Service: Friday, October 24, 7pm. Missions Serve Day: Saturday, October 25: Filling in the Blanks (Norwalk), Pivot Ministries (Bridgeport), and Food Packaging and Delivering (Bronx). Harvest Party!: Wednesday, October 29, 7pm.

#### **Baptist**

#### <u>First Baptist Church</u> 10 Northfield St.; 203-869-7988 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

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

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. Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive begins on Saturday, October 25 - collecting non-perishable food donations or \$20 Store gift cards (Stop & Shop or Shoprite) for Thanksgiving baskets. Please leave items at the front or rear entrances of the church each weekend through Sunday, November 16. For information or to help with this ministry contact John Innominato at 914-565-1637.

#### St. Catherine of Siena & St. Agnes 4 Riverside Ave; 203-637-3661 www.stc-sta.org

\* All Masses at St. Catherine of Siena Church are in-person and livestreamed (View our Livestream and recordings here: https://events.locallive.tv/ worship/stc-sta)

Masses: Saturday, 3-4pm - Confessions (Specific dates confirmed weekly in bulletin.) Vigil Mass, 5pm. Sunday: 7:30am, 9am (Family Mass), 10:30am (Traditional Mass), 5pm (Teen Mass), all at St. Catherine's Church). Masses in other Languages: French Mass -2nd Sunday of the month, 11am. Italian Mass - 3rd Sunday of the month, both at St. Catherine's Chapel. Spanish Mass, 6:30pm, St. Catherine's Church. Daily/Weekdays: Mon, Tue, Thu & Friday: 7am - Daily Mass, St. Catherine's Church; 5:15pm - Daily Mass, St. Catherine's Chapel. Tuesdays: Rosary, 6pm, St. Catherine's Chapel. Wednesdays: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 8:30am-4pm, St. Catherine's Church. Ongoing: Food & Essentials Drive for Neighbor to Neighbor (there will be a car or SUV with an open trunk in the parking lot across from St. Catherine's church on Tuesdays, 9-11am. Join Music Ministries for choir rehearsals - Traditional, Contemporary, Teen, Cherub, Family Mass Choir - contact Music Director, Dr. Liva Petrides at music.director@stc-sta. org with questions. Volunteer Opportunity: Share Your Time and Compassion! Our Parish Partners Ministry of Hope is seeking kind-hearted volunteers to support our homebound parishioners. To sign up or learn more, please contact Jeannemarie Baker at (203) 637-3661 (ext. 375) or ParishPartners@stc-sta.org. Parish Partners Bereavement Fall program: through December 17 (except for Nov. 26). Signup is required, see Brochures at the doors.

#### St. Mary Church 178 Greenwich Ave.; 203-869-9393 www.stmarygreenwich.org

Public Mass: Sun: 9, 10:30am, 12:15 & 5:15pm. Sat Vigils: 4 & 7pm (Spanish). Daily: Mon-Fri, 12:05pm (Church doors will open from 10am-3pm). Confessions (English): Tue: 7-8pm; Sat: 3-3:45pm. Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Fri of the month: 12:30-5pm. Join Father Michael K. Jones as Saint Mary Parish celebrates its 125th Anniversary of the Church on a Silver Sea Mediterranean Cruise from Oct. 31 to Nov. 7, followed by a 3-night pilgrimage option to Rome for the Jubilee Year. Visit stmarygreenwich.org to view itinerary and pricing.

St. Michael the Archangel 469 North St.; 203-869-5421 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. Michael Jubilee Celebration: Saturday, November 1, 6-9pm, Greenwich Country Club, \$250, for tickets contact Deb McLaughlin at 203-524-2383 or debingreenwich@gmail.com.

#### <u>St. Timothy Chapel</u> 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

Mass: Mon-Thu: 8am; Sat: 4pm (Vigil); Sun: 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am. Confessions: Daily, 7:30am; 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 Thu. of every month, 7:30pm. St. Paul's Adult Faith Enrichment Study Program will offer a video presentation on Catholic Christian Prayer by Fr. Boniface Hicks, O.S.B. on Oct. 27, Nov, 3, 10 & 17 from 7-8:30pm, in St. Paul's Parish Center - All are invited. Homecoming Weekend: following 4pm Mass on October 25 and after the 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30am Mass on October 26.

#### St. Roch Church 10 St. Roch Ave; 203-869-4176 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.

#### Christian Science

#### First Church of Christ, Scientist 11 Park Pl; 203-869-1555 christiansciencect.org/greenwich

Sundays: Church and Sunday School at 10:30. Weds. 7:30pm testimonies of healing. Call # for all services 203-680-9095 code 520520. Reading Room 333 Greenwich Ave. M-F 1:00-5:00 203-869-2503. Bibles, Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, children's books, and more. Sermons: Doctrine of Atonement. October 26: Probation After Death.

#### Community

#### First Church of Round Hill 464 Round Hill Rd; 203-629-3876 www.firstchurchofroundhill.com

In-person worship: Sundays, 10am.

#### Round Hill Community Church 395 Round Hill Rd; 203-869-1091 www.roundhillcommunitychurch.org

Weekly Sunday Worship services in the Sanctuary at 10am or online at 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. Music Sunday: The World Beloved – A Bluegrass Mass: Sunday, November 2, 10am. 'Games Galore' for High School Kids: Sunday, November 2 following Worship, contact Pastor Lillian, Lillian@roundhillcommunitychurch.org or Leticia 860-519-8595 to RSVP. "The Awakening" art exhibit at Les Beaux Arts Gallery: through Friday, November

#### Congregational

#### The First Congregational Church 108 Sound Beach Ave; 203-637-1791 www.fccog.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. *Trunk or Treat: Saturday, October 25*, 6-7:30pm, Church parking lot, \$20 per family.

#### 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

Sunday Worship, 8:30 & 10:30am. Livestream available for 10:30am service. Children's Chapel during 10:30am worship. Follow us on Facebook & Instagram: @2CCGreenwich. All are welcome here! *Ted*-

dy Bear Story Hour: Saturday, October 25. Vacation Bible School: November 4. Moms' Group Book Discussion: Thursday, November 6, 7pm.

#### Episcopa

Anglican Church of the Advent 606 Riversville Rd; 203-861-2432 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

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 midweek service), 12:15pm, In-person only Chapel. Thursdays: Choral Evensong, 6:30pm, In-person or livestream, Main Sanctuary. The Disciples of Christ in Community: Tuesdays, Sept. 17 - Nov. 19, 7-8:30pm. Friday Bible Study with Rev. Tim Hamlin: Friday, Oct. 24, 9am. Messy Church Eucharist: Sunday, Oct. 26, 8:45am. Bagels And Bibles: Sunday, Oct. 26, 10:05am. Sunday Forum: Our Lady of All Dangers: Saving Notre-Dame de Paris: Sunday, Oct. 26, 11:15am. Spiritual Classics Book Discussion: The Imitation Of Christ: Thursday, Oct. 30, 7:15pm. Volunteer Opportunity - Inspirica Women's Emergency Shelter: Wednesday, Nov. 5, 3-4pm.

#### St. Barnabas Episcopal Church 954 Lake Ave.; 203-661-5526 www.stbarnabasgreenwich.org

Holy Eucharist: Sundays at 10AM (in person and livestreamed). Our exciting Sunday School programs for kids and vouth take place during the 10am service: Children's Church for kids 4-8 years old, and YC (Youth Church) for those 9+. Children are also welcome in church for both services, and childcare is provided all morning in our nursery. Sundays also feature joyful preaching by our clergy, Father Justin and Rev. Phoebe, and beautiful music by our director of music, Marnus Greyling, and the St. Barnabas Choir. Come experience the joy of the God of Jesus Christ. Visit us in person, on our website, and on social media (Instagram: @st.barnabasgreenwich). Small church feel - Big church experience. Requiem: Brahms & Mahler Concert: Sunday, Oct. 26, 3pm, \$35, eventbrite.com/e/1527497348689.

#### St. Paul's Episcopal Church 200 Riverside Ave.; 203-637-2447 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. Stained Glass Window Tour celebrating St. Paul's Church 150th anniversary: Sunday, October 26, 1-3pm, followed by a reception in the church's courtyard.

#### St. Saviour's Episcopal Church 350 Sound Beach Ave; 203-637-2262 www.saintsaviours.org

In-person Service: Sundays, 10am.

#### <u>Iewish</u>

#### Chabad Lubavitch of Greenwich 75 Mason St.; 203-629-9059 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.* 

### Congregation Shir Ami One W. Putnam Ave; 203-274-5376 www.congregationshirami.org

All services, programs and celebrations are available online via Zoom. Kabbalat Shabbat: Fridays, 7-9pm, First Presbyterian Church. Soul Spa - Meet the Midrash: Saturdays, 10am, through Aug. 9, on Zoom. Shabbat Service: Friday, Oct. 24, 7-9pm, First Presbyterian Church.

#### Greenwich Reform Synagogue 92 Orchard St.; 203-629-0018 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. Lunch 'n Learn with Cantor Rubin: Thursday, October 23, 12-1:15pm. Book Talk: Isabella's Way: Monday, October 27, 10:30am.

#### Temple Sholom 300 E. Putnam Ave.; 203-869-7191 www.templesholom.com

Services - In-person and virtual Friday night Shabbat services, 6:30pm & Saturday morning Shabbat services, 10:30am. Shabbat Mishpacha: Saturday, October 25, 11:15am. Club 678 Outing to Air Riderz

in Port Chester, NY: Sunday, October 26, 11:30am. A Conversation with Journalist & Author Abigail Pogrebin: Wednesday, Oct. 29, 7:30pm.

#### Lutheran

#### St. Paul Lutheran Church 286 Delavan Ave.; 203-531-8466 www.firstpaul.com

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

#### Methodist

#### <u>Diamond Hill United Methodist</u> 521 E. Putnam Ave.; 203-869-2395 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).

#### First United Methodist Church 59 E. Putnam Ave.; 203-629-9584 www.fumcgreenwich.com

Virtual Sunday Worship: 10am. Sunday School – Lunch and Learning Bible: 12pm. Sunday Korean School: 1-4pm, Education Building.

#### 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

#### Stanwich Church 202 Taconic Rd.; 203-661-4420 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. Live stream and recorded media are available at stanwich-church.org. We'd love to meet you here!

#### Center for Spiritual Development, NSAC 293 Sound Beach Ave; 203-637-4615 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 for registration and Zoom Links). Guided Meditation: Tuesdays, Oct. 28, Nov. 4, 18 & 25, 9-9:45am, Free, All are welcome.

### Trinity Church 5 River Rd. (Office); 203-618-0808 www.trinitychurch.life

All are invited to Trinity's morning Worship Service at 10am every Sunday. We meet at the Hyatt Regency, 1800 E Putnam, Old Greenwich. Kids programs are offered for up to 5th grade and Youth programs are available for middle & high schoolers. Livestream and recorded messages can be viewed at www.trinitychurch.life. Hope you can make it! "Closing the Expectation Gap" Seminar: Saturday, November 1, 9am-12pm. Trinity Kids Day Retreat: Tuesday, Nov. 4, 9am-3pm, Greenwich Baptist Church, Registration closes Oct. 28 at 3pm.

#### <u>Presbyterian</u>

#### First Presbyterian Church 1 W. Putnam Ave.; 203-869-8686 www.fpcg.org

Worship: Sundays, 10am. Women's Book Club - 'Wild Dark Shore' by Charlotte McConaghy: Friday, October 24, 9:15-11am. We gather at 9:15am for coffee and discussion starts at 9:30am. Red Cross Interfaith Blood Drive: Saturday, November 1, 7am-3pm.

#### Grace Church of Greenwich 89 Maple Ave. 203-861-7555

www.gracechurchgreenwich.com

Worship: Sundays, 10am, The Boys & Girls Club of Greenwich, 4 Horseneck Ln. & 4:30pm, Woman's Club of Greenwich, 89 Maple Ave. Church Lunch: 1st Sunday of every month, 12–2pm, Boys and Girls Club of Greenwich. Prayer Meeting: 3rd Sunday of every month, 10-10:30am, Boys and Girls Club of Greenwich. All are welcome.

#### Living Hope Community Church 38 West End Ave; 203-637-3669 www.LivingHopect.org

Worship In-person & online (LivingHopect.org/livestream): Sundays: 10am. Forum for Fathers: Are you a man with or who has kids or family members with ADHD? We meet Sundays at 9am at the church to pray, seek God, and encourage each other. Contact Todd.klair@gmail.com for more information. Women's Fellowship invites you to a special evening with author Jane Healey sharing insights from her newest historical novel, 'The Women of Arlington Hall': Friday, Oct. 24, 7-8:30pm, All are welcome. Body Life Basics – explore what the Bible teaches about being a Biblically functioning community together, aka the Body of Christ: Sunday, Oct. 26, 8:30-9:45am. Making Cent\$ Seminar: Saturday, Nov. 1, 9am-1pm, register.

## Obituaries



#### **MARY MORRELL**

August 23, 1937 - October 20, 2025 Mary (Palma) Morrell died peacefully after a lengthy dementia diagnosis on October 20.

Born and raised in Mamaronek, NY, Mary met her late husband Donald while in High School. They married shortly thereafter in 1958 and started their family in Greenwich, CT in 1959. Mary loved her three children, four grandchildren, and two great grand children immeasurably. She proudly shared their accomplishments to all who would listen and enjoyed every moment she got to spend with them. The feeling was mutual. Mary had a deep, foundational faith in God that guided her kind soul. She was a dedicated parishioner at Sacred Heart Church in Greenwich, CT for many years and rejoiced in hearing her grandchildren say Grace before the holiday meals she hosted. She was an excellent cook and avid baker- a skill she passed down to her children who intend to use her preferred recipes for years to come.

Mary was a trusted long term employee at Tierney & Whelan Law Firm, a voracious shopper, and later in life, an active traveller. Though she and Don enjoyed many vacations and cruises together, her favorite trip was to Italy.

Mary was predeceased by her husband Donald G Morrell and her sister Rose Soper. She is survived by her children Donna Morrell Bourn (Tommy Sullivan), Craig Morrell, and Kurt Morrell (Maria Morrell), her grandchildren Jessica Blechner, Chelsea Bourn, Kyle Morrell, and Connor Morrell, and two great grandchildren Bo and Benjamin Blechner. The family is grateful to River House Adult Day Center in Greenwich and Crescent Point in Niantic who provided essential and compassionate support during their University, graduating Magna Cum Laude in 1956 with hardest times.

Friday, October 24 at 11am at Sacred Heart Church in competed in basketball and track, and was active in Greenwich. Burial to follow at St. Mary's Cemetery in both social and scholastic fraternities. Greenwich.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to River House Adult Day Center in Mary's honor.



FRANCIS NEESON, MD

Francis "Frank" John Neeson, 65, passed away on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 after a valiant, hardfought battle with cancer.

Known to many as Doc, his impact looms large on the many lives he touched as a husband, father, grandfather, family man, friend, doctor, coach, and beloved member of his community.

Frank is survived by his adoring wife of nearly 40 years, Carol; son, Daniel (Amanda); daughter, Samantha; granddaughter, Emilia and his Golden Retriever, Maggie.

Born on December 18, 1959 in New York City, Frank grew up in the town of Pearl River, NY. He graduated from Bergen Catholic High School in 1977 where he played on the soccer team and excelled in academics. Frank then completed his undergraduate studies at Manhattan College in 1981, majoring in Biology. He continued to pursue his studies at New York University School of Medicine where he earned his Doctor of Medicine degree in 1985.

A giant in his field, Frank completed his residency at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York City. He spent more than 35 years as a devoted cardiologist in the town of Greenwich, CT where his empathy and skill brought comfort and healing to his many patients and their families.

Frank met the love of his life, Carol, in the summer of 1977 and nine years later in 1986, they wed at St. Paul's Chapel on Columbia University's campus.

In 1990, Frank and Carol's son Danny was born and two years later their daughter Sam completed their family of four. Frank relished in making and photographing memories, vacationing on Long Beach Island, attending sporting events and concerts, and mastering the art of grilling for his friends and family.

Not only was Frank a top doctor and highly respected and esteemed medical professional with a reputation for having a heart of gold, Frank was also an all-star shortstop on his softball team, "A Few Extra

One of Frank's greatest joys was when his family expanded in 2023 with the birth of his granddaughter,

Emmie, earning his favorite title of all, "Poppy".

Frank's lessons, laughter, and love will be etched on the hearts of everyone he encountered forever. To know Frank is to love him.

A celebration of Frank's life will be held at Greenwich Hospital's Noble Conference Room located at 5 Perryridge Road, Greenwich, CT 06830 on Sunday, November 16, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. In his honor, bright colors and fun socks are encouraged!

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Frank's memory at https://giving.greenhosp.org/ways-to-give/ donate by clicking "donate" and choosing the tribute option or by mailing a check to Greenwich Hospital, Office of Development, 35 River Road, Cos Cob, CT 06807.



HAROLD FROST

February 9, 1934 - October 14, 2025

Harold Lee Frost, a devoted father, accomplished computer engineer, and an avid sailor, passed away peacefully with family by his side on October 14, 2025, at the age of 91.

He is survived by his daughters Leigh Frost and Diane Frost, his sister Vivian Stallard, and his son-inlaw David Fick, husband to Leigh. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 35 years, Mary Jane Frost.

Born on February 9, 1934, in Olney, Illinois, Harold was the son of Leander and Ada Frost. A scholarathlete from an early age, he earned the nickname "Jumpin' Hal" as he led East Richland High School's basketball and track teams to victory. He was also a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, and elected head of his class.

Harold continued his education at Millikin a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Administration. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on While at Millikin, he made the honor roll all four years,

After graduation, Harold served in the U.S. Air Force before beginning a 35-year career as a computer programmer with AT&T. It was there he met Mary Jane, the love of his life. They married in 1970 and moved to Riverside in 1976 with their two young children. Harold was a kind but driven father who instilled in his daughters the values of hard work, integrity, and perseverance.

He was deeply committed to his community, serving with the Riverside Association and the Retired Men's Association. A longtime member of the First Congregational Church of Old Greenwich, Harold participated as an usher, in Bible study, and at the church's annual Christmas tree sale.

Harold was an accomplished sailor and a proud member of the Riverside Yacht Club for 43 years. He and Mary Jane often led family adventures aboard their boat, Frostfire, creating cherished memories on the water. In winter, Harold enjoyed skiing until an Achilles injury slowed him down-but never dimmed his spirit. He also had a love of music and was always ready to dance, whether at a celebration or in the living

Harold's legacy lives on in the values he lived by and the lives he touched. He will be remembered for his warmth, wisdom, and unwavering devotion to family and community.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, October 24 at the First Congregational Church of Old Greenwich, with a reception to follow. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Harold's life. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org.



**RICHARD SMITH** 

Richard (Dick) A. Smith, of Greensboro, NC, passed on October 13, 2025 as he began his 94th year

Loving husband of Frances M. Smith for 64 years (prior to her passing in 2023), and son of Arnold and Mildred (Jaminet) Smith of Waterbury, CT. Survived by Lauren and Kevin Fusco (Foxboro, MA), Gretchen and Paul Dascoli (Mooresville, NC), and Trip Smith & Gina Ferguson (Greensboro, NC). Grandfather a.k.a. Gramps to Kristyn Fusco, Erin Fusco, Megan Fusco, Dominic P. Dascoli II, and Alex (Dascoli) Wagstaff, and Great-Gramps to Cameron and Lee.

Born in Cleveland, OH, Dick soon moved to

Waterbury, CT where he would spend his formative years before joining the Navy. Upon completion of his military service, he began a career with Revere Copper & Brass that would span decades and include several family moves. Residences in Mattapoisett, MA, Ellicott City, MD, Dunwoody, GA, Riverside and Wilton, CT provided numerous lifelong friendships, before retiring to Wallace, NC to pursue his dream of living on a golf

Dick enjoyed golfing, playing cards, reading the paper cover to cover (when there still were newspapers) and 5 o'clock, because that was Manhattan time and he knew how to make a great one. He was also quite the dancer, never letting a good tune go to waste.

He will be remembered for his enduring love of his wife Fran, always remembering to say thank you no matter how small a gesture, and his expression "Cheese and Crackers", which his kids, grandkids, great-grandkids and countless friends and relatives use frequently today.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Saint Therese Catholic Church in Mooresville, NC on October 25, 2025. A Graveside service will be held in the Spring of 2026 at St. Mary Cemetery, Greenwich, CT. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association at https://www.alz.org/get-involved-now/ donate



#### FRANCIS ARNONE

Francis (Frank) Albert Arnone died on October 8 from a heart attack while vacationing with family in Italy. Frank had a love for Italian culture, food, music and history. He fully enjoyed a week immersed in this beautiful country before his passing.

Frank was born to Helen (Usowski) and Ralph Arnone, Sr in Greenwich, CT on March 12, 1962. He attended public school in Greenwich, St. Michael's College in VT, and went on to follow in his father's footsteps to become a teacher in Greenwich. Frank taught at North Mianus School, which he attended as a child, working alongside some of his elementary school teachers. To address a need for before- and after-school care, Frank worked diligently to create Greenwich School Age Child Care (GSACC). As director, he also had the responsibility of securing money through grants and donations, of which he excelled. Frank was awarded the Distinguished Teacher Award in 1994. With support and encouragement from his principal/

mentor, he soon became a school administrator. Frank worked as a principal in Greenwich and Fairfield school districts, creating a reputation for being engaged, caring and supportive of students and staff. He had high expectations and knew how to guide the staff to accomplish their goals. Frank valued connection. He knew all his students by name, joined in all school events - including pajama days! - and made personal relationships with students who needed a little more. Teachers trusted Frank to

support them and many considered him a friend. Frank went on to work at Central Office as Assistant Superintendent in Fairfield for two years until his retirement.

After retirement from public school, Frank was thrilled to accept the position of Principal at St. Lawrence Catholic School in West Haven. Coincidentally, his father taught there at the start of his teaching career. Sadly, health issues made it necessary for him to retire after only two years.

In his last year, Frank kept himself busy learning to knit, buying and selling antiques, doing costumes and set design for community theatre, going to the community pool, reconnecting with old friends and making new ones, and spending time with family.

Frank is survived by his wife, Suzanne (Reidy) and two sons, Christopher and Timothy, and daughterin-law, Taryn (LaFrance); his siblings Ralph and wife, Joanne; Rob and wife, Wendi; and Aniela (Savona) and husband, Rick. He will also be missed terribly by his in-laws and many nieces and nephews.

Frank was predeceased by his first wife, Peggy, as well as his mother and father.

A wake was held on Sunday, October 19 at the Honan Funeral Home, Newtown. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Rose of Lima Church, Newtown on Monday, October 20 followed by interment at St. Rose Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Frank's memory to Newtown Town Players Community Theater, P.O. Box 211 Newtown, CT 06470 or the CH Booth Library, 25 Main Street, Newtown, CT 06470 or a charity of your choice.



**IRENE SAVAGE** 

June 28, 1939 - October 7, 2025

Irene A. Savage, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, teacher, and friend, passed away peacefully at her home at Edgehill Senior Living in Stamford, CT, surrounded by family and friends. She

Born and raised in Torrington, Connecticut, Irene was the daughter of Joseph and Irene Pukas and sister to Joseph Pukas. Irene earned her bachelor's degree in Business Education from Central Connecticut State University and her master's degree in Secondary Education from the University of Hartford. Irene's passion for learning and helping other's flourish; shaped a lifetime devoted to education.

She began her career teaching at Torrington High School before moving to Old Greenwich in 1960, where she taught students at Greenwich High School. A summer of travel that took her to Russia, Poland, and Western Europe with fellow Greenwich High School teachers was a life-changing experience. She went on to become an educator at St. Mary High School, where she taught shorthand, business communications, and English. She was known not just for her skill and professionalism but for the way she encouraged everyone to aim higher, work harder, and believe in themselves. Irene's excellence as an educator was recognized when receiving the University of Connecticut Alumni Association's "Excellence in Teaching" award. After St. Mary's closed, Irene became a business professor at Berkeley College, Katherine Gibbs School, and later, Westchester Community College, where she continued to be beloved by her students and colleagues alike.

In 1965, Irene married the love of her life, William H. Savage. Together, they built a warm and welcoming home and family in Old Greenwich, where they lived for over 50 years before moving to Edgehill in Stamford in 2017. Irene's heart overflowed with love for her family. She was the devoted mother of Anne M. Savage of Cos Cob, Pamela Neal (Joseph) of San Diego, California, and Janet Murphey (Ryan) of Old Greenwich. She took the greatest pride and joy in being the most incredible grandmother to Chloe Neal, Beckham Neal, Peter Murphey, and

Eric Murphey – cheering their milestones, sharing wisdom, and showering them with unconditional love.

Beyond the classroom, Irene gave generously of her time and talents to her community. She was an active volunteer for the PTA, the Junior League, Greenwich Scholarship Association, and The Rummage Room, as well as a member of the First Congregational Church of Greenwich for over 50 years. She treasured her countless summers by the sound with family and friends as a lifetime member of the Rocky Point Club.

Those who knew Irene will remember her quick smile, her gentle strength, creativity, and the kindness she extended to everyone she met. She had a gift for making others feel seen and valued – whether in her classroom, her neighborhood, or among friends and family.

Irene's life was a testament to the power of teaching, the beauty of service, and the deep bonds of family. She will be profoundly missed and forever cherished.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, November 1, 2025 at 11:00 am at The First Congregational Church in Old Greenwich



MARK MANERO

Mark Manero, 58, passed away on September 6,

Mark was born January 4, 1967, to Mary-Jeanne and Robert Manero.

He was a Greenwich, CT, resident most of his life. He was an Estate Liquidation Contractor and ran a Landscaping Business.

He was a fierce animal advocate and never turned away from an animal in need. Mark had a generous heart, a sharp sense of humor and endless knowledge of everything imaginable.

Mark is survived by his sister, Beth Manero Baker, her husband, Richard, and their children, Denali and Tabitha Baker, who referred to Mark fondly as "Uncle

Services will be private.

Donations can be made to: Stamford Animal Control, 201 Magee Avenue, Stamford, CT 06902.

#### New Briefs From Page 1

On October 20, 2025, from 5:00 to 9:30pm, the Greenwich Police, Fire, and Emergency Medical Services conducted a joint drone training exercise at Tod's Point. Residents saw emergency vehicles and drones in operation during this time. The exercise was part of routine efforts to improve coordination and readiness among local first responders.

**Volunteers Aid I-95 Crash Response** 



On Friday, October 10, 2025, at rush hour, Cos Cob Fire Police Patrol's Patrol 2 responded with Squad 1, Engine 3, and Car 4 to a multi-vehicle crash involving a tractortrailer on the southbound I-95 Byram River bridge. Patrol 2 remained on scene for nearly three hours assisting Connecticut State Police in a hit-and-run investigation and providing traffic safety. The roadway reopened after all vehicles were cleared. Photo credit: Cos Cob **Fire Police Patrol** 

#### FROM TOWN HALL

**Greenwich Demonstrates Safer Streets Initiative** 

On October 30, the Greenwich Department of Public Works will conduct a traffic safety demonstration at Western Middle School as part of the Safe Streets Greenwich program. Students will assist in adding temporary road markings and plastic posts to model potential street improvements. Minor traffic delays may occur during setup between school drop-off and pick-up times.

#### **Greenwich Opens 2026 Permit Renewals**

**Greenwich residents must renew 2026** municipal parking permits online before December 31. Payments are due by December 1 to avoid late fees, and reviews take 10 to spaces. The project received prior approval

parkingpermits@greenwichct.org

**Town Hosts Property Alert Workshop** 

The Town Clerk's Office and the Wallace Center will hold an open house on Oct. 22 from 10am to 1pm at Town Hall to assist residents in registering for the new property alert system. The event will include a demonstration and hands-on help, with computers available for attendees to complete the process. The session is free and open to all residents.

#### AROUND TOWN

**Greenwich Avenue Road Improvements** 

Road milling on Greenwich Avenue began Monday night and will continue overnight, Monday through Thursday, from 9pm to 6am, through November 26, weather permitting. The Greenwich Police Department is managing traffic and detours during the work. The project is part of ongoing road maintenance in the area.

#### **DPW Team Recovers Lost iPhone**

**Greenwich Department of Public Works** employees at Holly Hill recently recovered a resident's accidentally recycled iPhone. Staff members organized a quick search and located the phone using its signal. The incident highlights the department's effective teamwork and commitment to community service.

#### **Ground-Nesting Bees Boost Biodiversity**

Leave the leaves! Most bee speciesaround 70%-live alone and build nests underground rather than in hives. These native ground-nesting bees pollinate over 80% of the world's flowering plants, making them essential to global ecosystems. Their survival depends on undisturbed, sunny soil, minimal pesticide use, and leaving some areas of leaf litter.

#### **Greenwich Commission Approves New Building**

The Greenwich Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously approved plans to demolish a 1910 commercial building at 189 Sound Beach Avenue and construct a new two-and-a-half-story office building. The 3,202-square-foot wood-framed structure will reduce several zoning nonconformities, including lot coverage and floor area ratio, while maintaining office use and four parking

buildings.

#### **Community Sets Sail at Binney**

The 61st annual OGRCC Set Sail Regatta took place on Sunday, October 19, from 1 to 4pm at Binney Park. The event invited participants of all ages to design and race handmade sailboats in a communityfriendly competition. Organized by the Old **Greenwich-Riverside Community Center,** the regatta continued a long-standing local tradition promoting recreation and community engagement.

#### LOCAL BUSINESSES AND NONPROFITS

**Greenwich Hospital Promotes Fall Prevention** 



Greenwich Hospital's Department of Physical Medicine held a free fall risk screening on October 15 to help older adults individuals, handled nearly 2,400 hotline prevent injuries. Participants completed calls, and expanded its programs to include balance and strength tests, learned practical sexual violence support under The Harmony exercises like the chair rise, and received Project. The event also addressed stalled guidance on home safety and vision care. The legislation on trauma-informed sentencing, event was part of the hospital's ongoing fallprevention efforts through the CDC-endorsed STEADI program. Photo credit: Greenwich Hospital

#### **Sound Mind Collective Opens Doors**



Sound Mind Collective held a ribboncutting ceremony with town officials and the

15 business days. Questions can be sent to from the Architectural Review Committee Greenwich Chamber of Commerce. The event and will align more closely with neighboring marked its official opening in the community. The organization plans to support local health and wellbeing initiatives. Photo credit: **Town of Greenwich** 

### **Greenwich Alliance Hosts Annual Turkey**



The Greenwich Alliance for Education will hold its 15th annual Turkey Trot on November 29 at the Arch Street Teen Center. The event includes a 5K, a one-mile run/walk, and a new "Mini Trot" for children ages three to five. Proceeds benefit programs supporting Greenwich public school students, and early registration discounts are available through October 31. Photo credit: First Selectman **Camillo's Community Connections** 

#### YWCA Greenwich Honors Survivors' Strength

The YWCA Greenwich held a vigil to honor victims of domestic violence and highlight its role as the town's only statedesignated provider of related services. Last year, the organization assisted over 600 potential funding delays from a federal shutdown, and recognized Commissioner Demetria Nelson with the Purple Ribbon Award.

#### **Greenwich Advances Smoke Shop** Regulations

The Greenwich Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed a proposed amendment to regulate smoke shops by defining them in zoning law and imposing distance limits from schools, hospitals, and other smoke shops. The measure responds to a rise in such businesses after New York's tobacco restrictions, particularly near the state border. The commission postponed a decision to allow further review of enforcement and legal considerations.

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# Don't Wear Leggings on an Airplane and Other Lessons from Unhappy Landings

By Brian Brady

At the October 15th meeting of the Retired Men's Association Spike Lipschutz introduced speaker Christine Negroni, who joined via Zoom from her new home in Oregon. Her presentation was an empowering look at the tremendous advances in aviation safety over the years, explaining how we arrived at a time when the vast majority of air accidents are survivable. Aviation got to this stellar level of safety through intentional effort, from enhanced communication to checklists to pre- and post-flight briefings. She notes that these flying lessons can be applied throughout our personal and professional lives.

Negroni has been a journalist for most of her career, and for eight years she worked for lawyers as chief of investigations for air accidents and aviation-related terrorism. She also served on an FAA advisory committee planning new rules for airlines.

Her book, "The Crash Detectives," is a New York Times best seller. Her previous book, "Deadly Departure" was a New York Times Notable book. She is presently writing her third book, a memoir titled "Don't Wear Leggings on an Airplane - and Other Lessons From Unhappy Landings."

Negroni began by noting the collective emotional turbulence of flying: the relief of completing travel preparations giving way to the anxiety of relinquishing control once on board. She highlighted the stark difference between the typical traveler's concerns—the fear of the middle seat or the difficulty in charging a phone-and the focused work of aviation safety specialists. She contrasted the nesting ritual of a typical passenger, who carefully unpacks and sets up their sleep mask and earplugs, with the singular professional interest of Nora Marshall, a survival factors specialist, who is concerned only with the acronym CREEP. Ms. Negroni explained that nothing a passenger encounters on an aircraft is present until experts like Ms. Marshall approve it. While passengers seek comfort, Ms. Marshall calculates risks, such as whether a traveler's head might strike the video monitor embedded in the seat back during unexpected turbulence. Her work ensures that items carried on or installed on the plane help passengers survive, rather than impede evacuation.

This rigorous focus on survivability is a modern miracle, Ms. Negroni explained, considering the history of air travel. She recounted her own emergency landing experience in 1978, when she was a news anchor in Louisiana, flying home to Shreveport. The flight attendant woke her to prepare for a possible gear-up landing, a dangerous situation where the friction of the plane's belly scraping the runway can ignite highly flammable magnesium. Although the plane landed normally, and the alarm was likely due to a faulty indicator light rather than a mechanical failure, the incident was a stark reminder of the pervasive risk of air travel in that era.

Ms. Negroni contrasted her happy landing with the fate of an Eastern Airlines L-1011 in 1972, which crashed into the Everglades, killing 101 people. The pilots had become fatally distracted trying to diagnose a landing gear warning light while the plane was descending. She noted that the experience of American Airlines Captain Cort Tangeman, who successfully landed a plane without landing gear, showed that such high-risk events could end safely, a testament to proper training and design.

The acronym CREEP-Container, Restraints,

Container is designed to separate passengers from elements that can cause harm. Restraints rely on the simple seat belt and the seat's robust connection to the floor, which acts as an "occupant's tie-down chain" during forces up to 16 times the force of gravity. The Environment mandates that cabin materials, like carpets and curtains, resist ignition, and toxic chemical release, as fire remains a key danger in postcrash survival. The second E concerns Energy dissipation, achieved by designing hard materials to diminish or absorb impact forces. The final component, Post-crash, ensures the two most important parts of the anatomy remain serviceable: the head, so one can think, and the legs, so one can run.

These physical safety factors lead to Ms. Negroni's core advice for travelers, shared during a book tour breakfast with editor Carolyn McGuire of News UK: do not wear leggings on an airplane. Synthetic fibers, common in leggings, will bond to the skin in a fire, which is the primary concern in air accidents due to the amount of fuel carried. She recommended materials like cotton, wool, leather, or denim, as advised by the FAA in 1990.

Crucially, Ms. Negroni championed the aviation industry's continuous practice of "going upstream"-a parable about running upriver to stop the source of problems, rather than simply rescuing victims downstream. This methodology began with the world's first air accident investigation in 1908, when the Wright Flyer crashed at Fort Myer, Virginia, killing Lieutenant Thomas Selfridge. The Wright brothers determined the propeller blade failed and immediately modified the design, initiating aviation's dedication to learning from disaster.

This systemic approach has evolved into the science of human factors, examining how human error contributes to incidents. She cited Air Canada Captain Robert Pearson, who executed a masterful forced landing of his Boeing 767 near Winnipeg after the aircraft ran out of fuel, attributing the near-catastrophe to unfamiliarity with new computerized fuel-loading systems that replaced the traditional flight engineer. The investigative principle remains constant: rather than merely blaming an individual, investigators go upstream to find the systemic factors that led to the error. Ms. Negroni asserted that this "human-centered" commitment to safety, including the use of checklists and no-blame cultures, should be exported to address other pressing public safety issues in America, from medical misdiagnoses to road violence and

For your own safety, Negroni's most important flying

Pay attention to the flight attendants.

Note where the exits are.

Note any obstacles that may impede you getting to the exit.

Evaluate your seatmates.

Be most attentive on takeoff and landing.

Keep your shoes on (particularly during takeoff and landing).

Keep your seatbelt on.

The RMA's next presentation, "Discussion on Choral Music and The Greenwich Choral Society's 100th," by Christine Howlett, is scheduled for 11 AM on Wednesday, October 29, 2025. RMA presentations are held at Christ Environment, Energy, and Post-crash-defines the Church Greenwich, Parish Hall, 254 E. Putnam Avenue,



Journalist and author Christine Negroni spoke about the engineering and human factors that have made air travel safe.

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Choral Society, will discuss the upcoming season of the for GCS's 100th Anniversary. Howlett earned a Bachelor Choral Society which is currently celebrating its 100th of Vocal Performance from the University of Toronto. She anniversary. She will also discuss various aspects of the earned a Master's Degree in Early Music Voice Performance music she conducts and some special memories from and a Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Conducting at Indiana her history with live choral performances. She will delve University. She has been Music Director of the Greenwich into various elements that she feels create enjoyable and memorable musical experiences for her audiences as well as the performing choristers, soloists, and accompanying orchestras.

Canadian conductor and soprano Christine Howlett is Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities at Vassar College where she conducts the Vassar College Choir and Treble Chorus and teaches music theory and voice. Her choruses have sung at Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall and at the National Collegiate Choral Organization and the Eastern Region Conference of the American Choral Directors Association. Howlett was a guest conductor and chorus master for the Hudson Valley Philharmonic, and is the Artistic Director of Cappella Festiva, a choral ensemble in the Hudson Valley. A supporter of contemporary music, Howlett has commissioned and premiered works of Eleanor and thereby enjoy all the available fellowship, volunteer, Daley, Katerina Gimon, Libby Larsen, Shavon Loyd, Tarik and community service opportunities which the RMA O'Regan, Caroline Shaw and many others. Upcoming offers to its members. For further information, go to https://

Christine Howlett, Music Director of the Greenwich Greenwich Choral Society by Tim Takach and Rob Mathes Choral Society since 2024.

> To stream the presentation by Christine Howlett at 11 AM on Wednesday, October 29, click on https://bit.ly/30IBj21. This presentation will also be available on local public access TV channels, Verizon FIOS channel 24 and Optimum channel 79.

> 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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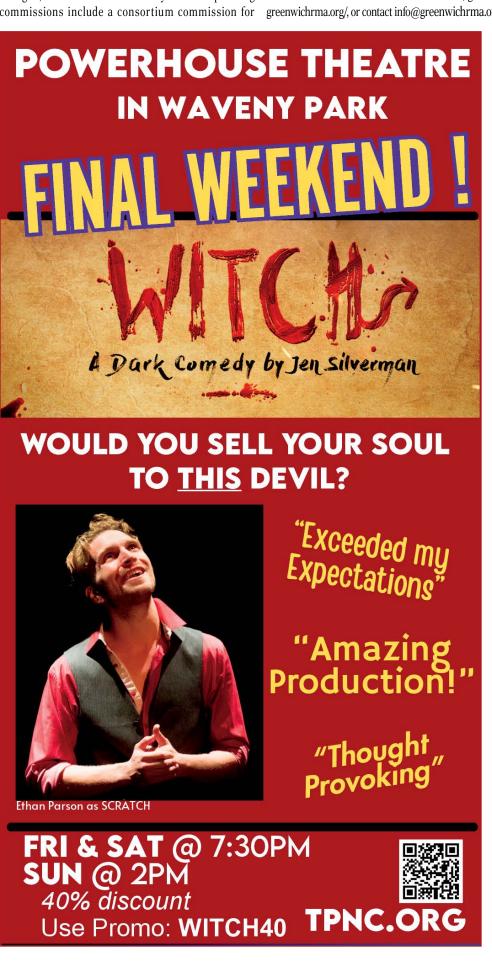
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### GCDS 6th Graders Team Up with 8th Grade Mentors

By Debra McLaughlin

This week, 6th graders from Greenwich Country Day School (GCDS) joined forces with two 8th grade mentors to help deliver nutritious prepared food through Meals-on-Wheels, Inc. of Greenwich.

For the younger students, it was their very first time volunteering with the program. Their mentors, already familiar with the routine, guided them step by step — from organizing the meals to greeting clients with warmth and respect.

By the end of the day, the 6th graders had stories of their own to share about how good it feels to help.

#### Why It Matters

GCDS encourages service learning through its Center for Public Good, which teaches students to connect with their community in meaningful ways. Pairing younger students with older mentors makes the experience especially impactful, blending leadership with empathy.

For the GCDS students, the experience was unforgettable. They saw firsthand that a words can brighten someone's the community since 1960, including seniors, people with students not only with a sense or call 203-869-1312.

By Debra McLaughlin

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changing.

At The Nathaniel Witherell, life is about more than care — it's about

connection, joy, and community. That's where Friends of Nathaniel

Witherell comes in. This nonprofit works every day to enrich the lives of residents at Greenwich's skilled nursing and rehabilitation center through programs, events, and a dedicated team of volunteers who bring energy and heart to the

One example? Meet the Crosby brothers - Pierce, Connor, and Jack

For the Crosbys, service started as a family tribute. Their great-

- three local high school students who prove that volunteering can be fun, meaningful, and even life-

6th and 8th grade Greenwich Country Day students with Meals-on-Wheels mascot, Odie

### Everyone – from middle schoolers to retirees – has something to offer.

organization delivers nearly 4,086 healthy meals per month to over 110 clients, thanks to the dedication of nearly 75 volunteer drivers. These volunteers not only provide nourishment simple smile or a few kind but also offer critical personal contact to a population that is day. Meals-on-Wheels of often isolated. The program A Call to Community Greenwich has been serving serves a diverse clientele,

one in the community faces food insecurity alone. Joining them in the photo was Odie, Meals-on-Wheels' adorable yellow Lab mascot, whose cheerful presence adds joy to the volunteer experience.

delivering nutritious meals to disabilities, and homebound of accomplishment but also with those in need. Currently, the individuals, ensuring that no a deeper understanding of the power of service. It's a reminder that everyone – from middle schoolers to retirees - has something to offer.

Meals-on-Wheels of Greenwich depends on volunteers, and the invitation is open. To learn how you can help, visit The experience left the mealsonwheelsofgreenwich.org

### **Forget Boring Service Hours**

Together, the Crosby brothers have found a volunteer experience that's about more than checking a box for school service hours.



Pierce, Connor and Jack Crosby

grandmother lived independently until the remarkable age of 105, and spending time with her gave them a deep respect for older adults. "She was sharp, funny, and full of life," the brothers recall. "Being around her taught us how much wisdom and experience seniors carry and how much we can learn from So when Pierce, the oldest,

signed up to volunteer with Friends of Nathaniel Witherell, it felt like a natural fit. Connor soon followed, and now Jack, the youngest, is continuing the tradition. Together, the brothers have found a volunteer experience that's about more than checking a box for school service hours. It's

stories, and adding brightness to perks. Students can choose times young volunteers, the real reward someone else's day.

Friends makes possible. The themselves are fun and interactive. organization doesn't just run And beyond the smiles, there's celebrated and connected. From live music and art workshops to holiday parties (with cake, of course), trivia games, and bingo, Friends ensures that every day moments of joy.

years and older), volunteering about making connections, sharing with Friends has some extra But for the Crosbys and many other center.\*

or other activities. The activities lasting memories with people who have incredible life stories to share.

Colleges and future employers notice this kind of involvement, at The Nathaniel Witherell offers too. Consistent volunteer work Witherell raises funds and fosters shows compassion, leadership, community support to enhance For high school students (15 and dedication to community qualities that set applicants apart. skilled nursing and rehabilitation

order

that fit with sports, schoolwork, isn't on paper. It's the friendships, laughter, and life lessons they'll carry long after high school.

To learn more about volunteer volunteer programs — it creates a chance to grow. Students build opportunities — or to support opportunities for residents to feel empathy, communication skills, the programs that make all and confidence, all while creating this possible - visit www. friendsofnathanielwitherell.org or follow along on Instagram @ friendsofnathanielwitherell.

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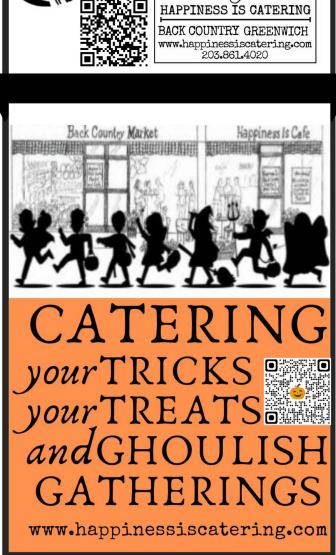
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#### **Filling In The Blanks Expands**

Filling in the Blanks, a nonprofit providing weekend meals to children in need, has created an Associate Board of seven young professionals from various industries to support fundraising and outreach. The board, chaired by Kara Bonitatibus, will serve two-year terms. Founded in 2013, the organization now serves over 200 schools across three counties and has delivered more than 4.6 million meals.

#### **Coffee for Good Hosts Community Events**

Coffee for Good in Greenwich will host two community events this fall. "Teddy Bear Story Time with Jenny" will take place on Oct. 25, Nov. 22, and Dec. 20 from 8-9am A book discussion with author Eileen Flood O'Connor is scheduled for Nov. 6 from 7-8pm, with proceeds from book sales benefiting Coffee for Good.

#### **Astronaut Scott Kelly Visits Greenwich**

**Greenwich Library will host former** NASA astronaut and U.S. Navy captain Scott Kelly for a keynote address on Wednesday, November 19, at 7pm in the Berkley Theater as part of the Lynne and Richard Pasculano Signature Series. Kelly, a veteran of four space missions and author of several books, will discuss his career and experiences in space. Registration opens October 29 at greenwichlibrary.org.

#### PEOPLE IN TOWN

#### Geri Christopher Turns 102 Joyfully

On September 26, 2005, Geri Christopher celebrated her 102nd birthday at Hill House. First Selectman Fred Camillo presented her with a Town of Greenwich Certificate of Recognition. The celebration included music by the **Bronx Boys Street Band and dancing** with her grandchildren. Photo credit: Fred Camillo

### **Greenwich Historical Society Honors**

On October 29 at the Belle Haven **Club**, the Greenwich Historical Society will honor former executive director and CEO Debra Mecky with its History in the Making Award. Mecky led the organization for 30 years, overseeing its development into a nationally recognized history museum. The event, featuring author Nathaniel Philbrick, begins at 6pm and supports the Society's arts and education programs.

#### **De Vries Earns National Arts Honor**

Jonathan De Vries, Upper School **Choir Director at Greenwich Country** Day School and Artistic Director of the Canterbury Choral Society, received the Motif Award National Medal of Fine **Arts at Carnegie Hall. The Canterbury** Choral Society, founded 74 years ago, is recognized for presenting large-scale choral works in sacred spaces. The award honors the group's contribution to the arts and its work promoting music as a unifying force.

#### **SCHOOLS**

#### **Community Plants Tulips For Hope**

The Yellow Tulip Project organized a community event at Greenwich High School where volunteers planted yellow tulip bulbs to promote mental health awareness. The bulbs, symbolizing hope and resilience, will bloom in spring as a reminder to normalize conversations about mental health. Local organizations and schools participated in the fourth annual effort to unite the community around this cause.

#### **SPORTS**

#### **Crushers Honor Pat Bria Legacy**

The Greenwich Youth Football League will honor longtime coach and board member Pat Bria on Sunday, October 19, at Greenwich High School's Cardinal Stadium. The "Crushers Play for Pat" event will include a tailgate and three games, with attendees encouraged to wear green. Donations will support the Pat Bria Scholarship Fund, providing an annual award to a graduating senior who played football in Greenwich schools.

#### **Greenwich Soccer Completes Historic** Season

**Greenwich High School's varsity** boys soccer team completed its firstever undefeated regular season with a 15-0 record, capped by a 5-1 Senior Night win over Brien McMahon on Oct. 17. Senior captain Francisco Luzuriaga tallied one goal and four assists, while Alexander Amato scored twice as the Cardinals extended their dominant play on both offense and defense. Coached by Kurt Putnam, top-seeded Greenwich now enters the FCIAC Tournament as the defending champions and the No. 1-ranked team in Class LL.

**Cardinals Triumph On Senior Day** 



Greenwich High School's girls varsity swim team marked its Senior Day on Oct. 17 with a 100-78 win over Norwalk/ McMahon, extending its undefeated season to 7-0. The Cardinals earned victories in multiple events, including strong relay performances and standout wins from swimmers such as Wesley Wales, Olivia DeVries, and Melissa Geiger. Following the meet, the team honored nine seniors for their leadership and contributions to Greenwich's continued success. Photo credit: Rachael Stover

#### **Gators Triumph Over Rival Tigers**



**Greenwich Academy defeated Sacred** Heart Greenwich 3-2 on Oct. 15, ending a five-season stretch of regular season losses to their FAA rival. The Gators built a 3-0 halftime lead with two goals from junior Emily Rizzi and one from senior Quinn Lahey, then held off a strong second-half rally by the Tigers. With the win, GA moved to 6-0 in league play, taking sole possession of first place and likely securing the FAA regular season title. Photo credit: David Fierro

#### **Cardinals Capture Top Tournament Seed**



Greenwich High School's varsity girls soccer team secured the No. 1 seed in the FCIAC Tournament after defeating Fairfield Warde 5-1 and Brien McMahon 3-0 to finish the regular season 12-1-2. The Cardinals, now on a 13-game unbeaten streak, also claimed both the FCIAC West Division and regular season titles. They will host Fairfield Ludlowe in the tournament quarterfinals on Tuesday at Cardinal Stadium. Photo credit: **David Fierro** 

#### **LOCAL POLITICS**

#### **Early Voting In Greenwich**

Early voting for Greenwich's municipal election began Oct. 20 at Town Hall and runs through Nov. 2. Polls will be open from 10am to 6pm, with extended hours on Oct. 28 and 30, and on Election Day, Nov. 4, from 6am to 8pm Registered voters will elect members to the Board of Selectmen, Board of Estimate and Taxation, Board of Education, and Representative Town Meeting.

#### **OUR NEIGHBORS**

#### **Beloved Harbor Seal Rasal Remembered**

The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk announced the death of Rasal, a harbor seal who lived there for nearly 20 years. At 40 years old, she was one of the oldest known harbor seals in human care and exceeded the typical life expectancy of her species. Rescued off Maine in 1985, Rasal contributed to the Aquarium's seal program and public education efforts until her death from age-related health issues.

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70 Glenville Street	\$950,000	\$447	2,124	0.22	4	2	Glenville
301 River West 301	\$969,000	\$535	1,812	0	2	2	Glenville
93 Greenwich Hills Drive 93	\$1,200,000	\$694	1,730	0	2	2	Glenville
39 Homestead Road	\$1,375,000	\$722	1,905	0.85	3	2	Glenville
20 Church Street A22	\$1,399,000	\$1,061	1,318	0	2	2	South Parkway
46 Stonehedge Drive South	\$1,795,000	\$669	2,684	1	3	2	North Parkway
608 W Lyon Farm Drive 608	\$1,850,000	\$972	1,904	60	3	3	South Parkway
137 Shore Road	\$2,475,000	\$1,118	2,214	0.34	4	2	Old Greenwich
175 Lake Avenue	\$3,295,000	\$1,078	3,056	0.23	5	4	South Parkway
145 Shore Road	\$3,500,000	\$907	3,859	0.28	5	3	Old Greenwich
148 E Elm Street 1	\$3,600,000	\$805	4,472	0.12	4	4	South of Post
148 E Elm Street 2	\$3,600,000	\$879	4,095	0.12	4	4	South of Post
1 Prescott Lane	\$3,750,000	\$959	3,912	0.24	4	3	South Parkway
43 Sterling Road	\$3,895,000	\$420	9,267	6.5	7	6	North Parkway
6 Reynwood Manor	\$4,495,000	\$793	5,670	4	5	4	North Parkway
8 Quintard Avenue	\$5,795,000	\$1,623	3,571	0.48	5	5	Old Greenwich
3 Cove Road	\$5,995,000	\$1,268	4,729	0.56	6	4	Old Greenwich
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148 E Elm Street 1&2	\$7,000,000	\$817	8,567	0.24	8	8	South of Post
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895 Lake Avenue	\$8,995,000	\$948	9,486	4	7	7	North Parkway
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1465 E Putnam Ave 421	\$530,000	\$530,000	\$542,000	11	1	1	0	765
7 River Road 306	\$850,000	\$850,000	\$815,000	59	2	2	0	1,110
193 Hamilton Avenue 20	\$949,000	\$949,000	\$921,200	21	2	2	0	1,742
118 Greenwich Hills Dr	\$1,045,000	\$1,045,000	\$1,200,000	40	3	2	0	2,035
11 Pond Place	\$1,825,000	\$1,825,000	\$1,975,000	9	4	2	0.31	2,329
36 Cary Road	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	23	4	4	0.14	2,400
39 Riverside Avenue	\$2,250,000	\$2,175,000	\$1,995,000	112	5	4	0.26	2,775
52 Breezemont Avenue	\$5,575,000	\$4,975,000	\$4,780,000	111	6	6	0.4	5,970
27 Stiles Lane	\$5,900,000	\$5,600,000	\$5,500,000	180	6	7	4.34	7,438
36 Alden Road	\$7,150,000	\$7,150,000	\$8,000,000	24	7	7	1.68	5,823
35 Club Road	\$9,950,000	\$9,950,000	\$9,750,000	122	6	6	0.71	8,896
9 Mountain Wood Drive	\$12,995,000	\$12,995,000	\$12,200,000	92	7	8	2.17	11,555

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201 Shore Road	Greenwich	\$2,350,000	Sun 12-2 PM	Coldwell Banker
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### Calendar of Events for Your Fridge

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 24

#### 2 - 6 p.m.

Give Back Night at Western Middle School - WMS PTA's fundraising event. Garden Catering, 177 Hamilton Ave. Mention code "WMSPTA25" at the time of ordering for 25% of your total to be donated back to our school.

Creative Ventures: Magic Potions (Ages 7-13). Perrot Memorial Library. Free. Register. perrotlibrary.org

#### 4 - 8 p.m.

GEMS (Greenwich Emergency Medical Service) annual Halloween Haunt. Sign up to have a decorated GEMS ambulance deliver Halloween treats to kids. Oct. 24 & 25. \$25 p/child. greenwichems.org/events/ halloween-haunt

#### 5 - 7 p.m.

Community Trunk or Treat. River House Adult Day Center, 125 River Road Ext., Cos Cob. Free & open to everyone. 203-622-0079.

theriverhouse.org

#### 5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation's 'Halloween Happenings'. Bendheim Western Greenwich Civic Center \$12/person (ages 3 & up). greenwichct. gov/2310/Halloween-Happenings

#### 6 - 9 p.m.

Arch Street Teen Center: Nightmare on Arch Street -6th Grade Halloween Party. Arch Street 2.0, 255 Field Point Rd. \$40. archstreet. org/calendar

#### 7 p.m.

Round Hill Volunteer Fire Company's annual Oktoberfest. Round Hill Community House, 395 Round Hill Rd. eventbrite. com/e/1671938696649

#### 7:30 p.m.

Arch Street Teen Center: Nightmare on Arch Street -7th & 8th Grade Halloween Party. Arch Street 2.0, 255 Field Point Rd. \$40. archstreet.org/calendar

#### **SATURDAY, OCT. 25**

7 - 8:30 a.m.

Fall Migration Bird Tour (Ages 6 & up). Greenwich Audubon Center. Free – donations encouraged. RSVP. audubon.org/ events?view\_type=row&location=Greenwich%20 Audubon%20Center

Teddy Bear Story Time & Fair. Coffee For Good, 48 Maple Ave., Old Greenwich. Free & open to all. 203-869-9311. Jenny@2cc. org. 2cc.org

Greenwich and Stamford Modernism: A Tour of Historic Home Interiors. Parking & bus pick-up/ drop-off at Stanwich Church, 202 Taconic Rd, Greenwich. \$85. histoury. org/historical-tour-calendar-and-tickets

#### 9 a.m.

Sacred Heart Greenwich Open House – Kindergarten-12th grade. 1177 King St., Greenwich. Free. 203-532-3534. shgreenwich.org/ fs/pages/511

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Library of Things Technology Petting Zoo! (Adults). Perrot Memorial Library. Free. No registration required. 203-637-1066. adultprogramming@ perrotlibrary.org. perrotlibrary.org

#### 1 p.m.

Science Solvers: Pumpkins! (Ages 4 & up). Bruce Museum. Free with admission. No reservations required. Also held Sunday, Oct. 26. brucemuseum.org

#### 1 p.m.

Mushroom Log Propagation with Farmer Orly. Greenwich Land Trust, 370 Round Hill Road. \$50. Register. gltrust.org/events

#### 1:30, 2 & 2:30 p.m. Friends of Greenwich

Point: Creepy Crawly Animals. Innis Arden Cottage at Tod's Point. Free. RSVP. eventbrite. com/e/1758344177769

#### 3 - 5 p.m.

'Owl-oween' Enchanted Afternoon (Ages 6 & up). Greenwich Audubon Center. \$15, adults; \$10, children (12 & under). Register. audubon.org/ events?view\_type=row&location=Greenwich%20 Audubon%20Center

#### 4:30 p.m.

Maddie's Dance Studio Movie Night & Recital Theme Reveal. Old Greenwich School Gym, 285 Sound Beach Ave. \$25. Open to the public. maddiesdancestudio.com/special-events

#### 6 p.m.

Trunk or Treat. The First Congregational Church – parking lot, 108 Sound Beach Ave. \$20 per family. 203-637-1791. fccog.org

#### 6 - 7:30 p.m.

'Wear Pink. Drink Pink' SLS Event Fundraiser. St. Lawrence Society, 86 Valley Rd., Cos Cob. 203-618-9036. stlawrencesociety.

com/events

#### SUNDAY, OCT. 26 10 a.m.

Pet Pantry Howl & Prowl activities, costume contest & free treats for the fourlegged family members. 290 Greenwich Avenue.

#### 11 a.m.

Whitby School: All-School Open House. 969 Lake Avenue. Register. whitbyschool.org/thinkwhitby2026

#### 11:15 a.m.

Sunday Forum: Our Lady of All Dangers: Saving Notre-Dame de Paris! Christ Church Greenwich, 254 East Putnam Ave. Free. christchurchgreenwich. org/upcoming-events

#### 1 - 3 p.m.

Stained Glass Window Tour celebrating St. Paul's Church 150th anniversary. 200 Riverside Avenue. Reception to follow in the church's courtyard. 203-637-2447. paulsriverside.org

Bruce Experiences: Labor in Opera. Bruce Museum. Free with admission. brucemuseum.org

#### 3 p.m.

Requiem: Brahms & Mahler. St. Barnabas Greenwich, 954 Lake Avenue. \$35. eventbrite. com/e/1527497348689

#### 4:30 p.m.

Ghouls in the Garden! Greenwich Botanical Center. Members, \$40; Non-Members, \$45. Register. greenwichbotanicalcenter.org/upcoming-events

#### 5 p.m.

Northeast Greenwich Association Annual Meeting. Greenwich Country Club, 19 Doubling Rd. northeastgreenwichassociation.org

#### MONDAY, OCT. 27

5:30 p.m. Women's Business Development Council (WBDC): Business Loan Drop In. Online. Free. Register. ctwbdc.org/class-listings

#### 7 p.m.

Perrot P.I.s Mystery Book Group Discusses "March Violets," by Philip Kerr. Perrot Memorial Library. Free. 203-637-1066. lending@perrotlibrary.org. perrotlibrary.org

#### TUESDAY, OCT. 28

#### 8:30 a.m.

How to Navigate the College Application Process with Purpose – And Without Losing Your Mind. HAYVN Coworking, 1700 East Putnam Ave., Suite 208, Greenwich. Free. Register. logicprep.com/events/ havyn-event

#### 9:15 a.m.

The Riverside Garden Club's October meeting: presentation from Bill Rutherford, President of Friends of Binney Park. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 200 Riverside Ave. Free (First two meetings free). RSVP. riversidectgardenclub@gmail.com. riversidectgardenclub.org

#### 10 a.m.

Perrot Memorial Library: Perrot Walks at Binney Park. Meet outside the front entrance of the Library. Free. 203-637-1066 x15. perrotlibrary.org

#### 10 & 11 a.m.

Bruce Beginnings: Spooky Spiders (Ages 2 1/2-5). Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Free with admission. No reservations required. Also held Wednesday, Oct. 29. brucemuseum.org

Debate Club (Ages 9-12). Perrot Memorial Library. Free. Register. perrotlibrary.org

#### 6:30 p.m.

Greenwich Tree Conser-

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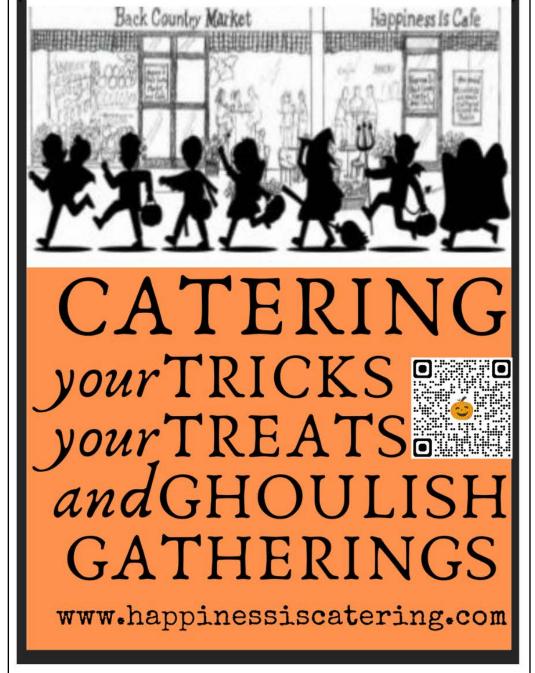
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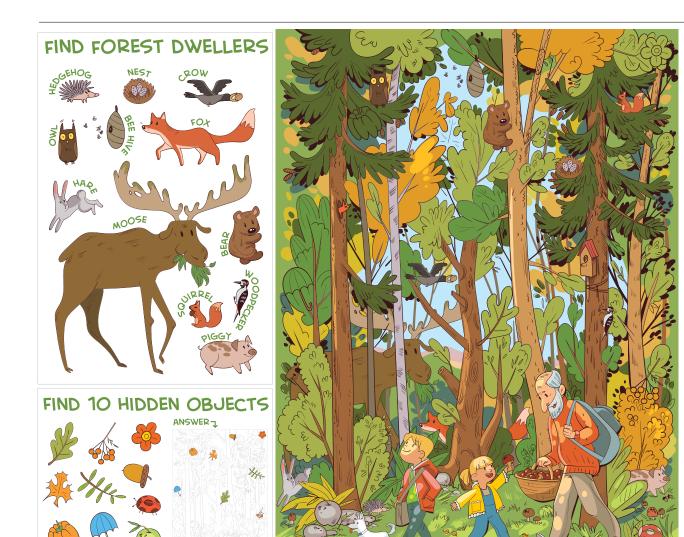


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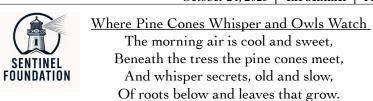
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Read it Outloud: A Poem Written Just for You, Sentinel Readers, Where Pine Cones Whisper and Owls Watch



We wander where the tall trees lean, Through painted gold and autumn green, Where owl blinks down from shadowed height And crow sails low in looping flight.

A bunny darts quick — a silver thread, While squirrel bounds from branch to bed, And fox slips by with watchful eyes, As sunlight filters soft and wise.

The moose stands still by fern and brook, A gentle, patient, thoughtful look. The woodpecker taps a tapping song, The bear hums low and lumbers along.

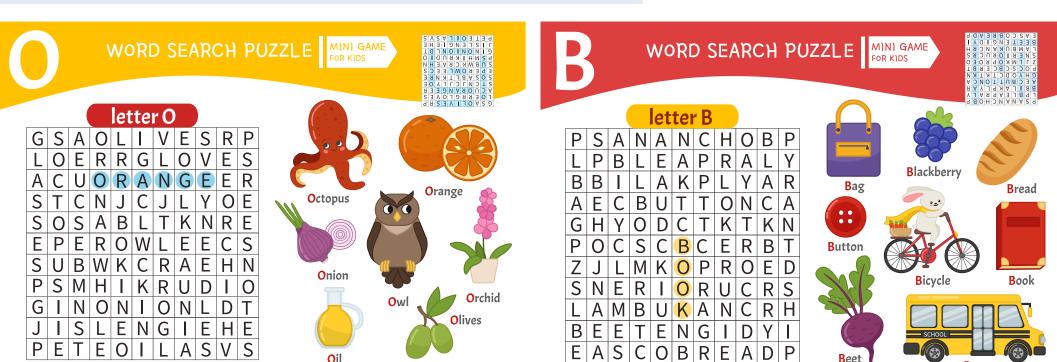
We walk — a grandpa, dog, and two — With baskets brimming, hearts anew, For every pinecone, mushroom, and seed Feels like a gift the woods decreed.

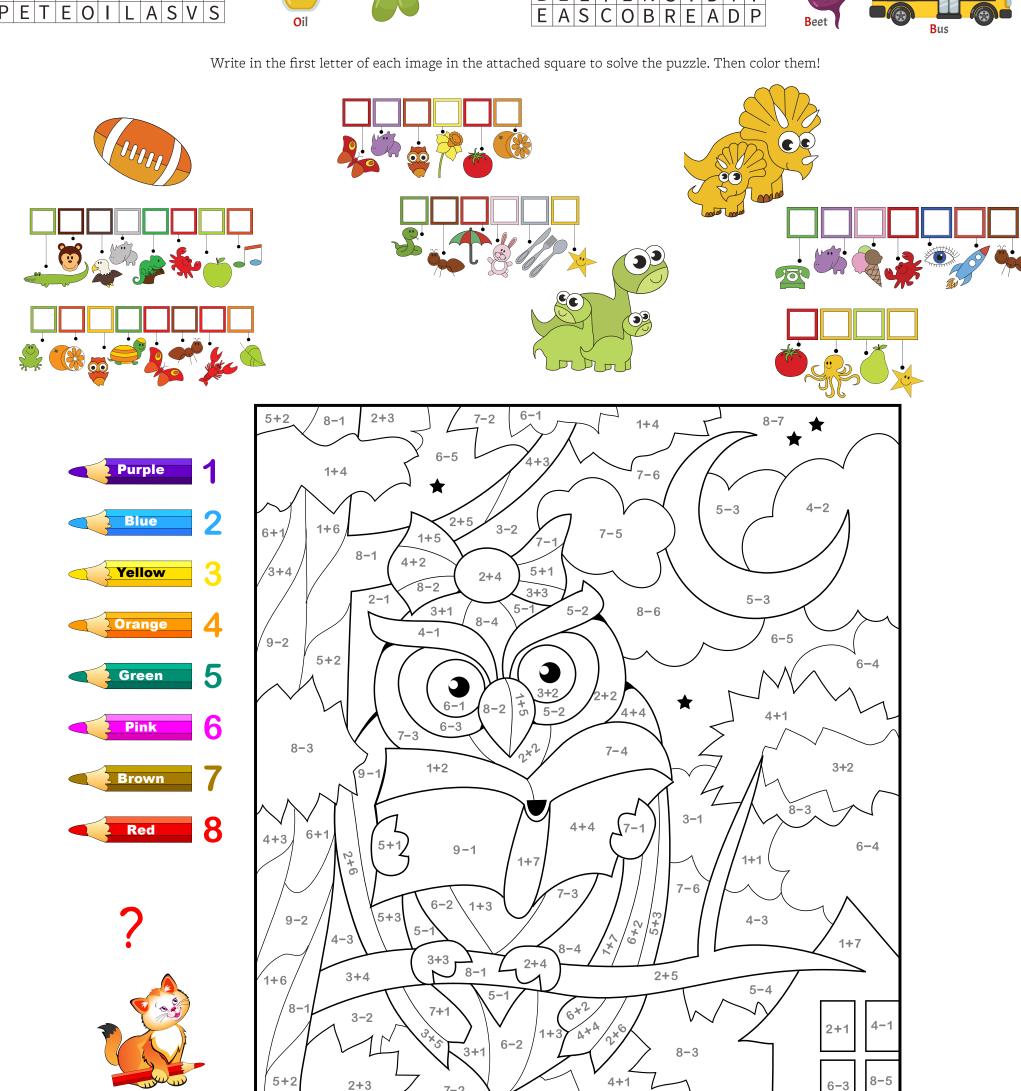
A nest rocks gently in the trees,
And somewhere deep where mushrooms hide,
The piglet snores — all satisfied.
We'll carry home the forest's cheer.

The hive hums faintly in the breeze,

We'll carry home the forest's cheer, Its echoes bright, its voices near, And when the dusk folds day away, We'll dream of where the wild things play.

For woods are not just trees and ground,
But living stories all around —
A whispered tale, a secret call,
A walk that fixes one and all.





Calendar of Events for Your Fridge

vancy: Tree Walk. Bruce Park. 203-622-7380. Free. Register. greenwichtreeconservancy.org

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29**

#### 10 a.m.

Bruce Beginnings Junior: Spooky Spiders (ages: 12 Months-30 Months). Bruce Museum, 1 Museum Dr. Free with admission. First come, first served. brucemuseum.org

#### 11 a.m.

Retired Men's Association of Greenwich: Christine Howlett, Music Director, Greenwich Choral Society. Christ Church Greenwich, 254 East Putnam Ave. Free & open to all. greenwichrma.org

#### 1 p.m.

Winter Watercolor Landscapes, with Hazel Jarvis. Perrot Memorial Library. Free. Register. lending@ perrotlibrary.org. perrotlibrary.org

#### 4 p.m.

Crafting Connections: Color a Smile (Ages 9-12). Perrot Memorial Library. Free. Register. perrotlibrary.org

#### 5:30 p.m.

Chamber Mixer. J House Greenwich, 1114 East Putnam Ave. \$25, Chamber Members; \$45, Prospective Members. greenwichchamber.com

#### 6 p.m.

Greenwich Historical Society History in the Making Awards Dinner. Belle Haven Club. greenwichhistory. org/history-in-the-making

#### 6:30 p.m.

Whitby School Speaker Series: High Achievement, Perfectionism & Anxiety: A Talk by Dr. Matt Zakreski. 969 Lake Ave. Free & open to the public. Register. events.veracross.com/ whitby/273-speaker-seriesdr-matt-zakreski

#### 6:30 p.m.

"How America Recovers" - Courage & Faith Speaker Series. Christ Church Greenwich, 254 East Putnam Ave. \$20. christchurchgreenwich.org/upcoming-events

#### 7 p.m.

Perrot Memorial Library: Towards a Waste Free Greenwich, with Julie DesChamps. Online. Free. Register. perrotlibrary.org

#### THURSDAY, OCT. 30

#### 10 a.m.

Open Knitting Drop-In Program. Perrot Memorial Library, 90 Sound Beach Ave. Free. perrotlibrary.org

#### 2 p.m.

Lifetime of Looking: Color and Light – a public program for adults experiencing cognitive decline, such as Alzheimer's Disease, and their family members and caregivers. Bruce Museum. Free with admission. Registration required. 203-413-6743. srice@brucemuseum.org. brucemuseum.

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 31

#### 7 p.m.

Halloween Party with Live Music featuring Cooked Up. St. Lawrence Society, 86 Valley Rd., Cos Cob. 203-618-9036. stlawrencesociety.com/events

#### 9 p.m.

Halloween Bash. Tony's at the J House, 1114 East Putnam Ave. eventbrite. com/e/1770560858189

#### SATURDAY, NOV. 1

#### 9 - 11 a.m.

Greenwich Audubon Center: Birding Trip: Waterbirds & Migrants at Cove Island Park. \$15 (Ages 6 & up). Register. audubon.org/ events?view\_type=row&location=Greenwich%20 Audubon%20Center

#### 9 a.m.

Meet for Coffee at the Bruce: With Elizabeth Birkelund. Bruce Museum. Free with admission. RSVP. brucemuseum.org

#### 6 p.m.

Bruce After Hours: Fall Fest. Bruce Museum. Member, \$20; Non- Member, \$25. RSVP. brucemuse-

#### 7 p.m.

The Undies Project's 'The Magic of Giving'. CoCreate, Stamford. theundiesproject. org

#### SUNDAY, NOV. 2

#### 10 a.m.

iNat with a Naturalist (Ages 6 & up). Greenwich Audubon Center. \$15. Register. audubon.org/ events?view\_type=row&location=Greenwich%20 Audubon%20Center

#### 2 p.m.

Fred Elser First Sunday Science: Food Matters: Impacts and Solutions in Greenwich. Innis Arden Cottage, Tod's Point. Free & open to all. brucemuseum.org

#### WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH OCT. 29

#### 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Old Greenwich Farmer's Market. Living Hope Community Church, 38 West End Avenue, Old Greenwich. Through Oct. 29. oldgreenwichfarmersmarket.org

#### THROUGH MONDAY, <u>NOV. 3</u>

#### **Veterans Day Dona**tion Drive hosted by the

G.R.E.A.T.S. - Support CT Veterans by donating new essentials for appreciation bags during the Wallace Center's Donation Drive. 203-862-6721. greenwichct. gov/Calendar.aspx-?EID=17041&month=10&year=2025&day=4&cal-Type=0

#### <u>SATURDAYS,</u> THROUGH NOV. 22

#### 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Greenwich Farmer's Market Opening Day. Horseneck Parking Lot, Arch Street and Horseneck Lane. (Parking is free during market hours). Through Nov. 22. greenwichfarmersmarketct.com.

#### **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. archstreet.org

#### **TUESDAYS:**

#### 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. kidsincrisis.org/get-help/lighthouse

#### **WEDNESDAYS:**

#### 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-rhcc

#### 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. 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

### 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. experiencetaichi.

#### 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 & SAT-URDAY:**

#### 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 LIBRAR-IES:** greenwichlibrary.org

#### Friday, Oct. 24 9:30 a.m.

Medicare Part D Open Enrollment Assistance. Learning Lab. 203-862-6707.

Cos Cob Library Storytime. Cos Cob Library Community Room. 203-622-6883.

#### 10 a.m.

Goldbas Musical Story Hour. Marx Family Black Box Theater. 203-622-7940. children@greenwichlibrary. org

#### 11:15 a.m.

Qi Gong. Online. greenwichlibrary.libcal.com/ event/15370325

#### 6 p.m.

Escape Room at the Cos Cob Library. Cos Cob Library Community Room. 203-622-6883.

#### 7 p.m.

Friends Friday Films: "How to Train Your Dragon." Berkley Theater. cgibbs@ greenwichlibrary.org.

#### Saturday, Oct. 25

#### 10:30 a.m.

Music with Tom Weber. Marx Family Black Box Theater. 203-622-7940. children@greenwichlibrary.org

#### 10:30 a.m.

Self-Care Practices with Roberta. Byram Shubert Library Community Room. 203-531-0426.

#### 11 a.m.

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

#### 1 p.m.

Innovator-in-Residence: Innovative Crochet - Infinity Headbands. Innovation Lab. 203-622-7979. innovationlab@greenwichlibrary. org.

#### Monday, Oct. 27

#### 10 a.m.

Little Learners (Storytime Lottery). Children's Constellation Room.

#### 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 on the Fringe: Lunchtime Edition: The Bewitching. 2nd Floor Meeting Room.

#### dio. Innovation Lab. 3 p.m.

2 p.m.

Peterson Business Lab: A Drop-In Session. Learning Lab.

PrintLab: 3D Printing Stu-

#### 3:15 p.m.

Battle of the Books Book Club with Ms. Flynn: The Misfits - A Royal Conundrum. Byram Shubert Library Conference Room.

#### 4:30 p.m.

Book Wizards Book Club. Cos Cob Library Rotunda.

#### Tuesday, Oct. 28 9:30 a.m.

Medicare Part D Open

Enrollment Assistance. Learning Lab.

### 10 a.m.

Spanish Storytime. Cos Cob Library Community Room.

11 a.m. Petite Concert. Marx Family Black Box Theater.

- Pre-K). Byram Shubert Library Community Room.

Storytime with Patty (Birth

Sit n Stitch Knitting Group. Cos Cob Library Community Room.

#### 1:15 p.m.

Baby Lapsit (Storytime Lottery). Children's Constellation Room.

#### 3:45 p.m.

Library Rotunda. 4 p.m.

Book Explorers Book Club.

Pen to Paper. Cos Cob

#### Cos Cob Library Community Room.

5 p.m. Meditation & Breathing with Gail (Zoom).

Greenwich Reads Together: The History of Sound. Berkley Theater.

#### Wednesday, Oct. 29

#### 10 a.m.

Baby Lapsit. Cos Cob Library Community Room.

#### 10 a.m. Movers & Shakers (Storytime Lottery). Children's

Constellation Room. 11 a.m.

#### Early Walkers. Cos Cob Library Community Room.

Baby Lapsit. Cos Cob Li-

### brary Community Room.

Innovation Lab. 4 p.m. Halloween Ceramics with

LaserLab: Design & Create.

#### Lucia. Byram Shubert Library Community Room.

6 p.m. Python Programming Basics Made Easy: Part 4 of

#### 4\* Learning Lab. 6 p.m.

Community Sponsored: Annual Meeting River Run Condominium At The Mill Association. 2nd Floor Meeting Room.

### 7 p.m.

Inside the Admissions Committee with Princeton Review. (Online Event).

#### Thursday, Oct. 30

Japanese Storytime. Cos Cob Library Community

#### Room. 10 a.m.

PLAYdate! Marx Family Black Box Theater.

11 a.m. Sensory Storytime (Storytime Lottery). Children's Constellation Room.

#### 11 a.m.

2 p.m. No Fear Computer Basics: Digital Services for the Beginner. Learning Lab.

Tech Help. Learning Lab.

#### 4 p.m.

Stories with Laconia and Trick-or-Treat Party. Byram Shubert Library Community Room. 4:30 p.m.

Halloween Blast: Spooky

### Mr. B's Halloween Come-

dy Magic Show. Cos Cob Library Community Room.

#### 6 p.m.

Teen Scene: Skeleton Fashion Show. Teen Commons. 7 p.m.

#### Investing: Tax-Efficient Investing. Online Friday, Oct. 31

#### 9:30 a.m.

Medicare Part D Open Enrollment Assistance. Learning Lab. 203-862-6707.

#### Cos Cob Library Storytime. Cos Cob Library Commu-

nity Room. 203-622-6883. 11:15 a.m. Qi Gong. Online. greenwichlibrary.libcal.com/

#### World Music with Anitra. Cos Cob Library Commu-

3:45 p.m.

event/15370325

7 p.m. Friends Friday Films: "Shadow of a Doubt," with Reel Talk Speaker Dr. Sidney Gottlieb. Berkley Theater. cgibbs@green-

nity Room. 203-622-6883.

#### wichlibrary.org. Saturday, Nov. 1

#### 10 a.m.

dren's Constellation Room. 203-622-7940. children@ greenwichlibrary.org 10:30 a.m.

with Inger. Byram Shubert

Hatha Yoga for Adults

Satur-yay! Storytime. Chil-

#### Library Community Room. 203-531-0426.

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

#### 1 p.m.

Innovator-in-Residence: Innovative Crochet - Infinity Headbands. Innovation Lab. 203-622-7979. innovationlab@greenwichlibrary.

#### 1 p.m.

Common Threads Hand Crafts Meetup. Cos Cob Library Community Room. 203-622-6883.

#### 2 p.m.

"Theater of Horrors" Spooky Drama Workshop (Grades 6-12). Children's Constellation Room. 203-622-7940. children@ greenwichlibrary.org

#### 2 p.m.

Chess for All with Ian. Byram Shubert Library Community Room. 203-531-0426.

**GREENWICH HOSPI-**

TAL: greenwichhospital.

#### org/events 888-305-9253

Monday, Oct. 27

#### 6 p.m.

CPR Friends & Family (Infant/Child). 38 Volunteer Ln. \$70. For discount information call 888-305-9253.

#### **NEIGHBOR-TO-NEIGH-BOR:** ntngreenwich.org

### Everyday, all day

• 24/7 Food Drive Collection site at North Greenwich Congregational Church, 606 Riversville 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: redcrossblood.org Friday, Oct. 24

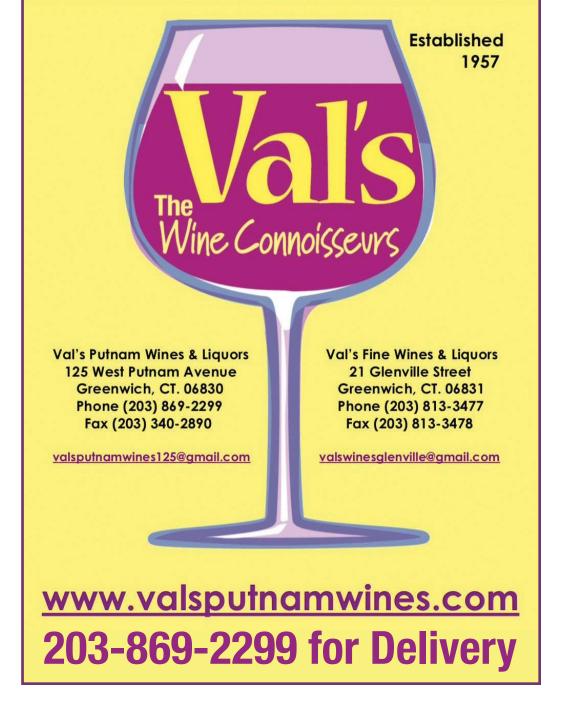
11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Westchester Medical Center - Taylor Pavilion South,

100 Woods Rd, Valhalla,

#### NY.

#### Saturday, Oct. 25 7 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian



### Calendar of Events for Your Fridge

Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### Sunday, Oct. 26

#### 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### Monday, Oct. 27

#### 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### Tuesday, Oct. 28

#### 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### Wednesday, Oct. 29

#### 9 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Agudath Sholom synagogue, 301 Strawberry Hill Avenue, Stamford.

#### 11 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

UCONN, One University Place, Stamford.

#### 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

United Church of Rowayton, 210 Rowayton Ave., Norwalk.

#### Thursday, Oct. 30

#### 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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

#### Friday, Oct. 31

#### 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

New Rochelle Public Library, 1 Library Plaza Lawton Street, New Rochelle, NY.

#### Saturday, Nov. 1

#### 7 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian Field Rd., Greenwich.

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

First Presbyterian Church, 1 West Putnam Ave., Greenwich.

### Sunday, Nov. 2

### 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Jill and John Coyle Blood Donor Center, 99 Indian Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### Monday, Nov. 3

#### 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Jill and John Coyle Blood

Donor Center, 99 Indian

Field Rd., Greenwich.

#### 1 - 6 p.m.

Saint Pauls Lutheran Church, 761 King Street, Rye Brook, NY.

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

#### Monday, Oct. 27

1 p.m. Planning and Zoning Commission Briefing.

5:30 p.m. Nathaniel Witherell Board of Directors Meeting.

### 6:30 p.m.

Board of Health Regular Meeting. Evaristo Conference Room.

#### 7 p.m.

Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Agency Meeting. Zoom Webinar.

#### 8 p.m.

RTM Full Meeting. Central Middle School.

### Tuesday, Oct. 28

#### Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting.

New date: Board of Human Services Meeting. Zoom

#### Webinar. 7 p.m.

First Selectman's Youth Commission Board Meeting. Mazza Room.

### Wednesday, Oct. 29

Board of Parks and Recreation Meeting.

#### Monday, Nov. 3

#### 10:30 a.m.

Architecture Review Committee (ARC) Sign-Meet-

#### Tuesday, Nov. 4

#### 7 p.m.

First Selectman's Youth Commission Board Meet-

#### Wednesday, Nov. 5

#### 7 p.m.

Architecture Review Committee (ARC) Regular Meeting.

#### **SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, Nov. 1

• YWCA Greenwich's 'The Fall Party'. Belle Haven Club. ywcagreenwich.org/ events/the-fall-party

#### 7 p.m.

The Undies Project's 'The Magic of Giving'. CoCreate, Stamford. theundiesproject.

### Tuesday, Nov. 4

#### 7 p.m.

Parenting Author Talk, Book Signing & Reception Katherine Schwarzenegger Pratt. Dogwood Books and Gifts @ Christ Church Greenwich. eventbrite. com/e/1544763572429

#### Saturday, Nov. 8

#### 10 a.m.

The 6th Annual Silver Shield Foundation Greenwich Walk. Tod's Point. silvershieldfoundation.org/ greenwich-walk

Pathways' Mental Health Gala. Delamar Hotel Greenwich. pways.org

#### Tuesday, Nov. 11

#### 8 a.m.

Homes for the Brave: Honor Our Veterans 5k Family Run/Walk. Sherwood Island State Park, Westport. runsignup.com/Race/CT/ Westport/HonorOurVeterans5k

### Saturday, Nov. 15

#### 6 p.m.

Make-A-Wish Connecticut's Wish Night. Greenwich Country Club. e.givesmart.com/events/ IZ4/

#### Thursday, Nov. 20

Greenwich Old Timers Athletic Association Annual Dinner - National and Local Honorees. Hilton Stamford. greenwicholdtimers.org

#### Wednesday, Dec. 3

#### 5 p.m.

Abilis Holiday Sip & Shop at Abilis Gardens & Gifts. abilis.us

#### Friday, Jan. 23, 2026

#### 5 p.m.

Night at the Museum benefit. Bruce Museum. brucemuseum.org

#### Thursday, June 25, 2026

#### 5:30 p.m.

**Greenwich Sentinel Award** Cocktail Reception. Christ Church Greenwich. greenwichsentinel.com

#### **Our Neighboring Towns** FRIDAY, OCT. 24

#### 3 p.m.

Fright-Free Flicks. Ferguson Main Library, Stamford. Free. fergusonlibrary.

#### 4:30 p.m.

How It's Done Done Done:

#### A K-Pop Fan Party. Ferguson Library – Harry Bennett Branch, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org

#### 6 p.m.

Adult Haunted House Party. Ferguson Library -Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org

#### SATURDAY, OCT. 25

#### 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Beasties and Besties Halloween Bash. Stepping Stones Museum for Children – Mathews Park, 303 West Ave, Norwalk. steppingstonesmuseum.org

#### 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

'BOO at the Zoo!' Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo, 1875 Noble Ave., Bridgeport. GA (ages 12-61), \$20; Children (ages 2-11), \$16; Seniors (62 & older), \$16; Ages 0-1, Free. beardsleyzoo.org

#### 11 a.m.

Spooky Film Series: "Jaws" (1975). Ferguson Library - Harry Bennett Branch, Stamford. Free. fergusonlibrary.org

#### 2 p.m.

Then and Now: A Panel Discussion on LGBTQIA+ History and Lived Experience. Ferguson Main Library, Stamford. Free. fergusonlibrary.org

#### 2 p.m.

A History of Gravina in Puglia, an Italian-American Heritage Month Program. Ferguson Library - Harry Bennett Branch, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org

#### SUNDAY, OCT. 26

#### 8:30 a.m.

Walk to End Alzheimer's -Fairfield County. Sherwood Island State Park, Westport. alz.org/ct 2 p.m.

A History of Gravina in Puglia, an Italian-American Heritage Month Program. Ferguson Library - Harry Bennett Branch, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org

#### 3 p.m.

Matisse at War: Art and Resistance in Nazi-Occupied France with Christopher C. Gorham. Bedford Playhouse, 633 Old Post Rd., Bedford, NY. 914-234-6704. bedfordplayhouse.org

#### MONDAY, OCT. 27

#### 4 p.m.

New Canaan Land Trust & New Canaan Library: Spooky Scavenger Hunt. Still Pond Preserve, 778 Silvermine Rd, New Canaan. Ages 3-8 with a parent. Register. Free. 203-972-1270. newcanaanlandtrust.

### **TUESDAY, OCT. 28**

#### 6:30 p.m.

An Evening with Celebrity Chef and Cookbook Author Lidia Bastianich, an Italian-American Heritage Month Program. Ferguson Main Library, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org

#### 6 p.m.

Tuesday Night Trivia: Halloween Edition. Ferguson Library – Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29

Lecture: Paws and Reflect:

#### 7 p.m.

Do Therapy Dogs Lower Stress and Boost Self-Efficacy in Humans? Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo - Carousel Building, 1875 Noble Ave., Bridgeport. \$10, General Public; Zoo Volunteer, Free. beardsleyzoo.org

#### 7 p.m.

Documentary Screening & Panel Discussion: The Librarians. Ferguson Library - Outreach, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.

#### THURSDAY, OCT. 30

#### 3 p.m.

NCM&HS Sponsored Halloween Graveyard Tour at Lakeview with Dede Bartlett. All ages. Free, members; \$10, all others. 203-966-1776. zeffy.com/ en-US/ticketing/halloweengraveyard-tour-with-dedebartlett

#### 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

'GLOW Wild' Lantern Festival. Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo, 1875 Noble Ave., Bridgeport. (Thu-Sun - through Dec. 14). beardsleyzoo.org

#### 6 - 8 p.m.

Lawyers in Libraries: meet with a volunteer attorney. Ferguson Main Library, 2nd Floor Study Room 1. Book an appointment: 203-351-8221. fergusonlibrary. org

#### 7 p.m.

Foundations to Futures: A Conversation with the Experts. Bedford Playhouse, 633 Old Post Rd., Bedford, NY. 914-234-6704. bedfordplayhouse.org

#### 7:30 p.m.

Curtain Call: "Misery." The Kweskin Theatre, 1349 Newfield Ave., Stamford. Performances: Fri & Sat, 7:30pm, & Sun, 2pm (Oct. 30 - Nov. 16). curtaincallinc.com

#### FRIDAY, OCT. 31

#### 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Tricks and Treats Day. **Stepping Stones Museum** for Children - Mathews Park, 303 West Ave, Norwalk. steppingstonesmuseum.org

#### 3 p.m.

Fright-Free Flicks. Ferguson Main Library, Stamford. Free. fergusonlibrary.

#### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22 6 p.m.

Silent Movie with Live Piano: Cabinet of Dr. Caligari. Ferguson Main Library, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org THURSDAY, OCT. 23

Ferguson Library – West

#### 3 p.m. Preschool Movie Matinee.

Side Branch, Stamford. Free. Register. fergusonlibrary.org 4 p.m. Adult Crafting: Tote Bag Decorating. Ferguson Li-

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ford. Free. Register. fergu-

#### sonlibrary.org 5:30 p.m.

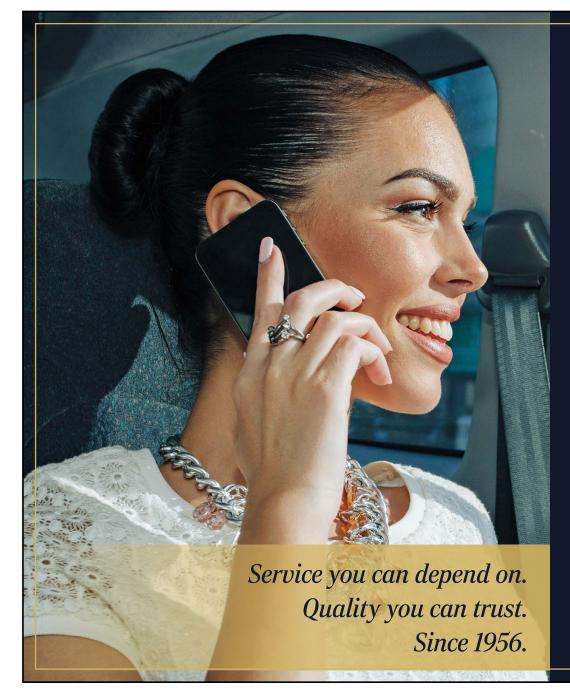
New Canaan Land Trust Meeting followed by Jim Levitt Presentation. New Canaan Library, 151 Main St., New Canaan. Free. 203-972-1270. newcanaanlandtrust.org

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'GLOW Wild' Lantern Festival. Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo, 1875 Noble Ave., Bridgeport. (Thu-Sun - through Dec. 14). beardsleyzoo.org

#### 7 p.m.

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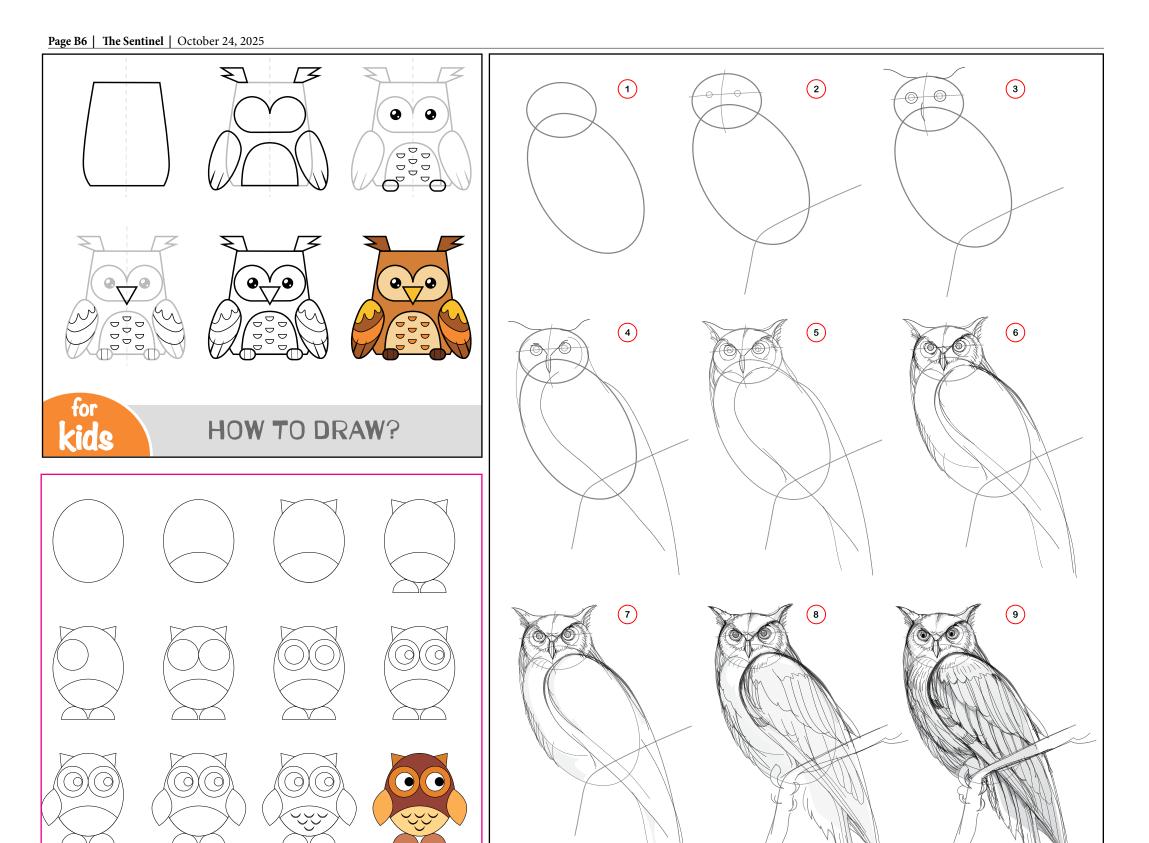
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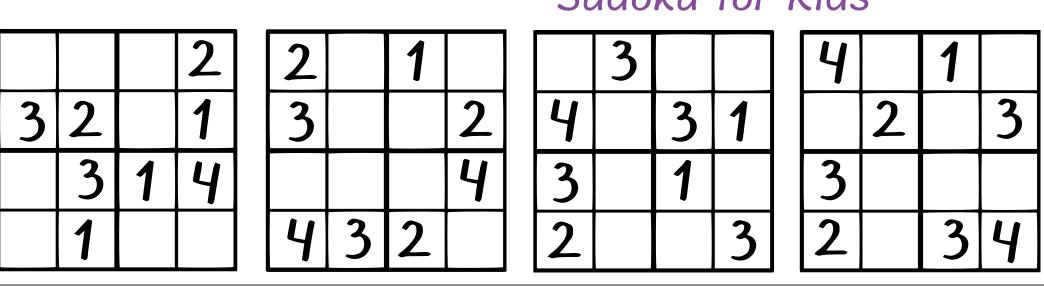


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### Sudoku for Kids



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#### Universal Crossword

- **ACROSS 1** Soak (up) 4 Bottle lid
- It cuts with the grain 13 One might
- be fraternal 15 National bird of
- Australia Pop star
- Grande **17** Place that accepts plastic
- Yearly 20 Colorful fish
- in a pond 22 Stitches 23 Last letter in the Greek spelling of
- "Cyclops" 24 Sch. in Cambridge 26 Week"
- (Barenaked Ladies hit) 28 Worker
- with a stop sign 35 Peter Hernandez,
- Bruno Mars
- 36 Catch some rays 37
- "Wowzers!" 38 What a bloodhound tracks
- 40 Toupee, slangily
- Astronomer Carl 43 Dehydrate
- **44** Org. with many return envelopes? Web
- destination 47 Hook, line,
- sinker, etc.

- Edited by David Steinberg
  - **51** Keanu's role in 'The Matrix"
  - **52** Arid 53 Chatterbox's "gift"
  - **56** SIMPLE savings plans, e.g.
  - 60 Graffiti,
  - to some 62 Llama's smaller
  - relative 64 Stereotypical nerd accessory, or a punny hint to the football positions at the ends of
  - 17-, 28- and 47-Across **67** Look up to 68 Curve
  - 69 Like feet after a long hike 70 Less shallow
  - "I'm not impressed"
  - 72 ICÜ workers **DOWN**
  - 1 Helmet fastener 2 Olympic
  - legend Jesse 3 Folks with a blanket and basket, say 4 Musician
  - such as Yo-Yo Ma 5 Buddy, in
  - Bordeaux Trick, slangily
  - Competing on a track 8 Wrath 9 Strikes
  - topple them 10 Make full
- 11 Once more

12 Armed **39** Like insubstantial conflicts **14** Sch. in

Village

berry

letters

Coppertone

27

for hunting,

- evidence Greenwich June honoree, familiarly **18** Clothing
  - 45 Hit the cue ball into
- briefly a pocket 48 More tidy **19** Hoodlum 25 Pre-Soviet **49** Trail mix
  - **50** Actor ruler They often Chandler clash in 54 Part of a
- Hollywood squirrel's **29** Dude hoard (vacation **55** Uncovers
- 56 Tablet with a spot) 30 Arctic native mini variety Option if **57** Traveled on one wants a Harley
- 58 Peak to make 59 Ditch, as a move? 32 Site with a class
- content from **61** Airport many sites conveyance 33 Genuine **63** Alternatives
- **34** Locale for to Macs 65 Before, in thieves 35 Inch-long a sonnet
  - **66** Mineral deposit

#### PREVIOUS PUZZLE ANSWER

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## My Mac Crossyord The (K) Clues Are for Kids

#### Created by Timothy E. Parker

- **ACROSS** 1. (K) Dispatched
- 5. Drain, as
- one's energy 8. (K) Operate wings, like a bird
- 12. Party times before big events
- **13.** (K) Sci-fi alien
- transporter
- **14.** (K) Fun thing to kick
- 15. Arizona city
- \_ de plume (pen name)
- 17. (K) "What's
- \_\_ you?!" gotten 18. Very eager to know more
- 21. (K) Great place
- to climb to 22. Something an
- office copier might do
- 24. (K) Tried a little sauteed spinach
- 28. (K) Shows with lots and lots
- of singing **31.** (K) Part of the human eye

- 32. (K) Negative
- prefix 33. (K) Chin hiders
- 36. (K) Low voices 38. Husband- and wife-related
- 40. Musical twosome
- 42. (K) Fly catcher 47. "Black Beauty"
- author Sewell 49. (K) Dir. to the right of north
- 50. What some call **Ireland**
- **51.** (K) The sun is one
- 52. (K) Car-cleaning object
- 53. (K) Math branch
- **54.** (K) Result of
- using a spade 55. (K) Colossal
- or gigantic 56. (K) Places for
- some hillside creatures

#### DOWN

- 1. (K) Most have 18 wheels
- 2. (K) What tying the score makes you

- 3. (K) Place for
- à new bird 4. Russian monarch
  - prior to 1917 5. Ra, to ancient **Egyptians** 
    - (2 words) of the **6.** Run law (get in
    - legal trouble) fruit
    - 8. (K) U.S. crime-fighting agcy.
    - **9.** (K) Lamps of old
    - , Calif. **10.** Palo **11.** (K) Sit down with a lazy jump 19. (K) Drink cooler
    - 20. High-five alternative
    - 23. Darjeeling and others 24. (K) Where dirt
    - goes down the drain 25. (K) GPS
  - abbreviation in the city 26. (K) Like extra workers hired at

**Christmas time** 

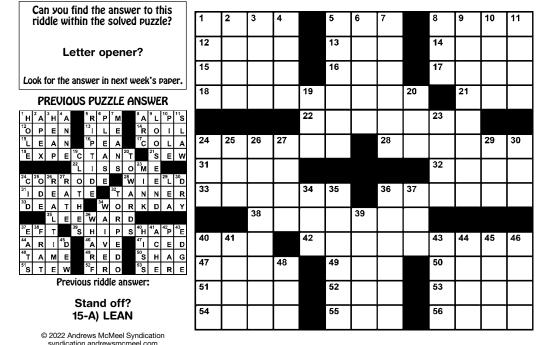
29. (K) Had roasted chestnuts

27. (K) Infield cover

- 30. Family member,
- informally 34. (K) Two,
- in Mexico 35. (K) Terrific
- 36. Scoundrel (2 words)
- **37.** Amber beverage
- **39.** Moses' mountain
- **40.** (K) 40-yard
- event 41. (K) "Do others as ..."

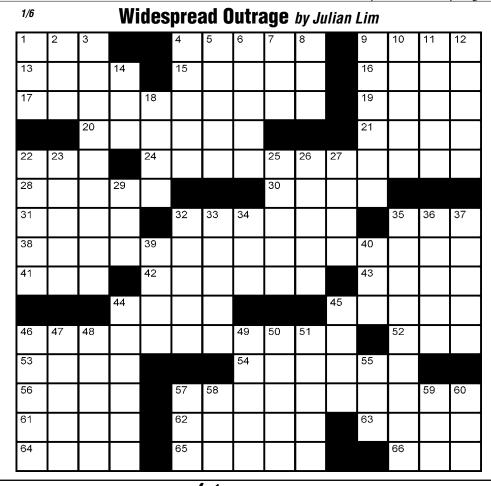
43. Having finished

- one's career, briefly
- 44. (K) Type of coat hanger 45. What some
- call Ireland 46. (K) Does a doggy trick
- **48.** (K) "How \_ vou doing that?"



The answers to this week's puzzles can be found in next week's issue.

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Toroscopes

Here's your horoscope for the week alignments will grow, others may fade. Be alert cosmic themes. November approaches with promise, so this week is about making transitions smoother.

#### Aries (March 21 - April 19)

This is a week of recalibration, Aries. Relationships and responsibilities both demand your attention particularly where you've resisted change. With the Sun now in Scorpio (entering your shared zone of resources) and broader October trends urging confrontations of control and truth, examine how you deploy power in partnerships. By week's end, you'll gain clarity on what boundaries need re-setting. Trust measured responses rather than impulsive reactions.

#### Taurus (April 20 - May 20)

Taurus, your challenge lies in managing emotional fatigue and unspoken tensions. October's undercurrent of confronting what's been suppressed is pulsing under the surface this week. Use the slower pace of the final days of October to rest and review your commitments. Financial or shared-resource discussions may surfaceapproach them with patience and honesty. You may emerge from this week with a quieter but stronger

#### resolve.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Your focus shifts to duty versus desire, Gemini. The stars are nudging you to align what you want with what you're asked to do. Midweek may bring pressure from multiple fronts-career, family, or creative outlets. Rather than spread yourself thin, choose one meaningful direction and nurture it. By October 31 your mindset will begin to shift from

### "how do I keep up?" to "how do I lead from here?"

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Feelings are amplified, Cancer, and they want your full attention. With the Sun in Scorpio warming your domestic sector, family dynamics and private life come into sharper relief. Courses of action that you may have delayed now demand closure. A key conversation or decision related to home or roots may land this week. Allow yourself quiet

### reflection—and act from clarity, not anxiety.

Leo (July 23 - August 22) Leo, this week puts your goals in spotlight. Professional ambitions and public persona are under scrutiny. If things felt off-kilter earlier in October, you're getting a clearer look at what needs adjustment. Instead of pushing harder, step back and assess your direction. Use the weekend to reconnect with what originally inspired you-not just the metrics. Your strength lies as much in your

#### vision as in your execution. Virgo (August 23 - September 22)

through your week, Virgo. With Scorpio solar energy activating your friendships and networks, you may uncover shifts in group dynamics. Some

October 24 - 31, 2025, with each sign receiving to messages-not just what's said, but what's left tailored advice grounded in the month's ongoing unsaid. Offer your support where needed, but reserve your energy for those who genuinely match your values.

#### Libra (September 23 - October 22)

Libra, your financial and partnership sectors are activated in meaningful ways this week. October's theme of facing buried issues is especially relevant here. You may receive a revelation about valuemonetary, relational, or personal. Use the weekend to plan rather than react. A gentle recalibration of give-and-take will leave you stronger and more aligned by month's end.

#### Scorpio (October 23 - November 21)

Happy solar season, Scorpio. Your natural intensity now has cosmic backing, and you're moving into a more empowered chapter. This week asks you to step into your transformation with both courage and compassion. Secrets may fall away, emotional truths may soften. By October 31 you'll be clearer on how you want to shape your next year. Let your authenticity lead.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21) Sagittarius, expand your mind and revisit your values. You may feel pulled between familiar routines and a bigger vision for yourself. This week encourages progress in higher learning, travel, or philosophy-but grounded by introspection. Don't rush. Let insight come through rather than forcing novelty for its own sake. End the week with a gentle

#### plan for what lies ahead. Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)

Capricorn, deepened intimacy and shared resources are in focus. This week could unearth emotional transparency you've sidestepped. Whether it's debt, trust, or vulnerability, realignment is possible. Resist black-and-white thinking-nuance will serve you. By month's end you're likely to feel more solid

#### where before you felt uncertain.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18) Aquarius, routines and wellness routines call for revision. October's energy has been pushing inner transformations; now you feel the call to manifest it in lifestyle. Health habits, daily rhythms, and work-life interplay are under review. Midweek may bring a challenge to how you normally functionuse it as a pivot point rather than a roadblock. By week's end you'll settle into something more

Pisces (February 19 - March 20) Pisces, your voice and immediate environment are stirred this week. Communications, negotiations, or new learning may trigger self-reflection about how you present yourself. Thoughtful words will Communication and social connections ripple count more than many. Use the next few days to refine your message, not to broadcast it. The weekend opens a door to creative or emotional breakthroughs if you stay quietly attentive.

SOLUTIONS

## 7 LITTLE W©RDS

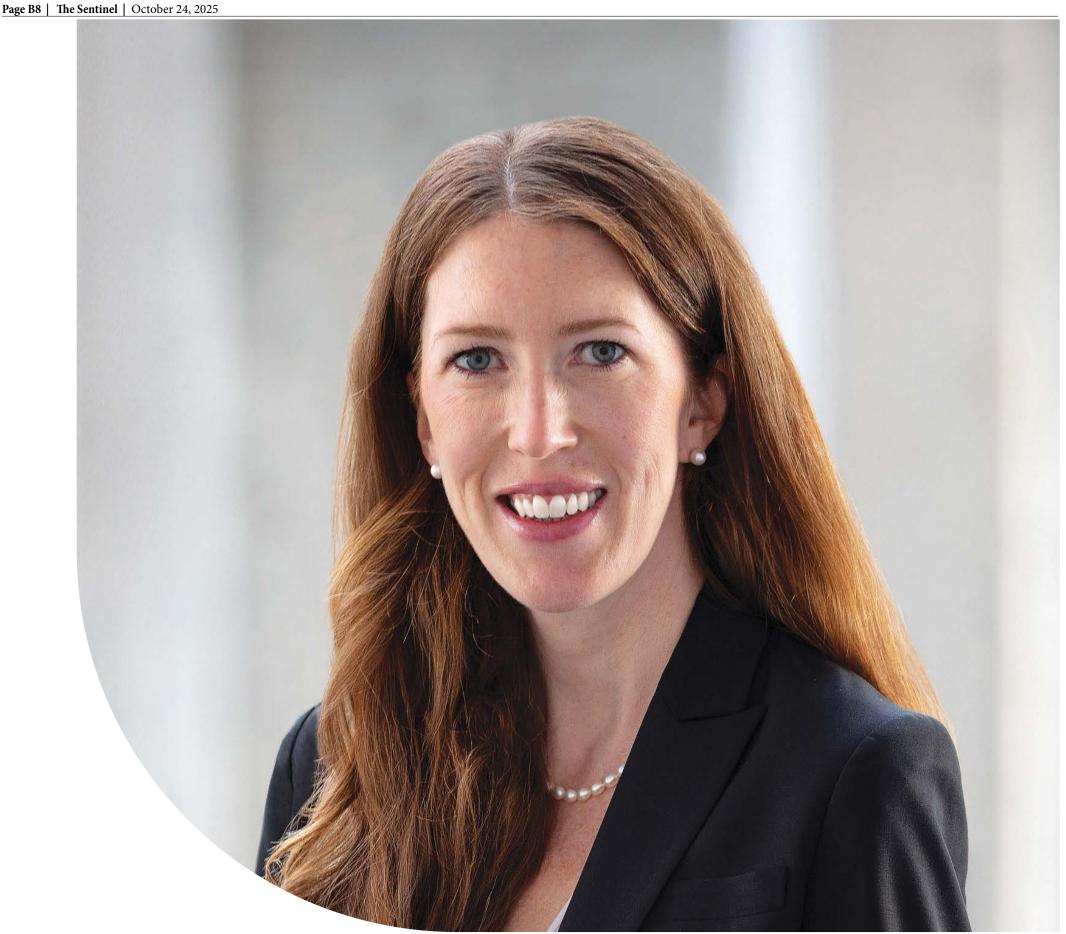
Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses  $\frac{1}{8}$ represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

#### **CLUES**

- 1 it's shown at a county fair (5) 2 small sardine containers (4)
- **3** abated (10) 4 a real bargain (5)
- 5 the "G" in GIF (8) 6 full of praise (9)
- 7 it's fired at a pizza parlor (4)



Previous Answers: PREORDER 2. LEGGINGS 3. BOILERPLATE 4. MEEKER 5. FEDS 6. PASSIVELY 7. SURMISING



# Preeminent surgeons their neighbors

### Maureen P. McEvoy, MD

Breast Surgeon; Breast Surgery Fellowship Director, Montefiore Einstein and Assistant Professor, Albert Einstein College of Medicine

Raised in Connecticut and a resident of New Canaan, Maureen P. McEvoy, MD, provides comprehensive breast surgery care using minimally invasive and oncoplastic techniques to achieve cosmetically optimal outcomes. She focuses on minimizing surgery and maximizing patient care, offering surveillance for those with a high risk of breast cancer, performing lumpectomies, mastectomies and nipple-sparing mastectomies, and practicing de-escalation of axillary surgery.

A graduate of Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Dr. McEvoy completed a two-year clinical research fellowship at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center followed by a breast surgical oncology fellowship at Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard's teaching hospital.

Dr. McEvoy has served on national committees and written national guidelines on ways to decrease lymphedema through smarter axillary surgery. She has presented her work on breast cancer nationally and has received awards at national conferences.

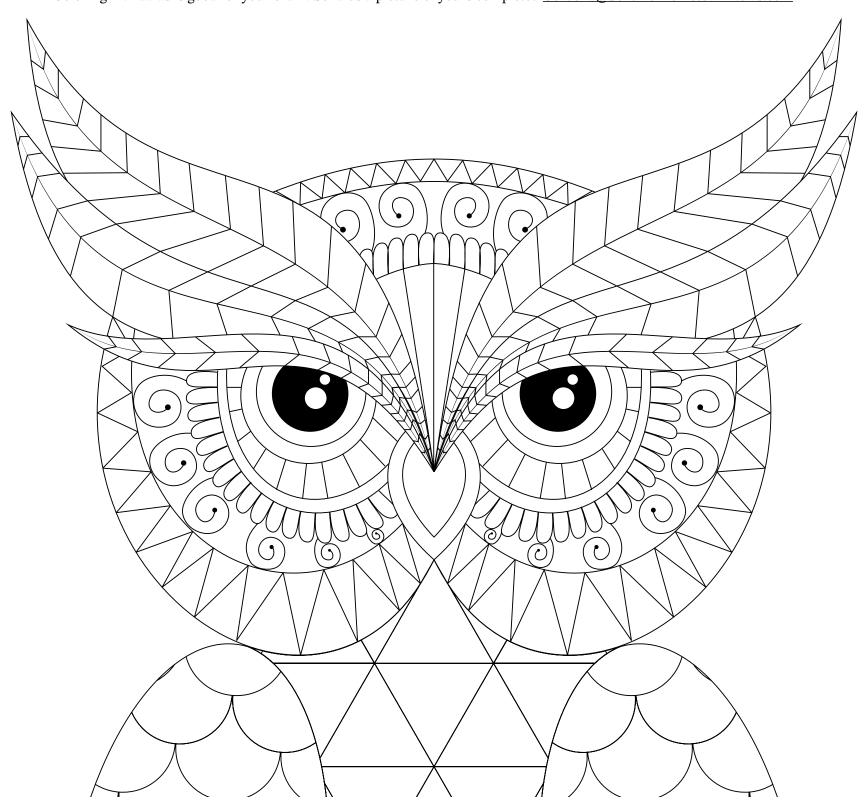


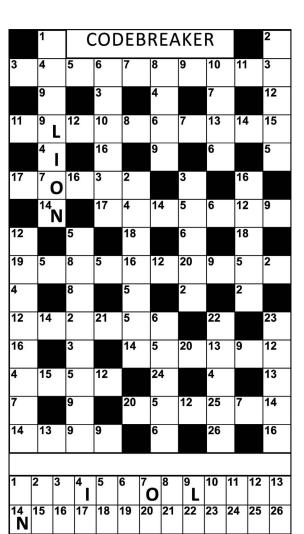


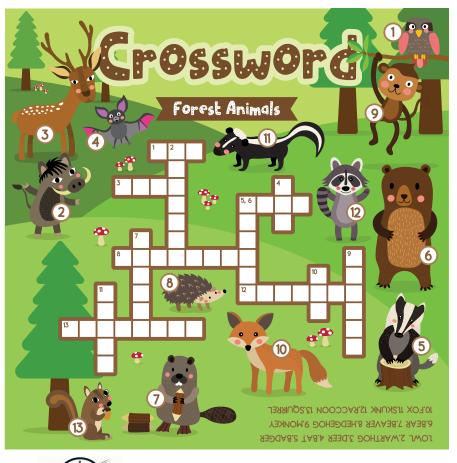
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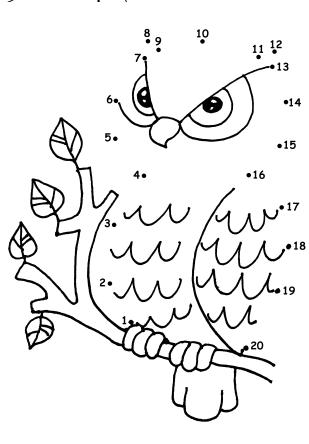
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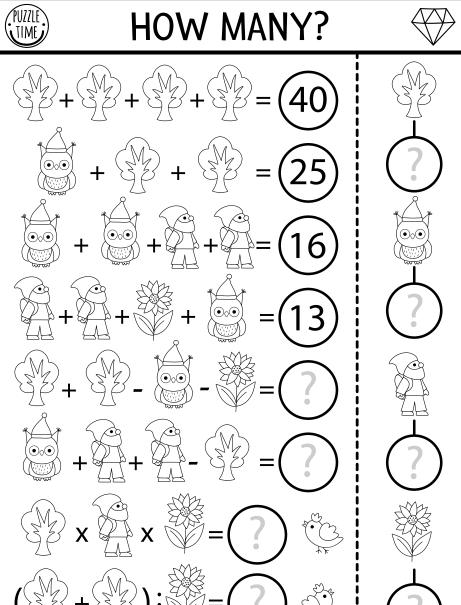


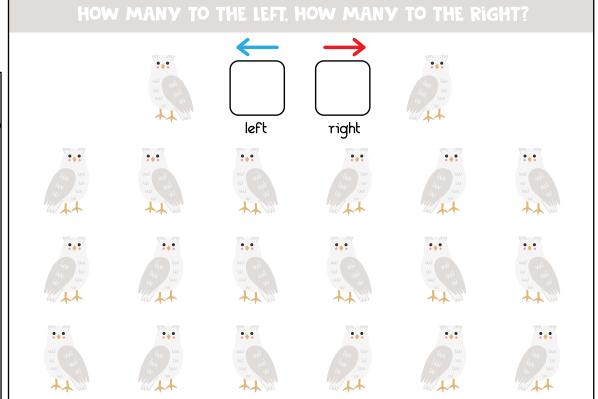


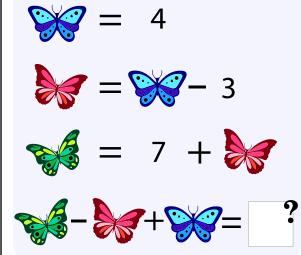


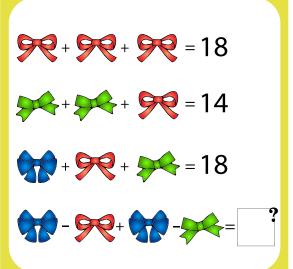












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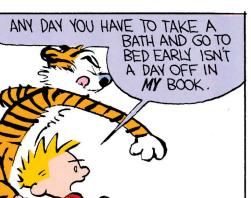


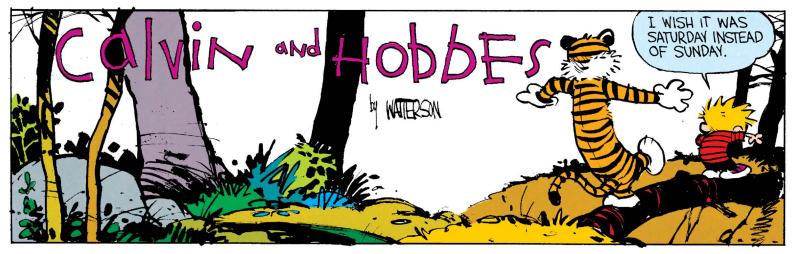
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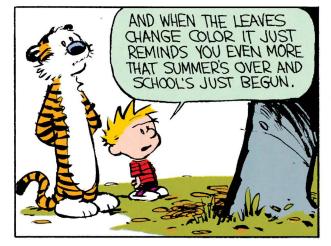






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### Creatures of the Night: Our Spooky Wildlife Deserves Some Love

By Josey Gardner

Spooky season is upon us, and Halloween draws near. There are many "spooky" creatures that haunt the Connecticut skies, and all are much more important to local ecology than their scary reputations seem to suggest. Connecticut is home to a variety of creatures that get a bad wrap or can be seen as a little bit scary, namely bats, crows and ravens, and owls.

Bats are local residents here in Connecticut. There are nine species of bat in Connecticut, the most common among them being the Big Brown Bat. Bats often have a bad reputation for being rabies infested pests, but they are deeply important to the health of every ecosystem in which they live by being very important pollinators, and even to human culture by controlling pest populations in agricultural fields. According to the USFWS, bats save agricultural industries in the US at least \$3 billion a year due to how many pests they eat, and fruit-eating bats are responsible for up to 95% of seed dispersal in newly cleared rainforests. Put that together

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inspiration Dracula and other vampires, and we seem to owe bats quite a bit!

what they tell us. They are used used as a metric to determine the health of an ecosystem overall. ecosystem. Unfortunately,

with their impact on culture as In addition to urbanization and development, and climate change, bats are facing an epidemic of their own-white-nose syndrome Bats aren't just important for (WNS). WNS is a fungal disease what they give us, but also for with an incredibly high mortality rate, killing 99% of bats who as an "indicator species," meaning become infected, and it is the health of bat populations is unfortunately highly contagious. Entire bat colonies have been decimated by WNS alone. The When bat populations are healthy Little Brown Bat population and thriving, it indicates a healthy that was once thriving has been ecosystem. When bat populations damaged by WNS, and is now an are dwindling, it indicates an endangered species in the state of unhealthy and threatened Connecticut. There are a number of actions you can take to help estimates from experts determine bats, such as looking for signs that approximately 52% of the bat of WNS in any bats you see by population in North America are looking for white, fuzzy growth on at risk of severe decline over the their nose, and unusual behavior next 15 years-this is alarming for such as flying during the day or the health of our environment. being found outside during winter



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and reporting your findings to CT DEEP. Other actions that help bats are things such as turning off outside lights at night, creating bat boxes, and planting native plants.

Other animals that get spooky vibes and a bad wrap are our corvid friends-crows and ravens. Crows and ravens are often seen as pesky scavengers, digging through garbage and causing a ruckus in parking lots. Though they are scavengers, and they do like garbage, and they do sometimes gather in parking lots, there is a lot more to them than that. Crows and ravens are some of the smartest bird species in the world, and are known to create and use tools to get what they want. Researchers have determined that the average raven has the same problem solving capabilities as the average seven year old child! Ravens can also recognize faces, and have been known to hold grudges against people who do them wrong. These birds are indeed smart, and they are opportunists-they will eat food where they can get it. One of the best ways we can help preserve

the raven and crow population and

allow them to interact with their rats-when an owl eats a poisoned environment in a healthy manner is by properly disposing of, bagging, and containing our trash so that birds and other animals can't get into it. This encourages them to scavenge for their natural

from humans. creature feature is complete without the mention of owls-owls, with their giant eyes and heads that swivel around, their eerie hooting and silent flying. There are several incredible species of owl native to Connecticut, such as the Barred Owl, Screech Owl, Barn Owl, and the Northern Sawwhet Owl (one of the smallestand possibly cutest-owl species in North America). No evening, either in summer or in the chill of autumn, is complete without the gentle hooting of an owl. But owl populations are also threatened. Development and climate change are destroying the forests they call home, and when they are pushed into the city, they are being further Assistant at the Greenwich Audubon threatened by human activity. One thing we can do to protect them is to stop using rodenticide. One of owls main food sources is

rat, that poison enters the owls system as well. Many owls die from rodenticides. There are many different ways to get rid of pests such as rats that don't involve poison. Rat traps, and fixing holes food, as opposed to eating waste in infrastructure that allow for pests to enter buildings in the first And no spooky Halloween place are chief among them. And speaking of owls, come celebrate owls and spooky season at the Greenwich Audubon Center's annual Owl-o-ween celebration! There will be live birds (especially owls), owl pellet dissections, other live animals, scavenger hunts, and other fun games for the entire family to enjoy. Come celebrate nature on Saturday, October 25th at 3:00 pm at the Greenwich Audubon Center, and learn to love the "scary" animals of the spooky season. Bats, crows, ravens, owls, even snakes and spiders-all scary animals have their place in our local ecosystem, and deserve protection.

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FROM HANOI TO GREENWICH: VIETNAM'S ARTISTS



CLIVE DAVIS **HONORED AT** THE AVON

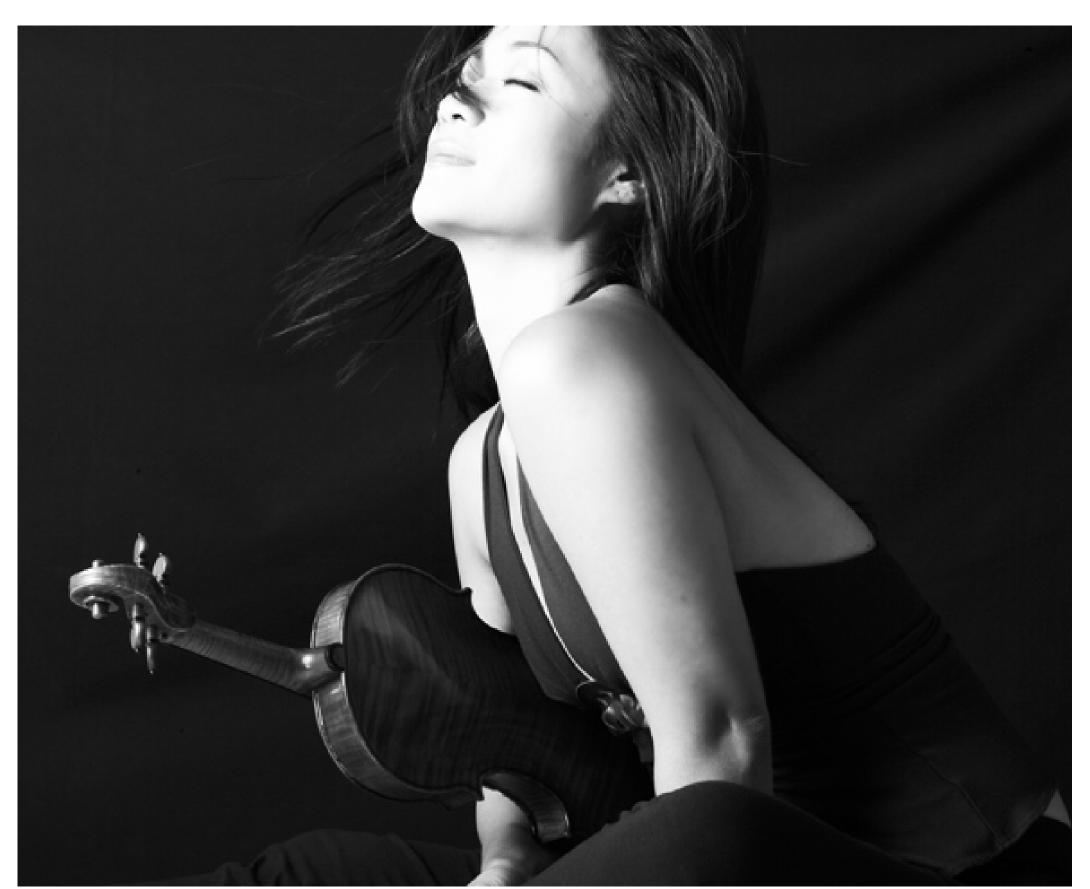


ARTHUR MILLER'S "THE CRUCIBLE"



**CONVERSATION** IN COLOR AT

## CHEE-YUN COMES TO GREENWICH WITH THE VIOLIN THAT SLEPT FOR CENTURIES AND NOW SINGS AGAIN



BY ANNE WHITE

There are musicians who perform, and then there are those who seem to awaken something-within the listener, within the instrument, perhaps even within time itself.

Music lovers in Greenwich are in for a rare and radiant treat. When violinist Chee-Yun steps onto the stage of the Greenwich Symphony Orchestra this November, audiences will not only hear one of the most revered violinists of her generation-they will hear the voice of a 345-year-old instrument that quite literally returned from the grave.

The Korean-born artist, who began performing publicly at the age of eight and went on to win both the Young Concert Artists International Auditions and the Avery Fisher Career Grant, has spent her life in dialogue with this extraordinary violina Francesco Ruggieri, built in Cremona, Italy in the late 1600s. She discovered it in Chicago more than two decades ago. "When I first came across this violin in 1991," she recalled in an interview, "I immediately fell in love with the sweetness and the singing quality of the sound."

That sound, she says, feels alive. "I'm just astounded sometimes by the kind of sound that comes out of it. I ask for it, and it gives me better."

There's a story behind that voice—one that sounds like something out of myth. At a concert in Israel, a man approached her and asked if she knew the history of her violin. He told her that a previous owner had loved it so

deeply that, upon his death, he requested to be buried with it. And so, the violin was-resting in a casket in Norway for nearly two centuries.

Chee-Yun still speaks of the discovery with wonder. When it was finally unearthed, the upper body, back, and scroll of the violin had miraculously survived intact. "It's just flawless," she said. "And it's beautiful-I mean, look at it."

If there is poetry in that story, there is also metaphor. Chee-Yun plays as if she understands that music itself, too, can be buried-and resurrected-through devotion and time. "I love spending time with my instrument," she says. "It's like the best partneryou know, best husband, best boyfriend, whatever. It never complains; it just does everything that I ask and more."

Chee-Yun is, by every measure, among the most respected violinists performing today. A winner of the Young Concert Artists International Auditions and recipient of the Avery Fisher Career Grant, she has graced the world's great stages with orchestras from San Francisco to Seoul, from Toronto to Tokyo. Her collaborations read like a conductor's hall of fame: Michael Tilson Thomas, Pinchas Zukerman, Jaap van Zweden, Manfred Honeck, and more.

But her artistry transcends résumé. "This is a talented instrumentalist," wrote The New York Times, "with the kind of high-gloss tone that pulls sensuously at the listener's ear."

"It never complains-it just does everything I ask and more. It inspires me to want to be a better musician." Chee-Yun

insufficient. She is, rather, a translator of beauty-fluent in a language older than memory. That is how Chee-Yun's music comes to us: quietly, profoundly, without spectacle but full of



The Greenwich Symphony Orchestra, directed by Maestro Stuart Malina, consists of eighty-five musicians.

human, capable of both fire and tenderness-that will illuminate Astor Piazzolla's Four Seasons of Buenos Aires on November 15 and 16 under the baton of Stuart Malina.

Virtuosity sometimes risks becoming performance rather than art, yet Chee-Yun offers something rarer: sincerity. Her tone-clear yet warm, disciplined yet intimaterecalls the artistry of violinists such as Nathan Milstein or It is that tone—refined yet Henryk Szeryng, whose playing

seemed to bypass technique better musician," she says and go straight to truth. Anne Midgette once described Chee-Yun's violin as a "calling card," not merely because of its history, but because the sound she draws from it carries that same sense of resurrection an awakening.

Yet, for all her laurels, she speaks most passionately not of her achievements but of the living relationship between artist and instrument. "It inspires me to want to be a

simply. And in that humility lies her power.

When she performs with the Greenwich Symphony Orchestra this November, listeners will hear the convergence of history, heart, and something almost mystical—a violin that slept beneath the earth and now sings in the hands of a woman who treats it not as a relic, but

as a friend. To call her a violinist feels

soul. Greenwich is fortunate indeed to host her. For one luminous weekend, beauty itself will visit—and stay awhile.

Performances:

Saturday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Greenwich High School Performing Arts Center, 10 Hillside Road.

Tickets: \$55 adults, \$20 students. Available at greenwichsymphony.org.

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## From Hanoi to Greenwich: Vietnam's Artists Reimagine the Past Through a New Lens

By Emma Barhydt

This fall, the Flinn Gallery presents Vietnam: Tradition Upended—an exhibition that arrives at a moment of reflection and reconnection, inviting visitors to encounter Vietnam's past and present through the lens of its contemporary artists. On view through November 12 and organized in collaboration with Art Vietnam Gallery of Hanoi, the show coincides with two milestones: fifty years since the end of the Vietnam War and thirty years since the normalization of relations between Vietnam and the United States.

The exhibition grew out of a visit to Hanoi in 2019, when Flinn Gallery curators Debra Fram and Barbara Richards traveled throughout the country, exploring its studios and art spaces. Their journey led them to Suzanne Lecht, director of Art Vietnam Gallery and one of the foremost advocates for Vietnamese contemporary art. In conversation, they discovered a shared connection—Lecht had once lived in backcountry Greenwich in the early 1980s. Over the next five years, the three women stayed in touch, and by the spring of 2024, their collaboration had taken form in this exhibition.

Vietnam: Tradition Upended brings together nine interdisciplinary artists-Nguyen Cam, Dinh Thi Tham Poong, Vo Tran Chau, Ha Tri Hieu, Vu Kim between solidity and shadow.

Le Thua Tien, and Antonius- to Vietnam's layered past. Pham Tin Bui-whose work spans Van Tuan's Ode to History I and painting, sculpture, textiles, and installation. Each artist draws on the deep traditions of Vietnamese craft and symbolism while reinterpreting them in distinctly modern ways, acknowledging the past while breaking free from it.

The question that guides the show is both personal and universal: how does a nation, and its people, move beyond struggle into renewal? Vietnam's history has been marked by colonization, moment as "an opportune time revolution, and artistic to acquaint ourselves with the restriction-but out of that legacy has emerged a generation of artists who embrace experimentation, material innovation, and cultural dialogue. Visitors will find works of

striking emotional range. In Ha Tri Hieu's Contemplation I (2022), a solitary figure rendered in green seems caught between stillness and thought. Dinh Thi Tham Poong's Fish and the Forest (2015) layers pattern and color to evoke the interdependence of nature and spirit. Vo Tran Chau's Hunter with Elephant on its Side (2024), a large textile composition made of found fabric and embroidery, transforms historical imagery into an almost dreamlike reflection on memory. Vu Kim Thu's illuminated sculptures, Merging Landscape 1 and 2, built from aluminum wire and washi paper, shimmer

II incorporates paper rubbings of ancient stelae and fragments of scholarly text, merging the visual languages of antiquity with modern abstraction. Nguyen Cam's Seaweed III (2005) weaves textural complexity from pigment and canvas, while Antonius-Tin Bui's Vessel 13 (2022), an intricate hand-cut paper work, feels both delicate and defiant.

The curators describe this art and culture of a country that has undergone extraordinary change," one with "one of the most interesting and vibrant art scenes in Southeast Asia." Seen together, these artists form a portrait of a nation that has remade itself-one where creativity has become a measure of freedom.

The exhibition also underscores the Flinn Gallery's role as a cultural bridge within the Greenwich community. Located on the second floor of the Greenwich Library, the gallery is a non-profit, education-oriented exhibition space operated by more than 40 volunteers. Each year, it presents five to six exhibitions along with artist talks and special programs, all free and open to the public. Funding and support come from the Friends of Greenwich Library, whose ongoing commitment keeps access to art alive for the

The gallery's mission—to the viewers' own. "enrich the Greenwich Library community and the public at large by presenting a diverse range of contemporary art exhibitions and related programs"—comes vividly to life in Vietnam: Tradition exchange: the movement of ideas between Hanoi and Greenwich, between past and present,

between the artists' histories and

Half a century after the end of the Vietnam War, this exhibition reminds us that the work of reconciliation-between nations, within memory, and through artis ongoing. Vietnam: Tradition Upended. It is a show about Upended is both a celebration and transformation, but also about a conversation, one that asks us to see beauty as an act of endurance and imagination as a form of

Vietnam: Tradition Upended at the Flinn Gallery, located on the second floor of the Greenwich Library, 101 West Putnam Avenue. The gallery is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 am to 5 pm; Thursday from 10 am to 8 pm; Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm; and Sunday from 1 to 5 pm Admission is free, and all are welcome. For information, call 203-622-7947.



Dinh Thi Tham Poong, Fish and the Forest, 2015 | Oil on canvas, 33.5 x 31.5 in. Photo Credit: Art Vietnam Gallery



Antonius-Tin Bui, Vessel 13, 2022 | Hand-cut heavyweight printmaking paper, ink, pencil, and acrylic paint, 20 x 14.5 in. (unframed). Photo Credit: Courtesy of the artist and Monique Meloche Gallery



Nguyen Cam, Seaweed III, 2005 | Mixed media on canvas, 39.5 x 31.75 in. Photo Credit: Art Vietnam Gallery



Vo Tran Chau, Hunter with Elephant on its Side, 2024 | Stitched and layered found fabric and embroidery on cotton, 59 in. diameter. Photo Credit: Courtesy of the artist



Vu Kim Thu, Merging Landscape 1, 2025 | Aluminum wire, Chinese ink, Japanese washi paper, LED light, 17.5" H x 12" W x 13" D. Photo Credit: Vu Kim Thu

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Special Event

Who: Greenwich Historical Society — "History in the Making" Gala

What: Annual benefit honoring Debra L. Mecky; featured speaker: historian Nathaniel Philbrick

When: Wednesday, October 29, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Where: Belle Haven Club, Greenwich Tickets/Info: greenwichhistory.org

### visual arts

Who: Greenwich Art Society

What: "Holding Space" — Juried Members Exhibition When: October 23-November 20, 2025; gallery hours: Mon-Fri 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Sat-Sun 12:00-4:00 p.m. Where: Bendheim Gallery, 299 Greenwich Ave.,

Tickets/Info: Greenwich Art Society or Greenwich Art Council | 203-862-6750

Who: Flinn Gallery at Greenwich Library

What: "Vietnam: Tradition Upended" (through November 12) and "Precisely." (November 20, 2025-January 7, 2026)

When: Gallery hours follow library hours (check for holiday closures); opening reception for "Precisely." on November 20, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: Flinn Gallery, 2nd Floor, Greenwich Library, 101 W. Putnam Ave., Greenwich Tickets/Info: 203-622-7947

Who: Bruce Museum

What: Exhibitions through year-end — "Jeremy Frey: Woven" (through October 26), "The Art of Work: Painting Labor in Nineteenth-Century Denmark" (through November 30), "Moses Ros: HUMAN/ NATURE" (through January 4, 2026); weekly highlight tours Tue 1:00-2:00 p.m. and Sat 2:00-3:00 p.m.

When: Museum hours Tue-Sun 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Where: 1 Museum Dr., Greenwich

Tickets/Info: 203-869-0376

Who: Greenwich Historical Society

What: Bush-Holley House closed for environmental upgrades through April 2026; campus galleries and programs ongoing.

When: Ongoing programs; see calendar. Where: 47 Strickland Rd., Cos Cob Tickets/Info: 203-869-6899

# theater & performance /

Who: The Cinema at Townsend

What: First-run films in a 40-seat boutique theater with in-seat food and beverage service; fall/winter lineup includes current studio releases and seasonal specials. When: Daily showtimes; see "Movies & Showtimes." Where: Hyatt Regency Greenwich, 1800 E. Putnam Ave., Old Greenwich

Tickets/Info: 203-637-1234

Who: Friends Friday Films (Greenwich Library) What: Weekly feature screenings; Nov. 7: "The Holdovers"; Nov. 21: "Past Lives"; Dec. 12: "Elf" (holiday screening). When: Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Berkley Theater, Greenwich Library, 101 W. Putnam Ave., Greenwich Tickets/Info: 203-622-7900

Who: Avon Theatre Film Center (neighboring venue) What: Upcoming features — "Springsteen: Deliver Me from Nowhere" (opens Oct. 23), "Bugonia" (opens Oct. 30), Exhibition on Screen: "Caravaggio" (Nov. 12), "Wicked: For Good" (opens Nov. 21), "Hamnet" (opens Nov. 26), "It's a Wonderful Life" (holiday revival Dec.

When: Dates as listed; daily showtimes. Where: 272 Bedford St., Stamford Tickets/Info: 203-967-3660

Who: The Capitol Theatre (neighboring venue)

What: Late fall and holiday concert lineup featuring national touring artists; includes Trey Anastasio Band (Nov. 8), Gov't Mule (Dec. 6), and the annual "Holiday Jam" (Dec. 21).

When: October–December; check calendar for details. Where: 149 Westchester Ave., Port Chester, N.Y. Tickets/Info: 914-937-4126

## music & dance

Who: Greenwich Symphony Orchestra

What: 2025-26 Season Concert — Chee-Yun, violin; Stuart Malina, conductor — Piazzolla The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires, Theofanidis Rainbow Body, Rachmaninoff Symphony No. 3

When: Saturday, November 15, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, November 16, 3:00 p.m.

### Art Today Futures Tomorrow Opens in Old Greenwich

This Saturday, October 25, from 6 to 8pm, ART06870 opens annual exhibition celebrating creativity as both an immediate Project Space are alive with experimentation, conversation, and experience and a long-term investment in our community's youth. Located at 260R Sound Beach Avenue (behind the Chase Bank), the gallery invites residents to gather, connect, and be reminded of why art matters — not only for how it moves us, but for how it shapes the generations that follow.

The show brings together a remarkable mix of local, regional, and international artists, each united by a belief in art's capacity to reveal who we are and what we value as a community. It's a conviction that runs deep at ART06870, whose mission centers on showcasing artists who are not only exceptional in craft but also in thought — creators who reflect, provoke, and invite dialogue.

Proceeds from the exhibition directly support the Greenwich Alliance for Education, helping fund programs that expand access to arts education and creative exploration for students across the district. For many young learners, these initiatives are their first step into discovering what it means to think and see as an artist. And for the adults of Greenwich, attending this exhibition is more than an evening out — it's a gesture of stewardship, a way of sustaining the cultural and educational foundations that have long defined our town.

An online platform will launch ahead of the event, allowing visitors to view and bid on artwork from wherever they are. Whether in person or online, each participant becomes part of a shared effort: celebrating creativity while fueling future

ART06870's roots trace back to the early 2000s with Arts Industria in New York and later Pablo's Birthday, a venture that connected artists and audiences through experimental collaborations. Today, in its new permanent home in Old Greenwich, the gallery continues that legacy through bi-monthly exhibitions and its Project Space – a working studio for artists Michael Manning and Ben Quesnel, as well as photographer and architectural designer Christian Salvati.

Together, these artists lead the Developing Artist Program, an initiative launched with the support of the Greenwich Alliance for Education and the Connecticut Office of the Arts. What began at the Boys & Girls Club of Greenwich has evolved into an inspiring model for arts mentorship. Professional studio artists visit schools, introduce students to contemporary practice, and lead field trips to galleries and museums – showing firsthand what it means to build a life in the arts.

The impact of this collaboration can be felt in every corner of its doors for Art Today - Futures Tomorrow, the gallery's second ART06870's programming. The exhibitions that emerge from the



community. Each one reaffirms the belief that art is not a luxury it's a living language that binds generations, neighborhoods, and imaginations together.

Art Today - Futures Tomorrow isn't just an exhibition; it's a reminder that Greenwich's cultural life depends on presence and participation. Showing up — for a performance, a gallery opening, or a student showcase — is how we preserve what others built for us and how we keep it alive for those who come next.

Art Today - Futures Tomorrow

Opening Reception: Saturday, October 25, 6–8pm

Location: 260R Sound Beach Avenue, Old Greenwich, CT (behind the Chase Bank)

Parking: Available on Sound Beach Avenue only (no parking in front of the gallery)

### Local Authors: Unearthing Connecticut's Quiet Marvels with Stasha Healy

By Emma Barhydt

Every so often, you come across a book that re-wires the way you see the place you live. That's what happened when I spoke with travel author and Greenwich resident Stasha Healy, whose Secret Connecticut: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful, and Obscure uncovers a version of our state that's full of mystery, character, and hidden stories most of us drive past every day.

Healy told me she first connected with Reedy Press-the publisher of the nationwide Secret series—during a session with the Society of American Travel Writers. "After the webinar," she remembered, "I looked at Reedy Press's website and they didn't have Secret anything in Connecticut." That didn't sit right with her. "I was sure that Connecticut has a lot of secrets," she said. So she set out to uncover them-taking what she knew best, curiosity and persistence, and turning it toward her home state.

Her approach feels familiar in a place like Greenwich, where creativity often begins with noticing—the curve of a historic bridge, a story tucked in an archive, a building you've passed a hundred times without knowing its past. Secret Connecticut invites that same kind of attention, the kind that deepens our connection to

Reading the book feels like falling down a rabbit hole lined with brass plaques and forgotten legends. Out of 84 stories, I recognized almost none of them. When I asked Healy to choose a favorite, she thought for a moment before landing on one that surprised me-the story of Martin Luther King Jr. spending his summers in Simsbury, CT. "I loved reading his letters and quotes to his mother about what that experience meant to him," she said.

Of course, I had to ask: what's the strangest story in the book? Without hesitation, Healy answered: "Diving horses." If you've a platform into a pool of water. "The concept of diving horses was very odd to me... and this was a thing until very recently." All the way up to the 1970s, in fact. It's bizarre, fascinating, and even got the Disney treatment in a 1991 movie.

Not everything about the process was so lighthearted. Writing the book in 2020 came with its own set of challenges. "Reaching people was tough," she told me. "They weren't in their offices, and sometimes they weren't checking their emails or their phone messages." But she found ways around it. "I had to track down people in person and I tracked down people over social media."

One of those searches led her straight back home-to Greenwich. "I thought it wouldn't be that difficult to track down information on the Roebling Bridge," she said, "because I'd heard Bridge." But what she found online was contradictory at best. The bridge in question—the graceful little Roebling footbridge just off Glenville Road, spanning the Byram River between Glenville and Pemberwick—proved surprisingly elusive in local records. The answer came only after she tracked down the Roebling Museum

in New Jersey. "The chair of the board of trustees is a Roebling descendant," Healy said, "and she had given a presentation on this bridge [in Greenwich]. So I tweeted at her-and she gave me the information." Just like that, a Greenwich mystery solved.

The book's timeline was no small feat either. Four months from research to print-two researching, two writing. "The webinar was in June, and by the time I got my contract, it was July." She started the way any writer might: by raiding the shelves of the Greenwich Library. "I pulled out every book with the word Connecticut in its title," she said, laughing. Fifteen in all. From there, she followed every lead, online and in person. "The executive directors of a lot of the historical societies and the curators were very helpful."

It struck me how often Healy's stories begin in places like libraries and small museums-the quiet corners that hold a town's memory. The people who work there don't just keep history; they keep its doors open, helping writers like Healy find what the rest of us might have forgotten.

Healy's research also brought her a newfound appreciation for Bridgeport. "I knew that P.T. Barnum had a relationship with Bridgeport, but I didn't know the extent of its history." Bridgeport appears four times in Secret Connecticut, second only to Greenwich, which earns four and a half mentions. "Anybody who's a movie producer," she joked, "I want to see a movie about this community in this time period!"

When I asked her why she's chosen to make Connecticut her home, her answer came easily. "Connecticut is so beautiful," she said. "It's all the natural beauty-it's woods, it's shoreline, it's town greens, it's colonial architecture, it's art, it's history. It's just so culturally rich and naturally beautiful."

She's right. And listening to her talk about Connecticut—the light, the architecture, the layered histories—you start to realize never heard of them, picture this—a horse and rider leaping from how much of a place's beauty depends on the people who keep looking closely. Healy's work does that. It lingers, asks questions, and leaves you wanting to see your own town with new eyes.

> Healy continues to celebrate that sense of discovery. Her latest book, 100 Things to Do in Connecticut Before You Die, curates the best of the state's food, art, and experiences, from shoreline eateries to museum treasures. A proud member of the Society of American Travel Writers and a veteran of Condé Nast Traveler, Fodor's, and Travel Agent, she's still exploring, writing, and finding joy in the stories close to home.

This fall, she joined other local authors at the Perrot Memorial Library's Local Author Showcase, where readers wandered between tables, chatting with writers and flipping through pages. It was the kind of afternoon that reminds you how small and it was designed by the Roeblings who designed the Brooklyn connected Greenwich can feel-where the act of stopping to listen or buying a book becomes its own quiet way of keeping the arts

> For more information about Secret Connecticut and 100 Things to Do in Connecticut Before You Die, or to follow Stasha's travels and writing, visit stashamillshealy.com.

Where: Greenwich High School Performing Arts Center, 10 Hillside Rd., Greenwich

Tickets/Info: 203-869-2664

Who: The Chamber Players of the Greenwich Symphony What: 54th Season — next concerts November 9-10, featuring Heinichen, Britten, Beach, and Beethoven. When: Sunday, November 9, 3:00 p.m. (Round Hill Community Church); Monday, November 10, 7:30 p.m. (Greenwich Historical Society)

Tickets/Info: 203-869-2664 | General admission \$35

Who: Greenwich Choral Society — Centennial Season What: "GCS Family Holiday Concert: A Christmas Tapestry" — Bach, Britten, and Margaret Bonds; festive family program.

When: Saturday, December 6, 2025, 2:30 p.m.

Where: Christ Church Greenwich, 254 E. Putnam Ave.,

Tickets/Info: 203-622-5136

Who: Christ Church Greenwich What: Advent and holiday choral concerts throughout December; full schedule under "Music & Worship."

When: December 1–24, various dates/times. Where: 254 E. Putnam Ave., Greenwich Tickets/Info: 203-869-6600

Who: Greenwich Ballet Academy What: Annual Nutcracker performances

When: Mid-December (dates TBA; production week at Greenwich High School)

Where: Greenwich High School Performing Arts Center

Tickets/Info: 914-305-4377

## ote: Look Again — Don't Look Away

looks different depending on of care. where you stand. That's what every form, from painting to performance to symphony, doesn't hand us answers; reminds us that empathy begins in attention.

shortage of reasons to look of it: courage. They're not closer. Across Greenwich, just recreating a chapter of artists and performers are history; they're testing out opening new windows onto familiar places, challenging and the cost of conviction. Art us to slow down, to listen like this becomes rehearsal differently, to notice more.

Writer Sarah Healy does it with Secret Connecticut, her Gallery, Vietnam: Tradition luminous collection of stories Upended expands the that unearth the hidden frame once more, histories tucked behind exploring how heritage and our daily routes. Her work modernity intertwine. Nine reshapes how we think about contemporary Vietnamese static, but as something alive of craft and innovation, that history isn't gone; it's never meet. Lacquer and bank-known as "The Bank through feeling, through awe.

Art, at its best, unsettles layered underfoot. A quiet our sense of what we know, intersection, a riverside trail, It slips past logic and habit, an old factory window-all past the categories that become invitations to imagine keep our days feeling safe who stood there before. and sorted, and reminds us Healy's curiosity reminds us that the world—our world— that attention is its own form

That same act of remakes it indispensable. In seeing plays out onstage this month as Greenwich Country Day School's Upper School art asks us to see again. It steps into Arthur Miller's *The Crucible*. The story is it hands us perspective. It famously heavy—witch trials, fear, accusation—but when performed by young actors, And right now, there's no something else rises out the moral weight of honesty for life itself.

Over at the Flinn

Art changes how we think because it changes what we notice.

silk, photography and that supports the arts"-has abstraction—each piece feels like a conversation between past and present, between home and elsewhere.

Arts Center with sound, audiences will be reminded after all, rearranges us from the inside out. It sharpens beauty to speak.

made its support for cultural because it changes what artists around us keep asking life part of its very identity. we notice. It dissolves the the same essential question: Under Gaudio's leadership, distance between the familiar it has funded performances, and the unknown, between And in November, as gallery openings, and the self and the world. we look with attention, the Greenwich Symphony community partnerships that Sometimes that happens generosity, and a bit of Orchestra fills the Performing remind us finance and the quietly—a watercolor that wonder—we find that our arts need not live on separate lingers, a line of dialogue that vision of place, of history, ledgers. As one guest of the stings. Sometimes it happens of one another, keeps that perspective isn't just Avon's Gala remarked, "When in a rush: a symphony expanding. That is the gift something we see—it's a local bank backs local art, cresting, a revelation about of the arts in Greenwich: something we hear. Music, that's not charity-it's a new your hometown that makes they wake us up to what's kind of vision."

Across these moments our attention to relationships: the book, the play, the among reminders that truth power of creation in the between instruments, exhibition, the concert, and between players, between the award—runs a shared silence and sound. The right current: art as recalibration. performance can make the Each encounter nudges air itself feel alive, as if time us to shift our stance, bends just long enough for to trade certainty for curiosity. It's easy to think of Even The First Bank understanding as something place itself—not as something artists bridge centuries of Greenwich, and its CEO we possess, but art reminds Frank Gaudio who sponsored us it's something we keep and whispering. Read a few fusing materials and ideas the Clive Davis event, practicing-something that pages and you start to realize that might otherwise embody this same spirit. The grows through contact,

you see it fresh.

alive. Whether through feel, to listen, to see.

Art changes how we think words, images, or sound, the What if you looked again?

And when we do-when possible, to the beauty that To live among art is to live hides in plain sight, to the is plural—that perspective is hands of our neighbors and what keeps understanding friends. The arts dare us to

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### **ARTS & THEATER CALENDAR**

FRIDAY, OCT. 24

10 a.m.

Goldbas Musical Story Hour. Marx Family Black Box Theater. 203-622-7940. children@greenwichlibrary.org

Creative Ventures: Magic Potions (Ages 7-13). Perrot Memorial Library. Free. Register. perrotlibrary.org

4 - 8 p.m.

GEMS (Greenwich Emergency Medical Service) annual Halloween Haunt. Sign up to have a decorated GEMS ambulance deliver Halloween treats to kids. Oct. 24 & 25. \$25 p/child. greenwichems.org/events/ halloween-haunt

5 - 7 p.m.

Community Trunk or Treat. River House Adult Day Center, 125 River Road Ext., Cos Cob. Free & open to everyone. 203-622-0079. theriverhouse.org

5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation's 'Halloween Happenings'. Bendheim Western Greenwich Civic Center \$12/person (ages 3 & up). greenwichct.gov/2310/Halloween-Happenings

6 - 9 p.m.

Arch Street Teen Center: Nightmare on Arch Street - 6th Grade Halloween Party. Arch Street 2.0, 255 Field Point Rd. \$40. archstreet.org/calendar

Friends Friday Films: "How to Train Your Dragon." Greenwich Library Berkley Theater. cgibbs@greenwichlibrary.org.

7 p.m.

Round Hill Volunteer Fire Company's annual Oktoberfest. Round Hill Community House, 395 Round Hill Rd. eventbrite. com/e/1671938696649

7:30 p.m.

Arch Street Teen Center: Nightmare on Arch Street - 7th & 8th Grade Halloween Party. Arch Street 2.0, 255 Field Point Rd. \$40. archstreet.org/calendar

SATURDAY, OCT. 25

7 - 8:30 a.m.

Fall Migration Bird Tour (Ages 6 & up). Greenwich Audubon Center. Free – donations encouraged. RSVP. audubon.org/ events?view\_type=row&location=Greenwich%20Audubon%20Center

9 a.m.

Greenwich and Stamford Modernism: A Tour of Historic Home Interiors. Parking & bus pick-up/drop-off at Stanwich Church, 202 Taconic Rd, Greenwich. \$85. histoury.org/historical-tour-calendar-and-tickets

10:30 a.m.

Music with Tom Weber. Marx Family Black Box Theater. 203-622-7940. children@greenwichlibrary.org

Science Solvers: Pumpkins! (Ages 4 & up). Bruce Museum. Free with admission. No reservations required. Also held Sunday, Oct. 26. brucemuseum.org

1 p.m.

Mushroom Log Propagation with Farmer Orly. Greenwich Land Trust, 370 Round Hill Road. \$50. Register. gltrust.org/events

4:30 p.m.

Maddie's Dance Studio Movie Night & Recital Theme Reveal. Old Greenwich School Gym, 285 Sound Beach Ave. \$25. Open to the public. maddiesdancestudio. com/special-events

SUNDAY, OCT. 26

11:15 a.m.

Sunday Forum: Our Lady of All Dangers: Saving Notre-Dame de Paris! Christ Church Greenwich, 254 East Putnam Ave. Free. christchurchgreenwich.org/upcoming-events

2 p.m.

Bruce Experiences: Labor in Opera. Bruce Museum. Free with admission. brucemuseum.org

3 p.m.

Requiem: Brahms & Mahler. St. Barnabas Greenwich, 954 Lake Avenue. \$35. eventbrite.com/e/1527497348689

4:30 p.m.

Ghouls in the Garden! Greenwich Botanical Center. Members, \$40; Non-Members, \$45. Register. greenwichbotanicalcenter. org/upcoming-events

MONDAY, OCT. 27

7 p.m.

Perrot P.I.s Mystery Book Group Discusses "March Violets," by Philip Kerr. Perrot Memorial Library. Free. 203-637-1066. lending@perrotlibrary.org. perrotlibrary.

TUESDAY, OCT. 28

9:15 a.m.

The Riverside Garden Club's October meeting: presentation from Bill Rutherford, President of Friends of Binney Park. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 200 Riverside Ave. Free (First two meetings free). RSVP. riversidectgardenclub@gmail.com. riversidectgardenclub.org

Petite Concert. Greenwich Library Marx Family Black Box Theater. 203-622-7940. children@greenwichlibrary.org

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29

Retired Men's Association of Greenwich: Christine Howlett, Music Director, Greenwich Choral Society. Christ Church Greenwich, 254 East Putnam Ave. Free & open to all. greenwichrma.org

1 p.m.

Winter Watercolor Landscapes, with Hazel Jarvis. Perrot Memorial Library. Free. Register. lending@perrotlibrary.org. perrotlibrary.org

Greenwich Historical Society History in the Making Awards Dinner. Belle Haven Club. greenwichhistory.org/history-in-the-making

THURSDAY, OCT. 30

2 p.m.

Lifetime of Looking: Color and Light – a public program for adults experiencing

cognitive decline, such as Alzheimer's Disease, and their family members and caregivers. Bruce Museum. Free with admission. Registration required. 203-413-6743. srice@brucemuseum.org. brucemuseum.org

SATURDAY, NOV. 1

Meet for Coffee at the Bruce: With Elizabeth Birkelund. Bruce Museum. Free with admission. RSVP. brucemuseum.org

3:45 p.m.

World Music with Anitra. Cos Cob Library Community Room, 203-622-6883

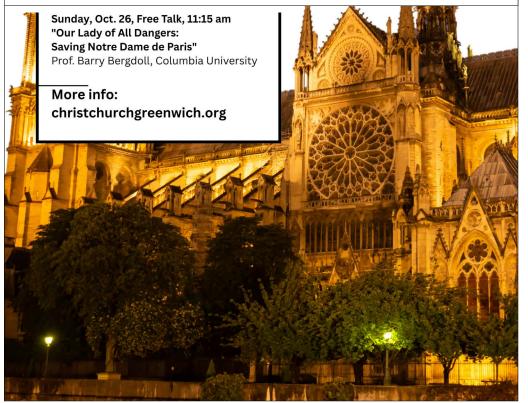
Bruce After Hours: Fall Fest. Bruce Museum. Member, \$20; Non- Member, \$25. RSVP. brucemuseum.org

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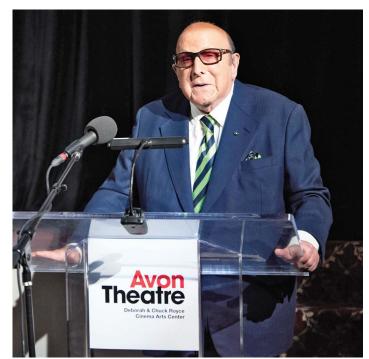
Friends Friday Films: "Shadow of a Doubt," with Reel Talk Speaker Dr. Sidney Gottlieb. Greenwich Library Berkley Theater. cgibbs@greenwichlibrary.org.

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## A Night for Clive Davis—and for Every Note that Still Matters



Clive Davis accepts the Avon Theatre Film Center's 2025 Lifetime Achievement Award during a sold-out gala on October 14 in Stamford. Contributed photos.



Paul Shaffer brings his signature energy to the stage with a performance of "Piano Man." Contributed photos.

BY TOM WILLIAMSON

There are people who make music, and then there are people who make music possible. On October 14, in a theater that has been showing the flicker of art for more than eighty years, one of those rare people was honored. The Avon Theatre Film Center in Stamford was filled to capacity for its 2025 Lifetime Achievement Gala, a luminous evening celebrating Clive Davis—the visionary has become synonymous with modern popular music itself.

It was, as one guest put it, "a night when gratitude had a soundtrack."

Under the deft musical direction of Todd Ellison, the evening unspooled like a living anthology of Davis's own career. Ryan Shaw opened with a soulstirring Bridge Over Troubled Water, his voice rising like a

inside the world Davis built. Each spoke not of his fame, but of his rare ability to hear the truth in a song and the promise in a singer. "Clive always knew what made an artist shine," said Pat Houston, presenting the award in honor of her late sisterin-law, Whitney. "But more than that, he believed in them."

For Davis, that belief has been the through-line of a lifetime. From discovering Janis Joplin at Monterey to record producer whose name nurturing the careers of Bruce Springsteen, Santana, and Alicia Keys, he has built not just a catalog but a cultural inheritance. His instincts have shaped what we hum, dance to, and remember. And for one brilliant evening at the Avon, that legacy felt vividly alive.

But the celebration also belonged, in no small measure, to the Avon Theatre Film Center itself-an institution



The Yale Alley Cats open the evening with an a cappella performance at the Avon Theatre Film Center's 2025 Lifetime Achievement Gala. Contributed photos.



Ryan Shaw performs "Bridge Over Troubled Water" at the Avon Theatre's Lifetime Achievement Gala honoring Clive Davis. Contributed photos.



Capathia Jenkins delivers a powerful rendition of "I Will Always Love You" as part of the musical tribute to Clive Davis. Contributed photos.

hymn. Mandy Gonzalez, whose Broadway warmth seemed to hold the room in her hands, offered a vulnerable and exquisite Don't Cry Out Loud. Then came Paul Shaffer, the evening's comic spark and consummate showman, playing Piano Man with the kind of mischievous joy that makes audiences remember why they ever loved music at all. And finally, Capathia Jenkins magnificent, commandingtook the stage for I Will Always Love You, a song that will forever bear Davis's fingerprints through his stewardship of Whitney Houston's career.

When all four performers returned for the finale, That's What Friends Are For, the meaning of the night crystallized. The song, first recorded by Dionne Warwick and produced by Davis himself, became something larger—a theme. It was about connection, about standing beside art and artist alike, about what can happen when talent meets faith we can be." and both meet friendship.

Throughout the evening, from Barbra Streisand, Stevie Wonder, Melissa Manchester, and admirers who have lived experiences to sustain the patrons, bankers, students, are for.

whose mission has always been to keep art within reach. The nonprofit cinema has long been the anchor of downtown Stamford's cultural life, bringing independent, international, and documentary films to audiences for nearly 85 years. Like Davis, the Avon understands the fragile alchemy between vision and audience, and what happens when communities rally around

Frank Gaudio, CEO of The First Bank of Greenwichthe presenting sponsor for the evening—captured that spirit perfectly. His institution, known as "The Bank that supports the arts," has woven cultural philanthropy into its identity. Under his leadership, the bank has championed live performance, visual arts, and education, ensuring that creativity remains a civic priority rather than a luxury. As Gaudio put it recently, "We support the arts because they remind us who we are and who

a fundraiser as well as a Center, it wasn't just Clive Davis tributes appeared onscreen celebration. The Avon's online who was honored. It was the auction, running through very idea that art still matters-October 28, offers an array that the work of nurturing it and Martha Stewart-artists of one-of-a-kind items and belongs to all of us: artists,

theatre's programming and educational outreach. Bidders can vie for everything from signed memorabilia and private film screenings to luxury travel experiences and curated dinners with noted artists. Proceeds will go directly toward maintaining the Avon's dual mission: preserving its historic building and broadening its cultural reach through student programs, filmmaker discussions, and special series on social and environmental

At a moment when streaming dominates and local arts institutions fight for survival, the Avon's gala—and the generosity surrounding itfelt almost radical. It reminded everyone present that there is no substitute for a live experience, for the shared laughter and silence that pass between strangers in a theater, for the way a great song or a great film seems to breathe in

That night, under the chandeliers of the Deborah The gala was, fittingly, & Chuck Royce Cinema Arts

The guest list-an elegant constellation of supportersread like a testament to that shared belief: Wesley Royce and Patrick Conlisk, Alexandra and Cody Kittle, Deborah and Chuck Royce, Patricia Chadwick, Susan Cullman, Naeem and Susanah Fayyaz, Kathy and Peter Sachs, Betsey and Arthur Selkowitz, and many others whose loyalty keeps the Avon's lights on and its screens glowing.

If the evening had a moral, it was that the arts are both fragile and eternal. They depend on us-on civic-minded leaders like Gaudio, on devoted stewards like the Avon's Board and Executive Director Peter H. Gistelinck, and on visionaries like Clive Davis, who show us what belief looks like when set

As the audience rose for the final standing ovation, the refrain of That's What Friends Are For lingered in the air—half song, half benediction. It was more than a melody; it was a mission statement.

It said: Friendship sustains art. Faith sustains community. And when both stand together, beauty endures.

That, truly, is what friends

#### AVON THEATRE GALA ONLINE AUCTION

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#### **Bidding Until October 28, 2025**

The Avon Theatre Film Center-Stamford's historic, nonprofit, member-supported independent cinema—is thrilled to present its 2025 Gala Online Auction, featuring an extraordinary collection of experiences and treasures to benefit the theatre's programming, education, and community outreach.

This year's auction continues through Tuesday, October 28, and includes a remarkable donation from legendary music executive Clive Davis, recipient of the Avon's 2025 Lifetime Achievement Award.

#### **Auction Highlights:**

- Private 30-minute virtual session with Clive Davis
- Two-night getaway to the Ocean House Tower Suite in Watch Hill, RI—arrive in style in an Aston Martin from Miller Motorcars
  - Luxury escapes to Italy, France, and Indonesia
  - Billy Joel-signed electric guitar and photo
  - Barry Manilow-signed acoustic guitar
- Exclusive wines from the private cellars of Avon members
- Marcia Selden-catered cocktail party for twenty guests in your home, complete with chef and waiter
  - And many more items certain to inspire lively bidding!

All proceeds from the auction directly support the operations and artistic mission of the Avon. Designed by architect William Hohauser in Colonial Revival style, the theatre is adorned with hand-painted murals by Belgian artist

Your participation in Gala Auction 2025 helps sustain the Avon's work as a beloved cultural hub—and fuels the theatre's exciting next chapter.

Beginning in early 2026, the Avon will embark on a \$14 million renovation project—the Avon reCreated Campaign transforming the landmark.

As the Avon looks ahead to its second century, it remains dedicated to its enduring mission: to present films and programs that inspire, enrich, and uplift the community.

# Fire, Fear, and Integrity The Crucible Comes to Greenwich

BY EMMA BARHYDT

Arthur Miller's The Crucible has stood for more than seventy years as one of the most gripping explorations of integrity and fear ever written for the American stage. This fall, the Greenwich Country Day School Upper School Theater Program is bringing it to vivid life under the direction of Dr. Gregory Grene, with performances on Thursday, October 30 at 6pm and Saturday, November 1 at 2pm.

The production invites its student cast to inhabit one of the most demanding plays in the American canon—a story that requires moral courage and the ability to wrestle with truth. Miller wrote *The Crucible* in 1953 as a reflection of the McCarthyera "Red Scare," when accusation and fear tore through American public life. But he set it in 1692, during the Salem witch trials, where hysteria spread through a Puritan village until nearly every voice of reason was silenced. Miller himself would later face the House Un-American Activities Committee and refuse to name names. The parallels to the play were unmistakable, and he paid dearly for his defiance.

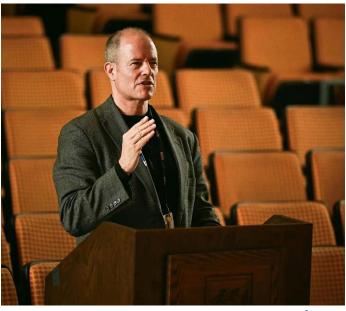
In his director's note. Dr. Grene calls *The Crucible*, "a work which is truly timeless." He writes that the GCDS production, "meticulously honors its letter and intent," but that the cast has also been encouraged to invest their own emotional truth and heart. His aim, he says, is for the play to feel, "shockingly living, relevant," and for audiences to feel it, "to their core."

It's a tall order for any cast, but this one has stepped into it with conviction. John Proctor, the flawed but steadfast farmer at the play's center, is played by Nate Smith. Georgia Dick portrays Abigail Williams, whose accusations ignite the hysteria; Lyla Sheedy plays

Elizabeth Proctor, and the moral and political forces of Salem are embodied by Steele Barhydt as Governor Danforth, Sawyer Young as Reverend Hale, Zach Bostock as Reverend Parris, Shep O'Keeffe as Giles Corey, and Adrian Tortoledo as Judge Hathorne. The ensemble also includes Brooklyn Setterberg, Georgiana Platsis, Linnea Shah-Gustaffson, Kit Knapp, Ali Bostock, Annabel Kleinknecht, Jane Pecorin, Teagan Nygren, Ryan Walmsley, Lachlan Welch, and Riya Sharma. Together, they are shaping the story's chaos into something communal—a town devoured by fear but lit, faintly, by courage.

Dr. Grene, who teaches Classic Literature and English at GCDS, brings an unusually rich background to this work. Before entering education, he acted on Broadway—appearing in the 1994 revival of *Philadelphia*, Here I Come!-and worked as a musician, composer, and producer. He has performed internationally with his longrunning Celtic rock band, The Prodigals, and continues to balance performance with scholarship and teaching. His approach to theater reflects the same artistic curiosity that fuels his classroom: a belief that stories are living things meant to be wrestled with, not merely studied.

Raised between Chicago and Belturbet, County Cavan, Ireland, the son of the late classicist David Grene, he grew up in a world where literature and storytelling were as present as air. Each year, he returns to the family farm in Ireland, often with his daughter Andi—a rhythm of return and renewal that mirrors the cyclical nature of art itself. That sense of continuity infuses his work with students, whether in a seminar on *Ulysses* or in the controlled storm of a play like *The Crucible*.



Dr. Gregory Grene directs.

Grene reflects on the play's author and its enduring message. "His sacrifice," he writes, "bore extraordinary fruit. This very play is the reason the witch trials, with all the moral questions they raise, are the common knowledge they are today. And his pleas for compassion and his warnings against intolerance remain as urgently relevant today as they have ever been."

The relevance of that message is easy to feel in a school setting. The stage becomes a

from history into the present, not through lesson or lecture, but through the lived energy of performance. Watching students take on such weighty materiallistening, arguing, searching for what drives their charactersreminds us that theater, at its core, is about understanding.

There's something quietly moving about that, especially in a place like Greenwich, where the arts often find their pulse in classrooms, rehearsal rooms, and borrowed spaces as much space where questions of truth, as in professional venues. Each In his note to audiences, conscience, and courage move production, however small or for citizenship.



Steele Barhydt plays Governor Danforth.

local, adds its own light to the values expression and thought. This one, guided by Dr. Grene, happens to shine a bit brighter.

To inhabit a play like *The Crucible* is to grapple with moral complexity—to ask what honesty costs, and why compassion must endure even in times of fear. It's no small task, but these students are taking it on with seriousness and imagination. Their work reflects not only their talent but the guidance of an artist-teacher who understands that the arts, at their best, are a rehearsal

The GCDS production of larger story of how a community The Crucible is open to the public, with "pay-as-you-wish" tickets available at gcds.ludus. com. Performances take place Thursday, October 30 at 6pm and Saturday, November 1 at 2pm. The show is recommended for ages twelve and up due to mature themes and content. For more information, the box office can be reached at boxoffice@

> The Crucible may be set in another time, but under Dr. Grene's direction, its questions feel close enough to burn.

### A Conversation in Color at The Barn



Beverly Orthwein - Tulips Afire, 2024, watercolor on paper, 12'x 10"

By Emma Barhydt

Watercolor has a way of capturing what words can'tmoments that shimmer between control and spontaneity, structure and release. That tension is exactly what Two Views/One Medium, now on view by appointment at The Barn @ Downing Yudain in North Stamford, invites us to experience.

The exhibition pairs Greenwich artist Beverly Orthwein and painter David Brewster, two artists whose work on paper speaks entirely different visual languages vet finds common ground in curiosity and care for the seen world. Their joint show, which opened October 8th with a warmly attended reception, runs through November 15th.

show. "Immediate, difficult, and noticed, preserved, and shared. gratifying, washes of color may applied densely. The artist may are delighted to have these two fine artists showing together."

and Waterlily Pond reveal her into a new breaking point ongoing conversation with of abstraction," Brewster the natural world—each petal, said, "in order to make sense leaf, and ripple rendered with of an increasingly bizarre tenderness and restraint. and incongruous synthetic Beginning her career in pen- landscape." His work feels alive and-ink, she found her stride with motion, with the hum of through Chinese brush human energy beneath shifting painting, which continues forms.

"Works on paper as to infuse her work with an a medium is diverse and understated rhythm. Her versatile," said gallerist Lily watercolors feel like an act of Downing, who curated the gratitude: a record of beauty

Brewster's pieces—among be gently blended together or them Interior (2024) and Tarped Farmhouse (2025) work anywhere, not just in move in a different register. the confines of a studio. While His expressive marks and Beverly Orthwein and David charged palette transform Brewster approach the medium familiar scenes into something in distinctly different ways, we dreamlike and slightly volatile. "My paintings synthesize a 200-year-old tradition of Orthwein's Tulips Afire American Scene Painting



David Brewster, Interior 2024, watercolor graphite and oil pastel on paper, 12" x 9"

Together, Orthwein and Brewster remind us that art, even in its quietest moments, is a civic act—a way of paying attention, of keeping faith with the world around us. Exhibitions like this, tucked within historic barns and village corners, ask us to do the same: to slow down, to look closely, to show up for the arts that keep our community vibrant and connected.

Two Views/One Medium is on view by appointment through November 15th at The Barn @ Downing Yudain,



Artist Beverly Orthwein with Olympic swimmer and sportscaster Donna de Verona at the opening October 8th. Photo Credit Elaine Ubina

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