

Silvermine NEWS



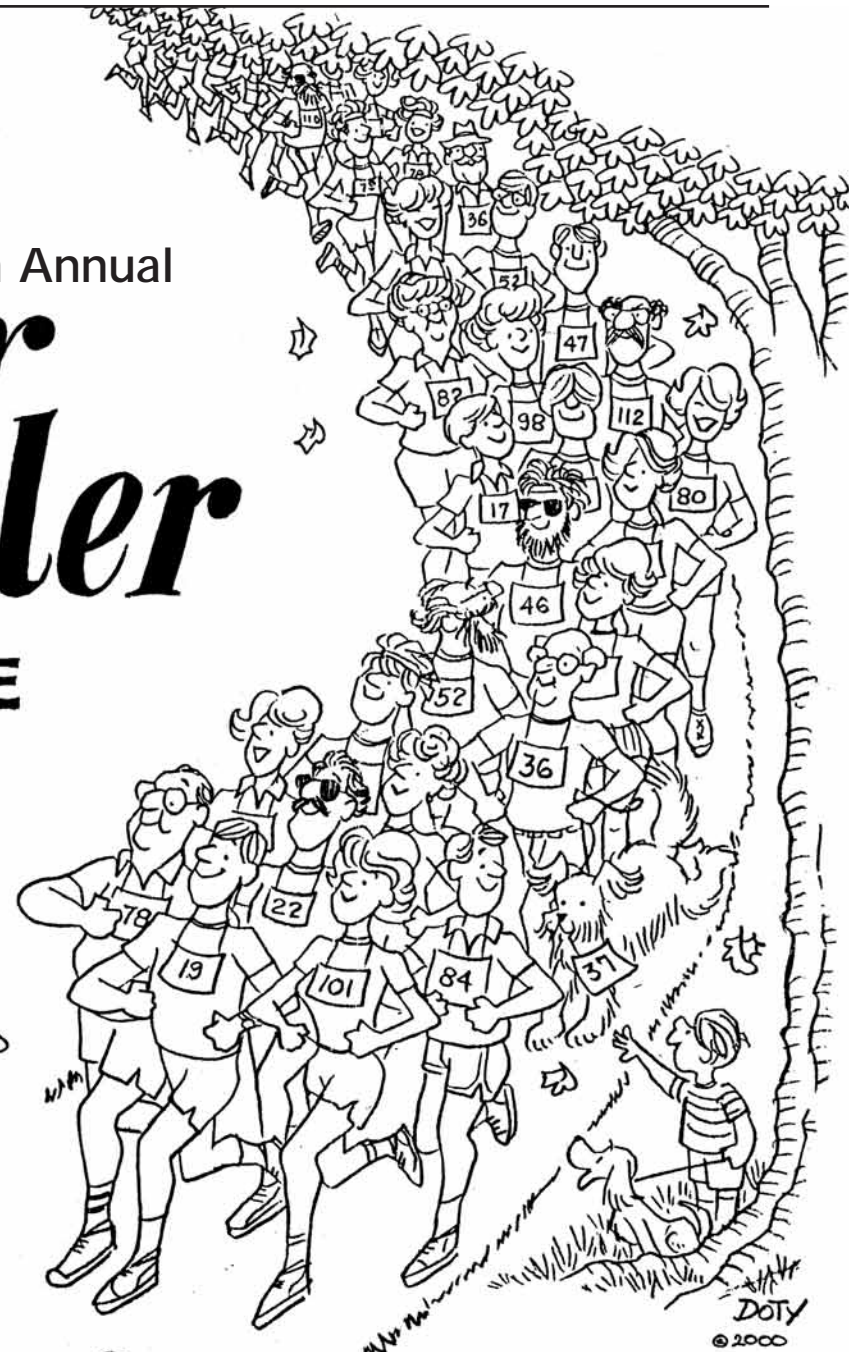
The 12th Annual Silvermiler

3 MILE ROAD RACE

Saturday, October 9, 2004

Kids-K 9:30 a.m.
Run/Walk 10:00 a.m.

For the benefit
of the Silvermine
Community
Association
Scholarship Fund



Course

Race starts and finishes at the Silvermine School, Perry Ave., Norwalk, CT. Run through the beautiful Silvermine area at the height of the fall season!



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Membership 2005: What a Difference a Year Makes!

By Remi Hahn



Welcome back! And thank you, thank you, thank you! As many of you know, just a year ago, the Silvermine Community Association faced an uncertain future. There were only two board members left, and membership had dwindled to a mere 187 members. However, thanks to Sue Palinkos and David Borglum, the Association was revived. They spearheaded a tremendous effort to get the community back—and they succeeded with flying colors. In 2004, the Executive Board has grown to more than 18 members, and, more importantly, membership has soared to an all-time high of 369. The strong growth in membership has been apparent at all of the events. So thank you, everyone, for your support and involvement! Many of you are familiar with the process of joining the Association, but for any Silvermine newcomers, or those simply interested in a refresher, we would like to offer a little background information.

Every year when September rolls around, we look to the residents of the Silvermine Community to join (or re-join) the Association and participate in the SCA's activities. There are two ways to join the Association:

- You can use the Membership form on the back of this newsletter.
- You can go online to print out a Membership form (the address is www.silverminenews.com).

Once membership dues have been paid, you will be sent a letter confirming your membership and two Silvermine swan decals. After you have paid your membership dues, you will notice that your next newsletter will have the membership year posted over your name on the address label. So, for example, if you have paid your membership dues for 2005, "2005" will appear on the address label. (For those of you who are not current members of the SCA, no date will appear.)

The SCA frequently sends out reminders and information via e-mail. So if you have an e-mail address, please provide that on the membership form as well. *Your information will not be shared with any other organization!*

So here we are in September with a clean slate. We are once again asking you to help keep the Silvermine Community Association alive and well. As you will see in the newsletter, there are lots of great activities coming up, so mark them down in your calendar now, grab your neighbors, and have some fun! We are always looking for new ideas for events and new ways to get people involved. If you have any sug-

gestions, please contact either **Remi Hahn** at rhahn@optonline.net (846-8679) or **Don Nelson** at doncars@aol.com (847-3268). Better yet, join us at our monthly Board meetings. Everyone is welcome! If you know of new neighbors in the Silvermine area who might like to become members of the Association, please call or e-mail us. We will mail them a newsletter or perhaps pay them a welcome visit.

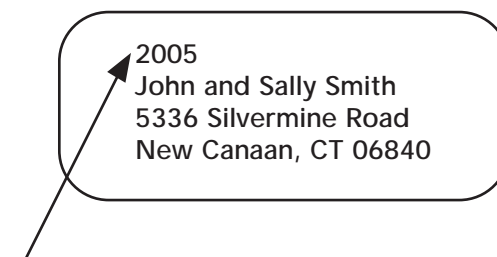
SCA 2005 Membership Incentives

If you join the SCA by the Spring Pancake Breakfast, you will receive a "buy one entrée get one free" coupon from the Silvermine Tavern.

In addition, every 2005 SCA member's name will be entered into the special 2005 Membership Drawing, which will take place at the spring Pancake Breakfast. Past prizes have included 150 gallons of home heating oil, gift certificates, and even a case of champagne.

Are You a Member?

To find out if you are a member,
check your mailing label.



Mailing label displays the year through which you have paid dues.

Silvermine Merchandise

Visit www.silverminenews.com to discover one of Silvermine's best-kept secrets, the Silvermine Community Association web sit. While there, make sure to look at the merchandise available in the Silvermine Online Store. With cool fall weather here, choose a Long Sleeve T-Shirt or a Silvermine Coffee Mug!



The 12th Annual
**Silver
miler**

3 MILE ROAD RACE
Saturday,
October 9, 2004

The Silvermine Community Association is proud to announce the twelfth annual *Silvermiler* 3 Mile Road Race, Walk, and Kid's-K.

Just ten minutes off I-95 and the Merritt Parkway, the *Silvermiler's* course starts and finishes at the Silvermine School, on Perry Avenue in Norwalk. The course takes participants through historic Silvermine, along the winding river at the height of the autumn color season. There will be a prize drawing, certificates will be rewarded, and refreshments will be available.

Enjoy the crisp fall morning! Plan to run or walk, be a roadside cheerleader, or watch the fun at the finish line. Be sure to come out and be part of the race! Proceeds benefit the Silvermine Community Association's Scholarship Fund.

Check In & Packet Pick Up: Saturday, October 9, 2004 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.
Silvermine School Cafeteria, Perry Ave., Norwalk, CT

Start/Finish Line: Silvermine School, Perry Ave., Norwalk, CT

Eligibility: Open to all persons in good health. **No dogs, in-line skaters or head phones permitted.** Adults are encouraged to accompany young children.

Kid's-K Event: Start time 9:30 a.m. sharp.
Pre-entry fee \$3.00 (postmarked 10/4). Race day fee \$5.00. This course is a fun challenge! Gather at the starting line for the 1 km. course. Begin at the school, go over the footbridge, past the Tavern, and return to the school. Children under 5 should be accompanied by an adult. Kid's-K participant awards will be presented to all children who finish the course. Pre-entry children are guaranteed a T-shirt.

Runner's Event: Start time 10:00 a.m. sharp.
Pre-entry fee \$12.00 (postmarked 10/4). Race day fee \$15.00.
The course travels 3 miles along the river in historic Silvermine. Divisions are: 12 and under, 13-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50 and over. Overall award to top male and female runners. Certificates awarded to all runners. Drawing for prizes will be held. Pre-entry runners are guaranteed a T-shirt.

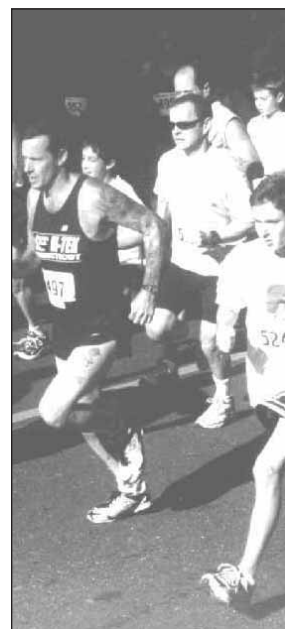
Walker's Event: Start time 10:00 a.m. sharp, following runners.
Pre-entry fee \$5.00 (postmarked 10/4). Race day fee \$8.00. The course will follow the runners, traveling 3 miles along the river and past the Silvermine Tavern. Everyone is welcome to walk in this event. All walkers will receive a certificate, and pre-entry walkers are guaranteed a T-shirt.

Entries: By mail, drop off at the Silvermine Tavern or call 847-8354 for phone entries. Or, visit www.clubct.org and click on "Events" then scroll down and click "Applications."

Facilities: Bathrooms are limited, please come dressed to run.

Refreshments: Bagels, donuts, juice, fruit, and coffee.

Directions: I-95 (Exit 15), and Merritt Parkway use Rt. 7 extension, exit New Canaan Ave., right off ramp, and then right onto New Canaan Ave. Take the first right onto Silvermine Ave. to the Silvermine Tavern. Turn right onto Perry Ave., and continue right over the bridge to Silvermine School. It will be on your right.



Official Application

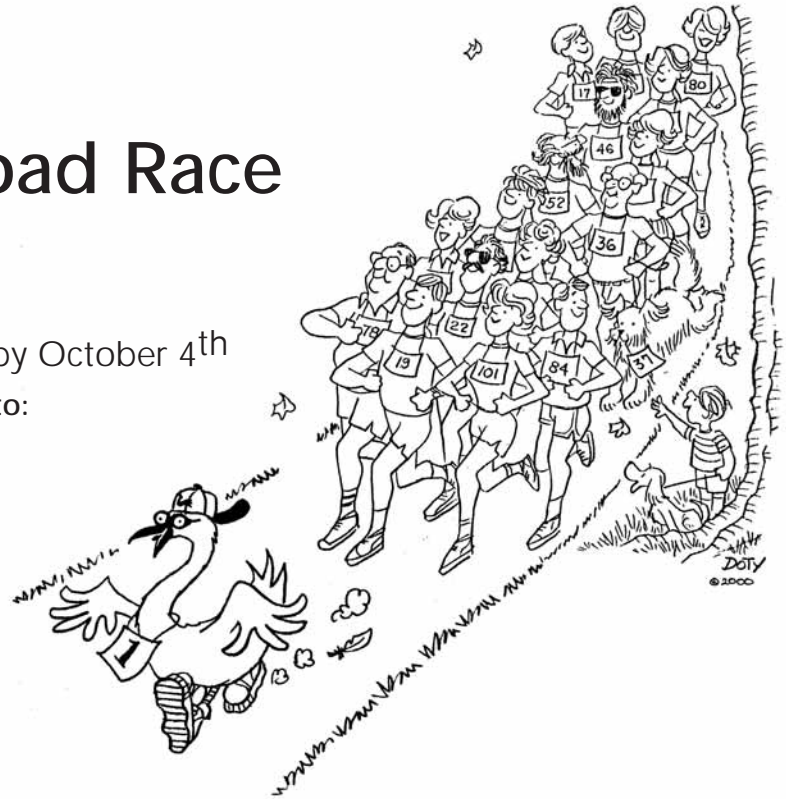
Silvermiler 3 Mile Road Race

Saturday, October 9, 2004

Pre-entry applications must be postmarked by October 4th

Mail Application Form and make checks payable to:

Silvermine Community Association
 Silvermiler Road Race
 c/o Silvermine Tavern
 194 Perry Ave.
 Norwalk, CT 06850



BIB Number – Official Use Only

Please use only one application per entry.

Last Name		First Name			
Address					
Town		State		ZIP	
Phone (indicate day/night & include area code)		Sex (M/F)		Age on October 9, 2004	
Event Please check one: ___ Kid's K ___ Runner ___ Walker		T-Shirt Size (Circle One) (Circle One) (Circle One)		Medium Large Small Medium Large X-Large Small Medium Large X-Large	
I know that running in a race is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run unless I am medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by the decisions of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I assume all risks associated with running this event, including but not limited to, falls, contact with other participants, the effect of the weather, including high heat and/or humidity, traffic and the conditions of the road, all such risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and considerations of your accepting my application, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act in my behalf, waive and release the race organizers, the city and town in which this event is held, all sponsors, their representatives and successors from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event even though that liability may arise out of negligence on the part of the persons named in this waiver. I grant permission of all the foregoing to use any photographs, motion pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose.					
_____ Participant's Signature (Parent or Guardian MUST sign if participant is under 18 years of age.)					

Please feel free to photocopy this application for additional entries!

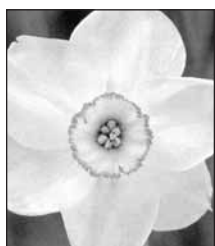
Fifth Annual Bulb Sale

With the help of our friends at *White Flower Farm*, we are once again holding a bulb sale. We're excited about the extensive selection of spring bulbs being offered this year. Some are old favorites, many are being offered for the first time, but all are DEER RESISTANT! Orders will arrive in time for fall planting in the Silvermine area (zone 6). As in the past, all proceeds benefit the Association's Scholarship Fund.

ORDERS AND CHECKS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY OCTOBER 11, 2004.



Camelot Among Daffodils, the yellows tend to bloom early, the whites later. "Camelot" is a perfectly formed, golden-flowered Daffodil that blooms with the whites. Sturdy stems are impervious to rough weather. Late (Apr-May). 14" -16"
12 bulbs per package \$21.00



Dream Light This striking Daffodil has large, pure white petals and a tiny pale cup with a vivid green eye and dark red rim. Its vigor and pristine beauty make it a good choice for any garden. Late (Apr-May). 12" -14"
12 bulbs per package \$31.00



Dutch Master A Silvermine favorite! "Dutch Master" is often called "the best all-around Daffodil money can buy." The bold yellow blooms, with petals drawn slightly forward, are borne on long stems. Early midseason (Apr). 18" -20"
12 bulbs per package \$18.50



Fragrant Rose The name of this Daffodil says it all! Its exceptional fragrance reminds some of old garden Roses. It has a peachy pink, goblet-shaped cup, and white petals. Midseason (Apr). 16" -18"
12 bulbs per package \$22.00



Narcissus for Connoisseurs This mixture of the "most extraordinary Daffodils on the market," is mixed from at least 15 varieties and will bring joy to your entire neighborhood. All season (Apr-May). 12" -20"
25 bulbs per package \$35.00



Purple Sensation Allium This is the earliest large-flowered Allium! Reddish-violet balls 4-5 inches across are borne on 20-30 inch stems in late spring. Late (May-June). 20" -30"
12 bulbs per package \$15.00



Rhapsody in Blue An enchanting mixture of blue blooms in a variety of shades. Most tolerate light shade and are perfect for a woodland garden or underplanting for Daffodils. Includes at least 9 types of bulbs, including Anemones, Iris, Muscari, and Scilla. All season (Apr-Jun). 3" -16"
100 bulbs per package \$33.00



Rijnveld Early Sensation This is the earliest Daffodil to bloom, sometimes appearing in late March at White Flower Farm in northwestern CT. The perky yellow flowers withstand temperatures in the teens. Very early (Apr). 12" -14"
12 bulbs per package \$18.00



Sir Winston Churchill This is a winner! Large, full blooms of creamy white frame a center of saffron yellow. Stems generally bear four flowers. And then there's the astonishing fragrance! Late midseason (Apr-May). 14" -16"
12 bulbs per package \$19.00



Sunny Daze A superb mixture of blue Anemones, which range from sky blue to amethyst, and Narcissus Tête-à-Tête, with buttercup yellow petals surrounding an egg-yolk yellow corona. Early (Apr-May). 3" -8"
50 bulbs per package \$26.50

White Flower Farm

PLANTSMEN SINCE 1950

SCA Fifth Annual Bulb Sale Order Form

HURRY!
Ordering deadline is
October 11!

Please mail this form with your order! All prices include shipping and handling.

All bulb orders and checks must be postmarked by October 11, 2004.

Camelot (12 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$21.00	= \$ _____
Dream Light (12 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$31.00	= \$ _____
Dutch Master (12 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$18.50	= \$ _____
Fragrant Rose (12 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$22.00	= \$ _____
Narcissus for Connoisseurs (25 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$35.00	= \$ _____
Purple Sensation Allium (12 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$15.00	= \$ _____
Rhapsody in Blue (100 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$33.00	= \$ _____
Rijnveld Early Sensation (12 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$18.00	= \$ _____
Sir Winston Churchill (12 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$19.00	= \$ _____
Sunny Daze (50 bulbs per package)	___ packages x \$26.50	= \$ _____
	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	= \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Daytime Phone _____

Please be sure to include your phone number.

Make checks payable to "Silvermine Community Association."

Mail orders to:

Silvermine Community Association
Fifth Annual Bulb Sale
c/o Silvermine Tavern
194 Perry Ave.
Norwalk, CT 06850



Growing Tips: For more information and helpful planting tips, visit the White Flower Farm website at www.whiteflowerfarm.com.



Historic House Tour a Success

On Saturday, September 18, despite the remnants of Hurricane Ivan, over 130 people toured seven historic homes in Silvermine. Using vans to get from house to house, those on the tour saw two old mills, a blacksmith shop, and a barn—all of which have been converted into beautiful residences, many on the banks of the Silvermine River. A slave's cottage and two historic residences, including a house believed to be one of the earliest homes still standing today, were also featured. The tour included a lunch and movies about Silvermine at Silver Hill. Proceeds from the tour will be used to fund the efforts to secure a National Historic District designation for Silvermine. To all those who volunteered their efforts and to all those who participated, thank you!

Call to Artists

By Nancy Lloyd

The first annual "Artists in Residence" art show will be held in the first quarter of 2005 at the Silvermine Tavern. The show is open to all Silvermine artists in all media. Sponsored by the Silvermine Community Association, the week-long show will open with a weekend reception to which artists are encouraged to invite guests. The closing weekend will coincide with the SCA's winter "Mix and Mingle" cocktail party.

Because this is the first show, **please let me know now** if you are interested in exhibiting so that we may plan accordingly. Contact me at 972-9030. My e-mail is nmklloyd@yahoo.com (use "SCA Art Show" as the subject). Be sure to include your name, address, telephone number, e-mail address, and the medium of your art.

Trash Walk

Celebrate fall in Silvermine with a Trash Walk on Saturday, November 6. Wear walking shoes and bring work gloves. Trash bags and latex gloves will be provided. There will be clean-up routes in Norwalk, Wilton, and New Canaan. Meet in the Silvermine Tavern parking lot. Walks depart at 10:15 a.m. Families are welcome! Afterwards, treat yourself to lunch with neighbors at the Silvermine Tavern! Contact Deborah Lewis at deborahlewis@optonline.net or call 840-1566.

Silvermine Neighborhood Walk

Deborah Lewis will be guiding a walk on one of the new mapped-out Silvermine neighborhood routes at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 17. Meet at the Silvermine Elementary School parking lot. For maps, information about the three Silvermine loops, and a narrative of Silvermine sights, go to www.norwalkhealth.com/walkingroutes. For more information, call 854-7977.

Planting Bulbs: It's Not Too Late

Air temperatures cool down much faster than soil temperatures. Leaves may be long gone and there may even be snow in the air, but the soil remains warm enough for planting bulbs well into the late fall.

In Silvermine, you typically need to plant Daffodil bulbs by Thanksgiving, six weeks before the ground freezes, allowing bulbs time to form roots. Large bulbs such as Daffodils should be planted deeply, and generally may be planted later in the season than small bulbs.

Meet & Mingle Cocktail Party, Dinner & Annual Board Meeting

Meet your neighbors at the Silvermine Tavern!

Friday, November 12

6:30 p.m. Cocktails & hors d'oeuvres

7:00 p.m. Innkeeper's three-course
prix fixe dinner

Dinner reservations
required. For reservations,
call 847-4558. Be sure to
tell the Tavern that you
are with the SCA.



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Upcoming SCA Events

- 10/4 Entries due for Silvermiler Road Race
- 10/6 Open Monthly Board Meeting
- 10/9 Silvermiler Road Race
- 10/11 Orders due for Bulb Sale Deadline
- 10/17 Silvermine Neighborhood Walk
- 11/3 Open Monthly Board Meeting
- 11/6 Trash Walk & Lunch
- 11/12 Meet & Mingle at Silvermine Tavern
- 12/1 Open Monthly Board Meeting

Silvermine Community Association Membership January 1 through December 31, 2005



Send this form and your membership dues to:

Silvermine Community Association
c/o The Silvermine Tavern
194 Perry Ave.
Norwalk, CT 06850

2005 Membership Dues per family \$25.00
Scholarship Fund \$____
Antique Fire Truck Fund \$____
General Contribution \$____
Total enclosed \$____

Family Name _____
Address _____
Town _____
Telephone _____
E-mail Address _____

___ **Yes**, I'd like to receive the Newsletter via e-mail.

___ **No**, I'd rather receive the Newsletter via regular mail.

This information is not shared with any other organization.

___ Please contact me, I'd like to join the Board.

Please contact me, I'd like to work with this committee:

___ Membership Drive ___ Fundraisers

___ Newsletter ___ Social Events

___ Pancake Breakfast ___ Beautification Program

___ Website ___ History of Silvermine

___ Road Race ___ Publicity

___ Please contact me, I'd like to discuss: _____

For membership matters, contact either **Remi Hahn** at rhahn@optonline.net (846-8679) or **Don Nelson** at doncars@aol.com (847-3268).