

## Monroe Conservation Commission

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The Monroe Conservation Commission is pleased to recognize resident William Ryan as Conservationist of the Month for October. Mr. Ryan, former scoutmaster for Monroe Boy Scout troop 62, Stepney Fireshouse, donated his time, expertise and effort to designing and building the outdoor classroom seating at the Webb Mountain Discovery Zone. The outdoor classroom, which seats up to fifty people and made from environmentally friendly recycled plastic lumber, will serve for many years to come as an assembly and teaching area for local schools, scout troops, church groups and other organizations.

### Seeks nominations

Residents can nominate themselves or other Monroe residents who are making a difference and having a positive impact for people, their resources and the environment (not necessarily only in Monroe). Nominations can be e-mailed to [monroecconservation@monroect.org](mailto:monroecconservation@monroect.org) or mailed to the Monroe Conservation Commission 7 Fan Hill Rd. Monroe, CT 06468.

The Monroe Conservation Commission manages parks and open space properties for the town's enjoyment and use, including Webb Mountain Discovery Zone and Webb Mountain Park. It is in the planning stage for the Chalk Hill Nature Trail, Lane's Mines Park, and the Halfway River properties.

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"We hope the Conservationist of the Month program will stir additional interest in the community to think about the environment and conservation, not just on Earth Day, one day a year, but on a monthly, weekly, even daily basis," Ellbogen said.

The Conservation Commission reviews all nominations at its regularly scheduled meeting on the first Wednesday of every month and will announce selections for Conservationist of the Month in the Monroe Courier and on [monroeconservation.org](http://monroeconservation.org).

In a society where millions of water bottles end up in landfills every day, and where fast food detritus defaces America's roadsides, activists like Mario and Kathy Hering are paving the road for the future. As spring comes into bloom, and the trash from the long winter is revealed, the Herings will continue to lead by example.

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The Monroe Conservation Commission  
meets the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm  
in the Town Hall conference room.  
Public participation is welcome.  
Email us at [Monroe Conservation](mailto:monroeconservation@monroecourier.com) with questions, comments  
or concerns about our properties and nominations for Conservationist of the Month.



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