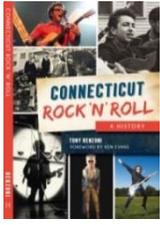
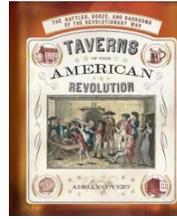


The Store - *Goods & Curiosities*, is participating in the Page Turners section of Shore Publishing's papers including the *Valley Courier* and six other regional newspapers. We want to share these reviews and invite you to drop by the Store. Come browse our outstanding selection of books.



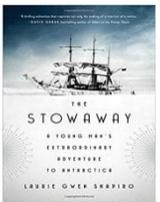
**Connecticut Rock 'n' Roll: A History**  
by Tony Renzoni

In 1961, while The Beatles were performing for the first time in Liverpool, a teenager by the name of Bob Dylan was singing at a Folk Festival in a small, East Coast town across the pond. It was Branford, Connecticut. Such begins Renzoni's odyssey exploring our state's contributions to the genre— through sock hops, billboard charts, band interviews, and raw photographs (see Joe Sia's Jimi Hendrix shot at Yale), this CT resident/rock enthusiast highlights musicians both in and out of the limelight. Because in the end it isn't about the big crowds and bright lights, but the garage-jamming, down home, grassroots love for the music. (Ellen)



**Taverns of the American Revolution,**  
by Adrian Covert

Author Adrian Covert asks, "What better excuse for a road trip than the pursuit of rum, beer, and history at America's oldest bars?" This complete collection of surviving taverns of the American Revolution was compiled as a result of the author's fascination with these taverns as a gathering place for locally relevant events. Noteworthy taverns include Raleigh Tavern in Virginia, where Thomas Jefferson drafted both the Continental Congress and Declaration of Independence, and we are thrilled to find Connecticut's own Griswold Inn of Essex, the oldest continually operating Inn in the United States! Covert successfully weaves historical text regarding the taverns themselves, alongside trivia and anecdotes about the political leaders who frequented them. (Christine)



**Stowaway,** by Laurie Gwen Shapiro

High-spirited, high sea, adventure awaits you in this thrilling non-fiction book. Seeking excitement, exploration, and an escape from his father's interior decorating business, young Billy Gawronski stows away on Commander Byrd's 1920 expedition to Antarctica! This fascinating book carries you through the historical voyage and includes raw details of life at sea on the wild, two year adventure. It also takes you through Billy's life, loves, fame and misfortunes...before, during, and after, the 1928 stock market crash. A truly heartfelt, inspiring story! ~ (Christine)



**Magic Cakes,** by Kathleen Royal Phillips

This sweet little book teaches you the techniques and foundations, while encouraging you to invent magic cake concoctions of your own! The recipes all stem from the layered Vanilla Magic cake that graces the front cover, and immediately evolve into yummy desserts that will be perfect additions to the caloric consumption on the holiday table. My favorites include the Gingerbread, Cranberry Orange (served warm!) and Tiramisu. Basically this book of easy- mix batters is great for holiday entertaining as well as gifting, so it checks all the seasonal shopping boxes on my list! ( Karen)



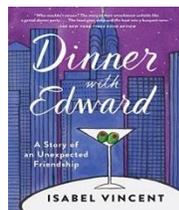
**Notes from Old Lyme: Life on the Marsh and Other Essay,** by Sydney M. Williams

This is a new publication by the CT author who, after working on Wall Street for 47 years and living in Old Lye for 25, has become an expert of musing in subjects ranging from land to life cycle. With humor and heart his essays traverse, and so accurately illustrate, the Connecticut River Valley and quintessential New England at-large. In "Notes" you will find a steadfast ally in seeking simple comforts in a space and time that transcends Old Lyme. (Ellen)



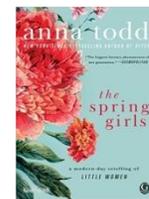
**Remembering Katharine Hepburn: Stories of Wit and Wisdom About America's Leading Lady,** by Ann Nyberg

Who better to tell the stories of "the CT gal who rose to the stars" than Ann Nyberg, founding member of her Cultural Arts Center and a star journalist herself? Nyberg, with the help of those in Hepburn's closest periphery, tells vignettes of various run-ins with The Great, mostly brief—but all impacting. Her independence and tenacity went beyond the trouser style she coined; she evoked a timelessness that, with her passing, no longer exists. This book is a celebration of this, and a life that, beyond the bright lights and scripts, was very much a down-home New England one. (Ellen)



**Dinner with Edward,** by Isabel Vincent

This is a charming, sweet, yet deeply moving story of friendship and food. A 93 year old, recently widowed Edward, who is a consummate chef, develops a deep friendship with one of his daughter's close friends, author Isabel Vincent. Isabel, who is also searching for companionship and comfort, finds solace, and so much more, in their frequent dinners. Each chapter in this book begins with a delicious menu and details each mouthwatering meal that Edward prepares. This book is delightfully delicious and life affirming - it will make you want to cook and live each day to the fullest! (Christine)



**The Spring Girls,** by Anna Todd

This book beautifully touches on life, love, and the importance of family. The young skilled author, tells a modern version of Alcott's "Little Women" – Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy in the twenty-first century...in a book full of romance. The timeless tale of the four sisters is wonderfully retold, as the girls grow up in modern times, with modern issues, and try and find their place in this world. Fans of "Little Women" will be drawn to this coming of age story, and of course wonder which sister will wind up with Laurie (the boy next door)! Mothers of daughters will want to pass this book down; and I am personally hoping Todd writes another book where this one leaves off. (Christine)

**Call or email the store for more information:**

Store@griswoldinn.com -- (860) 767-0210