



The Silver Cherry News

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Newsletter of The Silver Cherry

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26th Annual Christmas Open House Weekend!

This Weekend
December 3rd And 4th
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Both Saturday & Sunday

Wicked Good Hor d'oeuvres!
A Creative And Imaginative Sales Force
Of Experts Here To Cater To Your Every
Whim!

Savings On Redway Furniture!
Jam-Packed Full Of
Fun Holiday Gifts!

Open and poised for action; The Silver Cherry revs up for our 26th Annual Christmas Open House Weekend. Come join us at our festive little Christmas shop for a rousing good time this weekend, and peruse through our store of imaginative gifts, and the finest cherry furniture.

We will be featuring some recipes from our new cookbook **The Redway House Cookbook - 33 of The Best Recipes From The Redway Family.** Included will be various soups, our Welch Rabbit (Rarebit) recipe, and other tempting dishes from the pages of the Redway House Cookbook.



The Silver Cherry Holiday Hours

Tuesday - Friday 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Close Mondays



Jason Redway's Lazy Suzannes



What the heck did Susan ever do to earn the title of Lazy? An age-old question that has baffled historians and archaeologists since the beginning of time. Sadly, the trail went cold with the earliest reference to a Lazy Susan first appearing in a December 1917 ad of Vanity Fair. Oddly, little research grant money is available for such a study, so the truth just may never be known.

So the heck with Susan getting all the credit for this ball bearing propelled wonder of the suburban dinner table. Jason Redway of James Redway Furniture Makers is about to make history. Just in time for this festive Holler-Day Season ... in our family everyone gets together at Christmas and hollers at each other... As I said, just in time for this holler-day season, Jason Redway is presenting his world premiere offering of his **Lazy Suzanne**.

Fondly named after his favorite Aunt Suzanne Cooper, this new concept will revolutionize how we reach for food at the dinner table. It will centralize your dinner experience, and offer hours of whimsical delight to all who spins the Lazy Suzanne.

Handmade, one at a time, Jason's Lazy Suzannes come in all sizes and colors. Made from native New England hardwoods, including American Black Cherry, Black Walnut, Red Oak, and Yellow Birch.

So here is your chance to witness a historical event, and to actually be part of it. You can be one of the first in the world to own a Redway Lazy Suzanne, and there will be no doubt who was the inventor of such an ingenious device. Something to tell your grandchildren about some day. **Prices start at only \$35.00.**



Cocoa Gift Pack. Five festive holiday varieties make a great stocking-stuffer. **Only \$12.50.**

James Redway 30 Years Of American Furniture



In October of 1986, I gave up on most of my Ralph Kramden ideas for businesses and decided to do something for which the results of my efforts would last for hundreds of years. Thus, James Redway Furniture Makers was created, which for a person educated as a Biologist, a harrowing decision. After being laid off at The National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA because of Reagan budget cuts, the prospects for biologists were not very encouraging at the time. I could design shampoos for Clairol or do something else. I chose to do something else.

This year marks the 30th year in business. At Christmas time 30 years ago we offered our first table, and as a Litchfield County Times reporter once wrote, "In a moment of stunning marketing clarity he called it "The Christmas Table." My brother-in-law Scott Bean created a little ad that I placed in the local paper. After three weeks, I was delighted to have sold 20 tables. \$125.00 was a pretty good price back then. Christmas Tables now sell for \$280.00,



All Redway furniture is crafted from solid American Black Cherry. Table frames are joined with double-pinned mortise and tenon construction. Steps and drawers are constructed using hand-cut dovetails. Each piece is signed, dated, numbered and branded with our hallmark. We offer a 30-day money-back satisfaction guarantee and a lifetime warranty on workmanship. Come to The Silver Cherry this holiday season and purchase one of our solid cherry future heirlooms. **Open House Sale December 3rd and 4th. \$25.00 off any piece of furniture over \$150.00 in the store.**

Great Gifts For Everyone



Damn the torpedoes and full speed ahead. Ring in the holidays with one of our new Ships Bell Windcatcher from the folks of North Country Wind Bells in Maine. The Ships Bell windcatcher chime is based on an actual ship's bell, used to indicate the time aboard a ship and hence to regulate the sailor's duty watches. In times of alarm, the ship's bell would wake and warn the sailors for General Quarters. Mimicking the brass or bronze, our Ships Bell is coated in a hammer-tone bronze, and come in your choice of windcatchers. We have the sailboat, bear, hummingbird, horse, bell, and buoy. Height: 7 inches. Anchors Aweigh! **Only \$29.95**



Do you know someone who can't get a fire started to save his life? Do we have the perfect gift! It's our Fragrance Fire Starters. Not only will you have instant success in starting a fire, in your fireplace, but can also smell great doing it. Heave one of these babies into the fireplace and surround the pod with wood, and in no time flat, you will have a rip-roaring fire. Comes in two distinct fragrances, fresh cut pine and cinnamon. **Only \$11.00**

THIS WEEKEND KO KO KANA COOKIES

Come in this weekend for some of our famous Ko Ko Kana Spicy Ginger and Molasses Cookies freshly baked for your enjoyment. A Silver Cherry Holiday Tradition. These are the best cookies in the world! **They are Ko Ko Kana Good!**



\$6.00/Bag



Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas with one of Liza's Merry Little Christmas Trees - These little Christmas Trees will add some festive warmth to your home this season in a really small way.

Finely crafted in China, these tiny trees originally shipped with a really cheesy base. So we yanked the cheesy base off and carefully replaced it with wood from the trunks of our old American-grown Christmas Trees.

They stand approximately 13.5 inches tall and are decorated with 18 high-quality LED lights as well as winter berries and tiny shells collected off the beaches of Nantucket Island. Liza's Merry Little Christmas Trees will add a warm glow to your holiday table, mantle, or anywhere in your home where you need a little Christmas cheer. **Only \$18.00 Each - Batteries Included.**



Christmas Tree Candles

Set the holidays on fire with these beautiful Christmas Tree Candles. Perfect for you holiday table or mantle.

Only \$12.50 and \$15.00

Wine Gift Box

Wine is always a welcomed gift during the holiday season. This year, dress up that present with one of our handy-dandy festive, wine bottle gift boxes.



For a great bottle of wine, visit our friends at the **Middlebury Fine Wine and Spirits**, 1255 Middlebury Rd in Middlebury. Friendly, knowledgeable service. The official wine provider of The Silver Cherry. Weekly wine tasting. Check them out on Facebook.



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Fine Wine & Spirits*



Don't make the same mistake twice. We won't.

Each year we painstakingly try to figure out what items to purchase and sell here at The Silver Cherry. Sometimes we hit it, and sometimes we end up saying to ourselves, what-the-heck were we thinking? Take for instance our cast iron toys. They were reminiscent of those old-time heavy, lead toys of yesteryear. Totally indestructible, yet they stored enough potential energy to bring down a sheetrock wall. It's like giving your kids a wrecking ball for Christmas.

But other times we were totally clueless as to the popularity of an item when we purchased it. So was it was with our Cracked Glass LED Glow Balls.

Cracked Glass LED Glow Balls - Made from cracked glass, the LED lights are suspended inside each globe. They not only make a festive Christmas decoration, but can be used all year round.

Last year we bought a limited number of these and by the time we realized that we were going to run out, they were no longer available. To make matters worse, we mistakenly placed a set of the globes that we had set aside to keep for ourselves in with the rest of the inventory and ended up selling our lights. Another slick move on our part.

We then had customers come into the store after the Open House looking for more, because they had purchased them as gifts, and like us, also neglected to keep a few for themselves. Good news. We have them back in stock. Come into the Silver Cherry during Open House and get some Crackle globes for yourself.

By the way, we still have a few of those heavy cast iron toys left if you will be doing some serious remodelling next year and you want your toddler to assist you. **Priced at \$12.00, \$15.00, \$20.00. Batteries Included.**



NEW - Frosted Christmas Tree LED Glass Globes - These are the super-deluxe versions of the globes above, except instead of being crackled, they are frosted, with hand-painted trees drawn with sparkling paint. **Priced at \$10.00, \$15.00, \$18.00. Batteries Included.**

Peanuts With Attitude



Hey, we have some great peanuts this year. From the Peanut Shop in Virginia, our Sea Salt & Cracked Pepper Nuts will make a great gift for anyone who loves peanuts. These peanuts have an attitude enhanced by the sea salt and the cracked pepper makes them pack a little heat. This overstuffed, 32 oz tin, lets you feel the breeze from the Spice Islands, as you savor the flavor of our plump Virginia Peanuts, hand-cooked in pure peanut oil and seasoned with sea salt and cracked black pepper. What do you think about that? Packed at the peak of freshness. **Only \$16.95.**

Rada's Amazing Cook's Knife



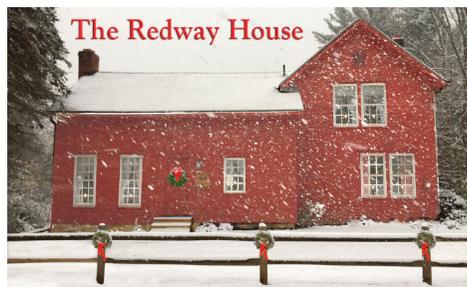
I think I remember Anthony Bourdain once saying that the best complement one chef can give to another, is to be called "a good cook." Real chefs don't give a hoot about the label. They just want to be known as a good cook. Chefs will also tell you, that if they were only to have one knife in their kitchen, it would indeed be their chef's knife. It has the most diversity for what it can accomplish.

So here we have the ultimate gift for the "good cooks" in your life. It's the amazing "Cook's Knife" from Rada. Made in America, the Rada Cook's Knife, while it is a larger sized knife, it is still easy to control and not as intimidating like a chef's knife. Featuring an overall length of 10 3/4 inches and sporting a 6 1/4 inch blade, the size makes it perfectly suited for serious cooking tasks.

Dazzle your friends with this amazing knife as you chop and slice your way to culinary perfection. The blade is specially designed to rock gently for cutting or mincing, while the surgical quality, high-carbon, stainless steel blade is hand-sharpened for a razor edge. Whatever the kitchen task, the Cook's Knife will help you execute an exceptional cut that will deliver superior results and make you, a mere mortal, into a good cook too.

For Only \$10.50, that's hard to beat.

Get Away From It All At The Redway House



Anyone who shares their house with a dog probably would agree that their dog may actually be the best member of their family. Dogs are an important part of our lives, and we want them to be with us even when we go on vacation.

Each summer we go to Nantucket and to avoid waking up in the wee hours of the morning to catch an early ferry, we elect to stay on the Cape the night before. The problem is there aren't a lot of hotels that accept animals. You find that the entire vacation paradigm quickly shifts and with all your efforts of trying to keep your dog out of a kennel, you actually end up staying in one yourself.

One such place is the Comfort Inn in Hyannis. We call it fondly the Uncomfort Inn because from the moment you enter the room you feel a wave of anxiety passing through your body as you realize that there is not one square inch of the room that feels or looks clean. The rug displays more shades of brown than a paint store, and a microbiologist could write an entire Ph.D. dissertation on the diversity of bacteria and viruses living in the bedspread alone.

You attempt to summon your inner Stephen Hawking in an effort to muster up inventive ways to make the room feel cleaner. Of course, all you come up with is covering the pillow with a T-shirt.

To avoid this kind of travel anxiety, why not try a new venue. Next time, visit the Berkshires of Massachusetts and stay at the Redway House in Stockbridge.

The area around Stockbridge is known to be the cultural center of New England outside of Boston. There is so much to do up there. Tanglewood, the summer home of the Boston Symphony and Pops is a short drive away. The Norman Rockwell Museum is practically in our back yard, and Chesterwood is right down the street. There is great shopping at Lee Premium Outlets and fine dining throughout the area. In the winter you are close to four area ski areas and can cross country ski right on the property.

The Redway House is a 1757 colonial located on a dirt road on the edge of 114 acres of woodland. It sleeps six, with three guest rooms and has 1 1/2 baths. It's incredibly private and the perfect place to escape the hustle and bustle of modern living. Our slogan is; "Disappear From It All And Be Close To Everything." Best of all we accept pets. Stay at The Redway House for your next getaway. For complete information visit our website

www.redwayhouse.com

New Crafter At The Silver Cherry



Sheep have been domesticated for almost 11,000 years, and after such an expanse of time, there is still no substitute for wool's inherent properties of durability and insulation.

Wool is a natural and renewable resource and is sustainable. It is a heat and flame retardant, is biodegradable, breathable, washable and insulating. It can absorb up to 30% of its weight in water without losing any of its other properties. It is temperature regulating by trapping body heat between the fibers to keep you warm in the winter and cool in the summer. It actually wicks moisture away from the body.

Our new crafter, Nancy Frodermann RN, MSN calls herself a "fiber artist." Since 2002 she has been creating new and useful ways to use the wool from what she refers to as "abandoned fiber," basically recycled sweaters. Here is what she has provided The Silver Cherry with.

Dryer Balls - Heave these balls into your dryer and watch these babies keep your laundry fluffed up, making it dry faster and without as many wrinkles. These wool balls eliminate the need for dryer sheets, and if you want your clothes to smell nice, just put a drop or two of essential oil on the balls. These dryer balls have a core of wool yarn that is wrapped with colored fleece for decoration. **\$7.00 each.**



Essential Oils For Dryer Balls
Only \$2.75

Coasters - Made from 100% felted wool sweaters; the wool will absorb any sweating of the glass without leaving a water mark on your favorite Redway table. The softness of the wool will also prevent scratches and other wear marks. **\$15.00 per set of four.**

Potholders - Washable and won't burn. They are a great insulator against heat and are handmade from 100% felted wool sweaters with ribbon loop. **\$18.00 for a set of two.**

Catnip Cat toys - Crafted in the shape of a mouse, these cat toys are made from 100% felted wool and are filled with catnip. **\$6.00 each.**



Santa is hiding somewhere on the sales floor of The Silver Cherry. Find Santa and win a free - Redway Blade \$9.00 Value!

Woodenware

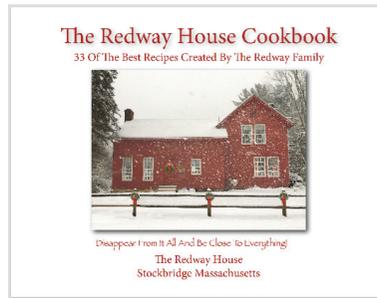


The Redway Blade -Handmade solid cherry kitchen cooking tool. Better than a wooden spoon or plastic spatula. The Redway Blade is finely polished and feels silky smooth in your hand. Finished with extra virgin olive oil.

Two edges of the tool are beveled to allow you to chop vegetables right in the pan. Use it to deglaze a pan by making it easy to scrape off the tasty bits of flavor left behind by other kitchen utensils.

Only \$9.00.

The Redway House Cookbook



Fun facts. Did you know that the average American woman owns 15 cookbooks, and one out of ten men collect cookbooks? The truth is that after you read and try a recipe or two, how many of these cookbooks are banished to some dusty cabinet or cob-web infested corner of your kitchen never to be seen again? Well, fear not, that's not going to happen anymore, because the new Redway House Cookbook has just been printed by your friends at The Silver Cherry.

Back-off Betty! Farewell Fanny. Get ready for a cookbook that you will actually use. Since 1990 we have created four different cookbooks. This book is a collection of 33 of our best recipes from those other books plus a few new ones.

All the recipes in this book have been time-tested. Our Pasta Fagioli recipe was voted "Best Soup Ever" by the Connecticut Society of The Colonial Dames. Our Tequila Lime Chicken is a dinner party favorite. If you serve this to your guests, you will instantly become a star. The Welsh Rabbit (Rarebit) is fantastic comfort food, that's so unique, yet so easy to make, and our Redway House Dinner Rolls never make it to day-old status. Our pizza recipe is so good that you can now actually make thin-crust, New Haven-style pizza right at home. No more of those wimpy, soggy-crust, cardboard pizzas. Make it with Liza's Sunday Sauce, and you will think Frank Pepe cooked it himself.

Come to the Open House this weekend and sample some of our nearly-famous recipes and then go home and try them for yourself. **Only \$14.95.**

New Seasonings



Anyone who grew up in the sixties would probably agree that the only seasoning that existed on the face of the earth was salt and pepper. That was it. In the early 70s, Jane Semans shocked the middle-class, culinary world when she introduced Jane's Crazy Mixed-Up Salt. That was the first time anyone pushed the Sodium Chloride envelope past the seasoning boundaries of the 60s.

With the millennium, we have now entered a new seasoning consciousness that has opened up an entire universe of flavor. Who do we have to thank for all of this? Tony Carlotto of Rolling Rock Farm in Sheffield Mass. Tony has created four absolutely terrific seasoning mixes especially for The Silver Cherry and The Redway House. He produces high-quality gourmet sea salts, peppers & blends. They are unique products that are made by hand in small batches with over 90% of the additives grown or made on his farm in the Berkshires.

Invigorate your backyard barbecue with **The Redway House Amazing Steak Seasoning** made from a blend of sea salt, peppercorns, black truffles, shitake mushrooms and black garlic. Makes your steaks taste like all the fancy steak houses you can't afford to go to anymore.

The Redway House Snow On The Roof Garlic and Onion Seasoning is a perfect blend of garlic and onion.

The Silver Cherry Secret Alliums Blend is a perfect blend of garlic, Cipollini Onions, shallots, and chives infused into sea salt.

The Silver Cherry Tuscan Garlic Seasoning gives your dishes a classic Italian flavor

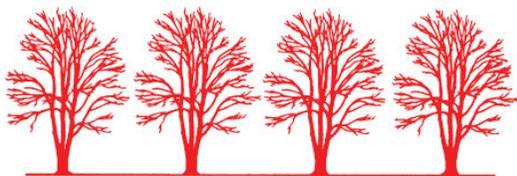
Each seasoning comes in a high-quality, glass, adjustable, and refillable grinder. **Only \$7.50 each.**



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