



Becky Walsh, left, NCVAC President Melanie Barnard, Leslie Razook, and Denise Gannalo.

Ambulance corps hosts Realtor board

Several dozen members of the New Canaan Board of Realtors recently had a tour of the New Canaan Volunteer Ambulance Corps facility on South Avenue.

The Realtor group holds monthly membership meetings to keep abreast of local issues, programs and facilities. While these are typically held at New Canaan Library, the members like to get out and around at other venues in town. Realtor Chris Sigg, a member of the program committee, organized the outing to the NCVAC.

“As Realtors, it’s critical that we are familiar with all of the town’s features, from the schools, arts, and sports to senior issues, health and wellness,” Leslie Razook, board president, said. “Certainly, the incredibly important work of the dedicated volunteers of the ambulance corps is something we don’t acknowledge every day, but really should.”

Members were addressed by NCVAC President Melanie Barnard, who described the composition, qualification and funding of the corps, highlighting two key facts: there is never a charge

for their services, and the corps is 100% volunteer — both apparently unique among similar services in surrounding towns, according to a release.

Nancy Upton, NCVAC captain, gave a brief presentation on New Canaan’s Citizen Emergency Response Team, or CERT, which she helped found. The morning concluded with a tour of the building, ambulances and fly car.

“Everyone should have an opportunity to see this wonderful facility and thank our amazing volunteers,” Razook said.