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WHAT YOU CAN BUY

The Shoreline Times and SM Services, a content provider, search the area to find what buyers can get for their money. This week, What You Can Buy features homes in the \$485,000-\$749,000 range.

Contemporary lake house/\$485,000

85 Laurel Road, Gullford

Beds: 3 Baths: 2 Square footage: 3,066

This custom-built contemporary home sits directly across from Third Lake and is surrounded by approximately 600 acres of protected land. With an open feel in the living and dining areas, and multiple outdoor decks and patio, entertaining here is easy. The living room features a cathedral ceiling, a wood-burning fireplace and large windows for lots of natural light and beautiful water views. The kitchen boasts beautiful wide-plank hardwood floors, stain-



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less steel appliances and plenty of built-ins. The screened-in sun porch off the kitchen opens to the outdoor decks and patio. There are two bedrooms and a remodeled full bath on the main level. The lower level offers a family room and a second fireplace with a wood-burning stove insert, a master bedroom featuring a fabulous sun porch and a full bath complete with a claw foot tub. Timberland Preserve with hiking trails is steps away. The home is part of the Guilford Lakes Improvement Association and enjoys lake and beach access.

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Custom-built four-bedroom/\$749,000

409 Sea Hill Road, North Branford

Beds: 4 Baths: 5 Square footage: 4,517

Built like no other house, this home was the contractors own. Everything was built to the highest quality from the framing to the finishing touches. A unique custom designed staircase and railing system made of glass and steel flows from the wide open foyer. A cat walk looks down over the oversized family room, which opens to the dining area. The formal living room is bright and open with a gorgeous chandelier. Custom de-



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signed archways enhance the dining area. The kitchen is oversized with a large eat-in area, a large island and it is well designed for easy entertaining. The first floor master bedroom has its own laundry, walk-in closets and a hot tub room. The upper level offers three bedrooms, two with a Jack and Jill set up and one with a full bath. There is also a bonus room on this level. The partially finished basement offers high ceilings and would be great as a work out room and second garage area for working on cars or bikes.

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