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Left to right: Kristin Feuerstein, Bella Louros, Colin Spoerndle, Ryan Slugoski, Jillian Barnes, Agatha Freitas, Todd Evans, Dante Hardt [Picture by Aleisha Zawadski]

Middle School Students Recognized for Good Character

Amity Middle School in Orange is pleased to recognize Kristin Feuerstein, Bella Louros, Colin Spoerndle, Ryan Slugoski, Jillian Barnes, Agatha Freitas, Todd Evans, and Dante Hardt for displaying the Jackie's Nine Character

trait of justice in their interactions with peers and adults.

These students consistently treat others fairly and are passionate about doing what is right for the school community.

Belfonti to Serve as Chairman of Amity Regional Board of Ed

Board Elects Leadership for Next Two Years

On December 9, 2019 the Amity Regional School District No. 5 Board of Education elected Mr. John Belfonti to serve as Chairman. Mr. Belfonti, an Orange resident, began his tenure on the Board of Education in April 2015. During his time with the Board he has served on the Facili-

ties Committee and has been Chair of the Amity Finance Committee. A 1990 graduate of Amity Regional High School, Mr. Belfonti earned a B.S. in mechanical engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute and

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Students pictured left to right: (top row) Erica Manandhar, Paige Boguniecki, Caroline Tirollo, James Morrin, Charlotte Pellegrino; (bottom row) Christopher Nam, Hayden Chetwynd, Kenneth Ganun [Photo taken by Stephanie Sanchez]

Students Fundraise for Central **American Students & Families**

The Pulsera Project was a fundraiser facilitated by Ms. Stephanie Sanchez's (8th grade Spanish teacher) advisory group at Amity Middle School in Orange. Artisans from Guatemala and Nicaragua sent handmade bracelets

and cross-body bags to be sold to help provide education, clean water, and housing to the people in those countries. The advisory group was able to raise over \$800 selling the items during lunch waves.





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Orange Legislators To Have Office Hours With Constituents

House Republican Leader Themis Klarides (R-114) along with State Reps. Charles Ferraro (R-117) Kathy Kennedy (R-119) will be holding a legislative office hour in Orange for constituents in January. The coffee hour will take place on Thursday, January 30th from 8:30am-9:30am at Orange Town Hall in the Lower Meeting Room at 617 Orange Center Road.

The three legislators that represent the Town of Orange want to hear from their constituents and encourage them

to talk about any issues, questions or concerns related to state government. Residents are encouraged to bring their ideas forward for possible consideration. The 2020 legislative session begins on February 5th.

For anyone who is unable to attend, but would like to talk to their state representatives you can contact them at 1.800.842.1423 or send an email to Themis.Klarides@housegop.ct.gov, Charles.Ferraro@housegop.ct.gov, Kathy.Kennedy@housegop.ct.gov.

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How Handwashing Helps Fight Infection

There are many ways to avoid infection, but few might be as simultaneously simple and effective as handwashing.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, keeping hands clean is one of the most important steps a person can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to others. While skeptics might question just how big an impact handwashing can have, the science behind washing hands paints a pretty strong picture of just how beneficial this particular component of personal hygiene can be.

How Germs Get You Sick

The CDC notes that feces from people and animals are considerable sources of germs, including salmonella and E. coli. These germs can get onto people's hands after they use the toilet or change a diaper. People who handle raw meats also be exposed to



such germs, as these foods can contain invisible amounts of animal feces on them. The amount of germs contained in small amounts of feces may come as a shock. Research published in the journal Applied and Environmental Microbiology found that a single gram of human feces weighing about as much as a paper clip can contain one trillion germs.

What Does Handwashing Do?

With so many germs floating around, it may seem as though something as simple as handwashing couldn't be nearly as effective as it's said to be. But the CDC notes that handwashing removes germs from hands, thereby removing an easy way for germs to enter the body and be passed on to others. For instance, many people habitually touch their eyes, nose and mouth without thinking twice, and doing so provides an easy way for germs to enter the body via the hands. By washing their hands, people can cut off this easy entryway for germs.

Handwashing also presents germs from entering the body while eating. Germs from unwashed hands can get into people's food and drinks, and can even multiply in some foods and beverages, potentially contributing to illness.

Washing hands also prevents the spread of germs by preventing them from being transferred from hands to handrails, table tops or toys, where they can then spread to other people's

Handwashing is a simple yet effective way to stop the spread of germs. And it just might be the simplest way to avoid illnesses.

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Holiday crafts and sing along with Orange Community Women at Silverbrook on the 10th of December.



Lauren Losty serving cake.

Orange Juniorettes Give Back

The Orange Junioretts have been busy volunteering and donating this season. We sponsored two families with gifts through Orange Community Services.



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Youth Services

BY JESSICA SIMONE, MSW, ORANGE YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

Suicide Awareness Workshop

The Alliance for Prevention and Wellness (APW) will be presenting a suicide prevention training on 1/30/20 from 6:30-8pm at HPCC. This is a community event for high school age students and adults. APW trained staff will provide QPR – Question, Persuade, Refer – Training, described as "3 simple steps that anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide." A flyer with

a sign-up link will be posted in the coming weeks.

Afternoon Craft

Calling all students from grades 3-6! Join us on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 from 4:00-5:15pm to make rock painted cactus gardens! Supplies will be provided, along with snacks/refreshments. Call or email to reserve a spot! (203) 891-4785 or jsimone@orange-ct.gov.

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an MBA from Fairfield University. He is a Connecticut Registered Professional Engineer (PE) and currently serves as President of Environmental Engineering, Inc. in Milford, Connecticut.

At the same meeting, Ms. Patricia Cardoza from Woodbridge was reelected as the Vice Chair; Dr. Jennifer Turner of Bethany was elected as Treasurer; Mr. George Howard of Orange was selected to serve as Deputy Treasurer; and Ms. Carla Eichler from Orange was chosen as Secretary.



John Belfonti

Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of January 2020



(Subject to Change, Check with Town Clerk's Office, 203-891-4730)

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13th	Traffic Authority	Police Dept. Police Dept. Woodbridge HPCC
14th	Inland Wetlands Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall
15th	CERT	HPCC HPCC
16th	Case Memorial Library Comm7:00 pm	Case Mem. Library
21st	Orange Board of Education7:00 pm Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm	Mary L. Tracy Town Hall
22nd	Safety Comm9:00 am Park & Recreation Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
23rd	WPCA6:00 pm	Town Hall
24th	Emergency Management Cmte8:00 am	Police Station
27th	Board of Finance7:00 pm	Town Hall

"You can't get too much winter in the winter." — ROBERT FROST



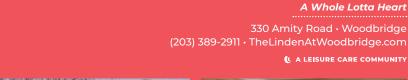
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Thank you for your submissions to Your Home Town Newspaper.

<u>Upcoming Issue Date</u>	<u>Issue Deadline</u>	
February 7 Valentine's Day Issue	January 31	
March 6 St. Patrick's Day Issue	February 28	
April 3 Easter & Passover Issue	March 27	
Note: Conv due hy 4.00n m. Thank you		

FROM OUR READERS

A Thank You To Orange Residents

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library thank all those businesses, clubs, and civic groups who decorated the library this holiday season. Your

generosity, time, and talents are obvious to anyone who walks through the door. Thank you so much for truly making the Case Library a "Winter Wonderland".

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library



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Submit your letters for our **"From Our Readers"** section to: Orange Town News, P.O. Box 1126, Orange, CT 06477 or email: letters@orangetownnews.com.

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Connecticut Probate Courts Welcome TurboCourt For Statewide e-Filing in 2020

As of January 1, 2020, the Connecticut Probate Courts will be using TurboCourt.com as their primary filing system for all Probate Court matters. Connecticut joins 17 other states in its decision to use TurboCourt for online filings associated with Probate Court matters.

Connecticut's fifty-four Probate Courts process various cases, including conservatorships, guardianships, estates and trusts, and name changes. It is anticipated that TurboCourt will help:

- 1. Make it easier for parties to file complete and accurate forms with fewer errors.
- 2. Provide automatic courtesy notifications to parties involved in a case.
- 3. Enable "e-signing" of documents.
- 4. Enable multifactor identification to make sure files are secure
- 5. Enable online payment for Probate Court fees.

TurboCourt will not:

- 1. Completely replace paper filings. Attorneys are required to use TurboCourt but the general public will still be allowed to file paper documents with the Probate Court.
- 2. Make all documents associated with a Probate Court file accessible to the general public online.

If you are interested in learning more about using TurboCourt you can visit www.turbocourt.com and register for an account, visit the CT Probate Court website at www.ctprobate.gov as they publish information regarding utilizing this service, and our website to read our recent blog posts. For advice specific to you or your family, please contact the office. We would be glad to meet with you for a no hassle, no charge initial consultation, no matter how long it lasts.



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Orange Foundation Awards Scholarships, Grants

The Orange Foundation has been providing support for the community since it was founded in 1976 by Judge Charles Flynn, a long time Orange resident. He envisioned a community foundation that would benefit the citizens of Orange. He contributed \$300.00 as seed money to start it. Other Orange residents added to the original amount and from that small beginning, the Foundation has grown to include four grant funds and twelve scholarship funds, largely endowed by Orange residents. That first \$300.00 remains in the fund balance, since only monies earned through interest are distributed each year. The fund balance remains intact.

Members of the Foundation Distribution Committee include Robert Archambault, Chairman, Frank Bailey, Esq., Katalin Baltimore, Carla Birmingham, Paul Davis, Jaqueline Koral, Santo Galatioto, Jr., Patricia Miller and John Wesolowski.

This year The Foundation funded four scholarships, awarded to the following:

Spencer Shephard, \$2600 (from the Charles W. Flynn Fund;

Olivia Pisano \$2600 (\$100 from the Thomas Birmingham Fund, \$609 from Harry Haynes Fund, \$776 from the Downey Foundation, \$215 from the Vincent Timmons Fund);

Jacob Lettick \$2600 (\$971 from the Charles W. Flynn Fund, \$319 from the

Vaughn Fund, \$592 from the Benedict Giangarra Fund, \$718 from the Susan Lewin Fund); and

Josepj Szewczyk, \$9710 (from the Horbal Fund)

Grants were awarded to the American Legion, Camp Cedarcrest, the Orange Fire Marshal, the Orange Conservation Commission, the Orange Senior Center, the Amity Teen Center, and the Orange Arts and Culture Council.

The Orange Foundation provides support for a wide range of students by contributing to their college educations; as well as by providing financial support to a variety of community groups (or sometimes individuals) for program or project needs.

The Orange Foundations depends on donations from Orange residents to sustain the financial growth of the Foundation that ensures the continual support of programs and services that benefit the residents of Orange. The Foundation requests that all who are able to do so, to consider making a donation. Another way to contribute is to consider updating your will to include allocating funds for a donation to be made in the future.

For more information about the Foundation, including the establishment of a fund or application for funds, call Robert Archambault at 203-795-3716 or go to theorangefoundation.org.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

TOWN OF ORANGE

If your child is turning five on or before January 1, 2021, it is time to register for kindergarten!

Please register by February 28th on our website: www.oess.org - there may be multiple pop-ups so please click on the pop-up for: "Kindergarten Registration"

Save the date for Kindergarten Parent Orientation on Wednesday, April 22nd, 2020.

Attention Teachers!

We want to know what's going on in your classroom! Let us know about any fun activities or holiday projects.

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HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS



Torah Scrolls, Kolkata [Image by Sanjeet Chowdhury]

Congregation Beth El - Keser Israel Events

Daily Services

- > Sunday 9:00 am and 5:45 pm
- Monday 7:00 am and 5:45 pm
- Tuesday 7:00 am and 5:45 pm
- $\,\rightarrow\,$ Wednesday 7:00 am and 5:45 pm
- > Thursday 8:15 am and 5:45 pm
- > Friday 7:00 am

Shabbat Services

- > Friday 6:00 pm
- > Saturday Morning 9:15 am
- Saturday Children's Services 10:45
 am
- > Saturday Afternoon 1:00 pm

Children's Programs

Run cooperatively by talented and dedicated parents, the three Saturday morning programs are an excellent way to learn about BEKI. Come visit any Saturday morning at 10:45 to find out why visitors have come from across New England to observe this program as a model for their own synagogues.

The Children's Shabbat Ḥavura is designed to address the spiritual and social needs of preschool children. Following the half-hour of songs, stories, prayers and dance, the children have their own qiddush refreshments and then enjoy supervised play until they join the adult worship for the final prayers and the weekly congregational lunch. The Ḥavura enjoys the active participation of parents who themselves are enriched by the experience. For many adults, the Children's Shabbat Ḥavura serves as their introduction to active participation in the BEKI community.

K-2 Kehila is a "junior-junior" congregation for children in those grades,



Congregation Beth-El Keser Israel

while Junior Congregation addresses the spiritual, educational and social needs of children in grades 3-6.

Photographs of Jewish Calcutta

Although only about twenty Jews currently reside in Kolkata (as it is now known), the city retains the traces of Jewish culture. Many monuments, including a cemetery in North Kolkata, where gravestones are occasionally written in three languages, remain and are cared for by non-Jewish Bengalis, many of them Muslims. Nahoum's, the Jewish bakery, remains one of the city's favorites.

Sanjeet Chowdhury, Photographs of Jewish Calcutta, illustrates the diversity, poignancy and history of this Jewish culture. An independent photographer and filmmaker based in Kolkata, Chowdhury has exhibited his photos in London, New York, Basel, and other cities worldwide.

This exhibition opens January 15. Gallery hours by appointment only; please contact the BEKI office at (203) 389-2108 x114.

Located at 85 Harrison Street (corner of Whalley Avenue – Route 63 – in Westville)

Temple Emanuel Gives Back to Community

Tikkun Olam in Judaism means "helping to repair the world." This past September, during the High Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, Temple Emanuel did what it does every year - asks its congregants to give what they can to help the local community.

Thousands of dollars were generously given for the sole purpose of helping to repair the world. The recipients of this generosity are the following organizations:

Beth El Center, a homeless shelter and soup kitchen that provides support services and advocacy to those experiencing homelessness and hunger within the Greater Milford community; www.bethelmilford.org.

JCARR (Jewish Community Alliance for Refugee Resettlement), established in 2015 by five area synagogues and the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, which came together to welcome, sponsor and support refugee families new to our area; www.jewishnewhaven.org/refugee-resettlement.

CONECT, a collective of churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, and civic organizations from New Haven and Fairfield Counties that have joined together to take action on social and economic justice issues of common concern. CONECT has made an impact on issues as varied as gun violence, health insurance rates, police reform, immigrant rights, and more; www. weconect.org.

Rise Against Hunger, an international hunger relief organization that aims to end hunger by 2030. Rise Against Hunger is aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Goal #2 of Zero Hunger; www.riseagainsthunger.org.

For Temple Emanuel, it's simple acts of kindness that benefit the community at large – Tikkun Olam – helping to repair the world.

Temple Emanuel of Greater New Haven is a Reform synagogue located in Orange at 150 Derby Avenue, 203–397–3000. For more information, visit www.TEGNH.org.

Mishkan Israel To Host Interfaith Service To Honor Dr. King

Congregation Mishkan Israel's 53rd annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Service will be on Friday evening, January 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Congregation Mishkan Israel has celebrated Dr. King's legacy and his ties to the congregation since the 1970s. Rabbi Robert Goldburg invited his friend, Dr. King, to speak at Mishkan Israel on October 20, 1961 in celebration of his work and the congregation's commitment to social justice. The Congregation wanted to preserve this historic moment following Dr. King's assassination and thus began the annual service. Since 2009, our emeritus, Rabbi Brockman invited other local interfaith clergy to make this service a true community celebration. Rabbi Immerman continues

this tradition and welcomes Dr. Keith Kahn-Harris as our keynote speaker. Dr. Kahn-Harris recently published his fifth book, Strange Hate: Antisemitism, Racism and the Limits of Diversity, which discusses the emergence of what he terms 'selective anti-racism' and explores controversies over antisemitism and racism in the US and the UK. Dr. Kahn-Harris serves as a senior lecturer at Leo Baeck College, the progressive Jewish seminary in London.

The service is free and open to all in our community and we are pleased to welcome faith leaders from the Jewish, Christian, Catholic, Muslim, Bahai, and Unitarian traditions to join Rabbi Immerman and Cantor Giglio to lead services. For further information, call the synagogue at (203) 288-3877.



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Congregation Or Shalom Events

Weekly Services Minyan Services

- Sunday 9:00 AM
- Monday 7:30 AM
- Thursday 7:30 AM

Healing Circle

Wednesday 7:30 AM

Shabbat Services

- Friday 7:30 PM
- > Saturday 9:30 PM

Tuesdays, Social Mah Jongg

Looking to learn or play Mah Jogg? We play on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm. Call the office if you are interested 203.799.2341.

Zumba Gold at Or Shalom

Congregation Or Shalom announces the continuation of ZUMBA GOLD on Tuesday nights at 7 PM. ZUMBA Gold is an easy to follow dance movement program that incorporates music from every decade to create an upbeat and fun exercise class. Burn lots of calories, meet new friends, and have a blast. No experience needed and classes are on a drop-in basis. Contact Robin at zumbarobin@gmail.com or call 203-314-8176 or temple office at 203-799-2341.

We are happy to add Zumba Gold with Danielle Pettit. Zumba Gold is perfect for active older adults who are looking to dance and have a good workout while increasing balance, range of motion and coordination. TUESDAYS 10:15 AM, 10-class punch card \$70 drop-in class \$8.00; daniellepettit75@ yahoo.com, 203-509-3683 (cell).

Coffee and Learn with the Rabbi Wainhaus



Congregation Or Shalom

the office for schedule) Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus teaches an hour-long class focusing on the ancient texts of our heritage and the light they shed on current issues. The class begins at 11:00 am and ends at 12 noon sharp. All Welcome. Synagogue office: (203) 799-2341, Website: orshalomct.org, email: info@orshalomct.org (no class February 19). If bad weather please look out for notifications via tv and email.

Movie Series

Sunday, January 12th at 1:30 pm

Our winter film series is about to begin! Set in the Hasidic enclave of Boro Park, Brooklyn, this acclaimed new documentary film follows a group of tenacious Hasidic women who challenge the patriarchy of their community by creating the first all-female volunteer ambulance corps in New York City! With unprecedented access, 93QUEEN offers a unique portrayal of a group of empowered women who take matters into their own hands and change their community from within! Run Time: 90 minutes, Discussion to follow, for those who wish to remain. Snow date -January 26th. Sponsored by our Adult Ed Committee.

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Every Wednesday, (please call THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps truth forever, who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord gives freedom to the prisoners. PSALM 146: 5-7 2

JFSGNH Names Honorees For Spring Celebration

Jewish Family Service of Greater New Haven (JFSGNH) is proud to announce its honorees for its Spring Celebration, which will take place at Congregation B'nai Jacob, on Thursday April 23, 2020, from 6-8pm. Debra and Richard Epstein and Betsy Flaherty will be recognized for their outstanding, ongoing commitment to JFSGNH. In their various roles as board members, volunteers, program founders, advocates and donors, these three individuals have worked diligently to improve the lives of children and families in our community who rely upon JFS's vital programs and

The accomplishments of the 2020 honorees also serve as inspiration for the Spring Celebration's fundraising goals. All proceeds raised will benefit these essential JFS programs: Child and Adult Mental Health Services, Food Assistance Programs (Pantry and Food4kids), Social Work Outreach Services Program (SOS) and the Holocaust Survivors Program.

JFS CEO Amy Rashba feels privileged to honor both the Epsteins and Betsy Flaherty. "I was so impressed with Betsy's personal touch and compassion," she says. "When she posted a Facebook photo of our nearly depleted Food Pantry shelves, our community was stirred to quickly fill them! And long-time JFS supporters Rick and Debbie are so passionate about feeding hungry school children over the weekends with our FOOD4KIDS program. All three honorees are the embodiment of all that is great within Greater New Haven. They genuinely understand the critical needs of our clients, the significance of these fundamental programs and through their actions, encourage others to support the entirety of JFS. I invite everyone to join us on April 23 to honor their amazing efforts."

For more information - https://jfsnh.org/.

Holy Infant Church Women's Guild Monthly Meeting

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 11th, in the Guild Hall. We will be making Valentine cards for local Veterans. Also, baked goods are being collected for Midnight Run. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call (203)799-2379.

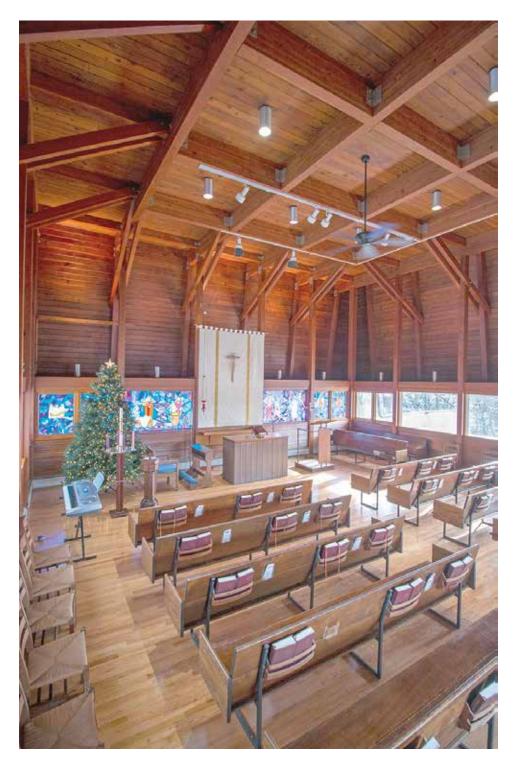


Holy Infant Church





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Orange History: The Zion Lutheran Church

You may have driven past Zion Lutheran Church on Grassy Hill Road and wondered about this mid-century building set back on the wooded slope. If you drove past the church this fall, you likely saw the parking lot filled with the vehicles of artists, wood workers, and roofers, working to restore the church after a severe rainstorm flooded the building in August.

Designed by Carl R. Blanchard, Jr. (1912-1996), the original masterplan was ambitious and included a large church, chapel and arcade of Sunday school classrooms and offices. Only the chapel was constructed. The building was designed for Calvary Baptist Church in 1966 whose congregation moved from Chapel Street in New Haven. Eventually, Calvary Baptist Church sold its new building in Orange to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Blanchard was a New Haven native who studied architecture at Pratt Institute and returned to Connecticut to practice. After establishing his own office, he built his impressive resumé of buildings, including Holy Transfiguration Church in New Haven and Shepherd of the Sea Chapel in Groton. He also collaborated with local architects on several projects, including Katharine Brennan School in New Haven.

Zion Lutheran Church is enclosed by a slanted roof that creates a dramatic interior space of braced wooden beams. The low windows allow light to filter in and illuminate the natural wood. The altar is flanked by stained glass windows depicting the Four Evangelists, Jesus' birth at Christmas, His resurrection at Easter, and the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion.

Following the flood, artists worked diligently to remove the marks of water damage. After months of restoration, the natural beauty of the church is ready to be appreciated.

Our service times are Saturdays at 5:00 pm, and Sundays at 10:30 am, with Christian Education for all ages at 9:30 am on Sundays. More information can be found at www.zion-orange.com or by emailing Pastor Jacob Benson at pastor@zion-orange.com.

January Events at Temple Emanuel of Greater New Haven

Sunday Morning Conversation With Rabbi Dr. Michael Shire

January 5, 10:00-10:40 am

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Artist-In-Residence Weekend With Noah Diamondstein

January 10, 7:30 PM

Shabbat Service

Saturday, January 11, 7:00 PM Havdalah and Concert with the Temple Emanuel Band

Noah Diamondstein, an artist, multi-instrumentalist, song leader and rabbinical student at Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion, lives in Los Angeles, California. He is currently the manager of Jewish engagement and advocacy at the Jewish Center for Justice. Through his music, Diamondstein searches for new ways to inspire people to think and feel deeply about life and how Jewish traditions, stories and thoughts can imbue it with meaning. Come hear the music from his new album, Ashira L'Adonai.

The concert is FREE and open to the public, but advance registration is required for security purposes www. tegnh.org.

Annual Interfaith Martin Luther King, Jr. Shabbat Service at Congregation Mishkan Israel in Hamden

January 17, 7:00-8:30 PM

Members of the TE community will participate in this inspiring, music-filled service. This year's guest speaker is Dr. Keith Kahn-Harris, author of Strange Hate: Antisemitism, Racism and the Limits of Diversity. The service is FREE and open to the community. Faith leaders from the Jewish, Christian, Catholic, Muslim, Bahai and



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Unitarian traditions will help lead the service. Go to www.cmihamden.org for more information.

Tot Shabbat at Temple Emanuel

January 24, 5:30 PM

Come celebrate Shabbat with Rabbi Michael in the beautiful TE sanctuary with songs and stories! Perfect for children under 5 and their families. Members and non-members welcome! The Tot Shabbat service will be followed by a Shabbat dinner, allowing congregants of all ages to interact and enjoy the meal! We will have some teens to help out during dinner, allowing parents a chance to get to know more adults at TE. Please register for dinner at www.tegnh.org.

Kol Shira: A Celebration of Jewish Music with the Next Generation at The Towers, 18 Tower Lane, New Haven

January 26, 10:00-11:30 AM

Religious school students and teachers, rabbis, cantors, cantorial soloists and instrumentalists from seven area synagogues will come together for a morning of singing in celebration of the power of Jewish music. This annual concert is dedicated to the memory of the music and legacy of Debbie Friedman, z"l, a Jewish musician who died in 2011. In addition to several iconic songs by Friedman, traditional tunes and songs by two generations of musicians who were influenced and inspired by her ability to bring a woman's voice and perspective into late 20th century Jewish music, and to write accessible songs combining liturgy and social commentary, will be performed. Please bring your friends and your voices and RSVP to the Towers if you plan to attend, www.towerone.org.

For more information about these events and all other events and services at TE, please go to the Temple Emanuel website, www.tegnh.org, or call the temple office at 203-397-3000.

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Music Director Gives Concert Talk

Bryan Campbell, the Music Director and Organist of the Orange Congregational Church, will give a concert talk about his recent recital tour of Poland. As one of the events in the Music on the Green Concert Series, the presentation will be held on Sunday, January 12, 2020 at 4:00 pm in the Meeting House sanctuary. Bryan will play selections on the pipe organ, and show photos of the organs, historic churches, and colorful characters he met as guest of the Minis-

try of Culture of the Polish government. This project was part of an exchange concert as Marek Kudlicki played the organ previously in Orange in March of 2019 on the church's concert series. Admission is \$10, and free for children. The church is located at 205 Meeting House Lane at Orange Center Road on the Town Green. The program will reflect the interesting mix of music, history, culture, and religion Mr. Campbell experienced while in Poland.

Traditional Irish Music Session

P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann

The next P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann traditional music session takes place on Thursday, January 16, at St. Gabriel's Church Hall, 26 Broadway, Milford, CT, 7:45 pm. Admission is free. Musicians, dancers,

singers and guests are welcome. BYOB.

Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann was founded in 1951 in Ireland to promote Irish traditional music, song, dance and language worldwide. For information on the session, call 203-876-9937.



Warm And Mellow

Versatile jazz vocalist, Richard "Cookie" Thomas and his trio will be the featured performers at a program on Saturday, February 8 at 2:00 pm, sponsored by the Friends of the Case Memorial Library, Orange. Performing with Mr. Thomas will be drummer "Extraordinaire" and Orange resident Arti Dixson. Dave Daddario will be on Bass and Joe McWilliams on Keyboard. They are all gifted musicians and teachers and have performed with musical icons, such as Janis Ian, Marion Meadows, Ahmad Jamal, Larry Coryell and Michael Bolton.

Cookie's career began in Philadelphia in 1960 when he had the opportunity, at fourteen, to open for B.B. King. Cookie's voice is especially suited to well-known classic standards. He draws his inspiration from Nat King Cole, Frank Sinatra and Johnny Hartman. You can hear a bit of each of these vocal stylists when Cookie sings.

Cookie has performed at the Foxwoods Casino, The Levitt Pavilion in Westport, The Rich Forum & Palace Theater in Stamford, The Jackie Robinson Jazz Festival and Silvermine Tavern in Norwalk, Sage American Grill & Oyster Bar in New Haven and a host of other Connecticut locations. He has also performed at several venues in NYC, including the Carlyle and Waldorf Astoria Hotels and The 21 Club. He has shared the stage with multiple well-known pianists, guitarists, drummers, saxophonists, and bassists. Cookie has also lent his rich and mellow voice to narrations for corporate videos for Pitney Bowes, St. Vincent Hospital, Connecticut Science Center, General Electric and others.

Please note that if the program is cancelled due to inclement weather, the snow date will be Saturday, February 22 at 2:00 pm. Snow and cold weather are a given in February, but whatever the date, come to the Case Memorial Library to hear the warm and mellow sounds of Richard "Cookie" Thomas and his trio. The program is free and open to the public. Reservations are required. Call 203-291-2170 or go to http://casememoriallibrary.org/events to make a reservation.

Preventive Care Involves Safeguarding Mental Health As Well

Preventive care is often looked at through the needs people need to do to protect their physical well-being. For example, a healthy diet and routine exercise, while beneficial to mental health, are often viewed as lifestyle choices that can make people feel better physically. But taking steps to protect one's mental health also is vital to a long, productive life.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services notes that positive mental health and mental wellness can have a profoundly positive impact on a person's life. Positive mental health can help people realize their full potential, cope with the stresses of life and make meaningful contributions to their communities.

What can I do to protect my mental health?

Learning to recognize the early warning signs of mental health problems can help prevent such problems from escalating and compel people to seek help. The DHHS advises anyone feeling these signs or recognizing these signs in others to seek help for themselves or their loved ones:

> Eating or sleeping too much or too

little

- > Pulling away from people and usual activities
- Having low or no energy
- > Feeling numb or as if nothing matters
- Unexplained aches and pains
- > Feeling helpless or hopeless
- Smoking, drinking, or using drugs more than usual
- Feeling unusually confused, forgetful, on edge, angry, upset, worried, or scared
- Yelling or fighting with family and friends
- > Severe mood swings that cause prob-

lems in relationships

- Persistent thoughts and memories you can't get out of your head
- Hearing voices or believing things that are not true
- > Thinking of harming yourself or oth-
- An inability to perform daily tasks, such as taking care of your children or getting to work or school
- > Taking steps to protect one's mental wellness is a vital component of preventive care. More information about mental health is available at www.mentalhealth.gov.



LOCAL SPORTS



The Holy Infant Lady Orange Grade 6 Girls Basketball team recently competed in the InSports Holiday Tournament Tourney capturing the Grade 6 Championship. The Lady O defeated Monroe in the Championship 40–15. Players on the team include: Fiona Curis, Mackenzie Smith, Lily Simons, Addy Pivovar, Ava Storz, Sarah Donegan, Sienna Murphy, Nina Nardecchia, Marlee Lyons and JJ Kirck.



Holy Infant Lady Orange Capture Grade 8 Title

The Holy Infant Lady Orange Grade 8 Girls Basketball team recently competed in the InSports Holiday Tourney capturing the Grade 8 Championship. The Lady O defeated Trumbull in the Championship 30-29 on a 3-point buzzer beater by Jill Barnes. Players on the team include: Mackenzie Martin, Vivian Cain, Jillian Barnes, Bridget Lowder, Grace Cavallaro, Tatiana Bell, Lucci Dottori, Grace Launder, Kylee McLain, and Meghan Kirck.



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Al-Anon Meeting, Monday mornings, 10:00 - 11:30am, Holy Infant Church Hall, 450 Racebrook Road, Orange; a support group for relatives and friends of alcoholics. For more information, contact www.ct-al-anon.org.

Shelton Art League (formerly Bridgeport Art League), meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month, noon, Shelton Community Center, 41 Church Street, Shelton, CT, 2nd floor, room #2, a diverse group of artists, future meetings include acrylic landscape, watercolor and oil painting demos. Visit http:// www.sheltonartleague.org for additional information. Guests are always welcome.

Al-Anon Parents Meeting, Monday nights, 7:30pm year-round, United Church of Christ, Plymouth Building, 18 West Main Street, Milford - supporting parents of alcoholics and/or substance abusers. For more information, go to www.ct-al-anon.org or call Margaret at (203) 877-4313.

Nicotine Anonymous Meetings,

Mondays, 6:30 - 7:30pm, Trinity Lutheran Church, 21 Robert Treat Parkway, Milford, open to all, no dues or fees, only requirement is the desire to be free of nicotine. For more information, call Bridges, 203-878-6365.

Alzheimer's and Dementia Family Support Group Meeting, last Tuesday of the month, 6:00pm, JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge in the West Rock Room. For more information, contact Averi Kelly, Ms, R-DMT, 203.389.2911.

Bereavement Support Groups, Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm and Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm, Griffin Hospital, 130 Division Street, Derby, support groups for anyone experiencing the loss of a loved one. Contact Janice Lautier at 203-732-1100 or jlautier@griffinhealth. org to register.

Zumba Gold Classes At Congregation Or Shalom, Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7 p.m., Congregation Or Shalom, 205 Old Grassy Hill Road, simple and easy routines to follow, designed for people of all ages and no experience is needed. If interested, call Robin at 203.314.8176 or temple office at 203.799.2341.

Clean Energy Task Force of Orange,

meets on the third Tuesday of every month at HPCC, 525 Orange Center Road, conference room, 8 o'clock. The public is invited.

Orange Arts & Culture Council, meets on the fourth Tuesday of every

month, 7:30pm, HPCC, 525 Orange Center Road, check chalk board for meeting room. The public is invited.

Orange Recycling Committee meets every 3rd Wednesday 7:00pm, HPCC conference room, 525 Orange Center Road, public is invited to attend. For more information, email Orangerecycles@gmail.com.

Elm City Kennel Club General Meet-

ings, third Wednesday of each month, except during July and August, 7:00pm, North Haven Recreation Center, 7 Linsley Street, North Haven. For more information, contact New Member Coordinators Maureen Anderson, at 203-430-5229 (maureenanderson@ snet.net).

Blood Pressure Clinic presented by Gentiva & Maplewood of Orange, 1st Thursday of every month, Maplewood of Orange, 245 Indian River Road, 1:30-2:30pm in the Community Room. No appointment necessary.

The Rotary Club Of Orange meets every Friday, 12:15pm at the Racebrook Country Club, 246 Derby Avenue; prospective new members may contact Diane Eger at 203-530-4526 or visit www.rotarycluboforange.org for information about the club.

Orange Historical Society Academy Antique & Gift Shop Museum, open Saturdays, 10:00am-3:00pm. For information call 203-795-3106.

Continuum of Care Needs Caregivers, Would you like to make a difference in someone's life as a caregiver? Continuum Help at Home is currently looking for individuals to work as a Homemaker, Companion, or Personal Care Attendant. We have full-time, part-time and live-in positions available. Visit www. continuumct.org/events to register and download an application.

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Morning Book Club, Thursday, February 6, 2020, 10:30 am, The Ellen Aftamonow Woodmont Library, 16 Dixon Street, Milford, the book is "Island of Sea Women," by Lisa See. The book for March is, "Bar Harbor Retirement Home for Famous Writers and Their Muses," by Terri-Lynn De Fino. The group meets the first Thursday monthly. For information, call 203-874-5675. All are welcome.

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EISTORY CORNER BY GINNY REINHARD

Let's Look Around Town...

Several years ago, I wrote two stories entitled "Do you know where you are?" and "Do you know where you live?" Like people, houses have personalities, with traits that bind them together as a group. A house is known to have a style, not like clothes with fancy high heels, button down shirts or rainbow-colored hair but a common "look" if you will.

Let's start with the New England farmhouse dating from 1700. Usually rectangular, two stories high with a central entryway. Clapboards most likely with centrally located chimneys. Given the look of windows in England, these houses had windows known as "12 over 12". That is to say twelve panes of glass on the top portion and 12 on the bottom. The 2nd story often jetties out beyond the first floor, the advantage being an additional space without impacting the street. This technique was used in medieval homes, a style held over from the 17th century.

Cape Cod style appears to be common in New England as well, again from the 1700s. These houses tend to be smaller in size and a single sto-

ry. With a 19th century home, 12' corner posts would be utilized and eaves would be raised enough to allow usable space often referred to as a garret. As with the farmhouse, a central chimney and entryway. The windows were balanced on each side of the

façade with a half house or ¾ house showing an imbalance. The outside was also clapboards with shingles being introduced as well. It might be appropriate to define a clapboard at this point. A clapboard is a long, flat piece of wood horizontally overlapping in a series. A shingle on the other hand is a flat, rectangular shape laid vertically, overlapping one another, with each one being started from the bottom with the one above covering the top, nailed portion.

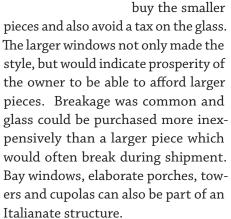
As our government began to take shape, the Federal style came into being starting in 1790. Symmetry is the watchword for this style with the entranceway, the signature of a Federal home, located at what would appear to be the end of the house or the gable end. It does, however, face the road. Given the traditions so common in New England, many Federal houses maintained the doorway in the center

of the long side with a fancy door containing 6 panels with sidelights. These houses would be decorated with swags and dentils defined as a square block used for decoration having been used in Roman times. The Stone- Otis House has dentils.

This leads me into the Stone-Otis House, built as a Greek Revival. With a start date of 1830, it was one that dominated the American expression until 1860. Unlike the others above, the gable end was to the front, facing the street with the roofline, side to side, often with columns not unlike the temples in Greece. Windows of six over six appear to be part of the definition of a Greek Revival home, but the Stone-Otis house has 12 over 12 with some very old glass. This would lead one to ask if Dennis Stone, in building his house in 1830, used windows from a previous homestead, perhaps a home in New Haven. Glass was expensive and smaller panes would have been practical. Hmm.

Italianate from 1840-1880 was very popular with low-pitched roofs, wide overhanging eaves and decora-

> tive columns. The windows are larger and sporting two over two. Another clarification to be made here would be that the 12 over 12 configuration, common in the early days, would say that the owner, wanting to save money would



Italianante

A vernacular style was style seen throughout southeastern Connecticut being exemplified by the Bryan-Andrew house. This is also known as a vernacular cape and now can be found throughout Connecticut. The exact footprint of the home is in Watertown, previously owned by a Bryan and another one in Tolland, known as the Benton House. Visiting this house was like being in the house on Old Tavern Road. The Bryan-Andrew House indeed has the second floor with



Greek Revival

the slanted roof with the earlier 8-foot corner posts of the 18th century. This 2nd floor was used as bedroom space with its own small fireplace. For safety reasons this fireplace has been closed off. This style lacked decorative details associated with any other style with fieldstone or brick foundations, wood frame and clapboard sheathing.

Well into the 20th century houses were built in the Colonial Revival style in large numbers throughout Connecticut showing the details from those early Colonial built homes. The Homestead House appeared similar to the Greek Revival with the roof side to side with the front gable facing the street, but it lacked the details of the earlier model. The English cottage also made its debut widely in America with its quaint look of the earlier time. It boasted a steep pitched roof, prominent chimney at the street side, enclosed entry

porch with a round-arch door.

The Dutch Colonial continued the 20th century with two stories and a gambrel roof. Now this roof is in 4 pieces with the sides dipping down from the top

much resembling a barn.

A good way to identify this style is with its solid panel shutters, arched entryways to the left or right, end chimneys, and dormers in the front and rear. A more identifiable house is the Ranch House originating in California in the 1930s spreading east after World War II. This is seen as a single story, long

with a low-pitched roof, and an attached garage. Sometimes it has an "L" shape but whichever the shape, it offers an open floor plan, a buzzword on any television house restoration program today.

A raised ranch is a two-story house with a finished basement. The look is similar to the ranch, but with its central doorway, it has a set of stairs going up to the first floor and one to the right going downstairs. The garage is on the level of the finished basement providing storage which would ordinarily be in a basement area. Now that you have the descriptions perhaps our town will look different to you as you spot the various styles. Of course, there are the mega-mansions which don't appear to have a particular style, but more a combination of the others. What do you think?

Our town has been built since the members of the 1639 Milford Colony

moved north into Native American territory. Buying acreage as needed, the colonists purchased the land, piece by piece from the Sachem Antsantawae of the Paugussett tribe. My next article will highlight the are-

as of town built by the various builders and the names attached to each one. I have found deeds for the houses in the New Haven Ave. area that have the name Tyler City in the deed as its identification. So, until next time. Happy New Year to all my readers.







by Dana Jackson

Q: I saw that some reporter was complaining there aren't any female characters in the new "Star Wars" TV series, "The Mandalorian." However, I was watching it and thought they had some great strong women. I was especially impressed with the actress who plays Cara Dune. Has she acted before? -- L.L.

A: Gina Carano, who plays Rebel soldier Cara Dune on the new Disney+ series "The Mandalorian," has expressed how appreciative she is to be part of the "Star Wars' family," as she puts it. She was hardly an unknown, however, when she got the role. Carano was a very successful MMA fighter before landing roles in "Fast & Furious 6," "Deadpool" and most recently with Robert De Niro in the movie "Heist."

The incident you mention about a backlash was started by Anita Sarkeesian, an online critic of the gaming industry. After seeing the first episodes of "The Mandalorian" she tweeted, "Is there not a single female speaking character in the first episode?" She later learned she was wrong and that there was, in fact, a female character in the premiere and in subsequent episodes, including Carano. The third episode also was directed by a woman, **Deborah Chow.**

Q: Is there any news on when the new season of "Fargo" will begin? It's been a really long time since the last one. -- P.T.

A: Yes, I agree it's been a long gap between the third and upcoming fourth season of "Fargo." Each season of the FX series has a new plot, and new actors and characters. The first starred Martin Freeman and Billy **Bob Thornton** and was set during the early 2000s. The second season was even better, in my opinion, and starred Kirsten Dunst and Ted Danson. It



Gina Carano [Depositphotos]

was set in the late 1970s. The third season is probably most fans' least favorite but was still quite compelling and had stellar acting with Ewan Mc-**Gregor** in a dual role.

In 2017, it was announced that the next season of "Fargo" wouldn't air until 2020. That's because the show's creator, Noah Hawley, was focusing on other projects, including the Marvel series "Legion." Hopefully it will be worth the wait. The upcoming installment will be set in Kansas City in 1950 and will star Chris Rock and Timothy **Olyphant**. No premiere date has been announced, but it began filming last October in Chicago.

Q: How is wrestler Roman Reigns doing since he was diagnosed with leukemia not too long ago? Is he back to wrestling? -- S.B.

A: Yes, **Joe Anoa'i**, who goes by the name Roman Reigns when he's in the ring for the WWE, was diagnosed with leukemia last year for the second time. The first time was in college at Georgia Tech. Fortunately, he was able to go into remission after just a few months of treatment, and as of last February he's been in good health. Anoa'i is back wrestling, and hopefully cancer isn't an opponent he'll ever face again.

Send me your questions NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com, or write me at KFWS, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.





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Friends of the Library Offer a "Sweet" Challenge

The Orange Friends of the Case Memorial Library is proposing a sweet challenge, "Chocolate Wars" on Saturday, January 25, at 2:00pm. Chocolatier Maria Brandriff will present a demonstration showing that indulging in chocolate desserts does not need to sabotage healthy diets and lifestyles. To illustrate her thesis, Maria will invite audience members to join in a "taste-off", comparing traditional chocolate desserts with lighter, healthier organic versions. Which type wins the showdown will be decided by participants' own taste buds. Recipes and ample samples will be available for individual evaluations and testing.

Ms. Brandriff's interest in baking dates back to her childhood, growing up in a Ukraine household where Viennese-inspired tortes and confections dominated every holiday. Over the years, she experimented with the traditional recipes and came up with her own healthier variations. Maria's presentations include a discussion of the varieties of chocolate available, how to work with chocolate and teaching the basics of chocolate truffle making. In 2004, she travelled to Arles in Provence, France to hone her dessert skills with a professional chocolatier. She also completed the Gastronomy Program at the University of New Haven in 2001.

If you want to indulge your love of chocolate, without the guilt of spoiling your diet, join the Chocolate Wars at the Case Library on Saturday, January 25 at 2:00pm. The Friends' program is free and open to the public, but registration is limited. Registration begins on January 4. Call 203-291-2170 or go to http://casememoriallibrary.org/events to make a reservation.

Mini Golf At The Library

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library are excited to announce its first mini golf fundraising event, "A 'Hole' Lot of Fun" on Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4, 2020. All proceeds will be used by the Friends to directly support the Library for funding programs, museum passes, and more comfortable chairs for the meeting rooms.

The Library will undergo a transformation – an 18-hole miniature golf course will wander around the stacks, complete with obstacles to challenge the players. At the "Par-tee" on Friday evening, adults will play the game, enjoy delicious food and a selection of wines, beers, and non-alcoholic beverages donated by our local businesses, and bid on silent auction items. At "Family Fun Day" on Saturday, kids will play golf

and enjoy having their faces painted or hands hennaed and everyone can buy tickets for kid-friendly raffle items.

To make this event a success the Friends is looking for local businesses to become a title sponsor; sponsor a hole; donate food, beverages, or party goods for the "Par-tee;" or donate products, services, or gift cards for the raffle. Volunteers from the Friends membership are gearing up to decorate, greet, and ensure that everyone has a great time. If you would like to participate in any way, please email the Friends at friendsofcase176@gmail.com. This is an opportunity for the community to come together to show its support for the Case Memorial Library, its staff, and the wonderful activities they provide for us.



Pictured here are some of the students at Holly Hill Childcare along with Director Maria Tomac (right) and Managing Director Debbie Fedorko (left.)

Holly Hill Childcare Collects Bears for Children's Hospital

In the spirit of giving, Holly Hill Childcare and Learning Center of Orange has been very busy this holiday season collecting teddy bears and other stuffed animals for the 21st annual "Teddy Bears with Love" drive. Thanks to the generosity of the students of Holly Hill, their parents, our staff, Ann Marie & Jim's Cleaning Service and many Orange residents, 94 stuffed animals were collected. All of these bears will be given to children to snuggle with at Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital and Connecticut Children's Medical Center this holiday season.

This project is the brain-child of the Fairfield University Student Alumni and since its inception twenty years ago, the "Teddy Bear with Love" drive has put smiles on the faces of thousands of children in area hospitals and facilities. We hope this helps make their holidays bright!

Debbie Manson Fedorko, managing director of Holly Hill said, "Our center has been a part of this wonderful drive since we opened our doors in 2010. Our staff takes this opportunity to teach our children what it means to be charitable, caring and compassionate – three very special qualities."

Orange Historical Society Museum and Antique Shop is open Saturdays from 10-3.

We are still showing holiday gift items for the family's lists next year. Stock up on gifts and beat the December 2020 rush.

For information, call 203-795-3106.
The museum is located at
605 Orange Center Road with
parking in the rear of 605A next door.



Orange Historical Society Offers Hearth Cooking Class

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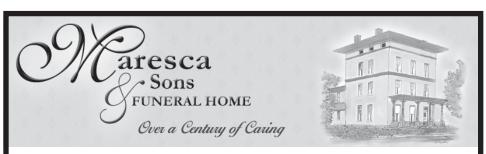
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Veterans Post

Agent Orange Benefits for Blue Water Veterans

BY FREDDY GROVES

As of Jan. 1, 2020, the Department of Veterans Affairs has extended presumption of Agent Orange herbicide exposure benefits with the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2019. That means it is now taking disability claims with the presumption that veterans were exposed to Agent Orange while offshore, not necessarily on the land or the inland waterways.

Here are some particulars: It covers 12 nautical miles off the coast of Vietnam from Jan. 6, 1962 to May 7, 1975 and between Jan. 1, 1967 and Aug. 31, 1971 in the Korean Demilitarized Zone. Additionally, verified service in Thailand at a certain time is covered.

There are 14 medical conditions that are covered for presumption of exposure to Agent Orange: AL amyloidosis, chronic B-cell leukemias, chloracne, Type 2 diabetes mellitus, Hodgkin's disease, ischemic heart disease, multiple myeloma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, Parkinson's disease, peripheral neuropathy, early-onset porphyria cutanea tarda, prostate

cancer, respiratory cancers and soft tissue sarcomas.

Veterans who were there do not have to prove they were exposed; it's assumed they were. The VA has assembled tons of records. For example, see va.gov (put "blue water navy" in the search box) for lists of ships (updated October 2019). Scroll down the ships page to see various ways of herbicide exposure, such as supply trips, picking up Bob Hope, salvage operations, mapping surveys, mail runs, liberty leave ashore and more. The list is nearly 40 pages long.

To file an initial claim, you'll need VA Form 21-526EZ, Application for Disability Compensation and Related Compensation Benefits. If you filed and were turned down, use VA Form 20-0995, Decision Review Request: Supplemental Claim. Because of the new law, the VA will automatically review claims in the pipeline or under appeal. Payment is retroactive to when you first filed.

Go online to www.benefits.va.gov/benefits/blue-water-navy.asp for more information.

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Zachary Levi (right) in "Shazam" [Warner Bros. Entertainment]

2019: A GREAT YEAR FOR KIDS' MOVIES

SEQUELS AND FOLLOWUPS: The past year brought a hardy batch of

series films, some of them arc-ending, like the phenomenally successful "Avengers: Endgame." We also revisited a beloved favorite in "Toy Story 4" and updated an old treasure for a new generation with "Mary Poppins Returns." Other notable entries this year include: "Ralph Breaks the Internet," "Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald," "Lego Movie: The Second Part," "How to Train Your Dragon: Hidden World," "Secret Life of Pets 2" and "Angry Birds 2."

GIRLS RULE: The ladies had a good year with a couple of plucky and tough but totally smart cookies breaking out of books ("Nancy Drew and the Hidden Staircase") and television ("Dora and

The Lost City of Gold") into the big screen. We also had some marvelous stand-alone movies featuring seriously super women in "Captain Marvel" and "Dark Phoenix."

MONSTERS AND ADVENTURE:

If your little ones like stories about giant mythical beasts, 2019 offered two: "Missing Link," a stop-motion tale about a Sasquatch, and "Abominable," which pairs a curious and kind-hearted girl with an extraordinary Yeti. Talking animals and a girl with a powerful imagination also collided in "Wonder Park," about an imaginary amusement park come to life.

DISNEY GOES LIVE ACTION: Four classic Disney films got the live-action treatment this year. First was director Tim Burton's "Dumbo," with a CGI flying elephant. Next, we conjured up Will Smith as Genie in "Aladdin." The summer brought another highly anticipated reimagining -- "The Lion King,"

featuring a new song by Beyonce. Also, flying under the radar is the live-action remake of "Lady and the Tramp," which went direct to streaming on Disney+.

MY PICK FOR BEST KIDS MOVIE:

"Shazam." This fun family movie about an orphaned kid who is recruited to be a superhero, and his journey to becoming truly super, was everything I needed this summer. It's about heart and friendship, facing adversity and how caring for others makes you better always. Plus, it's full of outstanding performances, especially from adult lead Zachary Levi. My honorable mention is "The Kid Who Would Be King," about a boy who pulls the sword Excalibur out of a rock at a modern-day construction site, and, along with his friends, is launched on an Arthurian adventure to save the world.

- 1. Who composed and performed "Your Song"
- 2. Which group wrote and released "Heartache Tonight"?
- 3. Who released "Pick Up the Pieces"?
- What is "409" in the 1962 Beach Boys song?
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Waiting for the break of day, Searching for something to say, Flashing lights against the sky, Giving up I close my eyes."

four," the meaning becomes clearer. It's about the time the song jelled and came together in 1970. It's about being up in the middle of the night trying to write a song. Said this way, "Twenty-five or (twenty-) six to started to play it and it soared to the top of the U.S. charts. 4. A 409 cubic-inch Chevrolet engine. 5. "25 or 6 to 4," by Chicago mance by a Duo or Group with Vocal. 3. The Average White Band, in 1974. It didn't chart in the U.K. until American DJs a-side. It was his first big hit in the UK. 2. The Eagles, in 1979. The song received a Grammy Award for Best Rock Perfor-1. Elton John. It was released as a b-side single to "Take Me to the Pilot," but DJs liked "Your Song" better and made that the

Sports Quiz

BY CHRIS RICHCREEK

- 1. Kendrys Morales set a Toronto Blue Jays record in 2018 by homering in seven consecutive games. Who had held the franchise mark?
- 2. How many consecutive seasons did Boston's Wade Boggs have 200 or more hits?
- 3. Who was the first offensive lineman to twice finish in the top 10 of Heisman Trophy balloting?
- 4. Name the first woman to coach a championship-winning team in the
- 5. Who was the oldest player to win the Conn Smythe Trophy as the NHL playoff MVP?
- 6. Jill Ellis set a record in 2019 for most games coached with the U.S. women's national soccer team (132). Who had held the mark?
- 7. From whom did boxer James J. Braddock win the heavyweight title from in 1935, and who beat him for it in 1937?

the award in 2011. 6. April Heinrichs, with 124 games coached. 7. He won the title from Max Baer and lost it to t. Jose Cruz Jr., with six consecutive games in 2001. S. Seven consecutive years (1983-89). 3. Pittsburgh's Bill Fralic (1983 and '84), 4. Anne Donovan, with Seattle in 2004. S. Boston goalie Tim Thomas was 37 when he won

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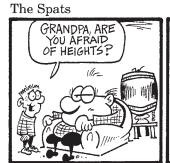
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By Tony Rizzo

Even before "Richard Jewell" opened, Clint Eastwood and Warner Brothers found themselves being sued by Cox Enterprises' flagship newspaper, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. The film is basically about Richard Jewell, a security guard at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Georgia, first proclaimed a hero, then accused of planting a bomb. The film has a disclaimer at the end of the film that says, "This film is based on actual events. The dialogue and certain events and characters in the film were created for the purposes of dramatization."

Allegedly, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution rushed to judgment on Richard Jewell's guilt. Jewell, who died in 2007 at 44, was cleared of any involvement in the bombing, which killed two and injured over 100 people. Nonetheless, there was always a cloud hanging over him because of the accusations. You'd think the newspaper would've learned something from the experience and would be wary of taking on powerhouses like Warner Brothers and Clint Eastwood.

On a happier note, Robert Redford is having second thoughts about retiring. If he hadn't gone public with his retirement, he might've directed instead of only producing his latest project, "109 East Palace." The film deals with the rise and fall of physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer, hailed as an American hero when he created the atomic bomb in 1945, but later disgraced during the McCarthy Era and was made to testify before the House Un-American Activities Committee. Oppenheimer admitted he had associations with the Communist Party in the 1930s and was villainized by them.



Robert Redford [Depositphotos]

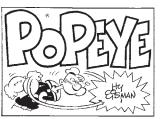
"109 East Palace" refers to the address in New Mexico where the A-bomb was created. Redford developed the script and says he'll only produce.

Get ready for a sequel to "Aladdin." The recent remake, with Will Smith as The Genie, cost \$183 million and grossed \$1.05 billion. Already set to star is Billy Magnussen, best known for "Into the Woods" and the current 007 film, "No Time to Die."

The Golden Globes try to second-guess what the Oscar nominations will be. They have five drama and five comedy/musical nominees in every category, and still every year Oscar pulls out two or three nominations they didn't see coming. The Golden Globes are decided by only 78 foreign press people.

Billy Bush may have lost his job (at "Entertainment Tonight") and his wife because of that infamous incident with you know who in The White House, but only three years later he has recovered and is back as the new host of "Extra," the show Mario Lopez hosted. How was all forgiven and forgotten? Must be because "Extra" has moved to the Fox Network. That's joke enough!

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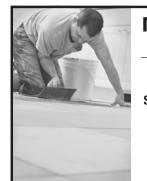
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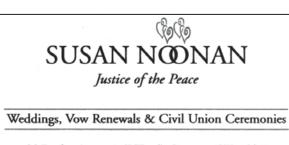


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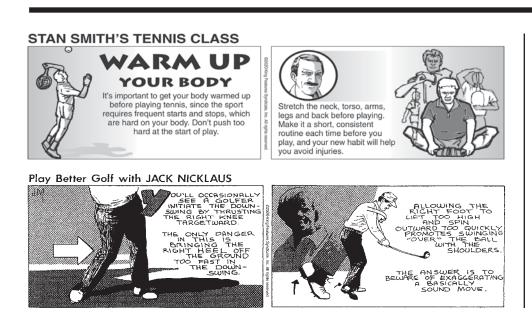


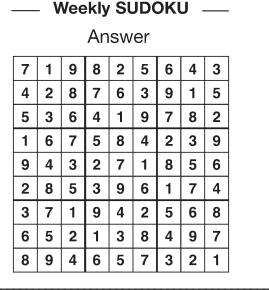




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Did you know you can register for events online?

Registration for events opens three weeks in advance of the event date online at casememoriallibrary.org/events.

Events For AdultsChocolate Wars

Saturday, January 25, 2 p.m.

Join us for a chocolate taste-off with chocolate expert Maria Brandriff. Participants will have the opportunity to compare decadent chocolate desserts that we all know and love with a lighter healthier version. Which type wins the showdown will be up to the participants who will have the opportunity to indulge in both. Recipes and samples will be available. Space is limited. Registration is required and begins Saturday, January 4. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Make & Take: Foraged Winter Wreaths

Monday, January 27, 7 p.m.

Create your own foraged winter wreath at this small, hands-on workshop led by Librarian Rebecca Harlow. All supplies necessary for you to make and take home your own wreath will be provided. Floral snips will be shared among participants—please feel free to bring your own. If you would like to customize your wreath you are welcome to bring your own special greenery, ribbons, or other decorations. Registration is required and begins Monday, January 6.

Jazz Concert: Richard "Cookie" Thomas

Saturday, February 8, 2 p.m.

Join us for a delightful jazz concert with celebrated local jazz vocalist Richard "Cookie" Thomas, whose career began in Philadelphia in 1960 when he had the opportunity to open for B.B. King at age 14. Registration is required and begins Saturday, January 18. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

2020 Oscar Film Series



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The 2020 Oscar Film Series will begin on February 3, 2020. The first three films will be announced on January 14 on the Library's event calendar, in a special edition of our e-newsletter, and on the Library's Facebook page. Sign up for the Library's e-newsletter by visiting the Library's website and clicking on Sign Up for E-News. Registration is highly recommended for all films. Registration opens three weeks in advance of the film screening. All Wednesday afternoon screenings are shown with subtitles.

Book Discussions Mystery Book Discussion Group Thursday, January 23, 7 p.m.

I Let You Go by Clare Mackintosh. Led by Librarian Samantha Jasulavic. Registration is requested.

The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

Thursday, February 13, 7 p.m.

A Woman Is No Man by Etaf Rum. Led by Toby Zabinski. Registration is requested.

Events For Teens Book Chat Café

Join Ms. Harlow from the Case Memorial Library and AMSO Media Specialist Mrs. Yeakel at this fun afterschool club for AMSO students who love to read and share their opinions about books over pizza and snacks. Held once a month on Tuesdays in the AMSO media center. Students can see Mrs. Yeakel for more information.

Teen Cooking Class

Wednesday, February 12, 3:30 p.m. For teens in grades 7-12.

Learn to cook tasty treats with ShopRite's Registered Dietician Courtney Huggins. Please notify the Library of any food restrictions at least 24 hours in advance of the program. Space is limited. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, January 22.

Events For Children & Tweens

Emoji Paint Workshop

Thursday, January 16, 5:45 p.m. For tweens in grades 4-6.

Paint your own emoji on canvas to take home. Registration is required and begins Thursday, December 26.

Chess Club

Saturday, January 18, 11 a.m. Saturday, February 29, 11 a.m. For children in grades 1-6.

Learn about this strategic board game and play against other club members. Registration is required and begins three weeks in advance of each session date.

Cooking Classes

Tuesday, January 28, 3:45 p.m. For children ages 5-8. Thursday, February 27, 3:45 p.m. For tweens ages 9-12.

Make delicious, nutritious treats with Courtney Huggins, Retail Dietician at ShopRite in Milford. Registration is required and begins three weeks in advance of each session date.

Animal Affair Petting Zoo

Saturday, February 1, 10:30 a.m. For children of all ages.

Meet some friendly baby goats, bunnies, pigs, chickens, and ducks at our indoor petting zoo! Parents should be aware that Animal Affair will be in charge of how many children are allowed in the pens at one time for everyone's safety. Children under 3 must be accompanied by an adult while in the pen. Funded by the Friends of

the Library. Registration is required and begins Saturday, January 11.

STEAM Craft: Chalkboard Slime

Saturday, February 15, 11 a.m. For children in grades 1-3

Learn some cool slime science, then turn your creation into a colorful work of art. Registration is required and begins Saturday, January 25.

Storytimes

Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Little ones and their caregivers are invited to this high-energy story time with Ms. Michelle! We'll practice nursery rhymes, sing and move together, and explore touch-and-feel books.

2-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

The February 12 session will be located in the Conference Room

Audience participation is highly encouraged at this story time session just for 2s. Enjoy books, stories, music and movement, fingerplays and puppetry together.

3-5 Year Olds Storytime

Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

No storytime on Martin Luther King Jr. Day or Presidents Day

Enjoy storytelling, books, music, fingerplays, and puppetry at this story time series especially for 3-5-year olds! A story-related craft is offered following each session.

Art In The Library

January: Pastels and watercolors by Janice Blanck; abstracts by Sam Kirby. *Reception:* Thursday, January 9, 5-7 p.m.

February: Artwork by Orange elementary school children in grades K-3. *Reception:* Thursday, February 13, 5-7 p.m.

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DOLLARS AND SENSE

2020 Outlook: Continued Growth or Recession?

PRESENTED BY ROBERTA L. NESTOR

As we made our way through 2019, signs of softening economic conditions became increasingly apparent, even while consumer confidence remained high and job growth came in better than expected. Now, as we look ahead to a new year, the path is somewhat unclear. Will the economy continue in slow-growth mode? Or will we see the recession many media and industry pundits have warned about?

The course 2020 takes will depend on how the overriding trends evolve. The risk of recession is real, but we've been in similar situations during this decade-long recovery, only to see the economy continue to grow. That continued growth remains the base case for several reasons.

Economic Growth

The economy today looks a bit slower than it did a year ago. Consumers are still spending, but businesses are investing less. Government spending growth should continue, but it is unlikely to accelerate. Trade is not likely to be an additive force, and it might well end up as a drag. These factors should leave growth slightly slower overall for 2020, at around 1.25 percent to 1.75 percent.

The Fed's Monetary Policy

The real monetary policy story of 2020 is likely to be that there is no story. With slower economic growth, and with inflation around 1.5 percent to 2 percent, the Fed may institute more rate cuts. This would leave the federal funds rate in a range from 1.25 percent to 1.5 percent by year-end 2020. In turn, the 10-year U.S. Treasury yield would be around 1.75 percent to 2.25

percent. Of course, in the case of a recession, the Fed would likely take a more active stance.

The Markets

A growing economy and a supportive monetary policy should support global stock markets, leaving them to trade on fundamentals. Revenue growth remains healthy, consistent with continued strength in consumer spending. Strong revenue growth should also support growth in earnings.

The International Story

If the U.S. is likely to continue its slow growth path, what about international economies and markets? From a market perspective, valuations are generally cheaper abroad, which could lead to international markets outperforming those in the U.S. We're already seeing signs of this outperformance. That said, there are risks on the international front. The trade war, if not resolved, will continue to weigh on global growth and markets, as would a U.S. recession. International markets are likely to deliver both higher reward and risk than U.S. markets in 2020, although results will be primarily dependent on what happens here.

What About a Recession?

The predictions above assume continued slow growth and steady markets. But if we do get a recession, what would it look like?

To start, it's very unlikely to be as bad as the Great Recession of 2008. Current high employment levels and wages should keep consumer spending (at two-thirds of the economy) healthy, even during a downturn. Business spending is already flat. Government

By the Numbers: 2020 Expectations

• GDP Growth: 1.25%–1.75%

• Inflation: 1.5%–2.0%

• Federal Funds Rate: 1.25%–1.5%

• 10-Year U.S. Treasury Yield: 1.75%–2.25%

• S&P 500 Index: 2,900–3,200

spending growth, meanwhile, should act as a cushion. In other words, a recession will probably be more of a deep slowdown than a collapse.

More of the Same

The past year was eventful, particularly in terms of political risks. The fundamentals are weakening, but the most likely outcome is continued slow growth. Even if growth becomes muted (both here and abroad) or any other issues (known or unknown) emerge, the underlying strength of consumer spending should limit the damage. And if we do get a recession? The impact is likely to be much milder than many of us fear.

Overall, 2020 looks likely to begin with more of what we've seen so far in this expansion—just slower. Despite the rising risks, which have the power to change things quickly, this is not a bad place to be.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) That lower-than-acceptable performance you're getting from others in your group might be the result of miscommunication. If so, correct it before serious problems arise

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An unexpected situation could call for a change of plans. If so, you might feel that this is unfair. But it's best to make the needed adjustments now. There'll be time later for rescheduling.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The new year brings opportunities you might want to look into. Some might be more interesting than others. But take time to look at all of them before you make any decisions.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's a good idea to be careful about expenses until you've worked out that pesky financial problem. You might find it advisable to get some solid advice on how to proceed.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Romance looms large over the Leonine aspect. Single Lions looking for love should find Cupid very cooperative. Paired Cats can expect a renewed closeness in their relationships.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

Making contact with a former colleague might not be high on your list of priorities. But it could pay off personally as well as professionally. Avoid bringing up any negatives about the past.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

A personal relationship could face added stress because of a situation involving someone close to both of you. Be supportive and, above all, try to avoid playing the blame game.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November

21) You might well find some lingering uncertainties about a decision. If so, take that as a warning that you might not be ready to make that move yet. More study would be in order.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Music is a dominant theme for Sagittarians right now, and it should remind you to make a greater effort to restore some much-needed harmony in that very special relationship.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January

19) Although family matters might demand much of the Sea Goat's attention this week, you'll want to try to make time to handle those all-important workplace situations as well.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February

18) A recurring unresolved issue might need to be revisited before you can move forward. Consider asking someone familiar with the situation to act as an impartial counselor.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

Ignore pressure to make a decision. Keeping your options open is still the wisest course, at least until you're sure you've learned all you need to know about the matter at hand.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're capable of great loyalty to those around you, which is one reason you can count on devotion from friends and family.

Expert: CBD Oil Could Damage Pets' Eyes

by Sam Mazzotta

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Your recent article about giving CBD oil to pets omitted an important fac-

tor: its effect on the eyes. Past research has shown that CBD causes eye pressure to spike in humans, and the same issue was noted in a study with rodents. Popular media has not noted this. CBD oil should be given to pets only

with appropriate oversight from an animal specialist able to measure eye pressure. -- Dr. Denise Valenti

DEAR DR. VALENTI: Thank you for the update. I had not seen the research on this, and it is important for pet owners to know about this possible side effect of CBD (cannabidiol).

A 2006 study at the University of Aberdeen of human glaucoma patients found that a fairly high dose, 40 mg of CBD oil, administered sublingually (under the tongue) caused

a temporary rise in intraocular pressure. (A lower dose, 20 mg, did not cause the same problem.) And a more

> recent study at Indiana University found that mice given CBD oil experienced a similar rise in interocular pressure. The study found that when THC and CBD were given together, the THC blocked CBD's effects on eye pressure -- but

because THC also IS the component of marijuana that makes a person (or pet) high, it opens a whole other kettle of fish.

If you're currently giving your pet CBD oil, contact your veterinarian to ask about checking and monitoring your pet's eye pressure. High interocular pressure can cause serious damage to the eyes. If your dog or cat has glaucoma, avoid administering CBD oil until you've talked to the vet about all possible side effects.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps I TOLD MY WIFE I'M NOT ACCEPTING WINTER IS HERE. I WILL ADMIT USING WHITE GOLF BALLS WAS A BAD IDEA



a banker."

by Mike Marland

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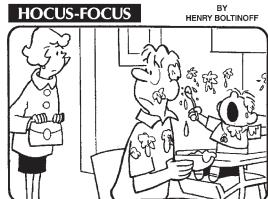




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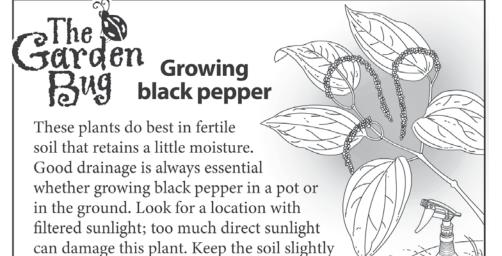
Source: ADDitude magazine



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Button is missing. 2. Skirt is different. 3. Food splat is missing. 4. Chair back is lower. 5. Nose is smaller. 6. Hair is different.



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moist, and mist the plant often. - B. Weaver



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