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Wetlands Board Says No To Cluster Housing Project

By Laura Fantarella

ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

In a Draft Resolution of Denial prepared by Attorney Barbara Schellenberg, Inland Wetlands commissioners outlined the reasons they voted unanimously to deny a plan to build cluster housing off Turkey Hill Road.

The application for Turkey Hill Crossing, submitted by Miland LLC, NB LLC and Genvest, LLC, proposed a residential development of 10 multi-family buildings with up to 60 bedrooms and a single community building on more than 22.5 acres. The parcel, which contains nearly two acres

of wetlands, adjoins the Wilbur Cross parkway which fronts on Turkey Hill Road and includes an undeveloped portion of Cranberry Lane.

Jeff Gordon, president, Codespoti Associates; and a representative for the developer said he was disappointed but not surprised the board denied the application, even though the town's own consultants deemed it a sound plan. "The town required the applicant to pay tens of thousands of dollars for town consultants who addressed their questions and concerns," he said. "It's

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Town Mourns Loss of Longtime Fire Marshal Tim Smith

Volunteer firefighters and town employees in Orange are reeling from the loss of long-time Fire Marshal Tim Smith, who died Sunday, January 19th after investigating a fire in a local home.

"The Orange Volunteer Fire Department and Orange Town employees are mourning the untimely passing of Tim Smith, our fire marshal," said Vaughan

Dumas, fire chief.

"Tim was an invaluable member of the town's public safety corps and will be missed here in town and across the state," added First Selectman James M. Zeoli.

Dumas said Smith was called to a

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The staff of the Orange Town News is saddened to learn of the passing of Irving Spitz, father of our editor, Marlene Silverstein. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Marlene and her family at this trying time. May Irving's memory be a blessing to all those he knew.



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nice they went through the motions of a process before coming up with a denial. The fact is, it was a good application that even their own consultants had no objections to, but they chose to either ignore their findings or not believe them. At least they gave us the dignity of a hearing." Codespoti predicted this is probably not the last the town will hear of this development as the applicants will likely pursue their options.

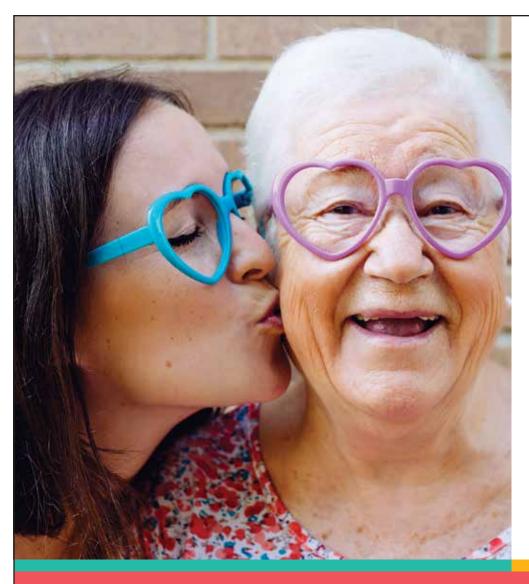
Among the reasons cited in its three-page denial was concern about inadequate buffers for a portion of the wetlands, lack of detailed construction plans for retaining walls in close proximity to wetlands, "data gaps" in the application, insufficient information on leaching fields, questions regarding the operation and maintenance of septic systems and lack of adequate and/ or sufficient information to determine the impact on wetlands and watercourses. "Due to the incompleteness of the application the Commission lacks adequate and/or sufficient information to determine whether the applicants' proposed development will cause unreasonable pollution, impairment or destruction of the public trust in the air, water, or other natural resources of the state," the resolution stated. Chairman Rick Mangione declined to comment further on the board's decision.

The decision follows months of public hearings that at times were at-

tended by over 100 residents, most of whom vehemently opposed the project, fearing it would change the character of their neighborhoods and the town. Several neighbors even hired Attorney Bryan LeClerc to present their concerns to the board.

First Selectman Jim Zeoli said neighbors had expressed their opposition to the project personally to him and "came out in droves" to oppose the plan at the public forums. "This was an extremely potentially volatile situation and I was concerned by the density of the project," he said. "While I recognize the need for different types of housing for residents, the density of the project in that location was not something the town had planned on."

Alluding to the possibility that the principles of the Turkey Hill Crossing project could appeal the Commission's decision in court, Gordon recounted several recent projects his firm has been involved in in Orange that have resulted in litigation. Applications originally denied by the Town's Plan and Zoning Commission included a four-lot subdivision off Narrow Lane; and a proposal to construct a multi-family mixed use building on Marsh Hill Road by the new Homewood Suites. "The town ultimately settled the subdivision denial and the homes are currently under construction and the court ruled in favor of the Marsh Hill Road project which is now slated for a permitted warehouse industrial use," Gordon said.



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Tom Torrenti Appointed To Plan & Zoning Commision

By Laura Fantarella

Orange Town News Correspondent

Orange native Tom Torrenti has been appointed to the Town Plan and Zoning Commission to fill the seat vacated by Commissioner Ralph Aschettino.

Torrenti, a licensed professional engineer, is owner of Thomas A. Torrenti P.C., a company that provides structural engineering services for commercial industrial and institutional buildings. Located on Dogburn Lane, the company has been in business for over 34 years. Torrenti, who grew up on Old Tavern Road, moved back to Orange to raise his own family in the 1980s.

He received a B.S. degree in civil engineering from Syracuse University, and is a member of the American Institute of Steel Construction. "I'm looking forward to serving on the board and giving back to the town," Torrenti said of his appointment.

First Selectman Jim Zeoli said he's "thrilled" to appoint Torrenti to



Tom Torrenti

a board whose members bring a range of professional expertise to the position. "I've known Tom for nearly 60 years and I think he will bring a strong breadth of knowledge and service to the community. I'm happy he is willing to step up and participate," he said.

Aschettino, who is also a structural engineer, served on the board since 2011 and recently moved out of town. Torrenti will serve the rest of Aschettino's term through November 2021.



The 4s class at OCNS had a teddy bear pajama party to celebrate the end of their bear unit.



The 5s Kindergarten Readiness Class at Orange Community Nursery School had a whale of a time studying our ocean habitat theme.



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Peck Place School Carton Caper

We know cats have a tendency to get into mischief and Mr. PAWS, The Peck Place School mascot, is no exception. We thought things had settled down after Peck Place students solved the Panther Pass Mystery last year, but our mascots have gotten themselves into another situation, The Carton Caper.

The mascots of Orange along with their new friends, the Kakoomen (Gregtangmath.com), were enjoying a day of math games. The friends were so engrossed in a game of NumTanga Money (having been stuck in a never-ending cycle of tied scores on a "race space") that no one noticed the subtle changes around them. Now these friends find themselves packed in a box for shipment to a school. On January 31, Peck Place students were invited to return to the "scene of the game" to solve the mystery, find our friends,

and escape the box.

Modeled after the popular escape rooms, The Peck Place Mystery Space events combine several disciplines (math, science, language arts, technology) with productive struggle to create unique problem-solving adventures to further develop reasoning and problem-solving skills and to encourage perseverance and team work.

Teams of students were "locked in" a Greg Tang Class Kit shipping box (recreated for this event) and given 30 minutes to solve the mystery and escape the room. Participants worked their way through rhymes and clues that led to codes and locks to help them escape the room and find Mr. PAWS and his friends.

If you want to know what happened to the Mr. PAWS and his friends, you'll just have to ask a Peck Place student.



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Al deCant and his assistant, Jill Kubeck, put on an amazing show for Mary L Tracy. The students were rewarded for earning over 250 Bee Coupons by demonstrating positive behaviors. Mr. deCant even wrote a song about MLT and our Bee Messages: Be Happy, Be Safe, Be Healthy, Be Kind! It was an interactive, engaging, and inspiring hour of fun and learning. The children were also excited by participation from their mascot, Buzzy, and Pete the Cat.



Local College Student Completes Disney College Program
Kiersten Keating, an Orange resident and Junior at Sacred
Heart University, completed the Disney College Program in
Orlando, FL, on January 2nd. She worked in merchandising and
took online SHU courses while maintaining a 3.9 average.







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Thank you for your submissions to Your Home Town Newspaper.

<u>Upcoming Issue Date</u>	<u>Issue Deadline</u>
March 6 St. Patrick's Day Issue	February 28
April 3 Easter & Passover Issue	March 27
May 1 Mother's Day Issue	April 24
Note: Copy due by 4:00p.m. Thank you.	

FROM OUR READERS

Senior Center Grateful for Orange Foundation Donation

The Orange Foundation, Bob Archabault is the President, donated money to the Orange Senior Center for its annual Holiday program. We had delicious food along with entertainment from Michael Rae, who sang constantly for one hour. We had a wonderful luncheon of delicious appetizers with donuts and hot coffee. The staff was very busy bringing out all the food for us to eat. We had wraps, chicken nuggets, meatballs and never ending shrimp. We had free raffle prizes: four gift cards from Starbucks and two beautiful Christmas decorated baskets donated by Suzanne Anderson. The tree was a glow and we were able to take home centerpieces of snowmen hats and candy cane flavored Hershey Kisses. As an added feature we did not have to go out of town; rather we just went to the senior center. I am so grateful to live in the town where everything is there for us.

Della Greenberg

Fire Marshal's Office Thankful for Outpouring of Sympathy

The Orange Fire Marshal's Office would like to thank the residents, businesses, religious communities, OVFD, other fire departments and all who expressed their condolences by phone, visits, notes, flowers, food and hugs to our office upon the tragic death of Fire Marshal Tim Smith. A special thank you to 1st Selectman Jim Zeoli and Orange town employees. Your kindness and expressions of sympathy helped us through this very difficult time.

Thank you to everyone who reached out to the OFM staff,

Jamie Vincent Mike Knight Tim Borer Beverly Apple



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Amity High School Advances in **International Debate Competition**

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Students from Amity Regional High School in Woodbridge have advanced to the "Top 32" round of the International Public Policy Forum (IPPF) debate competition. Sponsored by the Brewer Foundation and New York University, the IPPF is the first and only debate contest that gives high school students around the world the opportunity to engage in written and oral debates on issues of public policy.

By advancing, the students remain eligible to win a \$10,000 grand prize and an all-expenses-paid trip to the IPPF Finals in New York City on April 25, 2020. Amity Regional High School is the only team from Connecticut to advance this round.

"The advancing debaters excel at this unique test of research, writing and advocacy skills," said William A. Brewer III, chairman of the Brewer Foundation and a founder of the IPPF. "These students now advance to the Round of 32 - and a step closer to the IPPF Finals weekend in New York."

This year, hundreds of teams submitted qualifying round essays affirming or negating the 2019-20 IPPF topic, "Resolved: When in conflict, a nation's self-interest should outweigh its international commitments to migrants." Those essays were reviewed by a committee, which determined the "Round of 64" teams based on the overall quality of each 2,800-word essay.

In November, the "Round of 64" teams then began a single-elimination, written debate competition. Each team was assigned a position (affirmative or negative) and then volleyed papers back and forth with another team via email. A panel of judges reviewed the essays in the order they were presented and selected the winning teams. In that round, Amity Regional High School advanced over a team from Generation's School from Karachi, Pakistan.

The "Top 32" round begins immediately. Amity Regional High School will compete in a written debate against Jasper High School from Plano, Texas. This year, the IPPF received qualifying round essays from more than 150 teams, representing schools in 28 U.S. states and 19 countries. In the top 32-round, there are six international teams from schools in Canada, China, Mongolia, Vietnam and the Republic of Korea.

The winning teams will be announced on February 11 and will proceed to the "Sweet 16" round. On March 16, the "Elite 8" teams will be announced. Those teams will travel to New York City on an all-expenses-paid trip to the IPPF Finals in New York City. The Finals will take place on April 25, 2020, at the Harold Pratt House.

The IPPF Finals give students the opportunity to participate in oral debates in front of some of the world's foremost experts in debate, business, law and politics. The winning team will take home the "Brewer Cup" and a \$10,000 grand prize.

Growing Program Offers Safe, Enriching Environment

By Melissa Nicefaro

ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Operating under the motto, 'You Walk in and the Adventure Begins,' the before and after school 21st Century program is growing at all three elementary schools. "The program focuses on the social, emotional and intellectual needs of our students," Program Lead and Principal at Mary L. Tracy School Tricia Lasto explains. She presented to the Board of Education at its January meeting.

After arrival once school is dismissed, students are fed a snack, then students will participate in Homework Club and other activities such as STEAM, which incorporates science, technology, engineering, art and math; and physical activity in the school gym. "They've been in school all day and we want to honor that and their developmental needs. We focus on 'stealth learning,' but we don't forget about the physical activities that students require," Lasto says.

Students then have some technology time, peer-to-peer interactions and work on problem-solving and other skills. They can also practice cooking and do arts and crafts. "They also participate in a lot of community events. Right now, they're decorating the community center for the holidays. There are a lot of ways that we partner with the town," she says.

This school year, the program has added 144 seats, which is the number of students seen each week for the morning and afternoon sessions. Last year, roughly 130 seats were added across the district. "We're hoping to grow more. We have room and want to welcome people in. Even though we are growing, we're continuing to offer the services at the quality level that we want," Lasto says.

Homework Club is run by certified teachers who know the curriculum and the resources that are used in the classroom, who know the strategies and the types of learning that can continue from school to after school with a seamless transition. "We continue to have teachers who are willing and want to be involved in the program. Teambuilding is so important and so is having students see their teachers in a different setting. It's really encouraging that more and more teachers are seeking us out, when we used to seek them out," Lasto says.

"The 'stealth learning,' we try to make it be fun, be educational, be cutting-edge and have the students not really know that they're learning," she says.

The program is in constant growth mode, with leadership continuously looking at other programs and ways to enrich and grow. Lasto wants to improve, not just to improve, but for something that will make a difference and be impactful and meaningful to the students.

After a brief description of the program to the board, Lasto turned it over to students who demonstrated LEGO Robotics that they've been working on at the after-school program. "Tonight I wanted to show. I'll turn it over to the students to show you and bring to life some of the things that we're doing at the 21st Century program," Lasto says.

This year students from the three elementary schools went to Race Brook School weekly to participate in a competitive LEGO Robotics team. At the Board of Ed meeting, six students worked together on the boardroom floor to demonstrate one of a series of missions they performed at competition.

"It is very impressive, the amount of work that you put into your research, programming, building and the teamwork that I've been seeing along with the support from everyone, which is also a huge component," Lasto says.

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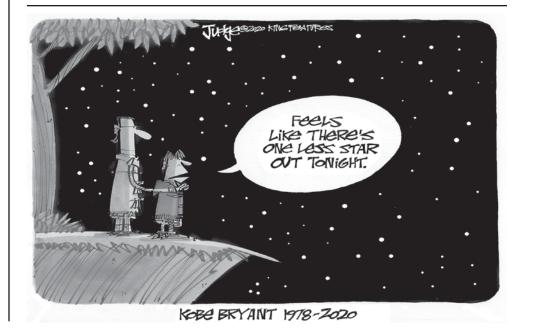
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The Friends of the Case Memorial Library is the sponsor of the annual Lucy Scillia Scholarship. The \$1000.00 Scholarship is available to a graduating high school Senior who is a resident of the Town of Orange; a current student at an area public or private school; and has plans to enroll in an accredited institution of higher learning.

The application deadline is April 30, 2020. The application is available at the Case Memorial Library or can be downloaded by visiting www. casememoriallibrary.org/lucyscillia. Completed applications may be mailed or delivered to:

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meeting of the Friends of the Case Memorial Library.

The Scholarship is aptly named in the memory of Lucy Scillia. Lucy was a professional librarian in local elementary schools who shared her love of books and reading with children. When she retired, she continued to promote libraries and reading throughout the area. She established a library at the former Sacred Heart-St. Peter's School in New Haven and also served as a volunteer there. She participated in the Adopt-A-Reader Program at Peck Place School in Orange. She volunteered to read to Preschoolers at Holy Infant Preschool in Orange.

Lucy was also a long-time member of the Friends of the Case Memorial Library. She served on the Orange Town Library Commission and was an active fund-raiser. She was also a library aide at the Orange Senior Center.

Mary L. Tracy School Children's Fair

The Mary L. Tracy Children's Fair will be held on Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm; snow date is February 15, 2020. This annual event is held at Mary L. Tracy School, 650 Schoolhouse Lane, Orange, CT. The Fair is the PTO's largest fundraising event each year, with proceeds benefitting the kindergarten and preschool students at the school.

Tickets for the Fair are \$20, which

includes children's games, entertainment, arts and crafts, face painting, nail painting, tattoos, cupcake decorating. Items not included in the admission price are raffle baskets, silent auction, food, bake walk, and photo booth.

For more information, please contact Kay Yanagisawa (kay 7@optonline. net or 203-671-1450) or Kelly Molina (kellypmolina@gmail.com).



Amity High School 'New Beginnings' Helps the Homeless

By Melissa Nicefaro

Orange Town News Correspondent

When Amity High School junior Eesha Acharya used to go to India with her family as a child, it shocked her and saddened her to see the number of homeless people around. The effect stayed with her well into her teens and last school year, she decided to take action.

"As a little kid, I never realized the extent of the problem, especially in the United States," she says. In middle school, she volunteered in a soup kitchen and found herself again shocked with how many people came in with kids for food and didn't have a home.

So, she started New Beginnings, a club designed to help a women's shelter in New Haven called New Reach. New Reach takes in thousands of women and their families to help them create a stable lifestyle. Acharya saw that since they take in so many people, that the shelter could use some help from volunteers to fundraise, make baskets, cook food and provide some basic necessities. "I walked into New Reach to talk to the person in charge and was so heartbroken to see little kids, including a two-week old baby that was homeless. I saw this as a problem that I need to help fix," she says.

She started the New Beginnings club with friend and vice-president Claudia Lihar last year and already this year, has so many more members 'doing so many awesome things,' according to Acharya.

Lihar explains New Reach, "It gives homeless families, youths and individuals somewhere to stay. In times of crisis, they'll help these people relocate and find somewhere to live. We think it's a great organization, because not only do they help with housing, they help with food, clothes and their careers down the road."

Through the use of shelters and peoples' support of them, the number of homeless utilizing Connecticut's homeless shelter system has decreased by 40% since 2012, according to the club's leaders.

Among other fundraising activities, the club has run a backpack drive, asking for donations of gently used or new backpacks. They also collected towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste and other necessities. This year, the club held a clothing drive and a small kitchen appliance drive.

"In addition to fundraising, we also do activities with people at the shelter. Last spring, we did a Mother's Day card making and cookie baking session. It was so cute, the kids put so many sprinkles on, you couldn't even see the cookie anymore," Lihar says.

Amity High School students are welcomed to join the club, which meets after school each Tuesday to plan activities and future fundraising initiatives.

Scholarships Available To Orange Students

Applications are open for students to apply for the Orange Scholarship Fund Association's 2020 Ashley Krakowski Scholarship, to be distributed to a student intending to pursue a career in a healthcare field.

Criteria for receiving the scholarship include financial need, academic achievement, community service and leadership roles in organizations and activities. The application deadline is April 15.

The application can be obtained at the Career Center at Amity Regional High School or by visiting orangescholarshipfund.com. The scholarship will be awarded at the Association's annual June meeting.

Begun in 1964 by the Orange PTA Council, the Association has awarded close to \$500,000 to deserving Orange graduating seniors attending Amity Senior High School, Platt Tech and other private high schools in the local area.

The Association receives its funding from Orange businesses and professions and resident donors. If you are a past recipient, please consider paying it forward. Donations can be sent to the Orange Scholarship Fund Association, P.O. Box 1072, Orange 06477-7072.

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Dean's List Bucknell University

Lewisburg, PA - Sarah Rippel, an Africana Studies major in the class of 2020, from Orange, CT was named to the dean's list at Bucknell University during the fall semester of the 2019-20 academic year. A student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a scale of 4.0 to receive dean's list recognition.

Coastal Carolina University

Conway, SC - More than 2,400 Coastal Carolina University students were named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2019 semester; nearly 20 percent of the student body with a grade point average between 3.5-3.99 for the spring semester. Justin Moulder, an Accounting Pre-Major major from Orange, CT, has earned recognition on the Dean's List.

Clemson University

Clemson, SC - Isabella Marie Crasilli of Orange has been named to the Dean's List at Clemson University. Crasilli, whose major is Marketing, made the Dean's List for the fall 2019 semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student achieved a grade-point average between 3.50 and 3.99 on a 4.0 scale.

Connecticut College

New London, CT - Lien Har, class of 2023 at Connecticut College, has been named to the dean's list for the 2019 fall semester, achieving Dean's Honors. Har is an Undeclared major.

Dean College

Franklin, MA - Dean College is pleased to announce that Stephanie Durkee of Orange has earned a place on the Dean's List for the Fall 2019 semester.

Eastern Connecticut State University

Willimantic, CT - Eastern Connecticut State University recently released its fall 2019 Dean's List for full-time and part-time students. Among the students from Orange on the list are: Brooke Matyasovsky '23, a full-time student who majors in Communication; Gianna Santangelo '24, a full-time student who majors in Pre-Secondary Education Certification; Stephanie Satonick '20, a full-time student who majors in Elementary Education; and Nuala Tzovolos '22, a full-time student who majors in Psychology. Recognition for the Dean's List is given at the end of each semester to matriculated students in good academic standing with a GPA of 3.50 or higher.

Hamilton College

Clinton, NY - Matthew Cesare of Orange has been named to the Dean's List at Hamilton College for the 2019 fall semester. To be named to the Dean's List, a student must have carried throughout the semester a course load of four or more graded credits with an average of 3.5 or above. Cesare, a senior majoring in economics and world politics, is a graduate of Fairfield College Preparatory.

Lasell University Dean's List

Newton, MA - Daniel Chodos of Orange was named to the fall 2019 Dean's List at Lasell University in Newton, Massachusetts. To be named to the Dean's List, they needed to complete at least 12 credits as a full-time student and achieve a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Lehigh University

Bethlehem, PA – Dean's List status, which is awarded to students who earned a scholastic average of 3.6 or better while carrying at least 12 hours of regularly graded courses, has been granted to Spencer Shepard of Orange, CT in the Fall 2019 semester.

McDaniel College

Westminster, MD - Charles Csejka of Orange has been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the McDaniel College Fall 2019 Dean's List with Honors. Highest honors are earned for a semester grade point average of 3.90 or higher, high honors for a grade point average of 3.70-3.89, and honors for a 3.50-3.69 grade point average.

Providence College

Grace Whitman, a resident of Orange, CT and a member of the class of 2022, has been named to the Dean's List at Providence College for the Fall 2019 semester. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must achieve at least a 3.55 grade point average with a minimum of 12 credits.

Quinnipiac University

Hamden, CT - The following Orange students were named to the dean's list for the Fall 2019 semester at Quinnipiac University: Kayley Blanchard; Chloe Gherlone; Jeremy Gustafson; Taylor Martin; Caroline Rafferty; and Lana Suleiman. To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to

be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester.

Siena College

Loudonville, NY - Myles Allen has been named to the Siena College Dean's List for the Fall 2019 semester. Allen is from Orange, CT. To be named to the Dean's List, a student's grade point average for the semester must be between 3.5 and 3.89.

Springfield College

Springfield, MA - Springfield College has named Emily Mullins from Orange, CT to the dean's list for academic excellence for the fall 2019 term. Mullins is studying Health Science/Occupational Therapy. Criteria for selection to the dean's list requires that the student must have a minimum semester grade point average of 3.500 for the semester.

University of Hartford

West Hartford, CT - The University of Hartford is pleased to announce the following Orange students have been named to the Dean's List for Fall 2019: Katherine Esposito and Francis Novak.

University of New Haven

West Haven, CT - The following Orange students were named to the Dean's List at the University of New Haven for the fall, 2019: Jacqueline Boccarossa, College of Business, Bachelor of Science, Business Management; Nelson Bordeleau, Tagliatela College of Engineering, Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering; Harley Dematties, College of Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Undeclared - Arts & Sciences; Christina Genovese, College of Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Communication; Christina Genovese, College of Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, English; Kelly Grindall, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice; Kelly Grindall, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Bachelor of Science, National Security Studies; Brianna Oakley, College of Arts and Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Psychology; Brenna Streitwieser, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice; and Catherine Withington, College of Business, Bachelor of Science, Business Management.

University of New Hampshire

Durham, NH - Veronica Pisano of Orange, CT has been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for earning Highest Honors for the fall 2019 semester. Pisano is majoring in Wildlife&Conservation Biology. Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

University Of Scranton

Scranton, PA - Samantha A. Gaynor of Orange was among more than 1,600 students named to The University of Scranton's Dean's List for the 2019 fall semester. The Dean's List recognizes students for academic excellence. A student must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better with a minimum number of credit hours during the semester to make the Dean's List. Gaynor is a senior occupational therapy major in the University's Panuska College of Professional Studies.

William & Mary

Williamsburg, VA - Emily Bacal from Orange, CT was recently named to the Dean's List at the College of William & Mary for the fall 2019 semester. In order to achieve Dean's List status, a full-time degree seeking undergraduate student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 Quality Point Average during the semester.

Graduations

James Madison University

Harrisonburg, VA -- James Madison University was pleased to celebrate approximately 1,000 graduates during the December Commencement ceremonies. Joseph Barletta of Orange, CT received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management.

${\it University~of~New~Haven}$

West Haven, CT - The following Orange students received degrees from the University of New Haven at Commencement ceremonies at the December Commencement ceremony: Jessica Esposito, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Master of Science in Investigations with a concentration in Criminal Investigations; and Kenneth Rahn, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Master of Science in Criminal Justice.



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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 services.

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/.

"Thinking Like A Reporter To Avoid Rookie Mistakes" Webinar

Presented by the Jewish Genealogical Society of Connecticut

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Connecticut invites you to in interactive afternoon at Temple Sinai, 41 West Hartford Road, Newington, CT 06111, on Sunday, February 16, 2020, from 1:30 until 3:00 pm. We are pleased to have our presenter, Jennifer Mendelson, share her knowledge and experiences in "Thinking Like a Reporter to Avoid Rookie Mistakes" via webinar from her home in Maryland.

This talk will lay out how 25 years' worth of journalism experience has helped to guide Jennifer as a genealogist and taught her to conduct fruitful searches. We will talk about using the Law and Order method (follow the dun duns!) to track down information and how relying on simple principles like Occams Razor that the most likely scenario is the least complicated can help you get further.

A native Long Islander now based in Baltimore, Jennifer Mendelsohn has experience with both traditional and genetic Jewish genealogy. She serves on the board of the Jewish Genealogy Society of Maryland, is the administrator of Facebook's Jewish genetic genealogy group and is a veteran of many Jewish unknown parent searches. She is the creator of the social media movement known as #resistancegenealogy, a project that uses genealogical and historical records to fight disinformation and honor America's immigrant past. Her work has received international media attention, including being featured on CNN, The New Yorker, The Washington Post, and Yahoo News.

This program is free and open to the public. In the event of poor weather, information on connecting directly to the webinar will be sent via email.

Overcoming Anxiety Class

If you struggle with anxiety, fear, phobia, worry or panic, you are invited to participate in a six week class/support group to learn biblical principles

and cognitive/behavioral strategies on a journey toward emotional wellness.

See "Anxiety Class" On Page 25

Did You Know?

A New Year, New Numbers to Keep in Mind for 2020

Estate and Gift Tax:

- The federal lifetime exemption for property passing to non-spouse beneficiaries has been *increased* to \$11,580,000.00.
- The Connecticut lifetime exemption for property passing to non-spouse beneficiaries has been *increased* to \$5,100,000.00.
- There is still an unlimited gift/estate deduction for property passing to a spouse; however, to qualify for the unlimited gift/estate tax deduction the spouse must be a U.S. citizen.
- The amount that can be gifted to any one person without needing to file a gift tax return *remains the same* at \$15,000.00 per recipient. Additional gifts can be made for qualified medical expenses and qualified education expenses without needing to file a gift tax return.

Long Term Care:

- If one spouse requires Medicaid and the other spouse remains at home ("Community Spouse"), the maximum amount of non-excluded assets the Community Spouse can keep has been *increased* to \$128,640.00.
- If one spouse requires Medicaid the minimum amount of non-excluded assets the Community Spouse can keep has been *increased* to \$25,728.00.
- If one spouse requires Medicaid the minimum amount of monthly income the Community Spouse can keep has been *increased* to \$2,113.75, and the maximum amount it can be increased to, without an administrative hearing, has been *increased* to \$3,216.00.
- If one spouse requires Medicaid the other spouse is living at home the maximum amount of equity in the family home that can be excluded by the Community Spouse has been *increased* to \$893,000.00.

Long Term Care Provided in Your Home:

- The amount of gross monthly income you can have and still be eligible for the Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders (CHCPE) has been *increased* to \$2,349.00.
- The amount of gross monthly income you may have without triggering a co-pay has been *increased* to \$2,082.00.
- Use of a pooled trust for excess income to establish eligibility or to avoid co-pays remains a viable option.

If you are interested in learning more about how these 2020 numbers affect you and your family please visit our website and read our blog for recent 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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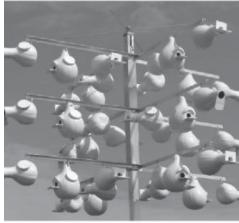
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Orange Welcomes New Avian Neighbors

The Orange Conservation Commission (OCC) will be constructing an array of Purple Martin Nesting Gourds this Spring at the Ewen Preserve (GPS Address: approximately 648 St John's Drive in Orange). The OCC hopes to establish a colony of Purple Martins to provide viewing opportunities to our residents and to help control the population of disease-carrying mosquitos here in Orange - Purple Martins Love mosquito's!

To learn more about these fascinating birds, the OCC will be hosting a program that highlights the life and times of Purple Martins on February 13th at 7:00 pm at the High

Plains Community Center Cafeteria. Mr. John Picard will discuss the many aspects of becoming a Purple Martin Landlord, including: housing location, housing selection, the importance of monitoring, protection from predators, protection from nest parasites and the never-ending battle of invasive species and their effect upon the Purple Martins.

John has managed a network of nest boxes for over 20 years, more recently John has been assisting with the Purple Martin Colony at Hammonasset Beach State Park. John is a member of the Board of Directors for the Menunkatuck Audubon Society.

Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary's 2nd annual St. Patrick's Day Meat-O

Saturday March 7th





Orange Center Fire House 625 Orange Center Rd, Orange CT

Complementary light meal will be provided

You can bring snacks (please no alcohol)

Each round will be played with a set of 3 playing cards for a specific prize which will be announced before each round. When all 3 of your cards are called, yell MEAT-O to win that prize!

Prizes may include corned beef, fresh kielbasa dinners, gift cards, etc.

\$5 a person to reserve your seat in advance, \$8 at the door, walk-ins accepted based on availability (Does not include game cards which must be purchased before each round)

Reservations in advance must be received by March 3rd

Mail check to:

OVFD Auxiliary

c/o Victoria Arms 36 Winter St. Ansonia CT 06401

Can also send payment by PayPal to equus1095@hotmail.com or Venmo (Jillian-Gagel)

(make note of Meat-o and # attending)

Any questions can be sent Victoria Arms at <u>OVFDAuxiliary@hotmail.com</u>

Or call/text 203-915-4822

All proceeds benefit the Orange Volunteer Fire Department







"Tim Smith" From Page 1

structure fire at 161 Tyler City Road around 1:20 p.m. Sunday to determine the cause and origin of the fire. He had completed that task and was returning home when he was involved in a motor vehicle accident in Woodbridge.

The Woodbridge Police and Connecticut State Police accident reconstruction team are investigating the crash. They will release their findings and comments when their investigation is complete.

Smith was a member of the Orange Volunteer Fire Department for more than 30 years. He became a town em-

ployee in 1986 as a deputy fire marshal and rose to the fire marshal's post in April 1989.

Friday, February 7, 2020

In addition to being a certified state fire marshal, Smith was a fire service instructor for the Valley Regional Fire School. He received an award from the International Association of Arson Investigators in 2015 for outstanding accomplishment in relation to an investigation of an arson fire on Golf Road.

Smith was known as a progressive and innovative fire official. He inaugurated the use of drones to investigate fires. He also implemented the use of special software to track fires in town and report them to the state.

Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of February 2020



(Subject to Change, Check with Town Clerk's Office, 203-891-4730)								
3rd	Zoning Board of Appeals7:00 pm Country Fair Cmte7:30 pm	Town Hall HPCC						
4th	Economic Development Comm 5:30 pm Town Plan & Zoning Comm	Town Hall Town Hall						
5th	Conservation Comm7:00 pm	HPCC						
6th	OGAT7:30 pm	Town Hall						
10th	Traffic Authority	Police Dept. Police Dept. Middle School, Orange Mary L. Tracy School						
11th	Inland Wetlands Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall						
12th	Board of Selectmen7:00 pm	Town Hall						
13th	Elderly Housing Liaison Cmte	Silverbrook Estates Town Hall HPCC						
18th	Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm	Town Hall						
19th	CERT	HPCC HPCC						
20th	Case Memorial Library Comm7:00 pm Pension Board7:00 pm	Case Memorial Library Town Hall						
24th	Family Counseling9:00 am Youth Services7:30 pm	HPCC HPCC						
26th	Park & Recreation Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall						
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27th Bond Construction Oversight Cmte...7:00 pm Town Hall



FROM THE SENIOR CENTER

By Dennis Marsh

Senior Center Weather Policy

Classes are canceled when the Orange School System closes due to weather. If there is a school delay then only those classes during the delay are canceled. WTNH 8 is the official station for weather cancelations. If you have any questions contact the Senior Center at (203) 891-4784.

Living Treasure Nominations

Nominations are being accepted through March 2, 2020 for the 2020 Living Treasure Awards. The three individuals chosen will be honored at Pasta Festa on May 15, 2020, at the High Plains Community Center.

A Special Evening Presentation of Cut the Cable

Join us on February 11 when Josh returns with another presentation on Cut the Cable. This will be an evening presentation from 6-8:00pm at the HPCC. This very popular discussion has helped many residents cut their cable bill. Call to let us know you are coming (203) 891-4784.

Orange Arts & Cultural Council Free Bus to the Symphony

The Orange Arts and Culture Council offers a free bus to the New Haven Symphony. Join them February 6 for Mozart & Part. The bus leaves High Plains at 6:45pm for Woolsey Hall, New Haven. To reserve your spot on the bus call (203) 397-8915.

New Haven Chamber Orchestra

Join us on Saturday, February 29 for a very special concert in New Haven.

The New Haven Chamber Orchestra will be performing at the Fair Haven School. Park at High Plains and ride with us into New Haven for this free concert. Call (203) 891-4784 to register. Departs at 1:00pm.

Trip to Long Wharf Theater and Brazi's Restaurant

Quick, sign up while the getting is good. The Senior Center will be hosting a trip the Long Wharf Theater to see The Chinese Lady on April 8, 2020 with lunch beforehand at Brazi's Italian Restaurant. Price is \$75 if you drive yourself or \$80 if you take the senior van. For more information, call (203) 891-4784.

Classic Movie of the Month

Join us for "Malcolm X", February 7 at 1:00pm. Spike Lee & Denzel Washington...need I say more? Join us for Biographical epic of the controversial and influential Black Nationalist leader, from his early life and career as a small-time gangster, to his ministry as a member of the Nation of Islam. Popcorn and soda to be served. Call for a seat (203) 891-4784.

Movie of the Month

Join us February 14 for "Rocketman" at 1:00pm. A musical fantasy about the fantastical human story of Elton John's breakthrough years. Popcorn & soda to be served. Call to reserve a seat (203) 891-4784.

Documentary & Discussion

Join us for "The Central Park Five" on February 28 at 1:00pm. A documentary that examines the 1989 case of five Black and Latino teenagers who were convicted of raping a white woman in Central Park. After having spent

between 6 and 13 years each in prison, a serial rapist confessed to the crime. Call for a seat (203) 891-4784.

Homebound Library Delivery Service

The Case Memorial Library will bring books to homebound Orange residents at no charge. Some restrictions apply. For more information, call Samantha Jasulavic at 203-891-2170 or email sjasulavic@casememorial-library.org.

Griffin Hospital/ Parish Nurse Van

Take control of your health! Come on the RV and have Griffin Hospital RN's take your blood pressure. High Blood Pressure may have no symptoms at all. Be informed. They will teach you what the blood pressure normally should be and what your reading means. Have an apple also. They will be at the Orange Senior Center the 4th Monday of the month.

Afternoon Fun!

Arts & Crafts on Monday, Name 5 or Scattergories on Tuesdays, Mexican Train Dominos on Wednesdays, Bingo on Thursdays, Scrabble on Fridays at 1:00pm in the Cafe. So be sure to come on out and join us and be part of the fun!

Movie Club

Join us as Jonathan Stein leads us on a celluloid adventure! Our group will discuss a current movie playing locally. We will then meet to critique the film as we discuss the script, acting, cinematography and directing. Meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 3pm in the Senior Lounge.

Hot Lunch

The Orange Senior Center offers a lunch Monday through Friday,

11:30am – 12:00pm. A \$3.00 donation is suggested for persons 60 years and over. To register call (203) 891-4765 before 1pm, the day before.

Trips 39TH ANNIAL HOME & GARDEN SHOW at the Mohegan Sun

No minimum trip February 22, 2020 (snow date 2/23)

This Show offers a diverse array of home and garden products and services by local, state, and national vendors, each presenting innovative and imaginative displays. You will receive a casino bonus and meal ticket, so feel free to leave the show at any time to try your luck at the gaming tables. Cost \$59pp. Includes transportation, Casino Bonus, meal ticket, & Admission. Full payment due at registration. Considerable walking.

2020 AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (AAC)WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT, SEMIFINAL GAME at Mohegan Sun Arena

No minimum trip, Sunday,

March 8, 2020

There is nothing like seeing a live game. Cost \$TBApp. This no minimum trip includes transportation and tickets to the game, Food Voucher and Casino Bonus, Drivers's Gratuity. Full payment due at registration. Moderate Walking.

ST PATRICK'S DAY at the Aqua Turf

No minimum trip March 17, 2020

Enjoy live Irish entertainment by Padraig Allen and the Maclean Avenue Band. Enjoy an Irish lunch including corned beef & cabbage, baked scrod, and all the fixings, topped off with carrot cake. Also, a complimentary glass of wine or beer. Cost: \$86pp. Includes transportation, lunch, show, & driver gratuities. Full payment due at registration. Minimal Walking.

Why Roses Are Such A Must-Have On Valentine's Day

Many things are symbolic of Valentine's Day. In the 1800s, heart-shaped boxes of candy became wildly popular ways for sweethearts to express their affection for each other, and since then they have become one of many symbols of Valentine's Day. But one such symbol traces its history back even further than that.

Roses are now as symbolic of Valentine's Day as those heart-shaped boxes, and, in fact, have long maintained a connection with feelings of love. The Ancient Greeks and Romans, for example, wore rose garlands during wedding ceremonies. But the practice of giving Valentine's Day flowers can be traced to King Charles II, who served as King of Sweden from 1809 as well as King of Norway from 1814 until his death in 1818.



During his travels, King Charles visited Persia, where he learned about the use of flowers to express certain emotions. Red roses were used to express deep love, and King Charles

shared the language of flowers when he returned home to Europe. It soon became quite popular.

But Europeans were learning about the symbolic power of flowers even

before King Charles' visit to Persia. In fact, Lady Mary Wortley Montagu, the wife of a British ambassador to Turkey, began sharing the practice of assigning meaning to objects via letters she wrote home to England in 1716. Lady Montagu noted how the locals had assigned meaning to various colors, flowers and plants in order to send secret love letters to one another. However, Lady Montagu was incorrect in her interpretation, as historians would later note. Despite her misinterpretations, Lady Montagu's perception of the flower language would spread, and many people still associate certain flowers with certain emotions. Never is that more apparent than on Valentine's Day, when red roses remain a popular way for lovers to express their deep love for each other.





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Byars Presents 2021 Amity Budget

District Funds Technology Updates and SRO's, Addresses Social Needs

By Bettina Thiel

Orange Town News Correspondent

After several years of moderate budget increases, the Amity Regional School District is requesting a 3.95% increase for the 2020-21 school year.

Woodbridge will be particularly hard hit in this budgeting cycle, as in addition to the budget increase, the town will be sending more students to the Amity system compared to the current school year, while neither Orange nor Bethany have seen similar increases in their student population. For Woodbridge the 2020-21 Amity budget — if adopted — translates into an increase of more than \$1 million, or 6.82% over the town's current contribution.

According to this budget proposal, Bethany will contribute \$9.13 million, Orange will pay \$25.36 million and Woodbridge will contribute just under \$16 million. The total budget as presented is for \$51.5 million. To go into effect, the Amity budget must be approved by referendum in all three member towns. This year it is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5.

"The budget is the first since 2014-15 in which the requested amount exceeds contractual increases," said School Supt. Dr. Jennifer Byars when she presented the budget at the joint meeting of the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance in January. "Six consecutive years of budget requests below contractual increases has resulted in needs in technology, security, and facilities that can no longer be postponed."

The budget proposal would not only allow the district to maintain the excellence in education it is known for, but improve security by hiring two School Resource Officers, one for each of the two middle schools. The budget would also allow updates to its IT network and expand the personal laptops for students; it would also allow the district to hire an additional social worker at the middle school level.

Budget summary: As in most education budgets, salaries and benefits make up two-thirds of the whole pie. The increase projected for '20-'21 is \$646,000, a number that includes 3 new full-time certified positions; two 10-month positions for special education coordinators; one social worker and one computer technician.

Purchased services is up by \$580,000 and includes funding for the two SROs and technology infrastructure. Special education costs are projected to spike by \$843,000, a number that includes tuition and transportation.

Debt services is lower by \$105,000 compared to this year. However, this budget does not yet include the cost

incurred by the capital improvements residents approved in December 2019.

Technology: Dr. Byars emphasized the need for technology updates. "Our infrastructure is just not up to speed with what we want to do," she said. All the schools' systems are computer-based, including heating and cooling, as well as security, the phone system and a large percentage of the teaching tools. It could put the district in real peril should the system fail.

The district is also proposing to continue expanding its "One-on-One" program, which provides each student with a designated mobile computer. This is Year 3 of four in rolling out the program. In addition to the \$228,000 for student computers there are costs for cases (\$17,000) and teacher laptops (\$44,947) as well as other scheduled replacements of the existing network.

Since all three elementary districts already provide students with access to personal devices, "it makes sense from an instructional and curricular standpoint that we continue to provide students with access," the superintendent wrote in an email. So far, the middle school students already have been provided with personal computers. Starting with the next school year, the district plans to expand the program to include grades 7 through 10.

"We would continue the roll-out until all our students have devices," she wrote. "Students bring their devices to all their classes and unlike the elementary schools, they are also permitted to bring their devices home, since technology is ubiquitous to learning."

The budget also includes funds towards professional learning for Amity teachers as they implement this program. In addition, the budget calls for an additional IT technician to support the roll-out.

Resource Officers: In response to pressure from parents, the budget also includes funds for police protection at the two middle schools. The two positions are for School Resource Officers, or SROs, who would be embedded in the local police departments. The high school already is covered by an SRO from the Woodbridge Police Department. It is this connection with local police why this cannot be a shared position; nor would the district be able to hire security personnel as done elsewhere, she said. In Bethany, which has state Barracks I but no local police force, the SRO would report to Resident State Trooper David Merriam, Byars said.

Social Worker: In response to an increased level of anxiety and depression that has been described in stu-



Sens. Maroney and Lesser Hold Prescription Drug and Long-Term Care Forum

The Legislators Discussed Potential Legislative Measures to Make Prescription Drug Costs and Long-Term Care Affordable

State Senator James Maroney (D-Milford) and state Senator Matt Lesser (D-Middletown) hosted a prescription drug and long-term care forum with, pictured left to right excluding the senators, AARP Associate State Director of Advocacy and Outreach Anna Doroghazi, and T1 International Connecticut Chapter Leader Kristin Daniels and Gerard O'Sullivan and Paul Lombardo from Connecticut's Insurance Department

From the High Plains Community Center cafeteria in Orange, state Senators James Maroney (D-Milford) and Matt Lesser (D-Middletown), who is also Senate Chair of the legislature's Insurance and Real Estate Committee, held a prescription drug and long-term care forum. The state legislators were joined by Gerard O'Sullivan and Paul Lombardo from Connecticut's Insurance Department, AARP Associate State Director of Advocacy and Outreach Anna Doroghazi, and T1 International Connecticut Chapter Leader Kristin Daniels, as they discussed legislative methods to get control of skyrocketing prescription drug and long-term care costs in Connecticut.

"The price of care in our state and country is completely out of control," said Sen. Maroney. "This legislative session, we are committed to passing legislation that lessens the cost burden on Connecticut residents and working families. I am grateful to state Senator Matt Lesser, AARP, T1 International, the state's insurance department and those who attended tonight's important forum."

The state Senate unveiled its policy priorities regarding healthcare in preparation for the 2020 legislative session. Session begins on Wednesday,



February 5. Among the priorities was lowering the cost of prescription drugs. Additionally, the Senate discussed establishing a public option for health insurance, which was the brainchild of Sen. Lesser during the 2019 legislative session. The public option would create competition in the health insurance marketplace, thus bringing down prices for consumers. Sen. Lesser said the cost of care must come down.

"I was grateful to join my friend Senator Maroney in his district, to have the opportunity to hear how these critical insurance issues affect people in Orange," said Sen. Lesser. "In 2020 I am serious about tackling the insulin affordability crisis, lowering the cost of prescription drugs - including with safe, affordable prescription drugs from Canada and helping people afford long term care insurance."

Prices continue to rise at rapid rates. According to an RX Price Watch report, from the AARP Public Policy Institute, brand name drug prices increased more than twice as quickly as infla-

tion in 2018. Additionally, according to the report, "For over a decade, annual brand name drug price increases have exceeded the general inflation rate by 2-fold to more than 100-fold."

These unreasonable and exploitative price hikes specifically affect those with chronic ailments. The average annual cost for one brand name medication used on a chronic basis was more than \$7,200 in 2018, almost four times higher than in 2006, according to the report. The numbers are even more damaging to an individual's bottom line if they require insulin. According to an AARP report from August 2019, Lantus, a form of insulin used to treat diabetes, increased from \$2,907 per year to \$4,702 per year.

The price-gouging is also prevalent in long-term care. The Bipartisan Policy Center (BPC) reports average annual spending of \$100,000 for a nursing home, \$45,000 for assisted living and \$33,000 for in-home care. They also report the average premium is \$2,050 per year for a man aged 55 and jumps

to \$2,700 for a woman of the same age. What's more, premiums can rise anywhere from 25 percent to 100 percent, per the BPC.

These excessive prices have a real effect on Connecticut seniors and families. According to the Population Reference Bureau, Connecticut has the 14th oldest population in the country. This distinction makes long-term care a necessity for many as this insurance covers, among other things, the costs of a nursing home, assisted living or in-home care, according to the AARP.

Sen. Maroney was first elected to represent the 14th District (Milford) in 2018. Before being elected to the Senate, he was a State Representative for the 119th District from 2012-2014, where he served on the Higher Education Committee. Due to his distinguished service on the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee, he was asked to serve on the Planning Commission for Higher Education and help develop a strategic plan for higher education in Connecticut.

Sen. Lesser was first elected in 2018 to represent the ninth Senate District which consists of Cromwell, Middletown, Newington, Rocky Hill and Wethersfield. Prior to being elected to the State Senate, he was a State Representative for the city of Middletown. He has been a principle author of Connecticut's Student Loan Bill of Rights, the first in the nation, a moratorium on hydraulic fracturing waste and a major workplace safety law later adapted as a national standard. He has been honored by the Connecticut chapter of the AARP and has been named a champion by the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters.



State Senator James Maroney (D-Milford) held a community conversation at the High Plains Community Center in Orange on Thursday, January 30, 2020. The senator discussed his legislative priorities heading into the legislative session which begins on Wednesday, February 5.



State Representatives Charles Ferraro, Themis Klarides, and Kathleen Kennedy hold community event at Orange Town Hall on January 30, 2020



CASE MEMORIAL LIBARY EVENTS

Programs at the Case Memorial Library are free, except as noted for materials charges, and open to the public. Library hours are as follows: Monday and Thursday: 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. The Library will be closed Monday, February 17 in observance of Presidents Day. Please note that Library service will be very limited on Friday, April 3 and Saturday, April 4. Registration is required for all events, unless otherwise noted.

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 All Ages Mini Golf at the Library: A 'Hole' Lot of Fun!

Friday, April 3 & Saturday, April 4

Join us for a fun, two-day mini golf event at the Library! Case Memorial Library will be transformed into a miniature golf course. On Friday evening, adults are welcome to a private "Par-Tee" from 6 to 9 p.m. where they can play golf, enjoy delicious food and a variety of wines, beers, and non-alcoholic beverages, and bid on raffle items. Tickets for this fundraising event are \$25 per person. On Saturday, patrons of all ages are welcome for a family fun day including mini golf, raffles, and a family fun zone with face painting and henna. The Big Green Truck will also be on site to offer its tasty pizza! All proceeds from this special two-day event will be used by the Friends of the Case Memorial Library to directly support the Library for funding programs, museum passes, and more comfortable chairs for the meeting rooms. If you are a business or individual who would like to become a sponsor please visit casememoriallibrary.org/friends/ minigolf for more information.

Events For Adults Make & Take: Suminagashi Ink Marbling

Monday, March 23, 7 p.m.

Suminagashi is the Japanese art of marbling by floating ink on the surface of water. Learn the basics of this centuries-old monoprint technique and create your own marbled pieces to take home in this small, hands-on workshop led by Librarian Rebecca Harlow. Space is limited. Registration is required and begins Monday, March 2.

2020 Oscar Film Series Oscar Film: Marriage Story

Monday, February 24, 7 p.m. Wednesday, February 26, 1 p.m.

An incisive and compassionate look at a marriage breaking up and a fam-



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ily staying together. 2 hr. 17 min. R. Registration is required and begins Monday, February 3.

Oscar Film: Joker

Monday, March 2, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, 1 p.m.

In Gotham City, mentally troubled comedian Arthur Fleck is disregarded and mistreated by society. He then embarks on a downward spiral of revolution and bloody crime. This path brings him face-to-face with his alter-ego: The Joker. 2 hr. 2 min. R. Registration is required and begins Monday, February 10.

Book Discussions 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.

Thursday, April 30, 7 p.m.

"The Girl with Seven Names" by Hyeonseo Lee. Led by Toby Zabinski. Registration is requested.

Mystery Book Discussion Group

Thursday, March 26, 7 p.m.

"The $7 \frac{1}{2}$ Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle" by Stuart Turton. Led by Librarian Samantha Jasulavic. 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. AMSO students should 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 Court-

ney 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.

LEGO Robot Wars

Thursday, March 26, 3:30 p.m. For teens in grades 7-12.

Join us for a LEGO battle royale! Working in teams you will learn how to control your LEGO Mindstorms robot, customize it, then battle it out in the arena. Who will be the champion? Registration is required and begins Thursday, March 5.

Miracle Berry Tasting Party

Thursday, April 16, 3:30 p.m.

Come try "miracle berry," the fruit that makes sour and bitter foods taste sweet. We'll test a variety of foods and see if you can guess what you are eating when your taste buds are under the influence of this magical fruit. Registration is required and begins Thursday, March 26.

Events For Children & Tweens

Chess Club

Saturday, February 29, 11 a.m. Saturday, March 14, 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.

Tween Cooking Class

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 Thursday, February 6.

Butter Slime

Thursday, March 2, 5 p.m. For children ages 7-9.

Make this cool slime that can be spread with a knife, like butter! Registration is required and begins Thursday, February 10.

EvoBots

Wednesday, March 11, 3:45 p.m. For tweens in grades 4-6.

Learn basic coding skills with our handheld bots. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, February 19.

Brennan-Lucey Irish Dance Academy

Tuesday, March 17, 3:45 p.m.

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with performers from Riverdance! Sponsored by the Shirley Martin Prown Fund. Registration is required and begins Tuesday, February 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 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

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

March: Artwork by the Shelton Art League. *Reception:* Thursday, March 12, 5-7 p.m.

Services

Homebound Delivery Service

Are you a book lover who is unable to leave your home? If so, the Library will bring the books to you! Orange residents who are homebound may contact the Library to arrange for regular library book delivery service to their home at no charge. Some restrictions apply. For more information, call the Library's Head of Circulation Services, Samantha Jasulavic, at 203-891-2170 or email sjasulavic@casememoriallibrary.org.



Save The Date for Library Mini Golf

Are you ready to see the Case Memorial Library transformed into an 18-hole mini golf course? Then you are in for a treat when the Friends holds its fundraiser MINI GOLF in the LIBRARY. Mark your calendars for Friday night April 3rd from 6-9 pm for the adult PAR-TEE and Saturday April 4th from 10-3 for FAMILY FUN DAY.

The Committee and Board are working very hard to organize this event.

They are actively canvassing town businesses to ask for their sponsorship. Already Tamaro Oil, Orange Fence, PEZ, ShopRite, Jesse's Toys, Trader Joe's and CDS Design have signed on. If you're a business owner, please visit the Library website www.casememoriallibrary.org and click on the box called "mini golf fundraiser"

and download the information. There are 4 ways to become a sponsor: title sponsor, hole sponsor, in-kind sponsor, or Family Fun Day sponsor. This is a smart way to showcase your business.

Perhaps your family would like to sponsor a hole? Think of the fun the kids will have coming up with a theme. Or maybe several families could join together. There are so many ways to participate.

You may be asking why do we need a fundraiser? Have you ever been to a program or film that lasted 2 hours and found yourself squirming in your seat because the chair was hard and uncomfortable? Well, the Friends want to change that by purchasing more ergonomic chairs. They need to raise enough money to continue to support new programs and new museum passes, and also buy new chairs.

Want to volunteer? Just call 203-795-4549 or use our email, friend-sofcase176@gmail.com to join the crew. There is something for everyone – serving food, assembling raffle

baskets, helping with Saturday's Family Fun Day, manning the "putter zone," or monitoring the flow of traffic. We'll have a meeting for volunteers to explain how the mini golf event works in February. Details will follow.

"Last year, Americans visited the library more than they went to the movies, live sporting events, museums, concerts,

amusement parks and casinos, among other activities," according to a Gallup poll released by CNN.

The Library has become the "town hub." It is vital to the community. It serves as an information center, as a tech center, as a repository for the printed word, as a film center, as a center for programs from toddlers to adults, and as a cultural center for art installations and musical and theatrical entertainments. Let's show our support for the Library and its staff by raising money while we enjoy a fun time and a new reason to visit the Library.





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Book And Audio Donations Wanted

Cold winter months are the perfect time to weed overladen bookshelves. Don't let good reads and informative books gather dust. Donate them to the library and let others read and enjoy them.

The Case Memorial Friends of the Library is requesting donated new and gently used books for its book sales. In addition to books, the library is also accepting DVDs, audiobooks on CDs, Music CDs, and recent textbooks, no older than five years. Donations are always welcome in the bins or on the counter located in the alcove near the copy machine in the library.

The library does not accept encyclopedias, magazines, Reader's Digest condensed books, health or technology books printed prior to 2008, VHS tapes, vinyl records, cassette tapes, or

materials in poor condition or damaged by mildew, mold or vermin.

The books are sorted for easy browsing and available for purchase at library books sales. A selection of new and nearly new books on a variety of subjects is always available for purchase at the Friends Bookcase near the entrance of the library.

The proceeds are used to fund a variety of educational and entertaining programs. Community support for these programs is shown by the overwhelming requests for seats, as soon as registration opens. Donations ensure the continuation of popular programs in the library. Let others enjoy the books and music that you once enjoyed. Then, go to the library to enjoy a musical, cooking demo or lecture.



EESTORY CORNER BY GINNY REINHARD

Is This YOUR Neighborhood?







The division of the town in 1922, separating Orange from West Haven, proved to be the culmination of events long underway. As early as 1848, residents considered the division, citing that West Haven was a city and Orange was a farming town. West Haven grew rapidly after the Civil War and the division of urban and rural was very apparent. With this effort, Orange would maintain its simple, frugal government while West Haven wanted modern amenities and improvements with higher taxes obviously.

In 1873, the legislature established the borough of West Haven, sometimes referred to as the Parish, within the Town of Orange, with a separate government, taxed separately. These tax books can be seen at the OHS Research Center. In 1903, a special town meeting gathered to consider the question of dividing the two, but a negative report was filed and the referendum was defeated by both districts. The question arose again in 1910 with the General Assembly passing a tentative charter creating the city of Orange, but this too was defeated.

By 1914 a special town meeting considered whether to create a separate town of the Orange Center School District which had been established in 1909, but West Haven opposed this idea. Finally in 1921, a Special Act of the legislature divided Orange and West Haven, geographically reducing the Town of Orange. Construction of new or improved transportation systems and the rapid growth of nearby urban centers led to a growing trend towards suburbanization in Orange, a movement that would eventually remake the town in the post World War II era.

One of the most celebrated real estate efforts was carried out on Clark land with the Healy-O'Sullivan-Shaughnessy enclave with the partnership of William Healy, a Derby attorney, William Shaughnessy, a contractor from Bridgeport, and Patrick O'Sullivan an attorney and politician. In 1922, the three men purchased a substantial plot of land at the southwest corner of Orange Center Road and Derby Turnpike from Dwight Clark,

known as Clark's Corner. In the next three years they erected three imposing, suburban residences set well back from Orange Center Road.

William Healey's home at 940 Orange Center, 942 Patrick O'Sullivan's home and William Shaughnessy's at 952 made up a neighborhood and Dwight Clark built his home at 946 in 1930. It was to be exclusive with rules for incoming neighbors, the houses being of a certain structure with a cost of \$18,000. In addition there was to be no illegal or immoral activities. I wonder how they kept track of that.

The end of World War II with the addition of important transportation projects unleashed an explosion for the demand of housing. New suburban subdivisions were filled with modest Cape Cods, Colonials and Ranch houses that sprouted like wildflowers in the fields and woods of Orange.

showed a slow progress in the 1920s and 30s experienced additional growth on the remaining, unsold lots.

Racebrook Estates was one of the earliest, large suburban subdivisions laid out in the 20th century occupying a piece of land just north of Route 34, along the Trolley route from New Haven and Derby. The earliest map of this area was in 1916. There are about 24 houses dating from that period. This endeavor was the work of J.W. Holloway of New York City with an initial intent to appeal to buyers of moderate means with certain restrictions. The following were in place for these homes: minimum construction budget of \$1500, design and construction approved by the developer, at least two lots per dwelling, no flat roofs, no fences except ornamental iron fences were permitted. The roads in this area are Alling, College, Hadley, Ohman, Sheffield, Taft, and Woodruff.

The A.D. Clark subdivision encompasses the Buttonball Road area dating back to 1934 continuing until 1950 with Clark being the developer of this attractive collection of homes includ-

ing those on Old Hickory and Orchard Road. The homes in this subdivision are capes, colonials and ranches.

Colonial Acres was mapped out in 1951 encompassing Center Road Circle, Racebrook Terrace and Pine Crest Road, with capes, a few colonials and a distinctive English Tudor design.

Harry B. Cook is a well-known builder, considered to be one of the finer construction companies in Orange's history. His parcels consisted of lands at Chestnut Ridge in the northeastern part of town with buildings

built between the 1930s and 1950s.

These homes appear to be mostly ranch style and two colonials.

Fairlea Farms was the largest dairy farm in Orange for the first half of the 20th century. Printing executive, Wilson H. Lee from New Haven purchased the Nettleton Farm with the intention of having a place to live in the suburbs. This parcel spread across 600 acres in-

cluding Orange Center, Old Tavern, Post Road and Peck Lane areas. Mr. Lee putting himself in the real estate business subdivided the acreage which now includes, Fairlea Road, Arnold Lane, Drummond Road, Wilson Road, Lincoln Road, Demarest Drive (named for his son-in-law), Knight Lane, Sarah Circle and others. These areas were available after the farm had run its course as a viable dairy farm.

Fairview Acres is yet another Harry Cook & Son development with the area being mapped out in the 1940s. This area encompasses Great Oak, Juniper, Lakeview, and part of South Indian Hill Road.

Green Hill Acres was registered to Bernard Lohne in 1948 on property north of Route 34 and east of Orange Center Road. Green Hill and Walnut hill comprised the subdivision.

Hitchcock Court is about the smallest of the subdivisions named for the farm in the area. Located off Orange Center Road, this little street was registered in 1949 by the Harold Humphrey's Company.

Indian Hill Estates is true to its name with substantial construction in an area north of Route 34. A few homes were built as early at 1909. Harry Cook was the driving force behind much of the real estate activity there. Situated in the northeastern part of Orange, near the Maltby Lakes, on the border of West Haven, the hill is well named for its connection to the natives that lived in that area namely Aunt Icy, a Schaghticoke Native American. She was born in 1800 and died in 1902 having lived in the area for most of her lifetime. The trolley route from New Haven to Derby passed along the southern edge of the site with Beechwood, Hillcrest, Indian Hill and Shagbark being significant roads in this vast area.

Paramount Park has an interesting name making the 90-acre farm from Donato Viggiano into 500 building lots north of the Boston Post Road. Bounded on the west by Racebrook Road, these homes were initially capes and cottages boasting Lindy Street, Sybil Street, Norman Street, Neenan Road, Smith Farm Road and Whitewood Road. These lots were modest in size with a 40' street frontage.

Tyler City, last but not least, because this subdivision was destined to be a town within the Town of Orange. Envisioned by two entrepreneurs, Samuel Halliwell and Philander Ferry set out to make a new metropolis running along the newly built New Haven and Derby Railroad in 1871. The railroad ran by the two shops in New Haven owned by the pair and they often rode the rails marveling at the area that could be developed and so it was. Two thousand lots were set out, each 50' x 150' which was once the Bradley farm and part of the Russell farm as well. To say that it was a boondoggle is probably the kindest we can say because the only thing that came out of Tyler City was the name of the streets. Named for railroad big wigs, we have Marble, Quintard, Halliwell, Ferry, Bradley Road which is now Racebrook Road and Russell Ave. Four roads that never were continued are Atwater, Butler, Sperry and Harrison.

Can you find your neighborhood?





Hearth Cooking Classes

The Orange Historical Society (OHS) will hold its 2nd hearth cooking class on February 27 at the Bryan-Andrew House, 131 Old Tavern Road from 10:00 - 2:00.

OHS staff members will guide visitors in making three colonial foods,

a soup, an entrée and a dessert, all cooked on the hearth. The best part will be eating your efforts after a tour of the 1740 house.

The charge is \$35.00. Send your check to Orange Historical Society, PO Box 784, Orange, CT 06477.

The Orange Historical Society would like to ask for any period dresses that were worn at the Sesquicentennial in 1972. If you have one hanging in the closet, we would love to have it. Please call 203 795-3106 and we will pick it up.

History is where you find it.

The Orange Historical Society is planning for the 2022 Bi-Centennial celebration and would like the members of the town to look for old photo albums, diaries, ledgers, records, memos, old papers and letters to help us with our research about Orange in 1822. Although photography took several more years, any later photos will help connect the past. We will scan all items lent to us and return them to the owner. Call Ginny Reinhard at 203 795-6465.

Our antique shop and museum is open from 10-3 at 605 Orange Center Road in Orange. We have a large inventory of antiques for purchase and local history items as well. For information call 203 795-3106. We do have a large collection of early 1930s furniture in our trailer for visitors to enjoy as they remember grandma's house. The furniture is from a local home now demolished but the furniture is worth looking at and in good condition.

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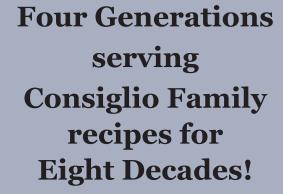
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by Dana Jackson

Q: Is it true that there will be a sequel to "**The Big Lebowski**"? Will Jeff Bridges be in it? -- Anon.

A: There is what is being called a "spinoff" of "The Big Lebowski," but it won't be directed by the **Coen Brothers**. It will focus on **John Turturro's** "The Big Lebowski" character Jesus Quintana and also will star **Jon Hamm** and **Bobby Cannavale**, with Turturro also directing. "**The Jesus Rolls**" will be in theaters starting Feb. 28.

Turturro has been getting accolades for another project of his, the HBO series "The Night Of," which was originally supposed to star James Gandolfini ("The Sopranos") until his untimely death. It's based on the BBC series "Criminal Justice." Gandolfini is still listed as an executive producer for the American version for the work he did behind the scenes before he passed away.

Q: When will "**Mindhunter**" be back on Netflix with new episodes? I just rewatched them all and can't wait for more. -- R.F.

A: "Mindhunter," a fictional drama that is based on true-crime cases, is about an FBI agent who confronts some of America's most notorious serial killers. It's been several months since the second season was uploaded to Netflix, but a third season has been put on hold while executive producer **David Fincher** completes his other projects.

In the meantime, leads **Jonathan Groff** and **Holt McCallany** aren't being tied down to the show, so it's possible that if "Mindhunter" comes back, it might have new stars. The reason, Netflix stated, is that Fincher "felt it wasn't fair to the actors to hold them from seeking other work while he [Fincher] was exploring new work of his own." Hopefully they all can time their other productions so that they can regroup and continue with a third



John Turturro [Depositphotos]

season of "Mindhunter" by the end of the year.

Meanwhile, look for the upcoming movie "Mank" on Netflix directed by Fincher, which is about screenwriter Herman J. Mankiewicz's efforts to bring Orson Welles' "Citizen Kane" to the big screen. It will star Gary Oldman and Lily Collins.

Q: When will the Obi-Wan Kenobi series begin on Disney+? Will **Ewan McGregor** play him again, or will it be about Obi-Wan's younger or older life? -- X.M.

A: There are plans for a live-action series centered around Obi-Wan Kenobi on Disney+. After the success of "The Mandalorian" on that same streaming service, fans are eager for more "Star Wars" series in addition to motion pictures. All that's known so far is that the scripts for each episode have been completed and that it will begin filming some time in 2020. Best of all, McGregor stars in it. However, no other cast members or a specific premiere date has been set.

In addition to this series and an upcoming second season of "The Mandalorian," Disney+ plans a show centered around the character of Cassian Andor, who was featured in the movie "Rogue One." Diego Luna will reprise the role.

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



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LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP



Pictured left to right: Jeremy Rosner, Frank D'Ostilio, and Ted Schaeffer, CID chair.

D'Ostilio Presented With CID Award

Frank D'Ostilio, partner of Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio was presented with a CID award for "Largest Mixed-Use Deal of the Year 2019". The property was located at 490 Prospect Street in New Haven and was sold to Albertus Magnus University to be used as additional dorms.

This institutional property of combined office and residential use, adjacent to Yale University consists of 3

buildings on 1.38 acres which include 24 dwelling units, office space, meeting and guest rooms.

A spokeswoman said that, with the purchase, housing immediately will be available for 27 residents. Additionally, the facility will provide additional classrooms and office space for faculty and staff.

The property was listed at \$5,650,000 and closed at \$5,000,000.

Jacqueline F. Barbara Joins Cohen And Wolf, P.C.

Cohen and Wolf, P.C., a full-service law firm with four offices in Fairfield and New Haven counties, is pleased to announce that Jacqueline F. Barbara has become Of Counsel to the firm.

Ms. Barbara joins the firm's Family Law Group and will practice in the firm's Bridgeport office. Prior to joining Cohen and Wolf, Ms. Barbara was a partner in a boutique law firm for over 25 years serving Fairfield and New Haven counties. Her practice focuses on matrimonial law and includes litigation as well as mediation. In addition to her private practice, Ms. Barbara serves as a special master appointed by the Superior Court to mediate divorce disputes and she is often appointed as a Guardian Ad Litem or Attorney for Minor Children in cases concerning custody and visitation. "Jacqueline's experience as a seasoned matrimonial lawyer will be a terrific complement to our Family Law and Litigation Groups," stated David A. Ball, Cohen and Wolf's managing partner. "We are delighted to welcome her to our firm."

Ms. Barbara is a member of the



Jacqueline F. Barbara

Connecticut, New York, American and Milford Bar Associations. She is admitted to practice in Connecticut, New York, New York Appellate Division, U.S. Supreme Court, U.S. District Court and the U.S. Tax Court. She received her J.D. from Quinnipiac University School of Law, and holds a B.A., cum laude, in Political Science and Economics from the State University of New York at Buffalo.



Attorney Paz Elevated to Partner at Ruane Attorneys at Law

Ruane Attorneys is pleased to announce that Attorney Brittany Paz, an Orange resident, has been elevated to partner. Attorney Paz joined the Ruane Attorneys team in January 2019.

Prior to joining Ruane Attorneys, Brittany had a vibrant solo practice that handled criminal defense, post-conviction, and appeals before merging her practice with Ruane Attorneys. She continues this work as well as sex crime defense at Ruane Attorneys.

Attorney Paz is entering her eighth year of practicing law. She worked as an attorney at Pattis and Smith, LLC in New Haven for five years before starting her solo firm. Attorney Paz has worked on hundreds of criminal cases and in the past two years has been named a National Trial Lawyers Top 40 Under 40 Criminal Defense Lawyer in Connecticut.

"We are extremely excited to have Brittany as part of our team for the last year," says Managing Partner Jay Ruane. "Her contributions to the office brought an immediate impact, and our clients have been the better for it." Ruane continued, "Eight years ago, I missed the opportunity to bring Attorney Paz to our team because I was knee deep in a complicated trial and she accepted another offer in the meantime. When we had the opportunity to add her in 2019 it was a 'no-brainer' and we expect great things from her in the future."

Paz has been active in the legal community, lecturing to hundreds of lawyers throughout the state in 2019 on criminal law issues in multiple CLE events from regional bar associations to the CT Bar Association.

Attorney Paz is excited to begin work as a partner. She commented, "I have always wanted to have control over what kind of cases I took and build my brand to concentrate on the tough cases. Ruane Attorneys has helped me do this. Now that I am firmly established in my field, I want to use my position to benefit the firm in an even bigger way."

Paz lives in Orange, with her husband, a Westport Police Officer, and her two children.





LOCAL BUSINESS

Orange Chamber Selects New Leadership

The Orange Chamber of Commerce is starting the 2020 decade with new leadership and a new vision, setting new directions, focusing upbeat programs to attract the young professional, and providing relevant services to Orange businesses. The Chamber will be led by Ted Novicki, Board President. Ted has been a member of the Board of Directors since 2017 and his company, Orange-based Avangrid, parent company of United Illuminating and Southern Connecticut Gas, has been a member of the chamber for many decades.

"In today's ever changing world, it is more important than ever to keep in touch with your customers that are located right in your local community. We have seen a tremendous desire for people to utilize local services, buy local products and support their community. That is where an organization like the Orange Chamber comes into play and shines. We connect local business and promote these businesses to their local clientele. It is essential that we turn the current "online-only" business paradigm on its head and look at new and innovative ways to not only promote our local businesses but assist them to grow through the power of networking and promotion. At the Orange Chamber you can enjoy a vibrant online presence and community, while simultaneously offering members amazing opportunities to interact face to face with fellow area businesses all while having the opportunity to shake hands with your next



Ted Novicki

client. The future is bright and with assistance from the Orange Chamber of Commerce it will continue to grow brighter!" said Novicki.

Ted Novicki not only currently lives and works in Orange, he grew up here, having attended Turkey Hill Elementary School. He has an extensive educational background having received his Bachelor of Arts in Government from Connecticut College, studying Information Systems at Columbia University and finally receiving a Masters of Business Administration from the University of Connecticut. In addition to his current role of Manager, Key Accounts at Avangrid, where he has worked for the past 8 years, Ted has held various sales and project management roles at John Hancock, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, and Metro Business Systems.



DOLLARS AND SENSE

Falling Out Of Love With Your Financial Advisor

By Roberta L. Nestor

It happens! Most people have had several financial advisor relationships over their investment lifetime. It makes sense. As investors we have different stages and financial needs during our lifetime. Your need for financial advice is quite different at age 30 than it is at age 60. Individuals change financial advisors for several reasons, but poor market performance or high fees are not always the primary reason. Communication, or lack of, is a big issue. In the new world of technology, there are several ways your advisor can communicate; however, if you have not had any communication from your advisor for long periods of time, it might be time to look elsewhere.

Poor communication from your advisor can lead to poor investor behavior, such as buying or selling at the wrong time and can make you feel like the advisor is "asleep at the wheel." Performance is certainly a factor. If you have had an investment for 5 to 7 years and end up with less money than when you started, it's time to ask for answers. Meetings with pie charts and mumbo-jumbo about portfolio diversification, investment horizons and technical statistics do not help investors to understand lack of performance. It can lead to further dissatisfaction. Your advisor will best serve you by acknowledging under-performance and being forthright about it.

Lack of human interaction is another big reason why investors fire their advisor. Most of us can tolerate and understand the ups and downs of the market, changing economic cycles and changes in our interest rate environment, but only if they feel their advisor is monitoring the situation and keeping them informed. Nobody wants to be in the dark when it comes to their money, especially in troubling times. As investors, we need reassurance in order to maintain and build a strong working

financial relationship.

Switching financial advisors can be an ordeal. It is more complicated than saying, "good-bye, I am leaving you." There can be service fees, potential tax liabilities and lots of new paperwork. Really review your new advisor. Remember you are leaving your old advisor for good reasons. Your new advisor should review with you any fees you might incur as well as any tax implications for the transfer and subsequent new investment recommendations.

Do you have to contact your old advisor? It's always a nice gesture and often can improve the transfer process, especially if you have had a long-term relationship. Your new advisor will guide you through the process and will initiate the paperwork on your behalf. Will your old advisor contact you directly once transfer paperwork has been submitted? Probably not. Because of technology and the electronic transfer of accounts, an advisor is often the last to know once an account has been moved elsewhere. Don't be insulted if you don't get that call from your old advisor.

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HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

Congregation B'nai Jacob Programs

Learning and Prayer Bread & Torah

Every Shabbat Morning Before Services, 9:00 - 9:45am

Rabbi Shapiro explores the weekly Torah portion and how its story relates to our own. She is currently teaching "The Story of King David." Lively discussion over bagels and coffee. No experience necessary.

Ongoing Learning Pirkei Avot, The Ethics of the Fathers Rabbi Rona Shapiro

Monday nights, 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Ongoing classes: February 10; March 2, 16, 30; April 6, 13, 27; May 4, 18

Using the new Rabbinical Assembly edition, with commentary by Raba Tamar Elad-Appelbaum and Rabbi Gordon Tucker, we will explore this foundational text in the Jewish canon. Everyone is welcome. No experience necessary. Nonmembers \$100.

Adult Ed Speakers Tu B'Shvat and Climate Justice

Gavriela "Gavi" Reiter

Sunday, February 9 at 10:00am

Gavi, who grew up at B'nai Jacob, is the NYC Delegation Leader at Sustain Us, an organization empowering youth to advance sustainability. Sustain Us notes that "Gavi's first encounter fighting for justice and sustainability was when she was 10 years old in New



Congregation B'nai Jacob

Haven, where a local power company attempted to build a high voltage power line in her Jewish community... [and she] has continued fighting for environmental and climate justice." Gavi will present a wonderful program to celebrate the New Year of the Trees, explaining the youth climate movement as it relates to Judaism.

Shabbat

Disengaging Sacred Ideas Dr. David Begelman

February 22 after Kiddush

Accomplished academic, actor, author, drama and film critic, and practicing psychologist, Dr. David Begelman, whose recent work include books about spirituality, will discuss the need to distinguish among three ideas in the history of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, and Eastern religions: faith, spirituality and religion. Traditions as diverse as Atheism and Mysticism will be touched upon as well as the weakness of some anti-religious arguments.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church to Welcome New Priest

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will welcome its new priest on Sunday, January 5, at the 10 am service. The Reverend Nicholas G. Lang has been appointed to serve the congregation by the Right Reverend Ian T. Douglas, Bishop Diocesan of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut.

Father Lang is returning to the congregation, in which he was received as an Episcopal Priest in January, 1993 having served the Ukrainian Orthodox Church for twenty years. In addition to his theological training, he has a Master's and Doctorate in Counseling and maintains a private practice in therapy. He retired in June as rector of St. Paul's on the Green, Norwalk, after serving that diverse, radically welcoming com-

munity for 26 years. He is excited to be continuing his ministry with a congregation that is welcoming and committed to bringing the message of God's unconditional love to all those who most need to hear it. His vision for the parish is to let the wider community of Milford and beyond know that this community is here for them.

Father Lang says of his upcoming celebration in January, "No matter who you are or where you may be on your life journey, you are welcome at St. Andrew's." Please come and let us meet each other!" The church is located at 283 Bridgeport Avenue. Parking is available on Sunday mornings at Doyle's Funeral Home which is adjacent to the church.

February Events at Temple Emanuel

Tot Shabbat and Potluck Shabbat Dinner

February 28, 2020 at 5:30 pm

Come celebrate Shabbat with Rabbi Michael Farbman in the beautiful Temple Emanuel sanctuary with songs and stories. This service is meant for children 5 years old and under and their families. Members and non-members are welcome. Tot Shabbat will be followed by a dairy potluck Shabbat dinner, allowing congregants of all ages to interact and enjoy the meal! We will have some teens to help out during dinner so parents can have a chance to get to know more adults at TE. Our regular Kabbalat Shabbat service will follow dinner. Please register for dinner at www.tegnh.org so we can be sure to have enough food for everyone.

Regular Weekly Services

 6:30 pm on the first Friday of the month, Family Shabbat service



Temple Emanuel

- 7:30 pm on all other Fridays, Kabbalat Shabbat Service
- 10:00-11:30 am on the first Saturday morning of the month, Shabbat Morning Minyan
- 10:00-11:30 am on all other Saturday mornings, Weekly Torah Study

For more information about services and celebrations at Temple Emanuel, please go to the TE website, www.tegnh.org. Temple Emanuel is located at 150 Derby Avenue in Orange.

The First Church of Christ Happenings

Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus Joins us for Worship February 9th

Please join us on Sunday February 9, at 10 a.m. when Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus of Congregation Or Shalom in Orange will be joining us in worship to speak, along with the Reverend Shepard Parsons, about the trip they led to the Holocaust Museum in New York City for Amity High School juniors and seniors last November. The students who went on the trip have also been invited to join us. Rabbi Wainhaus and Reverend Parsons will be sharing a message during the service and there will be an opportunity for conversation with Rabbi Wainhaus and the students after the service.

As always, we invite all members of the community to join us at 5 Meeting House Lane, Woodbridge for our regular weekly services and special events:

Sunday Services – 10 a.m. including our Intergenerational Service the first Sunday of each month. Nursery care for small children is available during the Sunday services.

Church School – Sunday at 10 a.m. the second through fifth Sundays



The First Church of Christ

during the school year, presently with children aged 3-6 with older children helping with the younger children until we hire a new Director of Christian Education.

Middle School Youth Group for $5^{th} - 8^{th}$ graders will be reforming later in the school year.

Boy Scout Troop 907 – meets weekly on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Weekly Bible Study - Wednesday, 10-11 a.m. in the Parish House. We study both Old and New Testament passages based on the Lectionary.

For more information on these events, please contact us at (203) 389-2119 or office@uccw.org.

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HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

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

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

Every Wednesday, (please call the office for schedule) Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus teaches an hour-long class



Congregation Or Shalom

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 "Everything Is Illuminated"

Sunday, February 9th, 1:30PM

In this biographical drama-comedy, starring award-winning actor Elijah Wood, a young Jewish-American man journeys to the Ukraine to find the woman who saved his beloved grandfather. Guided by a Ukrainian local, he ventures deep into the countryside, trying to shed light on his grandfather's experiences during World War II. His journey turns into a powerful series of revelations -- the importance of remembrance, the perilous nature of secrets, the meaning of friendship and, most importantly, love. "Everything is Illuminated" was adapted from the best-selling novel of the same name. Run Time: 100 minutes. Discussion to follow, for those who wish to remain. Snow date February 23rd. Sponsored by Adult Education.

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- 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
- > 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

Abraham's Tent

As in past years, BEKI will host Abraham's Tent, a community-based program with the Columbus House shelter. For the week of February 10-17, BEKI will provide shelter, meals, and fellowship for 12 men. The program is named as a reminder of Abraham's hospitality to strangers in the book of Genesis.

If your brother becomes poor and cannot maintain himself with you, you shall support him as though he was a stranger and a sojourner, and he shall live with you. Leviticus 25:35

Jewish Calcutta

Jael Silliman, who was born in Calcutta into a Jewish Baghdadi family,



Congregation Beth El

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Congregation Beth-El Keser Israel

will lead a discussion about that Jewish community and about the current exhibition in the BEKI Art Gallery, Sanjeet Chowdhury: Photographs of Jewish Calcutta. Her presentation will be Saturday, February 22 at 12:45 pm after the weekly Kiddush lunch. Shabbat rules will be observed.

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.

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

Orange Congregational Church Services

Orange Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, invites you to join us at 205 Meeting House Lane in Orange for worship on Sundays at 8 a.m. in the Chapel and 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. We are an Open and Affirming Congregation, which means we welcome all people into the full life and leadership of the church regardless of race, class, ability, gender identity, sexual orientation, or family type. We love kids and teens and welcome them with

love into our community, too. During the 10 a.m. service, children are invited to gather upstairs in our kids' area for a variety of fun faithbased activities.

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Orange Congregational Church

Pancake Supper will take place on Tuesday, February 25 from 5-7 p.m. in the John Ho Dining Room. Tickets for adults will be \$8; ages 5-17 will be \$5, and kids 4 and under eat free.

On Ash

Wednesday, February 26th, we will

gather at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel for worship with the imposition of ashes. Each Wednesday night during Lent, starting on March 4th, we will gather at 6:00 p.m. for a community supper of soup and bread and a simple prayer service with communion. A free will offering for supper will be accepted.

As an Open and Affirming community of faith, we welcome you. You can learn more at www.orangecongregationalchurch.org.

season. Our annual Shrove Tuesday

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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 Meetings, 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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"Amity Budget" From Page 12

dents nation-wide, Amity is looking to hire an additional social worker at the middle school level. A youth survey taken in 2018 showed that local students are struggling with some of the same issues as their peers in other parts of the country. This was the first time the survey looked at anxiety. "The results suggest we need more social and emotional and mental health support in our schools," Byars said, adding that the right person can help students and their families work through some of those challenges.

The following survey results were shared with the Amity Board of Education and PTSOs last year.

Percent of Students Reporting Often or Always

Grade	7	9	11
Feeling nervous, anxious or on edge	28	54	51
Not being able to stop worrying	22	41	40
Worrying too much about different things	32	52	49
Having trouble relaxing	21	35	36
Feeling irritable or getting annoyed easily	25	47	48
$\label{prop:condition} \textbf{Feeling like something awful might happen}$	18	34	30

Byars said that the need for social work support services also were part of the recommendations from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) accreditation report for Amity High School. The recommendation was to "ensure that social work support services are adequate to meet students' mental health needs."

This social work position is intended to support the middle schools and would be split between the Orange and Bethany middle school campuses. Long-term the District is planning to add a second social worker to the high school as well.

Other Hires: Byars also is looking to hire middle school pupil services coordinators who would function as a transition coordinator for special education students preparing to enter the high school.

Text Books: Technology notwithstanding, the district still upgrades its textbooks. Between the three schools, it has budgeted for a total of \$240,790 (compared to \$220,713 this school year), with an emphasis on new science text books. It also includes new textbooks for Math classes and World Language classes.

During her presentation, Dr. Byars also pointed out several initiatives that got deferred in an effort to keep in-

creases low. "We cut a math interventionist. We cut IT. We are not replacing athletic equipment, we are not replacing band equipment," she said.

The district also is not instituting STAR testing in grade 11. These are assessments in reading and math, which are administered three times a year and due to its quick turn-around can inform teachers about their students' progress and help direct the instruction. The STAR testing also is used at the elementary level in Woodbridge and Orange, which allows parents to follow the growth of each student from grade school through high school.

They are not the basic state-required standardized assessments such as Smarter Balance from grades 3 through 8; School Day SAT for grade 11 and the state science test in grades 8 and 11. Amity also provides the opportunity for 10th grade students to take the pre-ACT and for 11th grade students to take the PSAT.

As part of her presentation, Dr. Byars pointed out how the towns' financial support has helped build excellence in all "Three A's" — Academics, Athletics and the Arts.

Amity placed first in New Haven

County in terms of academics, and fourth in the state, Dr. Byars said. In terms of its teachers, it ranks fifth in the state. Close to half of the student population enrolls in Advance Placement (AP) classes and 92% of graduates go on to attend a four-year college.

In the athletics, the girls Volley-ball team last year clinched the SCI-AC Class LL championship, and three other teams made it to state tournament runners-up. In all, the school counted 24 All-State Student Athletes, Byars said.

In the Arts, 15 students from Middle School in Bethany recently qualified for the Southern Regional Middle School Band, Choir and Orchestra. Last spring, the high school production of "Catch Me If You Can" got 8 nominations at the Sondheim Awards, with an award going to Andrea Kennedy for her choreography.

"This proposed budget is a clear indication of our efforts to offer the excellent educational programs and services that are consistent with Amity Board of Education goals, community expectations and are delivered in the most cost-effective manner, the superintendent wrote in her summary.

"The Eskimos had fifty-two names for snow because it was important to them: there ought to be as many for love." — MARGARET ATWOOD



"Anxiety Class" From Page 9

The class will meet at Grace Baptist Church, 400 Burnt Plaines Road in Milford, from 6:30 to 8:00 each Wednesday night between April 15th and May 20th and will be facilitated by retired Jonathan Law H.S. school psychologist, Roseanne Meyer. The only cost is a \$25 donation to the church. There will be no charge for former participants who are returning for a refresher. Please call the church at 203-874-8928 with any questions and to register for the class. Registrations will be accepted through April 8th.



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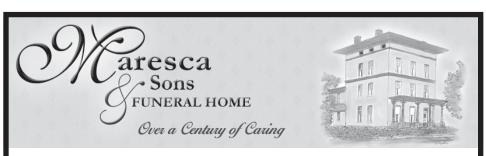
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Timothy Patrick Smith



Timothy Patrick Smith

Timothy Patrick Smith, 56, of Prospect, passed away unexpectedly on January 19, 2020. Born on August 21, 1963 in New Haven, he was the son of the late George and Dorothy Smith.

Tim was a native of Orange and an Amity alumni. Everyone in his neighborhood and the town knew they could call on him any day of the week for his help in their homes, fixing and building anything they needed.

Anyone who knew Tim, knows that he was an extremely skilled woodworker. On most days, you could find him in his workshop making furniture, wooden trucks, trains, jewelry boxes and just about anything you could think of. He had just began a business personalizing wooden pens. Tim was also exceptionally talented at building vintage and WWII model airplanes. This included a love for flying, enjoying anytime he was able to ride in a helicopter. He

would attend airshows with his daughters, sharing his detailed knowledge about the history of each plane, battle, etc. His daughter, Hannah, had decided to become a History major at UConn because of him.

During warmer weather, Tim loved to fish, especially fly-fishing at his favorite river spot in Cornwall, CT and near Charles Island in Milford. Tim impressively tied his own flies, part of the reason he would always snag a fish. He was an avid sports fan and member of the Amity Field Hockey Men's Club, supporting his daughter, Alexa, as goalie. He enjoyed horseback riding with his girlfriend, Terri. He loved his animals dearly, which included his horse, Harley, and many dogs and chickens.

Tim leaves behind his beloved daughters, Hannah and Alexa Smith; loving girlfriend, Terri Philibert; mother of his daughters, Margaret Puddester-Smith; siblings, Katherine (Richard) Berluti and David A. Smith; nieces and nephews, Matthew, Jessica, Melissa, Garrett, Danielle, David "D.J.", Chrissy, Cassie, Brian, and Amanda; and many friends. He was predeceased by his brother, Robert Smith.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Holy Infant Church, 450 Racebrook Rd., Orange. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Orange Volunteer Fire Association, P.O. box 878, Orange, CT 06477 for a scholarship set up for both of Tim's daughters. To leave online condolences, please visit our website at www.codywhitefuneralservice.com.



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Daniel Craig, Chris Evans

9. Like a Boss (R)

Salma Hayek, Rose Byrne 10. Frozen II (PG)

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1. Joker (R)

Joaquin Phoenix

2. Once Upon a Time

in Hollywood (R)

Leonardo DiCaprio

3. Hustlers (R)

Constance Wu

4. Judy (PG-13)

Renee Zellweger

5. Rambo: Last Blood (R) Sylvester Stallone

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7. The Lighthouse (R)

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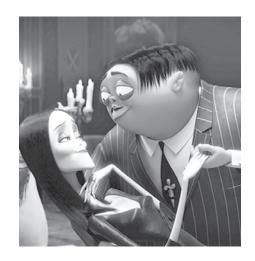
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9. Downton Abbey (PG) Maggie Smith

10. Abominable (PG)

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Scene from "The Addams Family" [Universal Pictures]

"The Addams Family" (PG) -- America's kookiest family goes head to head with a makeover design TV host in this cute, if relatively mild, animated tale. After being chased out of town after town, the Addamses settle in an abandoned, haunted mental institution on a hill in New Jersey to raise a family, safely away from the judgmental eyes of others. But in the valley below, egomaniacal Margaux Needler (Alison Janney) has built a whole idyllic town to film and sell, marred only by a view of the Addams house. The pressure is on to oust Gomez and Morticia, as children Wednesday and Pugsley fight their own adolescent battles.

"Zombieland: Double Tap" (R) -- In 2009, four forces of nature -- Tallahassee, Columbus, Little Rock and Wichita (Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg, Abigail Breslin and Emma Stone, respectively) -- banded together

and formed a makeshift family, a little slice of heaven in a world overrun with zombies. But it's been a long 10 years and they could use a few fresh faces. Back out on the road and once again facing threats from zombies, other tough survivors and weird doppelgangers, the crew is just as funny and dangerous as ever.

"Jay and Silent Bob Reboot" (R)

-- The convenience-store-lurking duo who made their iconic debut in "Clerks" return to the screen with another misadventure featuring inside jokes, self-deprecating humor and inside jokes. Did I mention the inside jokes? Jay (Jason Mewes) and Silent Bob (Kevin Smith) were immortalized in comic book form as Bluntman and Chronic, which Hollywood then monetized without shame. Now, famed director "Kevin Smith" is rehashing the buddies for a movie reboot, and the pair have three days to stop it, with a cavalcade of celebrity cameos along the way. If you love Kevin Smith movies, it's more of what you already love. But for everyone else, it's packed with 25 years' worth of references that aren't funny if you don't "get it."

"Countdown" (R) -- The latest craze in smartphone apps is a countdown to your own death. Just plug in your identifying information and the app will tell you, to the second, when you will die. It seems like harmless fun, in the vein of a Buzzfeed quiz -- everybody's doing it and sharing their results. So Quinn (Elizabeth Lail) downloads the app and is given less than three days until her time is up. She links up with stories of other short-timers and tries to find a way to beat the clock. A few fun jump scares are included, but mostly you'll be wishing for a shorter countdown to the end of the movie.

1. Name The Who guitarist who is known for smashing his guitars during performances. How did that get started?

- Why did Bob Dylan stop touring between 1966 and 1973?
- What was Wicked Lester?
- The Polka Tulk Blues Band ended up as what band?
- 5. Name the television show that used these lyrics in the theme song: "Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale, A tale of a fateful trip."

The storyline tells of castaways who ran aground on an island during a storm while on the charter boat SS Minnow. "Gilligan's Island," which aired for three seasons from 1964-67, a total of 98 episodes. The first season was in black and white. he was quoted as saying he'd wanted to get out of the rat race. 3. The original name of Kiss, with a short period (1970-1971) he was quoted as saying he'd wanted to get out of the rat race. 3. The Original Wicked Lester Sessions." 4. Black Sabbath, 5. beit cheaper ones). 2. He was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident, crashing his Triumph Tiger 100SS. Later, howeve r beter Townsend. He accidentally broke the head off a guitar during a show and afterward continued breaking guitars (al-

Sports Quiz

BY CHRIS RICHCREEK

- 1. Who was the last Oakland A's player before Khris Davis in 2018 to lead the American League in home runs for a season?
- 2. How many times has a Tampa Bay Rays pitcher won 20-plus games in a season?
- 3. Who scored the first rushing touchdown in Super Bowl history?
- 4. Name the last Division II men's college basketball player to be selected in the NBA Draft.
- 5. Which player won the most Stanley Cups without ever playing for the Montreal Canadiens?
- 6. In 2019, the U.S. women's national soccer team set a record for biggest margin of victory in a World Cup game (13 goals). Which country had held the mark?
- 7. Of WBC heavyweight boxing champion Deontay Wilder's 43 pro bouts, how many have ended with Wilder recording a knockout?

has recorded 41 knockouts on his way to a 42-0-1 record. and four with Toronto, between 1950 and 1967. 6. Germany won a World Cup match by 11 goals in 2007. 7. Wilder won 21 in 2018. 3, Green Bay's Jim Taylor, in the second quarter of Super Bowl I in 1967, 4. Robert Whaley of Walsh University was selected with the 51st pick in 2005. 5. Red Kelly won eight Stanley Cups, four with Detroit I. Mark McGwire hit 52 homers to lead the A.L. in 1996. 2. Twice -- David Price won 20 in 2012, and Blake Snell

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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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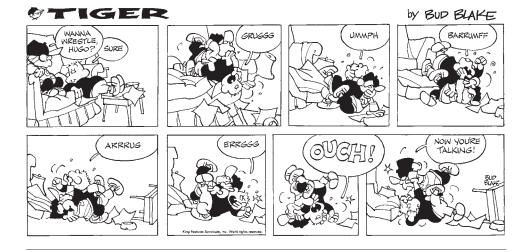
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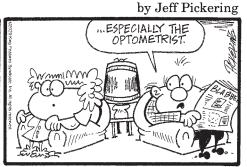
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By Tony Rizzo

Regina King, who won a supporting actress Oscar for "If Beale Street Could Talk," announced she'll direct the civil-rights drama "One Night in Miami," based on the book and stage play by Kemp Powers. The film, set in 1964, will have Malcolm X, Cassius Clay (pre-Muhammad Ali), Jim Brown and Sam Cooke played by actors. King has come a long way since playing Marla Gibbs' daughter, Brenda Jenkins, for 107 episodes in the 1985-90 TV series "227." She's directed TV shows such as "Southland," "Being Mary Jane," "Scandal," "The Catch," "Animal Kingdom," "This Is Us" and "The Good Doctor." In addition to her Oscar, she's won a Golden Globe and three prime time Emmy Awards for acting.

"Bombshell" is a bomb, and "Cats" is a CATastrophe! Despite having multiple Oscar winners Nicole Kidman, Charlize Theron, Allison Janney and nominees Margot Robbie and John Lithgow, "Bombshell" could only recoup \$26.6 million of its \$32 million cost. What happened? It could be the seven-episode Showtime miniseries, "The Loudest Voice," which won a Golden Globe for Russell Crowe's portrayal of Roger Ailes, stole their thunder and made people lose interest. Or perhaps women are just not into watching films

"Cats" is a different matter. I saw the Broadway production three times and can say there was a fascination watching catlike actors moving through the audience and on stage. But getting up close and personal with them on film, with inadequate CGI, made them seem creepy. Perhaps they should have considered doing it like the "Lion King" remake, which used CGI animals. It's

about the "Me Too" movement.



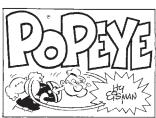
Regina King [Depositphotos]

sad they've only recovered \$58 million of their \$90 million investment.

Also sad is Lana Wood, 73, sister of the late Natalie Wood, whose biggest film role was in the 1971 James Bond epic, "Diamonds Are Forever." She sent out an "SOS" via Facebook: "Please ... I don't have much money monthly, but I really feel to be able to live a peaceful life ... I must leave my home. I must take my dog and go. I would like a small private place, and I can pay rent. I really can't handle this abuse any longer. Help?" Our prayers are with you Lana ... and hope you find the peace you're seeking.

In happier news, some of your favorite TV stars are returning to television. Pauley Perrette ("CSI") has her own mid-season comedy series on CBS in "Broke." Kim Cattrall ("Sex and the City") and "Simon & Simon" star Gerald McRaney preem in May in "Filthy Rich" on Fox. "Nurse Jackie" Edie Falco returns Friday, Feb. 6, on CBS in "Tommy," and "The Nanny" herself, Fran Drescher, becomes "Indebted" with "Wings" star Steven Weber, at NBC. And the horses are at the gate ...

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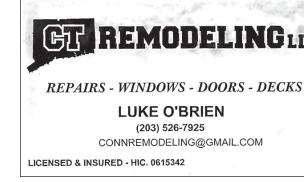
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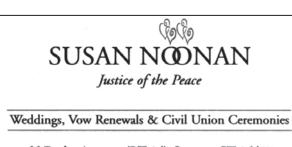




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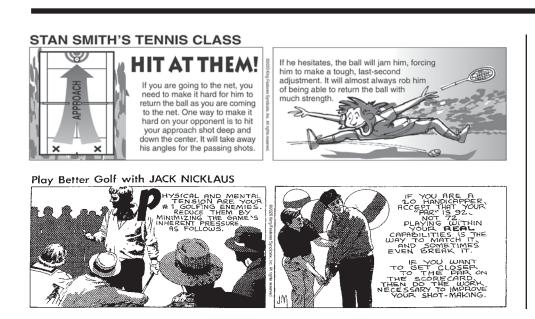


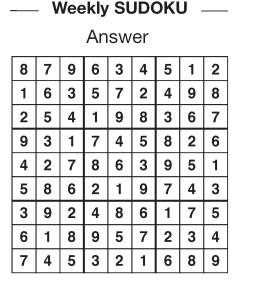


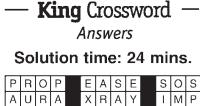


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"I enjoy celebrating Valentine's Day. It's a nice way to say you're thinking about your family, someone special, or dear friends." — CAMILA ALVES







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Red Gemstones For Your Sweetheart

The world is awash in red come Valentine's Day. Red is considered a passionate and warming color, which is why it often is tied to the emotions of love and desire. Red also symbolizes heat, longing and strength. In some cultures, red is viewed as good luck and used to ward off bad spirits.

Gift givers who want to embrace red hues even further during Valentine's Day can dote on their sweethearts with red-colored precious and semi-precious gemstone jewelry. Rubies may come to mind, but there are quite a few stones that offer rosy appeal.

Agate

Red and red-banded agate can be attractive stones. They are a translucent variety of microcrystalline quartz. These stones have a smooth sheen and are relatively durable.

Garnet

Garnets tend to be a darker red than rubies and are not very expensive stones. They're easy to find and can be beautiful in jewelry. Garnets are somewhat soft, so they can be scratched or damaged easily, necessitating caution with their handling.

Red topaz

Like other stones, topaz comes in different shades. Red is one of the hues. Durability, being plentiful and possessing a vibrant luster make red topaz ideal in all types of jewelry.

Red zircon

Pure red zircon stones are unique. Zircon is one of the oldest known minerals on Earth, so zircon stones in varying colors have been around for quite some time. Zircon is quite hard, so it can be worn daily, making it an ideal stone for rings.

Ruby

Rubies are often expensive and highly sought after gemstones. Natural, untreated rubies are very rare. They are made of corundum and are the red versions of sapphires. Rubies are hard and durable and will hold up to daily wear.

Spinel

Much like fool's gold looks like gold, spinel resembles a ruby so much that it is often mistaken. This stone often has high levels of clarity and a high refractive index.

Tourmaline

This is another stone that comes in all different colors of the rainbow, including red. It has a pinkish-red hue, and may be called rubellite. Rubellite is commonly cut into long shapes, but it can be made into many common jewelry styles and faceted to maximize the reflection of light.

Red gemstones may be the perfect fit for Valentine's Day. Always work with trusted jewelers to find quality, authentic stones that will retain their value.

Orange Soccer Association (OSA) In-house Program SPRING 2020

REGISTER ON WEBSITE ONLY http://orange.cjsalive.org

Orange Soccer is a weekly program designed to allow young players to develop their soccer skill in a fun and relaxed environment.

Spring Season

The Spring 2020 season will run Sundays April 19th through June 21st, with a "bye" week May 24th to march in the Memorial Day parade.

Every Sunday during the season, teams of approx. 6-8 players are led through ~15 minutes of skill building exercises, followed by 45-60 minutes of game time depending on the age group. Teams are coached by parent volunteers and officiated by experienced referees.

Uniform

Players will be provided a team T-Shirt on the 1st day of the season. Players must wear shin guards and sneakers (soccer cleats are optional). They should also bring water and great attitude. The may wear shorts or athletic pants depending on the weather. Soccer is an all-weather sport and will be played in light rain conditions. Any cancellations will be communicated via group e-mail and on our Facebook page.

Team Divisions, Game Time and Location

Teams are made up mostly by the Grade the child will be entering in the fall. We do it this way so that players potentially know each other from the classroom. Any special considerations should be noted in the Notes field of the on-line registration form.

Team Divisions	Potential Game Time/Location (to be confirmed after we know the # of registered players)				
Co-ed Pre-k & K	11:00- 12PM or 12:15-1:15PM at MLT				
Boys 1 st & 2 nd Grade	1:15-2:30PM at Mary L Tracy				
Boys 3 rd & 4 th Grade	1:15-2:30PM at Mary L Tracy				
Girls 1 st & 2 nd Grade	2:30-3:45PM at Mary L Tracy				
Girls 3 rd & 4 th Grade	3:45-5:00PM at Mary L Tracy				
Co-ed 5 th , 6 th & 7 th Grade	1:00-2:15PM at Fred Wolf Park				

Practice Clinics

In addition to the Sunday program, we offer free clinics at Fred Wolf Park (300 Hollow Rd, Orange CT) to boys and girls of all enrolled players. These sessions are coached by Sterling Smith, one of Amity Travel Soccer tenured coaches. Players must wear shin guards and sneakers (soccer cleats are optional) and bring water. Times may change!

	Tuesday	Thursday
Girls	4:30-5:30	5:30-6:30
Boys	5:30-6:30	4:30-5:30

Fees

The fee for the season is \$80 if registered before March 1st. (\$90 base fee less \$10 early bird discount). From March 1st through March 31st the base fee of \$90 will apply. After March 21st a \$25 Late fee will be applied - total fee \$115.

Orange Soccer is most successful due to all the great volunteers we have. Please consider coaching your child's team. Pre-season training is available for 1st time coaches. In order to coach, please register your child and also yourself. If you are a first time volunteer you will need to enter your birthdates and Social Security Number, so that the Connecticut Junior Soccer Association may run a free background check.

Sponsorship Opportunity

Orange Soccer also greatly appreciates all of our sponsors and offers two levels of sponsorship:

Basic: 1 season \$100

• Deluxe: 3 seasons \$200

You can sign up to sponsor your child's team by indicating so on the registration page and supplying a logo in solid black or solid white.

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If you need additional information please email us at orangesoccerct@gmail.com or call Tom Pisano 203 877-2058

Please help us spread the word and share with those families especially with children entering Pre k and Kindergarten this spring.

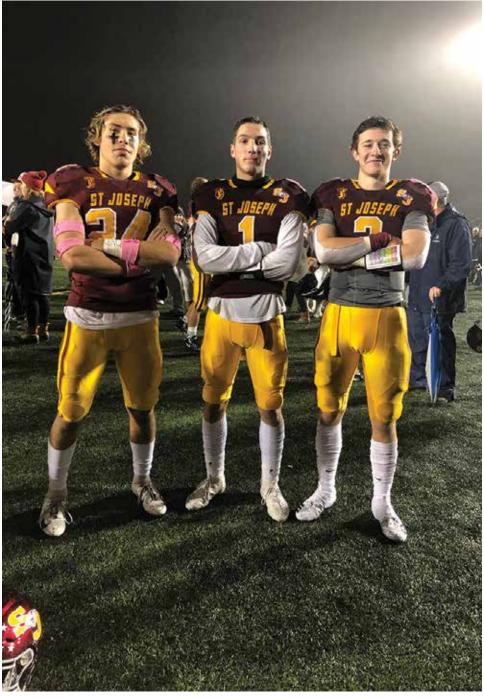
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LOCAL SPORTS





On December 14th these three athletes from Orange helped the St. Joseph High School football team win its third consecutive State Championship! Preston Kral, Brady Hutchison and Jack Coughlin attended Racebrook and Turkey Hill Schools and all attended Amity Middle School in Orange before heading to St. Joe's. Congratulations!



The CT Riverhawks Squirt A team went undefeated in the Inaugural CT Ice Festival Tournament, winning the Squirt U10 division. Orange residents, Daxton Feuerstein, Dillon Courtney, and Finn Moriarty, along with their 8 teammates were recognized during the first intermission of the UCONN/Quinnipiac game at the Webster Bank Arena. [Gregory Vasil/SNY]



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Allie Gusmano Named Tri-Captain

Former Amity High School Softball Captain, Allie Gusmano of Orange was recently named one of three captains by Salve Regina University Softball Head Coach Janelle laquinto. Gusmano, a senior, will serve with Jaycee Garrigan (of Uxbridge, Massachusetts) and Andie Nelson (of Candia, New Hampshire), both juniors.

Gusmano has been a four-year member of the Salve Regina University softball team, seeing time at both second and third base. After battling with injuries her freshman and sophomore seasons, as a junior Gusmano appeared in thirty-one of the Seahawk's forty-two games. She finished the season with an in-conference batting average of .389, and an on base percentage of .400.

Gusmano was recruited by Salve Regina out of Amity High School where she graduated in 2016. While at Amity, she played four years of softball. In her senior year, she was chosen as one of the team's three captains. At Salve, Gusmano is in the nursing program and expects to receive her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree in May of 2020. Thereafter, her plans are to continue on to receive her master's degree and become a Nurse Practitioner. Her interests currently are emergency medicine.

Gusmano attributes her softball success to the great coaches at Amity and Salve and those others she has worked with here in Connecticut. "Amity always has one of the premier

programs in Connecticut. Playing for Amity really prepared me for the intensity and competition at the college level." Gusmano continues to train at The Grind in Orange, CT, where she began taking lessons in 2012. "Michael Moras and Matt Untiet have really made a difference in my play. Michael revamped my swing early in my high school career and I attribute those changes to my being recruited by so many programs out of high school. Both he and Matt helped me understand both the physical and the mental parts of the game. Plus, they couldn't be more supportive of me as a player and a person. They made me believe I could play softball at the college level."

"Salve Regina was the perfect choice for me both academically and athletically," says Gusmano. "The nursing program is challenging, especially with the time that softball takes, but the team provided whatever support I needed, academically and emotionally. Being a part of a team where the upper classmen are eager to help you, was one of the primary attractions of coming to Salve. The team and the coaching staff have a real bond. We're more than teammates or friends, we're family. I know these ladies will be in my life forever."

Salve Regina Softball plays in the Commonwealth Coast Conference. The team is scheduled to open its 2020 season on March 11 with a double header against Johnson & Wales, before heading to Florida for eight games.





ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You need to be certain that all the right conditions are in place before you take that first step. It can't hurt to listen to good advice from those who have your best interests at heart.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Be careful not to get involved in other people's disputes unless you know the facts behind the disagreements. That's the best way to be assured of making wise and honest decisions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You still need to be careful about how you're going to spend those energy reserves you finally got around to restoring. Best advice: Avoid overdoing it. Let things take their course.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your aspect continues to favor travel -- alone or with that special person. So if you've been putting off making those getaway plans, it's still a good time to get started on them.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Those socalled golden opportunities that continue to dazzle the Lion still need to be carefully checked out. Be suspicious about anything that looks like the "perfect" prospect.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

Changes at the workplace could make it more difficult to do things the way you prefer. But the wise Virgo who shows some flexibility could find it paying off in a big way.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

You might want to check out the explanation you were given for a sudden shift in your duties. There's a possibility that you haven't been told all the facts that you deserve to know.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November

21) Having confidence in your abilities is important, especially when you could be facing a new challenge, whether it's in the workplace or in a personal relationship. Good luck.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to De-

cember 21) A new work-related opportunity might not be all that it seems. Before making any decisions, you might want to check with others who have had some experience in that area.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January

19) A situation involving someone close could benefit from your timely intervention. Avoid being judgmental. There'll be plenty of time later for those "little talks" you like to have.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

Travel could be a surprise element in that new project. Be prepared for other previously undisclosed aspects that also might come to light as you proceed with the work.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Try

to balance your work-related responsibilities with the time you're spending on your recently revived social life. An old friend might be planning to return after a long absence.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your sensitivity makes you aware of the needs of others. Have you considered a career as a counselor?

Reconnecting With Your Senior Dog

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My

large mixed-breed dog "Hatchet" is 12 years old, and his discipline has slipped quite a bit in the past couple of years. That's probably my fault,

because I've been consumed with running a new business and barely have time to walk him. But this year I've resolved to get back on track with our daily walks. Trouble is, Hatchet will not listen or come when I call him, especially at the

park. Can he be retrained? -- Doug L., Austin, Texas

DEAR DOUG: Giving Hatchet refresher training in basic obedience is a great idea! Once you start working with him daily, he should pick those skills right back up -- especially if you use positive reinforcement methods.

Committing to that daily walk with him is the best thing you can do to improve his behavior and response to commands.

Because Hatchet is a senior dog, he may tire more easily on your walks and may not respond to commands

as snappily as he did when he was a puppy. Be a little patient with him. If he isn't responding well to the "come" command at the park, keep him on his leash during walks and work with him on that command while in the park.

If Hatchet doesn't improve, if he seems lethargic or perhaps a little snappy with other dogs, or if he just seems off, take him to the veterinarian for a checkup. Senior dogs can develop physical issues that distract them from training -- things like arthritis pain or endocrine problems. Make sure those aren't getting in the way of his outdoor time. Best of luck!

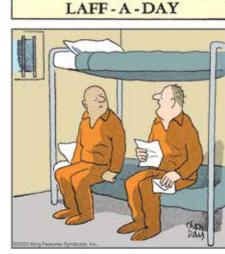
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CAN'T TALK DEAR...DEALING WITH COMPUTER ISSUES RIGHT WHEN I'M IN A BIDDING WAR FOR A VINTAGE STAR TREK PHASER



"It's from my black-sheep brother ... in politics."

by Mike Marland

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THE NEXT TIME YOU FEEL BORED. ASK YOURGELF, WHAT KIND OF



HOCUS-FOCUS



BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



8. Muenster

9. Feta

10. Blue/Gorgonzola

Source: USDA



4. Pants are different, 5. Jacket is different, 6. Tree is moved. Differences: 1, Tie is different. 2, Wall is shorter, 3, Belt is missing.



Middle Ages Roses were widely grown in medieval gardens. They were used medicinally, but also served as symbols and reminders of religious devotion and romantic love. The red rose represented the blood of Christ and of those martyrs dying for the faith. The Virgin Mary was often compared to a white rose. - B. Weaver Source: www.theenglishgarden.co.uk



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