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Police Warn Residents About Rash of Car Break-Ins

By Richard Weizel – Orange Town News Correspondent

ORANGE – After a recent rash of break-ins and thefts of items in cars along several streets, police are warning all town residents and visitors to take precautions that can prevent or at least curtail thefts.

Assistant Police Chief Edward A. Koether said there are some simple things residents and other motorists can do to curtail thefts from automobiles. He said the key is to lock vehicles and remove valuables when leaving cars parked in public view. “GPS units are attractive targets for thieves and leaving even small amounts of change or electronic items in view could invite criminal activity,” Koether said.

Koether said on a recent morning the Department received complaints from residents in the Indian River Road and Silverbrook Road area of thefts from automobiles. He said that sometime overnight an unknown person or

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Orange Mourns Loss of “True American Hero”

By Richard Weizel – Orange Town News Correspondent

ORANGE -- John J. Donohue Jr. was a man of few words. But during his 86-year lifetime he was a man of considerable action. Before he died recently in Hamden, the long-time Orange resident served with “great honor and pride” as a member of the U.S. Army Signal Corps in the decisive Battle of the Bulge in the frozen winter of 1945 in France and Germany during World War II and, years later, in many local service roles including commander of American Legion Post 127 in Orange.



John J. Donohue, Jr.

Donohue served on the Amity Regional Board of Education from 1987 to 1999 and also was past chairman of the Orange Democratic Town Committee, founder of the Connecticut Chapter of Americans for Democratic Action. A long-time member of the Amity League of Women Voters, he was also active lobbying for legislation in Hartford on issues pertaining to “social justice and the common good.”

Born in the Bronx in June 1923, just a few months after Yankee Stadium was built not far from his home, Donohue was truly as “American as Apple Pie,” say his closest friends. “John truly was an American hero, serving in the final battle that ensured victory for America and its allies in World War II, and later in numerous groups and as a leader and member of crucial boards on the local level,” said close friend Don Jewell of Orange, another past president of American Legion Post 127 who first became friendly with Donohue in the Orange Rotary Club more than 30 years ago. “He took tremendous

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As the **Orange Town News** prepares to enter our **5th year as YOUR Home Town Newspaper**, we have revamped our style.

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New Web Edition of the OTN

In March we will be announcing our new website with a full on-line version of the OTN

New Feature Columns

Along with Laura Fantarella’s new column “Living Outside the Box” we are planning many other new features for OTN

New Office Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting

We will soon be announcing the opening of our offices located at 653 Orange Center Road (Next to People’s United Bank)

5th Year Anniversary Celebration in April

Stay tuned for some exciting events to celebrate our 5th year as YOUR hometown newspaper

If you have any suggestion or comments, please contact me at rocky@orangetownnews.com

Rocky Salperto Owner/Publisher OTN

OUTSIDE THE LIVING BOX

friends and neighbors. It doesn’t have to be a crazy hobby, it could be about a project, volunteer work or even a job. But let’s keep it.....outside the box.

Help me make this column a success. Send me your suggestions – if you think you may make an interesting subject, or someone you know should be featured, let me know. Please include your name and contact information and the name and contact information of your subject. Send all submissions to Laura Fantarella at laura@orangetownnews.com.



Laura Fantarella

Are you a staid lawyer by day, a belly dancer by night? Do you spend your weekends ice-fishing on a frozen pond in frigid temperatures? Have you ever been dropped out of a helicopter to ski down a mountain? What would your friends and co-workers be surprised to learn about you?

“Living Outside the Box” is a new column to debut in the Orange Town News. Each month I will feature stories that will make you say “Really? Who knew?” about your



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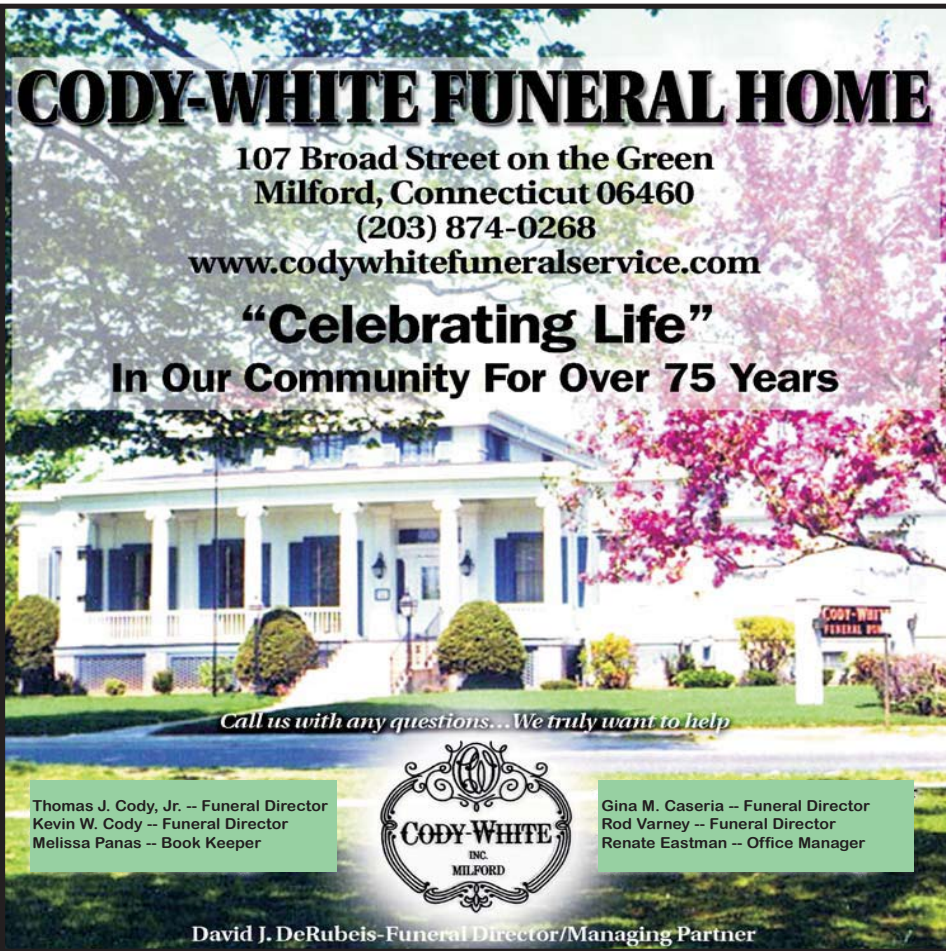
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pride in serving as a signal man during the Battle of the Bulge because his role was so important – putting up lines so his company could communicate with the Allies,” Jewell said. “But he didn’t like to talk much about it. He said he did what he had to do and then moved on and continued serving his country in so many other ways.”

While he talked little about his wartime experience, Jewell said it was clear it impacted Donohue for the rest of his life. “He returned to France and Germany a few years ago on a pilgrimage to retrace his steps in the Battle of the Bulge and when he came back he seemed deeply touched by the trip,” Jewell said. “Again, he didn’t talk much about it, but said he and his wife Mildred wanted to go back and retrace it, he said it was something he just had to do.”

Peter MacDonald, present commander of the American Legion Post in Orange, is a Viet Nam veteran who met Donohue about 10 years ago, said “he spent his whole life dedicated to his family and serving his community and country. When John was our finance officer at the American Legion it took a lot to get him to spend the money,” MacDonald said, recalling his friend’s frugal nature. “When we wanted to spend money he would tell us we shouldn’t unless it was absolutely necessary. That’s why he was such a good finance officer. He always gave it a lot of thought and we kidded him a lot about it. But we knew the legion was in good hands with John in charge of the finances.”

MacDonald said, however, that Donohue could laugh at himself and had a sense of humor when you got to know him. “A lot of people didn’t see that side of him, but he had this dry sense of humor at times,” MacDonald said. “He was just a great guy and we’re all going to miss him.”

Donohue was also an active member of the Orange Democratic Town Committee, serving as a past chairman of the committee. Current Democratic Chairman, Joe Lembo said, “John was truly a statesman and loved the town and his country with all his heart.”

Paul Tarbox, who served in Iraq, 2004-05 and is now clerk for the Select Committee on Veterans Affairs in the state’s General Assembly, said he met Donohue while running for first selectman in 2007. “John was a great patriot,” Tarbox said. “His taking part in the Battle of the Bulge was something I consider more significant than my own in Iraq and I salute him. He was a standup guy, an elder in the community who gave so much to the town. I can only say that the veterans of Orange and the state of Connecticut have lost a great ally.”

Donohue taught junior high school; worked for the federal government in Washington, DC, the NY State Labor Department, the Republic Aircraft on Long Island, NY, and was the Market Research Manager for U.S. Motors, Division of Emerson Electric, for many years before his retirement. Donohue received the National AARP Award in 1992, the Distinguished Service Award Caucus of Connecticut Democrats in 1991, the Secretary of State’s Public Service Award in 2002, and the 1997 Certificate of Merit from the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education. John was also the Marshall of the Memorial Day Parade in Orange.

In addition to his wife, Mildred, whom he was married to for 60 years, Donohue’s survivors include two children, Jeanne D. Miner and her husband Bruce of Wethersfield, and John J. Donohue III, professor of law, Yale University, and his wife Maureen of New Haven; six loving grandchildren Julia, Kevin, and Alison Miner, and Lauren, Aidan and Patrick Donohue, and a great-grandson Anthony Miranda. He is also survived by five nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on February 8th in Holy Infant Church, 450 Race Brook Road, Orange, which was followed by an Interment with full Military Honors in Orange Center Cemetery.



Brown Joins Orange PD

The Orange Department of Police Services welcomes its newly sworn in Police Officer Christopher Brown. Officer Brown is 27 years old, was raised in Morris, CT and attended Wamogo Regional High School, graduating in 2000. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and served from June 2000 - December 2004, was honorably discharged at the Rank of Sergeant. His unit was deployed to Kosovo, Hungary and Iraq.

After his discharge from the Army, Officer Brown attended Southern CT State University from Sept 2005 - May 2009 and graduated with 3.32 GPA, B.S. in Sociology with emphasis in Criminal Justice. While at Southern, Chris did an internship at SCSU PD and attended CT Police Academy and graduated on January 19th, 2010. The Orange Town News welcomes Officer Brown to the Orange community of public servants.

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persons entered numerous vehicles, most by forcibly breaking a door window. Small items such as GPS units, wallets, small amounts cash or change and small electronics were taken.

There were 20 vehicles entered during the overnight period, the assistant chief said. Members of the department’s Investigative Services Unit were able to identify and collect some evidence, which was sent to the State Forensics Lab for examination. Officers are also following up on possible leads developed that night.

On another night there were also six reports of thefts from automobiles reported in the Taulman Road, Rolling Ridge Road area. Small items were taken in those incidents as well, with most vehicles entered through unlocked doors. Officers determined the thefts in this instance occurred in the very early morning hours, and evidence was collected.

Police did not indicate whether there are any suspects in any of the thefts. “The Department asks that you call police if you see or hear anything suspicious outside of your home or around your vehicle,” Koether said. Police can be contacted at (203) 891-2136.

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OCNS Students Receive Special Visitor

The three and four year olds from the Orange Community Nursery School, had a very special guest speaker visit the school. Police officer John Aquino, from the Orange Police Department, visited the children and taught them the importance of safety while in a car or at home. The children were excited to see the very sporty Dodge Charger police cruiser inside and out. Shown here is Officer Aquino sitting among the three year olds from OCNS.

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Below are the next two Orange Town News Issue dates and deadlines for your convenience. Thank you for all of your submissions to the paper. I also hope you like our new format and features starting with this issue.

<u>Upcoming Issue Deadline</u>	<u>Upcoming Issue Dates</u>
March 5th (4 pm)	March 12th
March 26th (4 pm).....	April 2nd
April 16th (4pm).....	April 23rd

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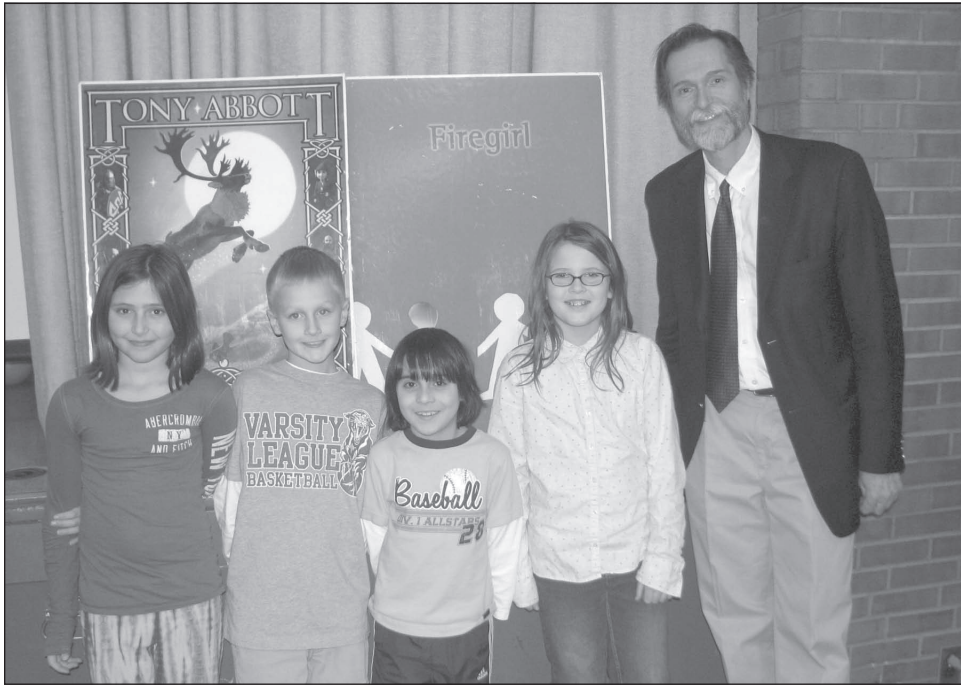
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Abbott Visits Race Brook School

Race Brook School PTA hosted an Author Visit on Wednesday, January 20, 2010. Tony Abbott, author of "Firegirl", "The Postcard", "Time Surfers", "The Secrets of Droon", "Kringle", and the "Haunting of Derek Stone" presented to our 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade students. He discussed reading and writing, storytelling and how to use one's imagination to generate ideas. Mr. Abbott has written over 84 books. Students preordered books from his distinguished list and received a personalized message in each book they ordered.

His presentation inspired many students to begin writing stories of their own and realize that reading and writing can be fun and rewarding!

Bucknell Announces Dean's List

LEWISBURG, Pa. — Bucknell University has released the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2009-10 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. Kaitlyn M. Smith, Orange, CT 06477, daughter of Charles and Karen Smith of Orange, CT, and a 2008 graduate of Amity Regional HS, Woodbridge, CT has met the criteria and the Orange Town News congratulates her on achieving dean's list.

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Orange Students Named to Luralton Hall Honor Roll

MILFORD, Conn., December 17, 2009—Orange students earned a spot on Luralton Hall's first quarter honor roll.

Earning high honors were Freshmen: Lauren Lichac, Rebecca Morgan.

Earning honors were Freshmen: Taylor Black, Allison Maier, Sydnee Sousa, Nicole Sweeney. Sophomores: Ashley Gherlone, Nicole Gherlone; Juniors: Catherine Amato, Meghan Barry, Casey DelBasso, Morgan Ferguson, Alexa Gherlone. Seniors: Kiley Baird, Paulinka Grzwgorcyk, Christina Nettleton, Emily Ruggeri.

Founded in 1905, the Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Luralton Hall, is the oldest college preparatory high school for girls in Connecticut. More than 400 students from throughout New Haven and Fairfield counties attend.



Typical Peer Selection for Orange Pre-K Program

The Orange Board of Education has openings available for children of pre-school age who Do Not exhibit special needs to participate as typical peer role models in the Pre-Kindergarten Program for the 2010-2011 school year. This is in response to a Federal mandate that children with special needs must be educated in the least restrictive environment with typically developing peers.

The Pre-Kindergarten Program meets on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays (not on Wednesdays) at Mary L. Tracy School. The morning session meets from 8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and the afternoon session meets from noon-2:30 p.m. Parents of typical peers must provide their own transportation.



This developmentally appropriate language rich program will provide an environment where children can develop their skills. The Pre-K Program provides a comprehensive learning experience based on the learning standards developed by the CT State Department of Education.

Typical peer children must meet the following criteria to be eligible: 3 years old before June 30, 2010 and younger than 5

- have no developmental delays or identified special education needs
- possess age-appropriate language skills
- demonstrate age appropriate play skills
- child must be toilet trained
- for Orange residents only

The screening process for the typical peer selection will be held on Wednesday, March 17th by the Pre-Kindergarten staff at Mary L. Tracy School. These limited sessions "by appointment only" are scheduled to be held at 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 1:45 p.m. There will be a separate Pre-K informational meeting for parents while the children are participating in the scheduled screening activities in the Pre-K classroom with the staff. If you would like your child to be considered for a Pre-K typical peer role model, please call the Orange Board of Ed., Special Services Department, 203-891-8023, no later than 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 12th to schedule an appointment for your child.

Matthew Szatkowski Makes Dean's List

Matthew Szatkowski is a 2009 graduate of Amity High School and has attained the Dean's List for the Fall 2009 semester at Rider University in New Jersey. Matthew is a freshman majoring in Radio/TV communications. The Orange Town News congratulates Matthew on his academic accomplishment.

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Orange Country Fair Announces Baking Contest Winners

The Orange Country Fair Committee is proud to announce the state baking contest winners from the 35th Orange Country Fair that took place in September. The first prize rosette winners were Maia Wohlert, a seventh grader from Orange won the Jr. Baking Contest. She baked a Cinnamon-Crumb Blueberry Coffee Cake. Maia also won the Jr. Baking Contest last year with her jelly roll. Victoria Gagel of Orange won the Cardamom and Cherry Bread. Lorraine Aldinolfi from West Haven was the winner of the State Apple Pie Contest.

The first prize winners attended the Association of Connecticut Fairs annual fall banquet held in Portland on November 21st. They had to once again bake their goods and compete against all the other Connecticut Fair winners. The required recipes were state mandated and the contest was based on overall texture, taste and following directions. Lorraine received fifth place in the state for her apple pie. Maia and Victoria placed in the upper half of all the Connecticut contestants.

Congratulations to them for a job well done! It was a fun learning experience for all. The dates for the 2010 fair are September 18th and 19th. We look forward to another great year and competition.



Pictured above are some of the contestants who participated in the Youth Services Amity Middle/High schools Teen Talent Contest. The Contest presented 12 acts encompassing 23 teen students.

Orange Youth Services Amity Middle/High Schools Teen Talent Contest Highlights Talented Students

Orange Youth Services held their Amity Middle/Amity High School Teen Talent Contest on Saturday evening, January 9th, at the High Plains Community Center gym, Orange. Teens from Amity Middle and Amity High school were invited to perform a selection of their choice for the contest.

The purpose of this competition is to provide participants with an opportunity to display their skills through the performing arts. Twelve talent acts, encompassing 23 youth, were presented by individuals/groups and were drawn from dance, vocal arts, instrumental and bands. Prizes were awarded and snacks and refreshments were served at the event. Approximately 150 persons attended the event.



The contestants were Gabby Aairdo, Andrew Bailey, Jim Bonvincini, Matt Boyd, Zach DeCola, Cord DePalma, Al Demski, Emily Feng, Audrey Dellert, Chris Ferrell, Shayne Fischman, Eric Hansen, Shaylen Harger, Joanie Kim, Bowen Kirwood, Jenny Liu, Shaun Masse, Dan Raucci, Nolan Roche, Jennifer Schwartz, Robert Schwartz, Brendan Sullivan, and Tricia Thomson. Donated items included an Ovation guitar from James P. Sandler and Ovation; a studio recording session from Horizon Recording Studios, West Haven; Fender guitar from Guitar Center, West Haven; an amp from Bankos Music, Ansonia; Sam Ash gift cards from Sam Ash Music, New Haven; and gift cards sponsored by Youth Services. In addition, all contestants received a bag of appreciation which contained Tee shirts donated by Worn Free, calendars, and gift certificates donated by Five Guys Famous Burgers & Fries. Judges were Dean Falcone, Amit Lahav, Jon O'Keefe, and John Ulatowski. Jon O'Keefe and Dean Falcone were also chief set-up and production coordinators. Bob Brown was student stage crew leader for the event. Robert Catalde was the emcee for the event.

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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.

Orange Congregational Church Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner, Tuesday, February 16, 2010, 5pm to 7pm in the dining hall, 205 Meeting House Lane, \$6/adults, \$3/children. Purchase tickets in advance or purchase at the door. For information or tickets, call the church at 203 795 9749 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

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 and the next meeting is on Tuesday, February 16th.

UConn Alumni Association Executive Committee Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, February 17, 2010, 6:30pm, Chip's Restaurant, 321 Boston Post Road; all area UConn Alumni are invited to attend. For more information, call John Capuano at 203-481-1451.

The Bradley Point Garden Club Day Trip to the Hartford Flower and Garden Show on Saturday, February 20, 2010, with lunch at Trumbull Kitchen; \$58/pp; bus departs from Orange and West Haven. For more information and reservations, open to the public, call Ruth at 203-933-2424.

Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary Pancake Supper, Wednesday, February 24, 2010, Chip's Restaurant, 321 Boston Post Road, early seating at 5 PM/late seating at 6:30 PM; \$10/Adults, \$5/Children 12 and under. Tickets must be purchased in advance from any Auxiliary member or at Knight's Inc., 286 Boston Post Road. For further information, contact Lynn Knight @ 799-2592.

The Davis Gallery Presents "Sea & Sky", summery images that evoke a sense of joy and mindfulness, by Vanessa Van Ryzin Photography, Friday, February 26 - Sunday, March 14, 2010, 200 Boston Post Road (inside Video-Lab), opening reception, Friday, February 26, 2010, 6:00-9:00pm. For more information, call 203-795-4705.

Chabad of Orange/Woodbridge Purim Celebration, Saturday, February 27, 2010, 7:30pm, Southern CT Hebrew Academy/Chabad, 261 Derby Avenue, exciting events for both children and adults, a Megillah Reading followed by mesmerizing entertainment with "Steve's Hypno Show". A sumptuous spread will delight one and all. There is a \$15 fee per person. Please RSVP by Tuesday February 23rd, 203-936-8770.

Chabad of Orange/Woodbridge "Purim Palooza", Sunday, February 28, 2010, 10:00am-1:00pm, Southern CT Hebrew Academy/Chabad, 261 Derby Avenue, large laser tag zone, and musical entertainer extraordinaire, Bobby Doowah, a megillah reading, arts and crafts, moon bounce and lunch, \$10/pp, prepaid reservations by Tuesday, February 23 include lunch; additional fee to pay at the door, prepay online at www.chabadOW.org. For additional information on any of these programs, please call 203-936-8770.

The Orange Land Trust Winter Guided Walk, Sunday, February 28, 2010 at 1:00pm at the Racebrook Tract; meet in the parking lot off Racebrook Road (Route 114); coffee and refreshments will be served in the parking lot. For information, call Judy at 203-799-6321.

Boy Scouts 100th Anniversary Celebration, Sunday, February 28, 2010, HPCC, 525 Orange Center Road, 2:00 p.m. For more information, contact Donna Wesolowski (203-799-3519; donnaweso@optimum.net) or see article on page 8 in this issue.

Park & Recreation Karate Classes, ages 4-adult, new session Tuesday, March 9, 2010, HPCC, 525 Orange Center Road. For more information, contact Chris Sansonetti at 203-783-9768 or visit www.superiorkarate.net.

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HAPPENINGS AT THE ORANGE SENIOR CENTER

By Joanne Byrne

Coach "Porky" Vieira Speaks

Frank "Porky" Vieira, former head coach of the UNH Baseball team, will speak at the February 18 meeting of the Orange Senior Center Men's Club. The University of New Haven has one of the most storied baseball programs in the history of NCAA Division II. Any discussion of Charger Baseball begins and ends with legendary former head coach Frank "Porky" Vieira. Vieira is the true "father" of UNH baseball and until recently the only coach the school has ever known. He founded the program in 1963 and coached 43 winning seasons overall. Vieira's achievements have been featured in Sports Illustrated; he received the "gold Key" from the Connecticut Sports Writers Association and was named Coach of the Year numerous times for NCAA Northeast Region as well as the New England Collegiate Conference (NECC) and the East Coast Conference (ECC). Coach Vieira will speak in the senior lounge at 10:30 am. Call the senior center at 203-891-4784 to reserve a spot. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Pancake Breakfast to Benefit the OCS Emergency Assistance Fund

Tickets are now on sale at the Orange Senior Center for the Saturday, March 6th's second annual Pancake Breakfast in the High Plains Community Center Senior Café from 8:00 to 11:30. Delicious pancakes with bacon and coffee will be cooked by members of the Church of the Good Shepherd and all proceeds from the breakfast will go to support the Community Services Emergency Assistance Fund. There will also be a 50/50 raffle. Cost of tickets is \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for children, and \$15 for a family. A limited number of tickets will be sold at the door.

The Emergency Assistance Fund is available to residents of all ages who meet eligibility criteria for emergency food, fuel, medications and other items necessary for the safety and well-being of the individual. The fund is administered by the Community Services Department and application is made through Dennis Marsh, Elderly Outreach Worker and Municipal Agent. Bob Kleffmann, a member of the Senior Center Advisory Committee, is chairing the planning committee for this breakfast.

Join the Orange Senior Center to See "West Side Story" on Broadway

Have lunch at Bossa Nova Restaurant in the NYC theater district before the matinee performance of "West Side Story". "West Side Story" is the classic American musical about two star-crossed lovers caught between rival street gangs featuring the great music of Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim. This revival has come back to Broadway with rave reviews. Cost for the trip is \$198pp (a deposit of \$80 is required with reservation) which includes lunch, transportation, orchestra/front mezzanine seats, and all gratuities. Only a few tickets left. Final payment is due by April 5. Call the senior center (203-891-4784) to make a reservation or for more information.

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CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Scouts To Celebrate 100th Anniversary

On February 28, all Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Leaders, both former and current, in the town of Orange are invited to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America at High Plains Community Center at 2:00 p.m. If you were ever involved with the Scouting program, either as a youth or as a leader, please join us as we share memories of the past 100 years of Scouting and look forward to the next 100 years. We will have displays of Scouting memorabilia from years past and an ongoing slide show of pictures from Scouting events. Each of the Scouting Units in town will have displays of their Pack and Troop activities. A short program will be held during which we will have a special renewal recitation of the Scout Oaths and all Eagle Scouts and Scouting volunteers will be recognized.

Anyone who has collections of Scout memorabilia that they would like to display for others to see, please contact us and we will arrange to have secure display space available for you. For more information contact Donna Wesolowski (203-799-3519; donnaweso@optimum.net).

OLT Guided Walk at Racebrook Tract Planned

The Orange Land Trust will be holding a Winter Guided Walk at the Racebrook Tract on Sunday, February 28, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. The walk should take approximately one hour. People should meet in the parking lot off Racebrook Road (Route 114) in Orange. If you are coming from Route 34, head toward Woodbridge and the parking area is on your right.

The Racebrook Tract has excellent, easy walking trails. Coffee and refreshments will be served in the parking lot. Wear appropriate foot wear for ground conditions. All are welcome and please bring a friend. For information, call Judy at 203-799-6321.

UConn Alumni Association to Meet

The Executive Committee of the Greater New Haven Chapter of the University of Connecticut Alumni Association will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 6:30pm at Chip's Restaurant, 321 Boston Post Road, Orange. All area UConn Alumni are invited to attend. For more information, call John Capuano at 203-481-1451.



PRESIDENT'S DAY

MONDAY, FEB. 15

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O.V.F.D. Auxiliary Pancake Supper

The Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will hold its 1st Pancake Supper on Wednesday, February 24, 2010 at Chip's Restaurant, 321 Boston Post Rd., Orange. There will be an early seating at 5 PM and late seating at 6:30 PM. Prices are: \$10.00 for Adults, \$5.00 Children 12 and under. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased from any Auxiliary member or at Knight's Inc., 286 Boston Post Road, Orange. All money raised from this event will benefit the Orange Volunteer Fire Department. Please join us for a great Pancake Supper at Chips while supporting your Fire Department.

For further information, contact Lynn Knight @ 799-2592



Orange Masons Offer Medical Scholarships

Orange Masonic Lodge is offering two \$1,000 scholarships to college students studying counseling, social services, psychology, psychiatry, nursing, medicine, social work, gerontology or pharmacology and having completed a minimum of two semesters in their chosen field, and maintaining a minimum GPA of 2.75 are encouraged to apply for this scholarship. Candidates must be a daughter, son, granddaughter, grandson, niece or nephew of a member of Orange Lodge #143 or a resident of the town of Orange.

Interested students should send a synopsis of credentials, and accomplishments within the chosen field, along with a current school transcript, in writing to: Orange Lodge Scholarship Committee, Mr. Elmer F. Manley, Chairman, 1014 Fernbrook Road, Orange, CT 06477-1011. All requests must be received by May 1, 2009. For further information call Ron Goldwyn, (203) 874-3049 or email Cleanwake@optonline.net or Elmer Manley-chairman (203) 799-2651 or email PLManley@msn.com. Subject: Scholarship.

Network of Executive Women to Offer Undergraduate Scholarships in 2010

Milford, CT. The Network of Executive Women announced that scholarship applications will be accepted from February 01 - March 01, 2010. Undergraduate scholarships are offered to women residing or attending school in New Haven or Fairfield Counties, demonstrating financial need and are returning, continuing or commencing schooling or other types of training to further their educational goals and/or enhance their job skills.

In fairness to all applicants, completed applications will only be considered if submitted in the time frame stated above. Please contact Virginia Allen at (203) 795-0305 or visit our website at www.networkofexecutivewomen.net for further information.

Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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| 1. Proportions | _ _ _ _ _ S | Allocated amount | _ _ _ _ _ N |
| 2. Dickens character | O _ _ _ _ _ | Wood splinter | S _ _ _ _ _ |
| 3. Smallest amount | _ _ _ _ _ T | Dog rope | _ _ _ _ _ H |
| 4. Occupation | _ _ _ _ _ R | Stagger | _ _ _ _ _ N |
| 5. Join together | M _ _ _ _ _ | The very edge | V _ _ _ _ _ |
| 6. San ____, CA | _ _ _ E _ _ | Wild dog | _ _ _ N _ _ |
| 7. Fury | _ _ N _ _ _ | Boring tool | _ _ U _ _ _ |
| 8. Brawny | _ _ _ O _ _ | Thread | _ _ _ _ I _ _ |
| 9. Fret | _ _ _ R _ _ | Verbose | _ _ _ _ D _ _ |
| 10. Sir Richard | _ _ _ _ R _ _ _ | As cute as a | _ _ _ _ T _ _ _ |

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TOWN DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

OVNA Healthline

The next Orange VNA Health Guidance Clinic will be held on Monday, February 22, from 1:00pm to 2:00pm, in its office at 605A Orange Center Road, the former Library. The next Blood Pressure Clinic will be held on Thursday, March 11, from 1:00 to 2:00. No appointment is necessary.

If you are having problems with your blood pressure or your Doctor would like more frequent monitoring; this is a chance each month to get your blood pressure checked. Also, this an excellent opportunity to get more information and teaching from the VNA nurses on various health issues. The Orange VNA is licensed by the State of Connecticut, certified by Medicare and Accredited by the Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP).

Orange Police Department Report

From the Office of Police Chief Robert Gagne

We have been busy serving our community. Here are some of the challenges we faced:

Annual Report for 2009

33017.....	Calls for Service
10.....	Robberies
52.....	Burglaries (27 commercial, 25 residential)
1724.....	Activated Burglar Alarms
521.....	Criminal Arrests
410.....	Shoplifting/Larcenies
283.....	Fights/Disturbances
71.....	Arrests for DWI
1017.....	Traffic Accidents
3157.....	Motor Vehicle Citations Issued
1357.....	Medical Emergencies

Monthly Report for January 2010

2685.....	Calls for Service
0.....	Robberies
0.....	Burglaries
156.....	Activated Burglar Alarms
35.....	Criminal Arrests
69.....	Shoplifting/Larcenies
21.....	Fights/Disturbances
1.....	Arrests for DWI
80.....	Traffic Accidents
319.....	Motor Vehicle Citations Issued
114.....	Medical Emergencies



"Sorry, I was just curious where the _____ started."

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

- Parody
TERIAS
- Forsee
TIPRED
- Trophy
AADRW
- Dreadful
FLAUW

TODAY'S WORD

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From the Desk of the Municipal Agent

By Dennis Marsh

I have a free booklet published by the Hartford Insurance company called "We need to talk... family conversations with older drivers" that is available upon request at Orange Community Services. In it, it explains how attention is often drawn to older drivers and driving safety when an accident occurs. Statically speaking, older adults have fewer accidents, they tend to use seat belts, fewer citations for speeding, reckless driving or alcohol related charges. However, medical conditions, medication usage and reduced physical function can increase the risk of accidents. Factor in the feeling of independence that driving provides and you have an emotionally charged topic.



There are alternatives to driving oneself. The Town of Orange Transportation Services offers door-to-door transportation to Orange residents, age 55 years of age or older or to anyone who has any permanent or temporary disabilities. The vans are wheelchair accessible and services are offered from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, office hours are 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The service goes to Griffin Hospital in Derby, Milford, New Haven, Orange, West Haven, and Woodbridge. The service stops going to New Haven and Hamden at 2:00 pm. Rides are provided on a time and space availability to medical, dental and therapy appointments; banking, hospital and nursing home visits; all programs at the High Plains Community Center and other special needs. A weekly grocery shopping van goes to Stop & Shop, Shop-Rite, CT Post Mall, or Walmart on Tuesdays. This is a donation-based program. If you cannot afford to donate, you are still eligible to use the services and escorts ride free.

Also offering transportation services is the Greater New Haven Transit District (GNHTD). This service is commonly referred to as "My-Rides". GNHTD My-Rides offers extended and weekend hours. My Rides, like all GNHTD services, are fee based. To use the My-Rides services you must complete an application. For an application, please call (203) 288-6282 and GNHTD will mail you an application. It takes a couple of weeks to process the application.

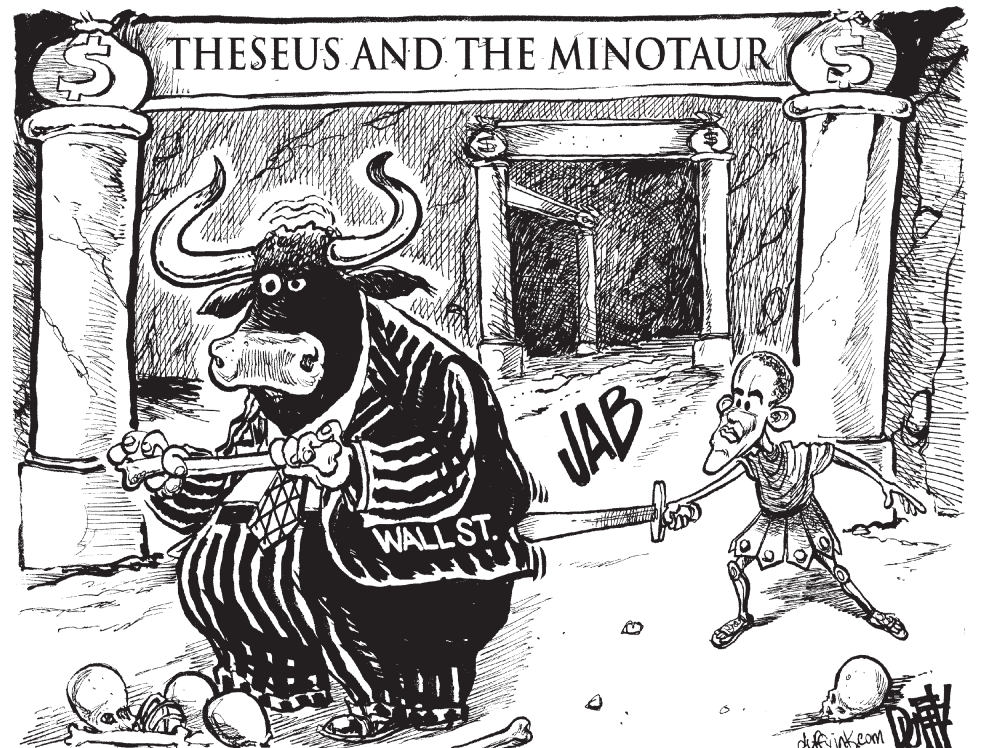
If you have any concerns or questions, please call Kimberly Callahan, Transportation Coordinator or Dennis Marsh, Elderly Outreach Worker/Municipal Agent at 891-4788.

Clean Energy Task Force to Meet

The Clean Energy Task Force of Orange meets on the third Tuesday of every month at the High Plains Community Center. The meeting takes place in the conference room and begins at 8 o'clock. The public is invited and we hope that you'll join us.



The next meeting is on Tuesday, February 16th and we'll be talking about plans for an Earth Day celebration as well as how to sign up for clean energy and save money!





Hully Foundation Awards Grant to Peck Place Sixth Graders

The sixth grade at Peck Place School was the recipient of a grant from the Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation for the second year. The grant is a six week drama workshop conducted by the Jared Andrew Studio for the Performing Arts. The workshop will teach children elements of acting that will help them grow as actors and individuals. The grant is being used as a vehicle for enhancing the curriculum while giving students authentic experiences in the world of arts.

The Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the support of young artists who share in Jamie's creative passion and her love of taking artistic risks. Their goal is to provide opportunities for young artists that will help them to expand their artistic talent and to pursue their dreams – a fitting legacy for Jamie. For more information regarding the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation, please visit the website at www.jamiehulleyartsfund.org.

The Jared Andrew Studio for the Performing Arts opened up its doors in May 2005 in North Haven; offering private and group lessons in voice, acting and dance.

Nastri Scholarship Applications Available

The Orange Scholarship Fund and the Lions Club Scholarship Fund have announced that applications are now available at the guidance department of Amity High School and the Case Memorial Library. All interested candidates may pick up forms at either location.

There will be a scholarship given again this year in memory of Anthony M. Nastri, former selectman of the town of Orange. All students who will graduate from high school this year and live in Orange are eligible.



Anthony M. Nastri



Back row, left to right: Christopher D'Agostino, Nicholas D'Agostino, and Andrew Forchetti. Front row, left to right: Arvand Golbazi and Christian Aliberti.

Race Brook School Holds Book Drive

The Race Brook School Student Council held its annual book and stuffed animal drive in January. The impressive collection of items will be donated to the Jamie A. Hulley Childcare Center in Bridgeport. The center is dedicated to the memory of a former Race Brook School student who had a profound impact on the lives of countless people. The Jamie A. Hulley Childcare Center provides Head Start programs and daycare services and also promotes school readiness and the healthy development of Bridgeport's young children. The students pictured in the photo volunteered their time and energy to help collect and organize the donated items.



2009-2010 Lauralton Hall Women of Mercy (Back row left to right: Nicole Sweeney,'13 of Orange, Anna Wicciorkowska,'10 of Stratford, and Nadia Oberson,'12 of Shelton; Front row left to right: Constance Holden,'11 of Bridgeport and Abbey Guerino,'12 of Milford)

Lauralton Hall Announces 2009-2010 Women of Mercy

Lauralton Hall established the Women of Mercy award in 2004 to recognize young women, chosen by their peers, who exemplify the qualities of mercy that Catherine McAuley established for her religious community - compassion, kindness, honesty, integrity and care for the least of God's people. A student in each class is recognized annually. Lauralton Hall is proud to honor members of the student body, now numbering 26, who witness the works of mercy.

As members of a school founded by the Sisters of Mercy we are imbued with this spirit. The foundation of Lauralton Hall is Mercy and the commitment to live the corporal works of mercy...we listen for the cry of the poor; we seek to ease the pain of God's people through our service and our prayer. We award these young women whose actions speak loudly as a reminder that we are all called to be women and men of mercy.

Congratulations to the 2009-2010 Lauralton Hall Women of Mercy:
 Class of 2010: Anna Wicciorkowska of Stratford
 Class of 2011: Constance Holden of Bridgeport
 Class of 2012: Abbey Guerino of Milford and Nadia Oberson of Shelton
 Class of 2013: Nicole Sweeney of Orange



CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY EVENTS

Case Memorial Library - 176 Tyler City Road - Orange, CT 06477 - 203-891-2170 Reach us on the web at www.casememoriallibrary.org

In the Children's Department

Winter story hour schedule:

Sessions for age 2 are held on Mondays from 10:30-11 a.m. and continue each Monday through February 2010.

Sessions for ages 3-5 (which include a craft activity) are held on Wednesdays from 4-5 p.m. and Thursdays, from 10:30-11:30 p.m. through February 2010.

Story hours sessions will not be held the week of February 14-20; regular story hour schedule will resume Monday, February 22.

A winter Teddy Bear Storytime for children ages 2-5 will be held Tuesday, February 16 at 6:30 p.m. Come in pajamas and bring your bear for an enjoyable time! Please pre-register.

A winter Drama Workshop with actress Ingrid Schaeffer will be held Thursday, February 18 at 11 a.m. for children ages 5-10. Act out the story of *The Fir Tree* by Hans Christian Anderson with props and costumes; a visual arts component is included. Please pre-register.

Children's film *Up*: This Oscar nominated Disney Pixar production is the number one animated film of the year. Rated PG. Will be shown Wednesday, February 17 at 1 p.m. All ages welcome. Please pre-register.

PrepMe Online SAT Preparation for Orange Residents

The library is pleased to announce the addition of PrepMe, an online SAT preparation course that offers 40+ hours of instructional content, practice quizzes and full length tests. The online system will automatically identify strengths and weaknesses and create a customized week-by-week schedule to help raise a student's SAT score. This service is free to Orange residents and can be accessed via the library's website; a Case Memorial Library card barcode is required to login.

Snapshot Day: One Day in the Life of Connecticut Libraries

Thursday, February 18: The Case Memorial Library is one of many Connecticut libraries participating in Snapshot Day. Staff members will be "snapping" photos of patrons in action - borrowing materials, accessing the Internet, participating in programs - to capture how the library is used on a typical day and illustrate its importance to the community. Patrons visiting the library on February 18 will be asked to complete a simple ballot, commenting on what the library means to them, which will also be available on the library's website. Results and pictures from Snapshot Day will be posted via www.casememoriallibrary.org. Come out on February 18 to show your support for the Case Memorial Library! Snapshot Day is sponsored by the Connecticut Library Association, the Connecticut State Library and the Connecticut Library Consortium.



Boomer Law 2010

Wednesday, February 24, 7 p.m. (Snow date: Wednesday, March 3): Join the attorneys of Cantor Floman as they discuss the basics of wills, long-term planning, and Medicaid. This program is sponsored by Boomers & Beyond: A Lifelong Learning Center at the library.

Job Search Services

JobNow provides on-demand live career coaching and interview coaching as well as expert resume assistance for every stage of the job search. Follow the links to JobNow from the library's website www.casememoriallibrary.org. An experienced computer trainer is available in the library, by appointment, to help Orange residents that are out of work and need help to use the Internet for job searching, sending resumes, creating an email account, etc. Job searchers must have basic computer skills and be able to use a mouse. This free training is arranged in two-hour individual sessions. A registration form may be requested at the library's Circulation Desk.

Art in the Library

Colored pencil, watercolor and graphite art by Doris Rogan and Elizabeth Scott will be on display in the Meeting Room through the month of February.

Programs at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, 203-891-2170, are free (except as noted for materials charges) and open to the public. Pre-registration is requested in person or by phone. Reach us on our website: www.casememoriallibrary.org. Sign up for library happenings via the e-newsletter form available in the library or online. Library hours are: Monday-Thursday, 10-8, Friday, 10-5 and Saturday, 10-4. REMINDER: The library will be closed Monday, February 15 for Presidents' Day; regular hours resume on Tuesday, February 16, 10-8.

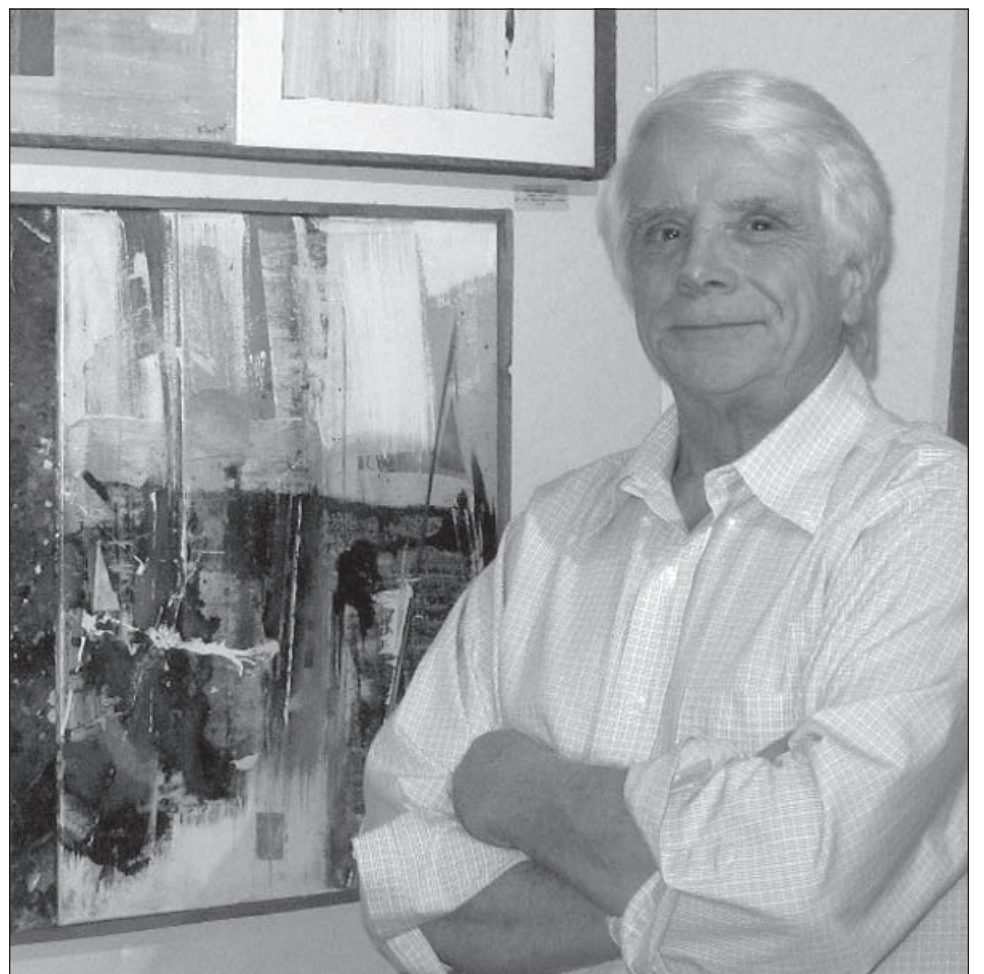
Noted CT Painter Levesque to Present "Artifacts" in March

Noted CT painter and sculptor Ralph Levesque brings imaginative realism to new places in "Artifacts" exhibit in March.

Ralph Levesque has experienced a lifetime of changes from getting his MS in Fine Arts from the University of Bridgeport to teaching art for thirty five years to students at Hamden and Durham private schools to exhibiting his imaginative and award winning works in galleries all over Connecticut. "I'm a romantic visual poet, aware that all design is inspired by the Natural", says Levesque. Gifted with an inquisitive and curious mind, Ralph uses natural and man-made materials to express their hidden meanings beyond their physical presence. "In my sculpture and paintings, I combine practical, commonplace materials to elicit emotional reactions. My intentions are to infuse my work with a spiritual quality that is universally recognizable and available to all of us if only we look with great and simple awareness."

"We're pleased to have Mr. Levesque's works here at Case Memorial Library," states Carlyne Levesque, artist liaison for Case Memorial Library. "Ralph's lifelong commitment to creating and teaching art comes through in his work. His vision for combining materials in unexpected ways connects with young and old alike. His solo exhibit "Artifacts" is a wonderful fit for our patrons and typifies the quality programming we provide the town of Orange and surrounding communities".

"Artifacts" is comprised of 20 paintings and 10 sculptures made between 1998 and 2010 and express a more practical side of the artist and appeal to more mainstream tastes. "Living and working with my art can make for some really far out results!," laughs Levesque. "The pieces in this show have my spirituality but are designed to appeal to a wider audience. Rather than exploring the edges of my imagination and perhaps reaching fewer, these works possess more familiar techniques and subject matter to draw in "the many" to explore their own imaginations and begin seeing life with different eyes. That's where art belongs."



HISTORY CORNER

With Ginny Reinhard

Who Do You Think You Are?

On the surface, the question would have a somewhat negative tone followed with a possible tirade about a runaway ego and perhaps an expletive to make the point. Well, for my purposes, it is an introduction into the wonderful world of genealogy. I say world because the research can literally take you around the world and back again.

Starting from "scratch" is often the way folks begin, asking questions, thinking that grandmother or her equivalent will know all. Grandparents are the jewel in our crown and should be part of the quest but if you have neglected this treasured source, then it's on to the library, your local historical society and, most recently, the Internet. The latter being a wealth of information but "buyer" beware. Some of the ego shows in family information and second and third sources are recommended.

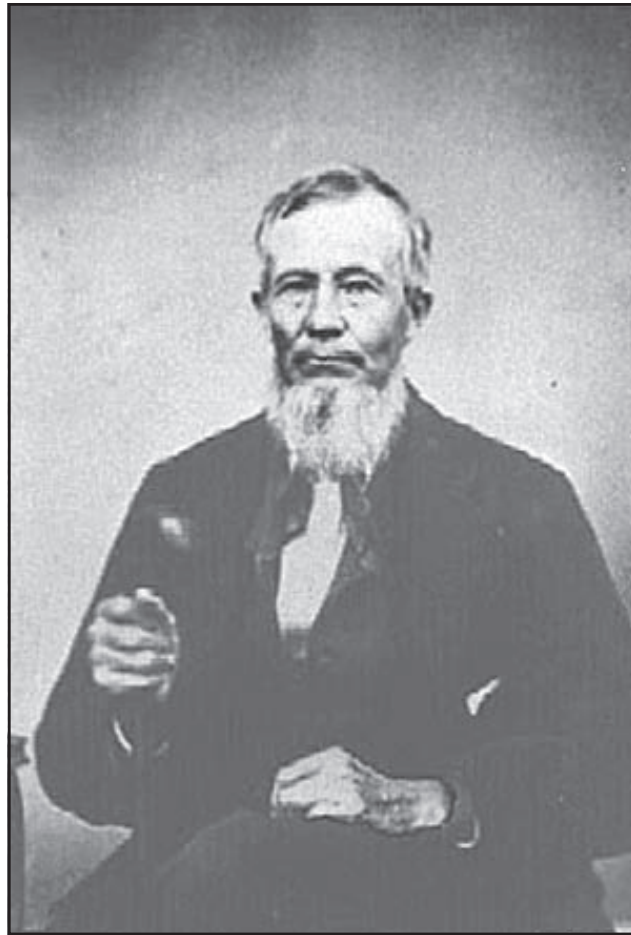
Finding family connections is fun BUT finding connections that you had no idea existed is more fun! It's the connections that make this hobby so interesting and can literally tie you to your seat for hours! Is there really luck in this work or are we being controlled by someone else or something else? I would like to believe it is someone and it is this "someone" who led Bob Belletzkie and me to a scrap of paper, rather illegible but with his "Tyler City Railroad" eye and my enthusiasm for history, a door has opened.

For the most part, the Orange Historical Society has focused on the Stone-Otis House and its first family, that of Dennis Stone. Luckily for us, Robert Hull, a great, great, grandson of Mr. Stone, has researched his roots and it is his material that we use for our tours. Remembering that additional sources are valuable, the 1949 History of Orange, Connecticut compiled by Mary R. Woodruff gives us his governmental side as a 5-term selectman, a constable, grand juror, tax assessor and postmaster.

Woodruff's book tells us of his role as constable, having arrested one David Bowen who, professed that he was only reporting a murder at a home where he was a boarder, when in reality, it turned out that he murdered the man and went off into the sunset with his wife. Part of genealogy is documents, diaries, and pieces of paper and the arrest warrant with D.B.'s signature adds to the credibility of Woodruff's text... an important piece of the puzzle.

If you have ever looked at a puzzle with 1000 pieces and thought that you would never be able to get it all together you have just stated what it is like to follow the paths of genealogy. The difference? Your research can go far beyond the 1000 pieces. The new ancestry websites do make the process easier but again, the "buyer" needs to be aware of those folks who like to see their name in print and often mismatch the details or add to the scenario to make it "look" good.

Just when you think that you have hit the "end of the road" you come across a piece of information that's interesting, has no connection to anything you know but that "ole" cat curiosity just can't let you put it down. So



Dennis Stone

it was with Bob and me when we found that piece of illegible paper, an important piece of a puzzle. It was an 1871 map showing at least 77 small building lots in and around the railroad station on North Main Street (Orange Center Road). At the bottom were two names, Massena & B.T. Clark. Well, we all know the name Clark in this town and we also know that Benjamin Treat Clark owned an extensive piece of property near the Green. Now we have to find town maps around that time. If we are lucky, it's on line but if not, it's a trip to the library. In some cases the local library, but in others the State Library in Hartford. In our case the Orange Historical Society has an 1868 map and there it is, a section of land just south of the Tyler City Railroad, which opened in 1871 with land belonging to another old name, Merwin.

Now speculation enters into this search, who is Massena Clark and where did B.T. get the financing to plan and buy the property around the station? Once again, Mary Woodruff's book comes into play and Susan Abbott's Ancient Families of Milford. But alas, Massena is nowhere to be found. It was on to the Internet and www.rootsweb.com where a family researcher, placed him and his family online opening the door to his life. The family site gives an email address that researchers can use for more clues and sometimes you hit pay dirt and other times you get a "huh, who me?"

The information on Massena was found in a biography on the site and with a click he was there with other famous and not so famous New

Haveners. With luck and good business sense he became a successful man, at one time owning more than 300 homes in New Haven. Benjamin T. Clark was a dairy farmer with a house on the corner of Tyler City Road and North Main Street (Orange Center Road). Could it be that these two men struck a deal to buy the Merwin property and create a "new" neighborhood? Research tells us that they were not related but perhaps met up sometime in the summer of 1871 and combined forces.

Remember being tied to the chair while researching? Well this is where time has no end. Property deeds, at the Town Clerk's office, will help sort out the mystery as notes and comments are often written along the edge of the deed. The Town of Orange has a historic district book compiled in 1978 and there are three properties listed with sales by Massena & B.T. Clark in 1873 & 1875. Today, counting from the railroad station (convenience stores) to the firehouse, there are a total of 6 buildings, not the 12 lots and two roads noted on the map. The story doesn't end here, no sir.

Remember the references to Dennis Stone? He is related to Messena Clark! John Stone of Guilford came to Milford in 1650 while his brother Nathaniel stayed in Guilford. Each married, with John's line leading to Dennis and Nathaniel's led to Julia Chatterton, Massena's wife! Yipes...did you get all that? From a small, folded piece of paper, we find that the land mogul of 1871, Massena Clark was married to Dennis Stone's cousin, she being born in 1817 and he in 1805. What next? You name it and it's out there.

Happy hunting.

Ginny Reinhard is president of the Orange Historical Society.

Saturday, February 20, 2010

10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Sunday, February 21, 2010

ORANGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANTIQUÉ SHOW



Admission: \$4.50
With Coupon: \$4.00

HIGH PLAINS COMMUNITY CENTER
525 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT

Directions:

Exit 56 off Wilbur Cross Parkway (Rte. 15)
Exit 41 off I-95

For further directions call: 203-795-6465

Stone-Otis Doll House Silent Auction

To Be Held at Orange Historical Society Antique Show



The OHS is auctioning this incredible doll house, a replica of the 1830 Stone-Otis House located on the east side of the Orange Town Green.

Saturday, February 20
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"Dining with Susan"



by Susan Noonan

Orange Ale House

Since opening in 2003, the Orange Ale House has established itself as one of the area's favorite food and entertainment destinations. With a menu featuring everything from delicious pizza to Cuban style ribs to charbroiled burgers to lobster dinners, there is literally something for everyone. Orange resident, Jim Hassenmeyer was one of the original partners from day one and completely took over the operation 3 years ago. Jim, his sons, charming manager, Jaime Laine, talented chef Dave Eisenman aka "Ice Cream Dave", along with the rest of his dedicated staff have one of the busiest restaurants and bars in the area. This popular location attracts a wide range of ages from 21 to 80 plus. Jim's goal was to create a welcoming, warm, comfortable in town homey bar where "everyone knows your name". You can stop for a quick bite and cocktails after shopping, happy hour or spend the evening with great food and entertainment.

I absolutely love the food (and cocktails of course) at Orange Ale House. The menu does feature a wide range of choices including their specialty sandwich "Lobster Grilled Cheese" (grilled cheese stuffed with lobster meat, on whole wheat or white bread). I love lobster and cheese but this was the first time I ever saw them as a combo. Definitely a winner and I would highly recommend it. Speaking of lobster, they also offer a lobster dinner including a delicious pound-and-a-half lobster, a pound of steamed clams and fries for only \$21.95 served Thursday thru Sunday. For the turf lovers, they offer a half-rack of Cuban style, fall-off-the-bone ribs with fries and house-made barbecue sauce on the side for \$14.95 and served 7 days a week. An extensive appetizer menu, burgers, sandwiches, pizza, salads, wraps, specialty fries, etc. are available all day thru 11:00pm. A late night menu is available from 11:00pm until closing. Orange Ale House offers a variety of over 50 beers. Happy Hour daily from 4pm - 7pm with free Pizza from 4pm-6pm. Orange Ale House offers special nights in the bar every evening. Sunday & Mondays are "In the Biz" night welcoming fellow restaurant, bar & hospitality employees with 20% off their tab. Tuesdays are Wing Night/911-EMS Night offering police, firefighter, EMTs, hospital staff & military personnel 15% off their tab. (see website for other nights). Having a party? Orange Ale House can accommodate up to 200 people and can assure you that your event will be both memorable and affordable. Jim and his staff host many fundraisers at Orange Ale House and many times donating food, service, and staff tips. On March 7 they are hosting the annual "Jam4jimi's Friends" from 12:00 noon until closing. This fundraiser benefits several local children with special needs to help provide assistance with medical bills, wheelchair ramps, summer camps, etc. Check out their website for further info www.jam4jimi.org.

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Wine Talk


With Ray Spaziani



Meritage Rhymes with "Heritage"

The term Meritage is turning 20 years old this year being the term used to indicate a Bordeaux-style blend. The term developed due to federal regulations that were enacted to improve the wine industry. Federal rules had required that only 51 percent of a wine be made of a grape variety to be called that variety's name. For example, a wine maker could put just 51 per cent of Cabernet Sauvignon and have several other red varieties in the wine and still call it Cabernet Sauvignon. To stop some of the poor wine making activities, regulators increased the requirements of the varietal from 51 to 75 percent in the 1980's.

To call a wine Cabernet Sauvignon it must have 75 percent Cabernet. The old 60 percent blends had to refer to their wines as "red table wine". This is a very down market sounding name. What the regulators did not take into account was blending wines can be a very good thing. Very few wines are capable of being great at 100 percent of the same variety. Some of the blends were killers, taking the rich depth of Merlot, the great tannins of Cabernet Sauvignon, the wonderful aromas of Cabernet Franc, and the spice of Malbec and making a wine that was unlike any varietal and outstanding quality.



A group of wine makers got together and formed the Meritage Association, headed by Mitch Cosentino of Cosentino Winery in Napa Valley. Wine makers paid a small fee to call their wines Meritage and join the association. They developed a marketing strategy that allowed the consumers to begin to recognize Meritage and made some very good wine blends that have helped Meritage to become so popular.

Red Meritage, which rhymes with "heritage", must have at least two of the following: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Petit Verdot, Carmenere, Gros Verdot and St. Macaire. It may not have more than 90 percent and the producers must pay \$1 per case to call it Meritage. A white Meritage is from at least two of Sauvignon Blanc, Semillon, and Sauvignon Vert.

On the 16th of January, Father Pete Dargon, the Pastor of the Holy Infant Church here in Orange, very eloquently told of the wedding at Cana where it said Christ turned water into wine. My bet is he made a white Meritage similar to Cosentino 2006 Novelist Meritage, Napa Valley. At \$21 it is a great buy. Kendall Jackson makes a great intro to Meritage at around \$12. It is great wine for the money. If you can get your hands on some Hahn Estates 2005 Meritage you will find it has a wonderful mesquite nose. This Central Coast wine is a great bargain at around \$18.00. Try some Meritage, you will be glad you did!

P.S. I have four wine classes coming up at Gateway and some AWS wine events. Email me for some information.

Ray Spaziani is the Chapter Director of the New Haven Chapter of the American Wine Society. He teaches wine appreciation classes at Gateway Community College and is a member of the International Tasting Panel of Amenti Del Vino and Wine Maker Magazine. He is an award winning home wine maker. Email Ray with your wine questions and wine events at Ray.Spaziani@gmail.com.

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Al Pacino

Q: Al Pacino is one of my all-time favorite actors. Can you tell me what he's been up to lately and what I can see him in next? -- Paul G., Vero Beach, Fla.

A: The most recent Pacino news has Al taking on the title role in the movie "You Don't Know Jack," which is based on the life of assisted-suicide advocate Dr. Jack Kevorkian. The multi-award-winning star, who turns 70 in April, stars alongside Susan Sarandon, John Goodman, Danny Huston and Brenda Vaccaro in the Barry Levinson-directed biopic, which will be released later this year. He also just began production as King Lear in "King Lear" and has a half-dozen movies waiting in the wings for him to star in.

Q: I absolutely love the procedural dramas like "Criminal Minds" and "Law & Order." I heard that there are even more spin-offs of these shows in the works. Is that true? I hope so! -- Patty J., via e-mail

A: A few weeks back, NBC programming chief Angela Bromstad announced that the network is in talks with "Law & Order" creator Dick Wolf about introducing "Law & Order: Los Angeles," which would mark a location departure for the series, as it's always taken place in New York. There also have been some rumors floating about that Academy Award-winner Forest Whitaker is in negotiations to star in a "Criminal Minds" spin-off for CBS.

Q: On the final night of "The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien," he joked that he'd like actress Tilda Swinton to play him in a movie of his life. While my husband and I thought

it was funny, I got to wondering, how did Tilda feel about that comment? -- Trudy J., Harrisburg, Pa.

A: Tilda has just a great a sense of humor as the next person. When asked by Movieline if she'd be game to play Conan if the chance were ever offered, she exclaimed: "I would just be only too happy. Yes, yes, yes, absolutely!" She even went so far as to suggest that they help each other out with their various entertainment and promotional duties, offering that Conan could stand in for her and help to promote her movies. "And why not? Every girl should have a doppelganger."

Q: When is the new "Parenthood" series going to premiere? It seems like I've been waiting forever! -- Faith G., via e-mail

A: Our wait is almost over. "Parenthood" is set to premiere on Tuesday, March 2, at 10 p.m., just a few days after the closing ceremonies of the 2010 Olympic Winter Games. It was originally scheduled to air on Mondays at 9 p.m., but since the cancellation of "The Jay Leno Show," NBC has had to do some major schedule shuffling to fill in the 10 o'clock gaps. But don't even get me started on Jay -- I am Team Conan all the way!

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ORANGE RESIDENTS



Wedding Announcement

Toby and Michael Zabinski of Milford announce the engagement of their daughter, Marion Zabinski, to Jeremy Handler, son of Carol and Steve Handler of Columbus, Ohio.

The future bride is employed by Myca of Canada as a Director of Corporate Clinic Products. She received her BA in Psychology and Computer Science from Yale University and her PhD from the UCSD/SDSU Joint Doctoral Program in Clinical Psychology. The future bridegroom is employed by Hunter Industries in San Marcos, CA as an engineer. He received his BS in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI.

The wedding will take place in San Diego in August, 2010.

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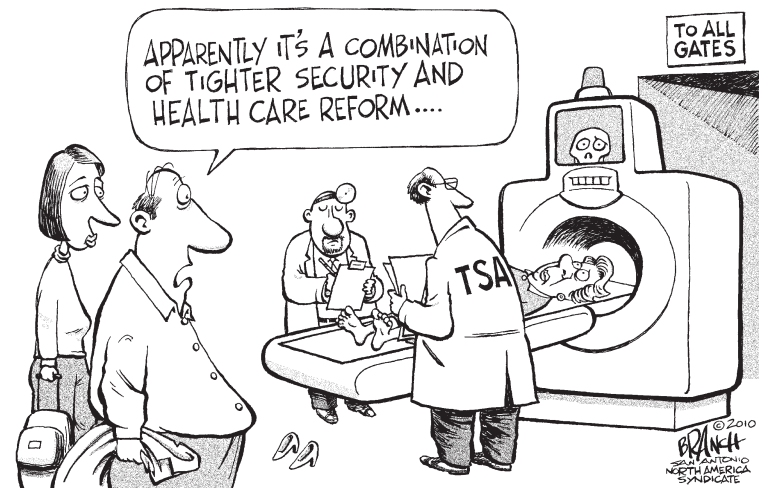
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John and Foula are all smiles at their new location on Elm Street.



Server Wilma Brickner shows off a tasty homemade confection.

Elm Diner – West Haven’s Hidden Gem

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

I expected a recent visit to West Haven’s Elm Diner to be a typical diner experience like any other. Boy was I surprised. This homey gem is more than just a “diner”- it was a dining experience like no other I’ve ever had.

To begin with, the diner is nestled in the Community Plaza, at 111 Elm Street, not in a freestanding stainless steel structure usually associated with a common diner. The simple, brick-faced exterior underestimates the spacious and comfortable feel inside. Once inside, the brand new, sparkling dining room is painted in warm hues of muted gold and peach. Large plush booths line the walls and surround the many tables that can be rearranged like a jigsaw puzzle due to the roomy space. Also, the entire far wall of the interior is lined with stainless steel, and this unique feature gives the room a genuine diner feel.

The hosts of this establishment, John and Foula Theodoridis are what truly make this place a home away from home for the many customers that stream through its doors at all hours of the day and night. While John stays busy keeping an eye on the kitchen and the front desk, his wife Foula meets and greets the people as they enter the establishment. There is a friendly atmosphere that permeates the place. “Hey Foula, how are you?” one customer calls. “Come over here and say ‘hello,’” shouts another lively table of men. The ongoing banter between the staff and customers brings to mind episodes of the TV sitcom “Cheers.” “We take great pride in our customer service and hospitality,” Foula says. “We’re not satisfied unless our customers are completely happy.”

The Theodoridis’ have been in their new location just five months. It is their 20th year in business, having started their careers as young newlyweds in their twenties. Now, they are the proud parents of two daughters and a son. Their youngest daughter, Anna, attends high school, Suzy attends Penn State, and their son, Danny, is pursuing his Masters degree at Duke Business School.

The couple is still working hard. The diner is open 24 hours a day Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and 5 a.m. until 2 a.m. the rest of the week. And they always open and close the restaurant together, with rarely a day off. “The customers like to see us here,” John says simply.

It was a cold winter’s night when I visited the diner and Foula immediately brought me a steaming bowl of homemade chicken soup and hot chocolate with whipped cream. The delicious chicken broth was filled with chunks of real chicken, colorful vegetables, and thin noodles. Delicious! This first course was an indicator of what was to come. The Theodoridis’ take pride in serving only true homemade food. The mashed potatoes are peeled and mashed by hand and flavored with real butter! The French Toast is made with their own fresh-baked challah bread, dipped in egg and smothered in maple syrup. And the desserts...oh I’m getting ahead of myself.

My next course was an appetizer of a traditional Greek favorite, spinach pie. A beautifully presented sliver of pie with a flaky phyllo dough crust surrounded a tasty filling with just the right marriage of feta cheese and spinach. My main course was a special of the evening, a scallop and shrimp scampi. I was curious how a diner would prepare a meal that typically is found on a menu in an upscale Italian restaurant. Not to worry. The delicate sauce had just the right hints of lemon, garlic, white wine and butter, topped with jumbo fresh scallops and shrimp over rice, making it one of the best scampi’s I’ve ever tasted. The nightly specials range in price from \$10.95 (sold-out stuffed cabbage) to the scampi (\$16.95) and include soup and salad.

Like a true Greek mother, Foula insisted my visit would not be complete without a piece of homemade chocolate cheesecake that looked like it had been lifted from the pages of “Bon Appetit” magazine. Their own baker makes all the fresh pies, cakes and confections that line the ample dessert case daily.

These are only a handful of the many delicious foods that the Elm Diner has to offer. Their extensive menu, quality meals, and ample portions are enough to satisfy even the hungriest customer.

John and Foula like to share their success with the community. In 2009 they sponsored a Christmas Eve breakfast benefit for the West Haven W.H.E.A.T. program.

When I left several hours later, several pounds heavier and much, much happier, I found myself looking forward to my next meal at the Elm Diner.

The Goddard School Celebrates a Birthday!

The Goddard School in Orange has just celebrated its fourth birthday! The children celebrated by making birthday decorations and by indulging in a special treat. For the past four years The Goddard School has been a home away from home for hundreds of children and families and has provided an environment where learning is fun and the possibilities are endless! From early literacy, Spanish, sign language, and music and movement, to World Cultures, Base Fitness, Yoga, Manners and more, the children and teachers at The Goddard School make it a point to make learning fun and to make instruction individualized. Children have the opportunity to learn and grow at their own pace and are exposed to many different types of learning materials and curriculums in order to build upon their strengths and enhance their natural talents. Come celebrate with us at The Goddard School to see what it’s all about!

The month of February brings discussions, activities



and learning about Health, Nutrition and Fitness. The children will learn about their hearts and how to keep them healthy as well as how to keep their bodies healthy through nutrition and exercise. Our Yoga, Base Fitness and Sports Mix resources will definitely come in handy for this unit. The children will also explore literature which will focus on food and nutrition and dental health so that the theme is evident throughout all of the areas of the curriculum. In addition to Health, the children will also be learning about Black History Month, and will be celebrating Valentine’s Day and Chinese New Year as well. There is much to celebrate at The Goddard School during the month of February. If you would like to see how your child can benefit from any of our programs, from birth through Kindergarten, please call our office at 203-795-5575. We are currently enrolling for the summer months, and for the fall of 2010, so get your space now!

ARTS AND LEISURE



Opening Reception for Artist Elaine Thompson

The Davis Gallery in Orange, had a lively opening reception of the works of New York artist, Elaine Thompson on Saturday afternoon, January 30th.

Ms. Thompson was there to greet some 45 visitors who came to the Saturday opening to view over 40 hangings of her whimsical art which ranged greatly in size from as large as 6 feet by 5 feet to 8"x 10". Five pieces were sold at her opening. The public is welcome to visit and view all of Ms. Thompson's hangings which will remain on display at the Davis Gallery until February 20th from 10am to 6 pm weekdays and Saturday until 2pm.

The Davis Gallery is located at 200 Boston Post Road in Orange in the VideoLab facility.



Jenny Makes Music for OACC

Jenny Liu, Amity Student and Orange Arts and Culture Council Board Member, recently presented a check for \$500.00 to Bradford Gesler, OACC Treasurer as a contribution to ARTSPLACE, the proposed exhibition/performance center in the Clark Building (in the stacks area of the Old Library). Jenny raised the money herself by putting her considerable talent as a violinist to work for the arts. She played at the Orange Business Expo, at the Hamden Rotary Concert for their International Service Project, at a concert for the Connecticut Burns Care Foundation, at a concert for 30-Hour famine to feed the hungry, and for family and friends to make the money for this donation to the Building Fund.

Jenny is well known in the community as an exceptionally talented young person who has won many prestigious musical competitions. She has played with the Norwalk Symphony Orchestra, the New Haven Symphony Orchestra and has played at Carnegie Hall and the White House.

Her community involvement, besides the OACC, includes serving on the Junior Board of the New Haven Symphony, volunteering at Neighborhood Music School's Open Houses, playing for the Milford Literacy Center Recognition Night, and serving as Co-Host for the Taipei Chamber Orchestra 2009 Concert Trip.

She is an outstanding example of dedication and commitment. We are fortunate to have her in our midst.

MOVIE REVIEW

"Nine"

Directed by Rob Marshall

Movie Review by Zander Oppen

"Nine", the deeply disappointing movie adaptation of the Tony winning Broadway stage musical, starring Daniel Day Lewis and a glittering array of actresses, seemed to have all the hallmarks for screen success. Populated by a list of performers who have won more Oscars than one can count, and helmed by Rob Marshall, who struck lightning with the film version of "Chicago," this should have been a dazzling movie. Unfortunately, the overall effect of "Nine" is a flashy, but ultimately empty, succession of images and bits of musical numbers hampered by a screenplay that doesn't seem to be about anything at all. Of course, one can argue that its source material (Fellini's "8 1/2", as well as "Nine" onstage) didn't contain a strong storyline and was on the esoteric side, but there were compensations to be had in each earlier incarnation that, unfortunately, "Nine", the film, is sorely lacking.



When "Nine" opened on Broadway in 1982, it ushered in a directorial sensation for Tommy Tune and a dazzling debut for composer Maury Yeston. Tune's work was stunning and the whole production was staged within an inch of its life. In addition, it was filled with wonderful performers—among others, Karen Akers, Liliane Montevecchi, and the sadly departed Anita Morris—whose songs were specifically tailored to their glorious individual gifts and personas. And even the 2003 Broadway revival of "Nine", though not on the same level as the original, had style to spare, a sleek "look" about it, and a terrific Antonio Banderas playing the central role of Guido Contini.

This brings us to one of the chief faults of the film: Daniel Day Lewis. While he certainly can sing and is appropriate as Guido, much of his music has been cut, leaving him with just an opening song and a number near the end of the film. If Lewis was unable to handle his character's demanding musical material, why wasn't movie star Banderas (with voice to spare) allowed to repeat his performance for the screen?

With Guido's character under-utilized in the score, it would seem natural that the actresses cast in the film would fill in the blanks. Unfortunately, with one striking exception, even the women and their numbers fall short. Penelope Cruz, as Guido's mistress, comes across as being vulgar in her striptease number and brings little of the delirious fun that Anita Morris brought to the same song. Dame Judi Dench does the big "Folies Bergeres" number, and, while she's good, it makes no sense to have her employ a French accent when her character is established as being British. Nicole Kidman gets to sing the beautiful "Unusual Way," but her screen time is so minimal that the song nearly goes for nothing. And, while Fergie's musical talents as the prostitute are ample, her number seems like a blatant rip-off of Bob Fosse's classic staging of "Mein Heir" from "Cabaret." Sophia Loren sadly has little to do as Guido's mother, while Kate Hudson, talented as she is, is saddled with a dreadful new number called "Cinema Italiano" that would have killed any film.

Rising above it all is Marion Cotillard as Guido's wife. With her Audrey Hepburn-looks and ravishing voice, her song, "My Husband Makes Movies," allows one to experience the pleasure that the rest of "Nine" should have had in abundance. However, even she is unaccountably asked to sell a newly written song, called "Take It All," that is unworthy of her. Ultimately, though, the main criticism should go to director Marshall. All the razzle dazzle and flashy camera angles that worked like magic in "Chicago" do not serve "Nine" at all, and while one can certainly say that this particular musical would have been tricky for anyone to adapt for the screen, certainly a better film could have been made than the uncomfortable result that is Rob Marshall's "Nine."

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ORANGE HOUSE OF WORSHIP EVENTS



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Our Lady of Sorrows Welcomes You to Traditional Latin Masses

Our Lady of Sorrows (OLS) Traditional Catholic Church warmly welcomes you to worship with us! The white country church sits upon the hill where Spring St., Dogburn Lane and New Haven Avenue all meet. The church is open daily for prayer and reflection.



Masses at OLS are celebrated Sundays at 7 and 9 in the morning and at 7 in the evening. The 7 AM is a brief Mass with no music or sermon for those wishing to get a jump start on their day. The 9 AM is a Solemn Mass with full Catholic ceremony. The final Mass on Sunday evening at 7 is a Low Mass with hymns.

Other activities and services include the Religious Education Class for teenagers and adults. This is held in the Parish Center at 7 PM. On the last Thursday of each month, the Novena to the Sorrowful Mother is recited at 7 PM. Daily Mass is celebrated at 9 AM and again at 6 PM.

Fr. Bernard Champagne is the Pastor of this growing, vibrant parish and is available for those who wish to find out more about the true faith of the Catholic Church and its holy sacraments. For directions or more information, please call the office during business hours at 203-795-5076. All are most welcome.

Ladies Philoptochos Society

The Ladies Philoptochos Society of the Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church in Orange, CT, continues to offer their very successful cooking classes for traditional Greek dishes that are part of the Mediterranean diet. The classes are held every Tuesday 7:00 - 9:00 pm at 480 Racebrook Road, Orange, CT. Classes for Spring 2010 will be held on March 2, 9, 16, and 23.

This series will include dishes such as: Yogurt soup, fish soup, cheese pie, moussaka (eggplant layered with meat sauce and béchamel sauce), almond cake, chicken with spinach and feta, and many more... Cost for the series is \$140, and includes ingredients, generous tasting, and copies of recipes. Single classes are \$40. For additional information and registration please contact: Olympia Hadjimichael at 203-397-5112 (daytime) or ohadjimichael@gmail.com; Jane Hadjimichael at 203-389-5251 (evenings) or jane.hadjimichael@gmail.com

Shrove Pancake Dinner Announced

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner will be held February 16 from 5pm to 7pm in the dining hall of the Orange Congregational Church on the green, 205 Meeting House Lane. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Proceeds will be donated to the House of Jacob Church in West Haven. Tickets can be purchased by calling the church at 203 795 9749 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Tickets will also be sold at the door. All are welcome. The church dining hall and restrooms are handicap accessible.



Purim Fun at Chabad

Chabad of Orange/Woodbridge invites the community to celebrate Purim as exciting events for both children and adults which will be held at Chabad, 261 Derby Avenue, Orange. Adults are invited to "Purim Hypnotic", Saturday night, February 27, 2010, 7:30pm. A Megillah Reading will be followed by mesmerizing entertainment with "Steve's Hypno Show". A sumptuous spread will delight one and all. There is a \$15 fee per person. Please RSVP by Tuesday February 23rd.

"Purim Palooza" on Sunday, February 28, 2010, 10:00am-1:00pm is fun for the whole family. Join your friends for the coolest party in town. There will be a large laser tag zone with unlimited opportunity to play and musical entertainer extraordinaire, Bobby Doowah, will entertain with his interactive hands-on music, movement and fun. A megillah reading, arts and crafts, moon bounce and lunch will all add to the festivities. There is a \$10 fee per person. Prepaid reservations by Tuesday, February 23 include lunch. If you choose to pay at the door, there is an additional nominal fee for lunch. You can prepay online at www.chabadOW.org. For additional information on any of these programs, please call 203-936-8770.

Church of the Good Shepherd Announces Upcoming Events

- FLEA MARKET: Valentine's Day Flea Market, Saturday, February 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Breakfast and lunch served. Call Peter Boppert at 799-2760 to rent a table.



- MOVIE NIGHT: On Saturday, February 27, the ECW will hold a movie night. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie starts at 7:00 p.m. Snacks and drinks are provided; donations are welcome. "Race to Witch Mountain" (2009) PG 99 minutes.

- LENTEN PROGRAM: "Walking Christ's Journey"

This year during Lent we will offer a program on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30. The first session will start with the story of the Transfiguration and the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday. At each subsequent session we will look at one of the events of Holy Week in the Bible and how that event is celebrated in the special liturgies of Holy Week. The sessions will be as follows:

February 22.....	The Transfiguration and Ash Wednesday
March 1.....	The Entry into Jerusalem and Palm Sunday
March 8.....	No session
March 15.....	The Last Supper and Maundy Thursday
March 22.....	The Crucifixion and Good Friday
March 29.....	The Resurrection and the Great Vigil of Easter

No preparation is required, although reading the Bible passages ahead of time would be helpful. For more information, please contact Bevan Stanley at the office—203-795-6577 or bevanstanleycgs@optonline.net.

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Wedding Consortium Bridal Fair

The Wedding Consortium, an affiliate program of the Orange Chamber of Commerce, presents its first annual 2010 Bridal Fair on Sunday, March 21, 2010 at the Fred Astaire Dance Studio located at 547B Boston Post Road, Orange, CT. The event will run from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and admission is free.

Billed as "an intimate gathering of wedding professionals dedicated to helping you plan the wedding of your dreams," the event will feature 20 vendors, dance demonstrations, dazzling fashion shows and live entertainment.

A silent auction for 5 new wedding dresses will be held, with all proceeds benefiting the Get In Touch Foundation for breast cancer awareness.

Local professionals participating in the event include: Village Vogue Boutique, Whispers By Lady Olga, The Shoreline Chef, Sweet Designs Cakes, Diamond Designs, Glam Spa, Wild Expressions Florists, Cruise Planners, Susan Noonan, JP, Bright Street Productions, LLC, Healing Hypnosis, and Restoration Labs.

For more information and to pre-register, call 203-882-WILD. Follow the Wedding Consortium on Facebook at The Wedding Consortium.



Messore Named VP of Colonial Properties

Michael Richetelli, President of Colonial Properties, Inc. in Orange is pleased to announce that Fred A. Messore, Commercial Realtor and Development Specialist has been named Vice President. Mr. Messore has been a member of Colonial Properties' team for 3 years and has been integral to its continued success in the area of Commercial Real Estate Brokerage in the Greater New Haven area and throughout CT. A West Haven native, Mr. Messore has extensive background in Economic Development, Banking and Commercial Real Estate Advisory services. Prior to joining Colonial Properties, he served six years as the Executive Director for the West Haven Economic Development Corporation. He is very active in many professional and civic organizations, including being a Past President and Director of the Alife Society of America, serving on the Board of Directors for the West Haven Chamber of Commerce, acting member of the Paugusset Club Capital Improvement Committee, Racebrook Country Club, Class of 2010 Greater New Haven Leadership Center, Bridges to Business Advisory Committee, Orange PTA, coaching Youth Soccer and Softball in Orange where he now resides with his daughter.

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Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



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| 1. Ratios, Ration | 6. Diego, Dingo |
| 2. Oliver, Sliver | 7. Anger, Auger |
| 3. Least, Leash | 8. Strong, String |
| 4. Career, Careen | 9. Worry, Wordy |
| 5. Merge, Verge | 10. Burton, Button |

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Get Ready to Cruise News

By Leslie Marsh

In this column, I've told you about the great value of a cruise vacation. I've also described Cruise Planners' top producer status with the major cruise lines and how this enables us to offer you better prices than our competitors. I've also pointed out that my focus is on providing top notch customer service to all of my customers. Well, as an example of that service, were you aware that there are several ways in which you can get additional discounts on cruises?

Most exciting, there are actually two ways that you can cruise for FREE. As an American Express Travel Services Representative, I can arrange for you to pay for your cruise with your American Express Membership Rewards points (there are some restrictions as dictated by American Express). The second way you can cruise for free is by being the organizer of a group cruise. In addition to the benefits of a group cruise which include lower fares and special amenities, you can earn a free cruise fare; usually one berth for every fifteen full paying passengers.

The cruise lines often offer additional discounts on many sailings. Past passengers enjoy discounts on cruise lines such as Princess and Holland America. Many cruise lines offer special resident rates for their sailings. Cruise lines such as Norwegian Cruise Line and Royal Caribbean often have Senior rates for those passengers age fifty-five and older. Disney Cruise Line is the only line to discount rates for children travelling as third and fourth passengers in a stateroom. Royal Caribbean gives stockholders a discount on their cruises. Many cruise lines also offer discounts for police officers, firemen and teachers as well as for active and retired military personnel.

Speaking of military personnel, I wanted to let you know that Cruise Planners has committed to helping those injured while on active duty by contributing to The Fisher House Foundation. This organization provides comfort homes at major military and VA hospitals for the families of loved ones who are receiving care. We are donating \$50 for each cabin booked on several Royal Caribbean sailings. This means you can enjoy a cruise and help a very worthy cause at no additional cost to you.

Cruises continue to pack big value with their lower costs and mostly inclusive vacation packages. Coupled with the additional discounts available, there really has never been a better time to cruise.

Leslie Marsh, ECC is the owner/operator of Cruise Planners of Orange. For further information, please call 203-799-2367 or email: leslie@getreadytocruise.com.



Masonic Lodge Installs Officers

Ansantawae Masonic Lodge #89 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Milford installed its Officers for 2010 on January 8th at the Masonic Lodge Hall in Milford. The Installation was under the direction of R.W. Alan M. Brown.

Installed as the Master of the Lodge was Scott Thomas Sherrick of Orange. Other Officers include Christopher Buck, Sr. - Warden; Robert L. Thomas - Junior Warden; Alan M. Brown - Treasurer; James H. Tweedie - Secretary; Kenneth I. Greenhill - Chaplain; Kevin M. Field - Senior Deacon; John Hanson, Jr. - Deacon; David Woodhouse - Senior Steward; Jesse Batterton - Junior Steward; Michael Nowlin - Marshal; Salvatore Siconolfi - Associate Marshal; William Levay, - Tiler; Dr. Robert M. Eldridge - Organist; and Dr. Charles Haigh - Historian.

Dollars and sense

ROTH Conversions What You Need to Know

By Roberta L. Nestor

By now most of us have read or heard discussions about tax law changes regarding Roth IRA conversions. Effective 01/01/10 individuals can convert all or a portion of their traditional retirement plans (401k, IRA, 403b, etc.) into a Roth IRA regardless of income levels. Prior to 2010, only families with income below \$100,000 were allowed to do a Roth Conversion. In addition, if you convert in 2010 you will be able to spread the tax liability over a two year period instead of having to pay it all at once.

For example, if you convert \$10,000 of an IRA account in 2010, you can pay all of the tax for the conversion on your 2010 tax return OR you can defer the taxes and add half of the conversion to your 2011 tax return and then the balance in 2012. I am not sure signing up to pay taxes at an unknown tax rate is the best idea. While the majority of taxpayers feel that we will have some sort of tax increase, we have no idea of knowing just how much.



Before you even consider converting, you have to have money to pay the additional tax. Not only will the conversion cost you in taxes, depending on the amount of the conversion it could increase your tax bracket. Rarely does it make sense to pay the tax liability from the retirement account. So, unless you have additional savings or perhaps a big refund you are willing to forfeit, you may want to hold off on converting.

By converting and paying the income tax now, all of the accumulation in the Roth will be tax-free; unlike traditional IRAs that grow tax deferred. Having a pile of tax-free money for income at retirement is very attractive. In theory, retirees will be in a lower tax bracket at retirement than when they were working. However, if you have done a good job of saving, it is likely your bracket could remain the same. For most retirees, their pension is considered taxable income, drawing off your 401k is taxable and a portion of social security income becomes taxable. That is the strength of the Roth, it will generate tax-free income for you at retirement.

Another Roth advantage is that there is no required age when you have to start taking withdrawals as with traditional IRAs that make you begin distributions at age 70 1/2. Beneficiaries who inherit Roth IRAs inherit them tax free, however, they may be required to take required minimum distributions. There are many positives with Roth IRA accounts which is why you should take time to see if it makes sense for you.

The internet is full of websites that are fairly easy to use and will give you the bottom line on a Roth conversion based on a few assumptions. I have found that www.calcxml.com is one of the best Roth Conversion calculators. It is here that you are given the option of paying for that additional tax out of pocket or out of your IRA account. You will be able to see that it does not make sense to convert unless you are paying the additional tax out of pocket.

I do believe that Roth's are a great compliment to any retirement plan. Be wary of sales tactics that have you actually sell your existing IRA in order to do a conversion. Conversions can be done internally wherever your IRA account is currently held. If you have an IRA mutual fund, the conversion is done by transferring the shares "in-kind" to a newly established Roth Conversion account. It is not necessary (or recommended) to change your investments to do a Roth Conversion. Banks, annuities and mutual fund companies all have their own forms and provide the conversion as a service and it is done internally.

Be sure to talk to your tax preparer before you convert. Conversions that are done and then later found to be not advisable (or affordable) can be "re-characterized" back to its original IRA form. There are very specific rules for Roth re-characterizations and your tax preparer or financial advisor will be able to assist you. Lastly, it's not an "all or nothing" proposition. Partial conversions can be very effective while limiting tax liability in any given year.

This material has been provided for general informational purposes only and does not constitute either tax or legal advice. Investors should consult a tax or legal professional regarding their individual situation.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15 IS PRESIDENT'S DAY!

Bad Smell Often Indicates Illness



DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My dog "Scraps," an 8-year-old Lab-collie mix, has a rather embarrassing problem. He has a lot of smelly gas, and when he eliminates, well -- his poo smells. Like, to the point that I have to look away when I pick it up because my eyes water. Is this normal? Is there a way to stop this? -- Melanie T., via e-mail

DEAR MELANIE: You should take Scraps to the veterinarian for a complete checkup, and be sure to mention every delicate detail of his poop and his gassiness. Bring notes to help you remember, in particular: Does the smell have a particular odor? How often is Scraps gassy? Have you noticed a pattern between, for example, when he eats and when he gets gassy? Does his poop always smell? What color is it? Is it firm or runny? (Bring a small sample with you, in a plastic bag or specimen cup.)

The reason I want you to consult the vet first is that smelly elimination is often the first indicator of an illness. The illness may be minor and easy to treat or recover from, but it also may be more serious and need immediate medical attention. Only your vet can say for sure.

If Scraps' problem is not major, then the vet may recommend some changes in his diet. If he eats table scraps or gets into the garbage often, stop both of those behaviors. (Table scraps are often higher in fat than is recommended for pets, and garbage -- well, you may have no idea what he's ingesting.) A supplement or medication also might be recommended, and if Scraps has a weight problem, the vet will recommend a diet to help him shed a few pounds.

Send your pet questions to Sam Mazzotta at ask@pawscorner.com, or write to Paw's Corner, c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. And find more pet resources at PawsCorner.com.

AARF Assists with Pet Food Needs

Amity Animal Rescue Fund, Inc. a non profit 501c3 volunteer organization, would like to bring some cheer to Woodbridge, Orange and Bethany residents who could use some assistance in feeding their 4 legged companion animals. AARF is working in conjunction with the human service agencies in the B.O.W. area.

Residents interested in obtaining additional information regarding the care packages should contact their town's human services agency. All calls will be kept confidential. Please call the following numbers for additional information:

Orange: 203-891-4788; Woodbridge: 203-389-3429 Bethany: 203-393-2100 Ext. 124.

Spay/Neuter Now Program Launched

Amity Animal Rescue Fund, Inc. introduced a spay/neuter program for Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge felines on January 1st. AARF has partnered with several local veterinarians to offer a dramatically reduced rate of \$65 per cat which also includes a rabies inoculation. The program is for both domestic and feral cats. For information call 203-389-1996 or e-mail Amit-yarf@yahoo.com.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



MISTER BREGER By Dave Breger



LAFF - A - DAY



"I'm sure I have the verdict here somewhere!"

HUBERT - - By Dick Wingert



"I took your request for a raise to the manager, and it almost cost me my job!"

Sports Quiz Answers

From page 26

1. Don Sutton, with 52.
2. Billy Martin led the Rangers to an 84-76 mark.
3. The Big Ten in 1940-42.
4. Rasheed Wallace.
5. Brendan Shanahan.
6. Alberto Salazar in 1982.
7. The PGA Championship (2006 and 2007).

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Satire; 2. Predict;
3. Award; 4. Awful

Today's Word:

SEWER

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Dress is different. 2. Man has glasses. 3. Tree is wider. 4. Suitcase is gone. 5. House is missing. 6. Dog's collar is missing.

top ten Anti-Cancer FOODS

1. Tomatoes
2. Broccoli Sprouts
3. Berries
4. Soybeans
5. Tea
6. Pumpkin
7. Spinach
8. Garlic
9. Pineapple
10. Apple

Source: www.thedietchannel.com

top ten U.S. Presidents*

1. Lincoln
2. Washington
3. F.D. Roosevelt
4. T. Roosevelt
5. Truman
6. Kennedy
7. Jefferson
8. Eisenhower
9. Wilson
10. Reagan

*Greatest leaders
Source: C-SPAN

ENTERTAINMENT

top 10 movies

1. **Avatar (PG-13)**
Sam Worthington, Zoe Saldana
2. **Legion (R)**
Paul Bettany, Lucas Black
3. **The Book of Eli (R)**
Denzel Washington, Gary Oldman
4. **Tooth Fairy (PG)**
Dwayne Johnson, Ashley Judd
5. **The Lovely Bones (PG-13)**
Rachel Weisz, Mark Wahlberg
6. **Sherlock Holmes (PG-13)**
Robert Downey Jr., Jude Law
7. **Extraordinary Measures (PG)**
Brendan Fraser, Harrison Ford
8. **Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (PG)**
Jason Lee, Zachary Levi
9. **It's Complicated (R)**
Meryl Streep, Steve Martin
10. **The Spy Next Door (PG)**
Jackie Chan, Madeline Carroll

TOP DVD RENTALS AND SALES

1. **Cloudy With a Chance Of Meatballs**
(PG) (Sony)
2. **The Hangover**
(R) (Warner)
3. **Final Destination: In 3-D**
(R) (New Line)
4. **District 9**
(R) (Sony)
5. **Paranormal Activity**
(R) (DreamWorks)
6. **Inglourious Basterds**
(R) (Universal)
7. **Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince**
(PG) (Warner)
8. **9**
(PG-13) (Universal)
9. **Up**
(PG) (Buena Vista)
10. **Chuck: The Complete Second Season**
(NR) (Warner)

Chartbusters

Top 10 Pop Singles

1. **Ke\$ha**
"TiK ToK"
2. **Lady GaGa**
"Bad Romance"
3. **Jay-Z & Alicia Keys**
"Empire State of Mind"
4. **Young Money feat. Lloyd**
"BedRock"
5. **Iyaz**
"Replay"
6. **David Guetta feat. Akon**
"Sexy Chick"
7. **Train**
"Hey, Soul Sister"
8. **Rihanna feat. Jeezy**
"Hard"
9. **Owl City**
"Fireflies"
10. **Ludacris**
"How Low"



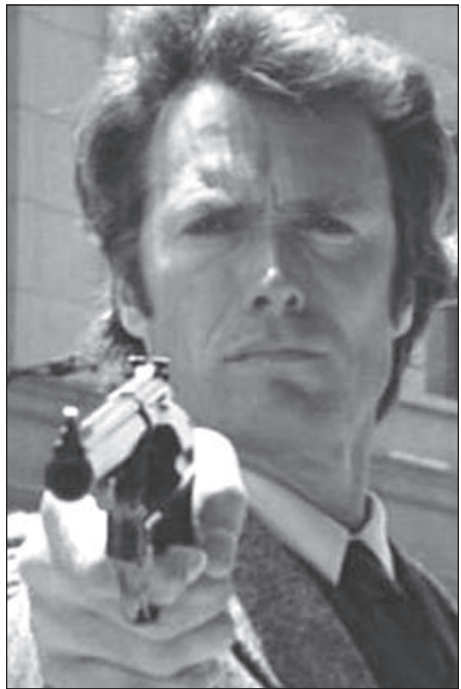
Lady Gaga

Top 10 Country Singles

1. **Tim McGraw**
"Southern Voice"
2. **Dierks Bentley**
"I Wanna Make You Close Your Eyes"
3. **Jason Aldean**
"The Truth"
4. **Miranda Lambert**
"White Liar"
5. **Reba**
"Consider Me Gone"
6. **Lady Antebellum**
"Need You Now"
7. **Darius Rucker**
"History in the Making"
8. **Brad Paisley**
"American Saturday Night"
9. **Josh Turner**
"Why Don't We Just Dance"
10. **Billy Currington**
"That's How Country Boys Roll"

COUCH THEATER DVD PREVIEW

BY DNA SMITH



feel of a film shot in the '70s. The jokes are hilarious, the fight scenes are awesome and the funky score will make your booty bouncy. If you liked "Undercover Brother," you will love "Black Dynamite" 10 times more.

"Goodfellas (20th Anniversary Edition) Blu-Ray" -- If you already own the previous Blu-Ray edition of "Goodfellas," there's really no compelling reason to buy this two-disc set. The digital transfer is the same as the previous release. The commentary tracks by director Martin Scorsese, Ray Liotta, Paul Sorvino, Henry Hill, et al., are the same, as is the documentary on Made Men. The only thing Warner Bros. did for this anniversary edition is pad out the extra features on Disc 2 with a couple of old Warner Bros. cartoons and a documentary on gangster movies from the Warners Gangster Collection boxed set.

"Dirty Harry Collection" -- For nearly 70 years, policemen in films and television were always portrayed as stalwart defenders of the law; men who did things By The Book -- and then threw it at you. Then, in 1971, all that changed when Clint Eastwood as "Dirty" Harry Callahan whipped out a .44 Magnum (the most powerful handgun in the world), aimed it between the eyes of a quivering perp and said the iconic line, "Well? Do ya feel LUCKY? PUNK?!!" From that moment on, virtually every cop in the movies has been a Maverick, a rogue cop who plays by his own rules.

The boxed set contains the entire series of films: "Dirty Harry," "Magnum Force," "The Enforcer," "Sudden Impact" and "The Dead Pool." There is a sixth disc with a documentary on the films' legacy and other featurettes and extras.

EDITOR'S NOTE: New DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of Feb. 16, 2010.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Black Dynamite" -- Hands down, the funniest movie of 2009, "Black Dynamite" is a raucous and raunchy send-up of 1970s blaxploitation films. Michael Jai White stars as Black Dynamite, an ex-CIA agent fighting a one-man war against The Man's conspiracy to fill the 'hood's orphanages with drugs and the ghettoes with tainted malt liquor.

Filmed using vintage 16mm stock, "Black Dynamite" has the look and

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

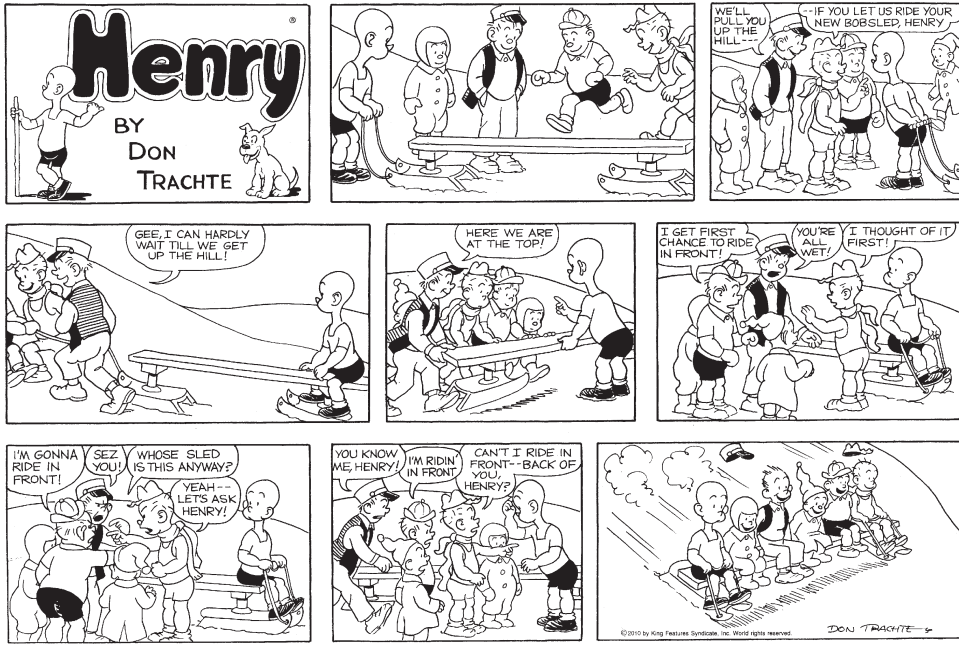
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

- ★ Moderate
- ★★ Challenging
- ★★★ HOO BOY!

COMICS / CROSSWORD / HOROSCOPE



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Annie Lennox's, "No More 'I Love -' "
- 5 Shade provider
- 8 Grate
- 12 Ordinate counterpart
- 14 "Do - others ..."
- 15 Labyrinth beast
- 16 Ollie's pal
- 17 Little, in Paris
- 18 Unisex top
- 20 PC peripheral
- 23 Folder contents
- 24 Angered
- 25 Stately dances
- 28 " - Miserables"
- 29 Pugilist
- 30 Discoverer's cry
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- 3 Sailors' org.
- 4 Evaluated by eyeing
- 5 Jacob's brother
- 6 Baton Rouge sch.
- 7 Strict
- 8 Potential frat member
- 9 Con
- 10 Celeb
- 11 Bridge, in Brest
- 13 Particular
- 19 Speak sloppily
- 20 Wire measure
- 21 Utah city
- 22 Lucy's partner
- 23 Repairs
- 25 Bergen's dummy
- 26 Takeout request
- 27 Phony
- 29 Homer's imp son
- 31 Sphere
- 33 Caught redhanded
- 34 Bottomless pits
- 36 Estate recipient
- 37 Sobbed
- 38 Lotion additive
- 39 Rid of rind
- 40 Patella site
- 43 Wall climber
- 44 Youngster
- 45 Historic time
- 46 CSA soldier

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King Crossword Answers on Page 24



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

Getting advice on your next business-related move is a good idea, but only if your advisers are trustworthy. Get references that you can check out before you make any decisions.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

Getting a boost in your self-esteem is one benefit that comes with a job well done. There are other pluses as well, including being noticed by all the right people. Good luck.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)

Make time to deal with family matters, especially where they concern your elderly kinfolk. Being there for them from the start can help resolve problems sooner rather than later.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

Getting a project started can often be difficult. But the good news is that you won't want for lack of assistance from colleagues who would like to work with you. So, let them!

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

A lot of work-related issues might be raised this week, and you need to be prepared for whatever comes along. Things should be easier when it comes to matters in your private life.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

What might appear to be a very much unwanted change in your life right now could turn out to be a very welcome event after all. Give yourself a chance to see where it might take you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You exercise your strong leadership qualities well, which is why people believe in you and feel reassured by you.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) All that flattery and fawning shouldn't affect any decision you have to make. Keep your focus on the facts and ignore all the hyperbole, especially if it gets uncomfortably personal.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your Bovine instincts are on the mark about that "favor" you're being asked to do. Agree to nothing unless you get a full explanation -- which you would check out first, of course.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A somewhat unsettled recent period should give way to a smoother time going through the week. Use this quieter time to catch up on matters you might have had to let slide.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Feeling a little confused is understandable with all those mixed messages. Take time to list the questions you have. Then present them and insist on answers that make sense.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Cupid can be very helpful for Lions seeking a love connection. The chubby cherub also brings warm and fuzzy feelings to paired Leos and Leonas who already share a special love line.

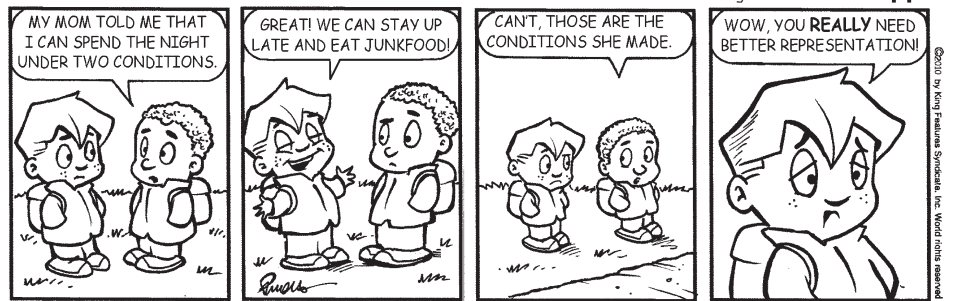
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Death Notices



Mrs. Doris Shields Stark, age 89, of Milford, beloved wife of the late Judge Ronald M. Stark, passed away on Thursday, January 14, 2010 in CT Hospice, Branford. Daughter of the late John R. and Ann Coss Shields, she was born on June 10, 1920 in Derby, CT. She was a graduate of St. Joseph College in West Hartford. Doris retired as a Latin Teacher for the Derby High School, and in later years taught English and History at St. Mary's Parochial School in Milford. She enjoyed playing the piano, reading, and swimming.

Survivors include her devoted daughters and sons, Judith Stark-Davis of Monroe, Mary Beth Stark of Easton, Patricia Stark of Orange, Ronald M. Stark Jr. of Minnesota, Douglas M. Stark, and Peter R. Stark, both of Milford, and six grandchildren, Henry, Michael, Kathleen, Anna, and Molly Stark and Alexander Stark Kovalsky. She also leaves her sister, Rosalie Thorsen of Cumberland, RI, and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her daughter, Deborah and her brother, John Shields. Funeral from the Cody-White Funeral Home, 107 Broad Street on the Green, Milford, on Monday, January 18, 2010 at 9:15 a.m., followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. in St. Mary Church, Milford. Interment in St. Mary Cemetery, Milford. Family and friends may call on Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to CT Hospice, 100 Double Beach Rd, Branford, CT 06405. www.codywhitefuneralservice.com.

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OSA SPRING 2010 Soccer Program

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SATURDAY, MARCH 27ST, 2010

Who: Boys and Girls, Residents of Orange, Ages 5 through 12.

When: Sundays, APRIL 25TH through JUNE 27TH 2010

Where: Mary L Tracy School
 Fred P. Wolfe Park

Locations and times subject to change due to facility availability.

Fees: \$75.00 per player until MARCH 20TH, 2010
 \$10.00 Late fee on any registrations after MARCH 20TH, 2010.

Format: U-5 (Clinic) Divisions will remain coed
 (U-5 = Age 5 as of JULY 30, 2010) 12:00-1:00 PM

Girls and Boys divisions in the following age groups:

U-6 & 7 division (Age 6 & 7 as of JULY 30, 2010) PLAYS AFTER 1:00 PM
 U-8 & 9 division (Ages 8-9 as of JULY 30, 2010) PLAYS AFTER 1:00 PM
 U-12 division (Ages 10-12 as of JULY 30, 2010) PLAYS AFTER 12:30 PM

How to Register:

- Complete the attached form and mail with a check payable to: OSA
 Orange Soccer Association, PO 605, Orange, CT 06477
- Walk-in registrations:** Saturday, MARCH 13th, 2010 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
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 (Foyer Area By The GYM).
- Walk-in registrations accepted by the Orange Park and Recreation office, High Plains Community Center during business hours through MARCH 19th, 2010

Registration Rules:

- A separate registration form must be submitted for each participant. A check or money order made out to the Orange Soccer Association, or exact cash, must accompany registration. Please do not mail cash.
- For insurance purposes, all new registrations must submit a copy of their birth certificate to be retained by the Orange Soccer Association.
- A parent or legal guardian must sign the registration form.

Sponsor Information:

If you wish to sponsor a team please complete the section labeled Sponsors at the bottom of the registration form on the reverse side of this page. If you supply camera ready artwork of your company's logo, it will be silk screened on the back of the team's shirts. If you cannot supply a logo, your company's name will be printed in block letters on the back of the shirts. Thank you for your support. Sponsor forms must be received no later than Sunday, March 21ST, 2010.

Fees: \$100.00 per team per season.
 \$200.00 per team for three (3) seasons.

Questions: Contact **Dario Salati**, Registrar, by email, dariosalati@optonline.net, OR www.OSA-CT.COM
 OSA Co-Presidents, Tom Pisano 877-2058, Bill Hoffman 799-1313

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SATURDAY MARCH 27th, 2010



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OSA SPRING 2010 Soccer Program PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Soccer Questionnaire (Please complete): Boys Soccer: _____ Girls Soccer: _____

Player's Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Sex: _____

Grade: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____

Parents/Guardian Names: _____ Home Phone: _____

Was Player registered in: Spring 09 _____ Fall 09 _____ Work Phone: _____

Player's Athletic Ability (Please rate: 1=Beginner, 2=Fair, 3=Average, 4=Good, 5=Excellent): _____

Player's Shirt Size (order larger size if in doubt): **CONTACT E MAIL** _____

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Parent/Guardian Authorization and Release: I/We hereby authorize our child to participate in the 2010 OSA spring Season, and agree to hold the OSA, its directors, officers and coaches, harmless for any liability arising there from. I/We authorize the rendering of emergency medical care under whatever conditions are necessary to preserve life, limb, or well being of my/our child.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Fee for soccer registration is \$75.00 per player before MARCH 20TH 2010

Fee is \$85.00 after MARCH 20TH, 2010

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 27TH, 2010

Information: Web: www.osa-CT.COM, Email: dariosalati@optonline.net

Please donate to the Orange Soccer Associations Field Development Fund for Orange soccer fields:
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LOCAL SPORTS



The Luralton Hall Ice Hockey Team includes Morgan Ferguson, '11 of Orange.

First Ever Luralton Hall Ice Hockey Team

Luralton Hall is pleased to announce the creation of its first ever Crusaders Ice Hockey Team. The maiden team includes 23 team members coached by Marshall Richards and Michelle Marella. The team plays at the Wonderland of Ice in Bridgeport. Luralton Hall Athletic Director, Nicolle Camara, states that the girls "are having a great time." For more information on the girl's hockey team including their schedule of upcoming games, please visit the team webpage at www.luraltonhall.org.

Amity High School Rugby Club is Growing

All Orange high school age males are encouraged to learn about the world's second most popular sport behind soccer. Once again an Olympic sport, rugby on the high school level has grown rapidly around the United States.

An Amity club organizing parent Ed Walsh mentions: "We now have 12 very active school teams and clubs around the state with several more like Amity in the pipeline." Cheshire, Simsbury, Fairfield HS and Prep, Greenwich, Westport, Wilton, Darien, Branford, Madison, Old Lyme and Cromwell play a full season and clubs in Southington and Avon will be starting this spring.

Amity already has support from men's club teams in the area the New Haven Old Blacks www.nhrugby.com the New Haven Warriors and Connecticut Greys RFC players. In addition, coaches from UCONN and Yale are on board to offer training opportunities. Amity will play in the Connecticut Rugby Union. The club welcomes any former rugby players to help us get things rolling at Amity. Teams like the Cheshire club look forward to taking us on, but we'll be a long way from their level in 2010.

Amity RFC has a website so students and parents can check out more about rugby www.amityrugby.org. The club hopes to hold training and practice sessions in Orange starting soon. More information can be had by calling 203-671-7372 or through e-mail to amityrugbyfootballclub@gmail.com.

Karate Classes Offered by the Orange Parks and Recreation Department

The Orange Parks and Recreation is offering karate classes for ages 4-adult. New session starts March 9, 2010 at the High Plains Community Center. For more information, contact Chris Sansonetti at 203-783-9768 or visit www.superiorkarate.net.

Little League Registration

Orange Little League has begun registration for the 2010 season. This league provides ball games for resident children of Orange in the following leagues:

- T-ball - boys and girls ages 5-6
- Baseball - boys only age 7-12
- Amity Senior Baseball - boys only ages 13-16 (open to Orange, Bethany & Woodbridge residents)
- Softball - girls only ages 7-12
- Senior Softball - girls only ages 13-15

(Age is determined as of 4/30/10 for boys and 12/31/09 for girls)

Uniforms are provided for players 7 and over, shirts/hats only for T-ball. New registrants must provide a copy of their birth certificate. The league offers reduced fees for registrations received before February 20th of \$120 for T-ball, \$160 for Baseball/Softball and \$275 for Amity Senior Baseball.

Registrations can be made at www.orangecitylittleleague.com or registration forms can be picked up in the Park & Recreation Office at High Plains Community Center.

For further information please call Cary Peterson at 257-0404 or email at carypete@aol.com.

Sports Quiz

By Chris Richcreek

1. Who is the Dodgers' all-time leader in shutouts?
2. When the Texas Rangers had their first winning season in 1974, who was the team's manager?
3. Name the last conference before the SEC to win at least three straight national championships in college football.
4. Who is the only player in NBA history to have four seasons of 100 blocks and 100 three-pointers made?
5. Name the only player to have 600-plus goals and 2,000-plus penalty minutes for his NHL career.
6. Who was the last U.S. man before Meb Keflezighi in 2009 to win the New York City Marathon?
7. Name the last Grand Slam golf event Tiger Woods won in consecutive years.

Answers on Page 21

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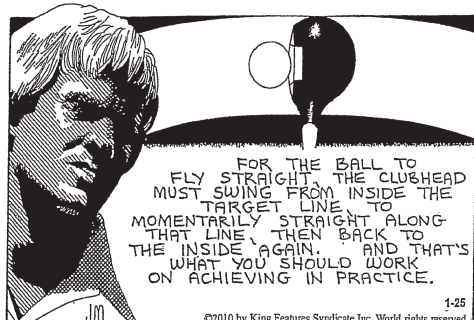
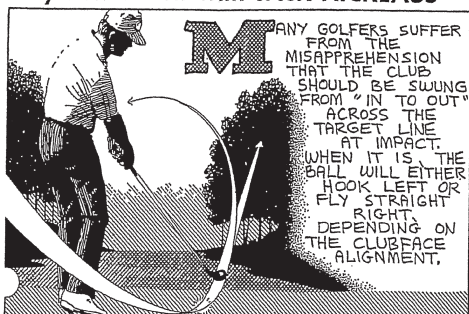
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