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Neighborhood friends play on top of a snow mountain made by plows after the "Blizzard of 2013" on the corner of Center Road Circle and Racebrook Terrace.



## Officials & Residents Pleased with Town's Storm Efforts

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

Head crew chief Don Foyer knows his storms and the blizzard of '13 was one for the Orange history books. It was even bigger than the blizzard of 1978 - which slammed Orange during Foyer's first winter on the job. "The blizzard of 1978 had more wind and bigger drifts but this one was more snow without a doubt," he said. "There were unbelievable conditions Friday night into Saturday morning - you could not see! In 36 years I have never seen it snow so hard in a four hour period! This was a tough storm!" But preparation, organization, modern equipment, a seasoned 12-member Highway Department crew and extra part-time contractors helped the department stay on top of the storm, enabling them to plow more main roads and neighborhoods quicker and more thoroughly than some of Orange's neighbors in surrounding towns. "By Friday night we knew we had trouble," Foyer said. "We normally hire seven contractors when it gets more than four inches, this time we hired an additional four men to operate pay loaders and they worked throughout the day and night Saturday and Sunday. It was snowing so hard the guys could not see their own plows! Trucks and pay loaders were getting stuck all over town and we'd have to send trucks over to get them out. Our guys did a tremendous job."

The crew enjoyed the warm receptions they received as they helped residents dig out. "It was nice to hear a lot of compliments this time around, the guys

("Storm" continued on page 28)



Pictured (l-r): Bill Tribou, 90; Bill Benson, 91 and George "Doc" Whitney, 92 at the 2011 Chilly Chili Run.

## Orange Mourns the Loss of a True Treasure

By Terri Miles - Special to the Orange Town News -

On Thursday, February 21, at 4:20 p.m. the town of Orange lost one of its true treasures, Dr. George D. "Doc" Whitney, 94, died at home in Brattleboro, VT, surrounded by family. For many, Doc was known as the oldest runner

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# Kindergarteners Celebrate 100th Day of School

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

Popcorn kernels, candy canes, Cheerios, pennies, goldfish snacks, pipe cleaners, macaroni, beads, and stickers in stacks of 100 were just some of the items Mary L. Tracy kindergartners brought to their classrooms in celebration of the 100th day of school. The February event, celebrated each year by the kindergarteners and first graders in the district, wasn't held exactly on the 100th day of class as it usually is, due to school closings from the Blizzard of '13, but that didn't deter the festivities. The day highlights the kindergarten and elementary school's math curriculum with activities that included counting exercises, writing assignments, reading and ended with a school-wide hat parade.

Mary L. Tracy teacher Lisa Hine displayed students' work about what items they would like to have 100 of - like dollars, dogs, moms, candy and beds - and what they would NOT want 100 of - like spiders! And if they were 100 years old - what would they do? Well go to the beach, of course, or maybe walk with a cane - or - be in heaven!

Taylor Hawkins summed up what she liked best about the 100th day of school. "The whole day!" she said with a big smile.

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# “Girls Helping Girls” Hopes to Empower Woman Worldwide

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

Though they are worlds away in miles and circumstances, a group of female Amity High School students are doing what they can to help fight oppression and empower women around the world. “Girls Helping Girls,” a new Amity club organization that works to raise funds and awareness of women’s issues will host a March 9 cabaret gala at Lyric Hall in New Haven. The all-female event will feature a variety of acts including performances by singers, musicians, dancers, actors and writers. Most of the cast are members of Amity’s popular Theater Department.

Senior Sabrina Brier founded the new organization last fall as a sister club to Beacon Fall’s Woodwind High School’s “Woodwind for Women Worldwide”. Brier’s interest in women’s issues stems from her own mom, who is involved in the Woodwind High’s club. According to Brier, the organizations are inspired by the Half The Sky movement, which partners with existing charities to promote education, economic empowerment and maternal health for women. “The movement seeks to turn oppression into opportunity for women so they can break cycles of violence, prostitution and sex trafficking,” Brier said. She is encouraged by the initial core of 20 female student volunteers who have joined the club which kicked off with a tee-shirt sale and a holiday messenger service to raise funds. The group meets at least once a month to research and share information about women’s issues and to plan fundraising events. They plan to donate the proceeds from their fundraisers to Half the Sky supported charities at the end of the school year. “We try to learn about topics that appeal to a lot of people, we really want to educate ourselves and others about the cause,” Brier said.



Event organizers Tina Glusac (left) and Sabrina Brier.

The event will start with hors d’oeuvres at 7 p.m. followed by the 7:30 show at Lyric Hall, 827 Whalley Avenue, New Haven. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online at [www.lyrichallnewhaven.com](http://www.lyrichallnewhaven.com). “The space is really cool and pretty, it’s small and intimate,” Brier said. “We wanted the event to be appealing to the public.” Brier is hopeful in the coming years the club will grow and eventually raise substantial funds. “It’s daunting to think of how you individually can make a difference but it’s important to try,” she said.

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Laura Fantarella

one day he'd be back on the Amity fields, calling, not blocking the shots. And this season, that's exactly what Pepe will be doing as Amity's new varsity lacrosse coach. The 25-year-old financial advisor said he is thrilled with his new appointment and ready to make Amity a winning team again. "I'm back to my roots," said Pepe, who started as an attackman in the Eli Youth Lacrosse program at age 12 and joined the Amity Youth program when it was first founded in 2000. At that time lacrosse was a relatively new sport in the Bethany-Orange-Woodbridge area as most kids were involved in the towns' successful baseball programs. "I moved from baseball to lacrosse, I'd had enough of baseball!" Pepe said. Today it is one of the area's fastest growing sports, with five new teams joining Amity's Southern Connecticut Conference division over the last three years alone.

Pepe's vision for his team is two-fold -- win and have fun doing it. "I want the kids to have the same positive experience playing lacrosse that I had. I plan to focus on what's going well instead of what's not going well," Pepe said. "It's not acceptable to lose to worse teams. We have a good youth lacrosse program that is a good feeder into the high school program and we have a really talented group of players. I don't want to be mediocre as a team or as a coach." His goal for this year is to win at least 10 of the 16 games on his schedule and make the state play offs. For the past two seasons, Amity's record has been 6-10.

Pepe is well-prepared for his new post. As Amity's assistant lacrosse



Brandon Pepe

coach for the past three seasons under Head Coach Frank DeRubeis, Pepe not only knows the game from a player's standpoint but is well-versed in leading plays and practices. In his sophomore year he experienced the team making it to the 2003 state championship and in his senior year, was named captain and All New Haven Register Goalie. Pepe went on to play for UCONN's club team led by a former coach from the Division I University of Maryland's Lacrosse Program where he was named Most Valuable Player and All-Conference each of his four years. "The job requires a lot of organization on and off the field," he said. "There will be a lot more pressure than there was as an assistant coach. I'll be attending more meetings, talking to parents, helping students get recruited by colleges and it will be my name that's quoted in the papers." But as he prepares for his first season's try outs as head coach, Pepe remains undaunted by his new responsibilities. After all, he has a team of new coaches, including former teammate Mike Faroni, and years of good coaching and mentors to rely on. "We're young, hard-working, energetic and enthusiastic," Pepe said. "I'm looking forward to this new opportunity and I plan to make the most of it. And I'm mature beyond my years."

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## Bond Proposal Ready for Town Meeting & Vote

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

Town officials are seeking approval for a \$15,427,000 bond to pay for increased security and building repairs at its kindergarten and elementary schools, road improvements and to maintain and refurbish town buildings. First Selectman Jim Zeoli says he has put off addressing repairs to town facilities for several years due to the economic climate and a desire to let Amity complete its capital improvements before embarking on Orange projects. "There's no fluff in these plans. I've tried to hold off as long as I could, but interest rates are at an all-time low and it's an appropriate time to move forward," Zeoli said. The proposal was put together by a bipartisan committee made up of representatives from the town's Board of Selectmen, Board of Finance and Board of Education.

The largest chunk of funds, approximately \$8 million, is needed to update the district's school buildings. All three elementary schools need new roofs and improved handicap accessibility; and the boilers and windows at Turkey Hill and Racebrook schools need to be replaced. "Turkey Hill and Racebrook still have the original boilers that were installed when the schools were built in the 1960s and the current rubberized roofs are at risk of leaking," Zeoli said. "The life expectancies on these materials are over -- we don't want to start to get problems like mold infiltration." Other improvements include replacing unit ventilators and reconfiguring the bus/drop-off circle at Peck Place, and installing new exit doors at Racebrook School. In light of the Sandy Hook tragedy, \$627,000 is allocated for increased security at all schools in town.

The bond proposal seeks an additional \$5 million to repair and repave town roads, many of which Zeoli describes as "suffering". "Some are extremely worn and need rebuilding and repaving, other areas require drainage projects," he said. The Derby Milford Road area south of Turkey Hill Road may require breaking up ledge outcroppings to make the road less treacherous. "We can't make the road less winding, but we still need to make the area safer," Zeoli said. "People's lives are busy and they travel too fast, driving faster and faster on roads that were never designed for high speed travel."

About \$2.3 million is allocated for improvements to town facilities, including the High Plains Community Center parking lot, south wing renovation and heating system; roof repairs at Case Memorial Library; and updating the HVAC /boiler system and security improvements at the Police Department. Zeoli acknowledges the bond will likely affect residents' pocketbooks. "Yes it will have an impact on residents, but these are improvements and maintenance to their buildings and the facilities that they, as taxpayers, own," he said.

The bond proposal will be presented at a town meeting at 7:30 p.m., March 13 at the High Plains Community Center. A town-wide referendum to vote on the bond proposal will be held at High Plains Community Center from noon to 8 p.m., March 20.

## FROM OUR READERS



### Adopt A Fire Hydrant!

It is 2013 and winter is here. During the Orange County Fair and Carnival, CERT had set up a table to ask Orange residents to "adopt a fire hydrant", which entails helping by shoveling out and around the hydrant to aide the fire department in case of fire. Many responded with great enthusiasm, and it was greatly appreciated.

I want to thank all of you that volunteered to help shovel. If any residents of Orange had not signed up and you would like to, or if you're already shoveling your local hydrants, please let me know.

Please email Lisa Hartshorn at the following emails: lahart2269@gmail.com or lhartshorn@caresourceinc.org. I will need to know the street you live on and the general area of the hydrant you are shoveling or would like to shovel.

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Mrs. Gilson's 5th grade class at Peck Place School made cards that were delivered to children in pediatric ICU at Yale.




Kids at Orange Congregational Church Nursery School celebrated Chinese New Year on Feb 5th, 2013. They made Chinese red lanterns and learned that 2013 is the Year of the Snake in the Chinese zodiac. They also ate Chinese dumplings and Spring Rolls. In the picture, there were Ms. Tracie McDermott, the Director for the Nursery School, Ms. Sarah Noyes, the Assistant Teacher, and their 4-5 years program students.




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# ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP



The 6th grade students from Peck Place School recently completed the D.A.R.E. safety program under the instruction of Orange Police Officer John Aquino. The students were recognized during a graduation ceremony and each 6th grader received a D.A.R.E. Certificate of Achievement. In addition, the students were asked to write an essay about what they learned from the D.A.R.E. safety program. One essay from each of the four 6th grade classes was chosen and those students received an additional recognition and also had the opportunity to read their winning essay during graduation. Pictured is one of the four students that had their essay chosen.

## Orange to Begin Charging Tuition for Pre-School

By Melissa Nicefaro - Orange Town News Correspondent

Orange Schools will begin charging \$3,000 tuition for pre-school next fall. The Board of Education supported Superintendent of Schools Lynn McMullin's request to expand the program and begin charging families next school year at its monthly meeting in early February. In introducing the proposal to the Board of Education, McMullin said she expects this will be a controversial topic, but the time has come to both expand the program and to gain some revenue from it.



Pre-schooler Alden Young from last year's program.

The pre-school program, which is held at Mary L. Tracy School, includes special needs children and peers. Children will be selected in a blind lottery to participate as community peers. The Pre-School Program is designed to prepare each child for early success and school readiness. Two offerings will be available: 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. or 12:00 to 2:30 p.m. Class sizes will be held to a maximum of 12 students per class, including both the special education students and their community peers. According to McMullin in a message to parents, "Mary L. Tracy School is known as a place where 'the love of learning and the love of children are celebrated each and every day'. For some of our children that love of learning begins with our pre-school program."

At the meeting, Board Vice Chairperson Jody Deitch supported the proposition, saying, "I don't think anyone should get free pre-school. This is a fairer and better system." By law, students with special needs identified with a Planning and Placement Team (PPT) process and Individualized Education Program (IEP) are placed in the pre-school program by the Department of Special Services. "We have developed a Pre-School Program that enriches each child's social, emotional, physical, cognitive, intellectual, and creative abilities through early academic and social experiences," McMullin explains. The four-day program will be grown to a five-day program.

Board member Bobby Ricciardi was the only who opposed the proposal: "The peers do have a lot to offer the special needs children. The peer-to-peer interaction is enriching to both groups. It's not a traditional pre-school and I disagree that it's a free ride. That \$3,000 can impact families." He asked the board to consider a lower tuition amount, but his fellow board members supported McMullin's proposal.

The pre-school program will follow the school year calendar of 181 days. If a family qualifies for the State's Free and Reduced Lunch Program, they may be eligible for tuition assistance. Parents of general education community peers will need to provide their own transportation. In order to participate in this lottery, the child must be three-years-old by June 30, 2013, toilet trained and must be an Orange resident.

If interested in this pre-school program please call the Special Services Dept. (203-891-8023) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to enter your child in the lottery. Names will be accepted until 4 p.m., Friday, March 22, 2013. Parents will be notified of the lottery results by Friday, March 29, 2013.

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April 5th .....	April 12th
April 26th .....	Mother's Day Issue May 3rd

*Note: Copy due by 4:00p.m. Thank you.*

## FROM OUR READERS

### St. Patrick's Day Letter to the Editor

This St. Patrick's Day, millions of adults will celebrate with parties and parades. But it takes more than the luck of the Irish to make sure everyone who observes the holiday gets home safely. To that end, Dichello Distributors, Inc., the local Anheuser-Busch distributor, is working with local bars and restaurants to encourage party-goers 21 and older to celebrate responsibly and designate a driver or make plans for a safe ride home. Thanks to efforts like these and increased law enforcement, drunk-driving fatalities are down 53 percent nationwide since 1982, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

We hope everyone will join us in celebrating responsibly this St. Patrick's Day. After all, these are our roads and our shared responsibility.

Sincerely,

*Tony Lota  
Alcohol Awareness Coordinator  
Dichello Distributors, Inc.*

### To All Residents of Orange

The Orange Highway Department would like to thank residents of Orange for their cooperation and patience during this historic storm. The Highway Department crew has been working non-stop to return the town roads to normal conditions.

We'd like to request a favor. Would anyone who took photos, during and after the storm, of our equipment working to clear the roads - i.e., loaders, trucks, plows, etc., please send copies to the Highway Department? This record-breaking storm is one for our scrapbook! You can drop them off at Town Hall in an envelope marked Highway Department, or you can e-mail digital copies to [emullins@orange-ct.gov](mailto:emullins@orange-ct.gov).

On a personal note, I would like to thank the entire Highway Crew for their tireless efforts in the cleanup of this incredible storm.

Sincerely,

*Donald Foyer  
Crew Chief  
Highway Department*

### To the Editor

We just wanted to express our thanks to Don Foyer and his crew for doing such a great job in keeping the streets of Orange clear during the snow storm. So many other cities and towns that we drove through barely had a single pass cleared on their streets making travel difficult and dangerous. Our Public Works put everyone else to shame! Kudos, guys!

*Pat & Lynn Pompane*

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Classes on Resume Redesign will help you prepare for a new job. If you want to start your own on-line business or take computer courses to update your skills there will be opportunities to learn from our expert instructors. Learn to play the Ukulele or Guitar. Our new class "Drums! Find the Rhythm Within" will have you taking part in drum circles, enjoying fun, interactive rhythm games, and just plain ole' bangin' and jammin'. Make it a family thing! Check out the Dance, Entertainment and Finance programs. There will be Bridge, Mah Jong, and Pinochle classes. Our expanded fitness and sports offerings include Boating Safety and Personal Watercraft, Golf, Fly Fishing, Tai Chi, Yoga, Zumba, Tennis Clinics and our fun Hoop Dance Workout Class.

In the Language Department, learn to speak Arabic, Italian, German, Polish, Russian, Mandarin or Sign Language. Several Health offerings, such as Adult, Child & Infant CPR, First Aid, Wilderness First Aid, Nutritional Balancing, It's a Health Thing and How to Lose Weight Like a Guy are being offered. In addition, some very special offerings with noted professionals addressing issues near and dear to us are on the docket. Dr. Bernie Siegel will teach "Reflections on the Art of Living and Healing". Robert Klancko, expert on environmental and energy issues, will give a course on "Contemporary Environmental/Energy Issues". Jeff O'Hara is teaching "Solidworks 3-D Modeling Fundamentals", a must have course for anyone in the engineering or manufacturing field.

In the Craft Department, you'll learn how to Organize Your Photos, make beautiful Beaded Jewelry, and learn to use that Cricut Machine you got for Christmas. For the first time we're offering a class in making one-of-a-kind Handcrafted Knives. This class is being taught by Jim Turecek, who has been crafting award winning knives since 1979. But the list doesn't stop here. Please call for a catalog or contact Karen Wade at 203-392-2005 for more information.

## Avoid the Hospital "Observation Status" Trap of Medicare:

Did you know that even if you stay in the hospital overnight for several nights, you may never be formally "admitted" as in inpatient and instead may be considered an "outpatient" because the hospital coded you as being on "observation status"? Your status as an "inpatient" vs. "outpatient" affects how much you pay for hospital services and can have a dramatic impact on whether Medicare will cover post hospital care in a skilled nursing facility (SNF) or whether you will be financially liable.



Steven P. Floman & Allison M. DePaola

**Why would the hospital do this?** The large increase in the use of "observation status" coding is an effort to reduce Medicare costs.

**How you get into the trap.** Amazingly, in most instances you may not know you are being treated as on "observation status" because the hospital is not required to tell you. You may be at the hospital for several days and may learn, days, weeks, or months later that the hospital had coded you under "observation status".

### How to Avoid the Trap:

1. You must inquire if the Medicare patient has been formally "admitted".
2. If not "admitted", have your primary care physician call the hospital staff physician to make the case for inpatient admission.
3. If unsuccessful, contact your attorney to assist with making the case.
4. Watch your mail for the Medicare Summary Notices (MSNs) that arrive quarterly and show the disposition of Medicare claims. You have appeal rights if you believe you improperly were coded as being on "observation status".

If you are interested in learning more about "Observation Status" please visit our website and read our March 1, 2013 blog post. For advice specific to your hospital or skilled nursing facility stay, please contact the office. We would be glad to meet with you, without charge, to discuss your specific concerns and see if we can help you.

Steven P. Floman and Allison M. DePaola of the law firm Floman DePaola, LLC are the authors of this article. This article has been prepared for general informational purposes only and is not intended to constitute legal advice. Readers should not act upon the information contained in this article without seeking advice from an attorney regarding the specific facts and circumstances of your case.

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# CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS



On February 19 (President's Day) the Amity Teen Center hosted its 18th Annual Benefit Show at Toad's Place in New Haven. Twelve bands were chosen to perform and the teens were responsible for the ticket sales and the publicity. The proceeds from this event will go toward new stage lighting at the Teen Center. [Photos by Jen Romanoff, Teen Center Director]

## The Orange Scholarship Fund Association

To All Graduating Seniors:  
 The Orange Scholarship Fund Association has scholarship applications available again this year. The applications may be found at The Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, CT. The scholarship is for any graduating senior who is an Orange resident and planning to continue their education. They do not have to attend school in town. The completed application must be returned by April 15 to:  
 Mr. William Watts  
 386 West River Road  
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 This scholarship is made possible by the generosity of the Business Community in Orange and Residents. It is our pleasure to award the Scholarships on their behalf.

## Race Brook School Hosts Fourth Annual Rockin' Road Race

### Local Bands Will Headline This Fun Annual Event

Race Brook School is planning its fourth annual Race Brook Rockin' Road Race. This year's event includes a 5K run, two-mile fitness walk and Kids' Fun Run taking place on Saturday, June 8. The race will begin and end at Race Brook Elementary School on Grannis Road and is sure to be a morning of fun and activity for runners, walkers and families.

Last year's race was a big success with over 200 runners and walkers participating. As a result, the Race Brook School PTA raised over \$6,000 with the help of generous supporters. This year, the goal is to double the number of participants and raise \$8,000. Race committee members are reaching out to valued and active members of the Orange community to help reach that goal. This year, funds raised will be used to enhance both educational and fitness activities for students at Race Brook School and to support the Sandy Hook Elementary School PTA.

The race course will be USATF certified, and prizes will be awarded to the first male and female finisher in each age group. The Kids' Fun Run will take place on the track behind the school, and all kids will receive a ribbon to acknowledge their participation.

All participants will be entered into the post-race raffle for some great prizes: gift certificates, gift baskets and other items. In keeping with the 'Rockin' theme, the event will also feature live music at the finish line and along the race course. Anyone who is interested in running the full 5K, walking two miles for fitness, or participating in the Kids' Fun Run can visit the event Facebook page at Race Brook's Rockin' Road Race or can send an email to RaceBrook5K@gmail.com. Online registration is available at www.hitekracing.com.

## American Legion Auxiliary Gives Thanks

The Orange American Legion Aux. Unit 127 would like to thank the residents of Orange for their generous donations of hats, gloves, and scarves to local veterans. Several veterans personally thanked Aux. members for the warm winter items and were very grateful to be remembered.

A reminder to all members of the Aux, our meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of each month and all are welcome!



## Rockin' Out For Animal Rescue

Rockin' Out For Animal Rescue, an evening of good music for a good cause will be held at the Orange Ale House, 517 Boston Post Road at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 24. The event, which features the music of popular area bands like Cometa, Rubber Fist, Riot Kings, Highfield, Seth Adam, The Elwoods, and The 30th of February, will benefit the Angel Capone Pitbull Rescue of New Haven County. The musicians are donating their talents in support of the cause. Tickets are \$20 and include live music, a buffet, silent auction, complimentary beer, wine or soda beverage and discount drink specials throughout the evening. For more information contact RockNout4rescue@optonline.net.

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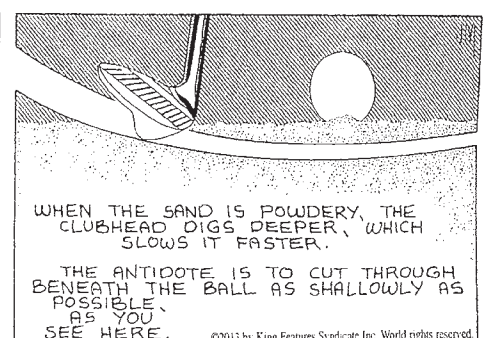
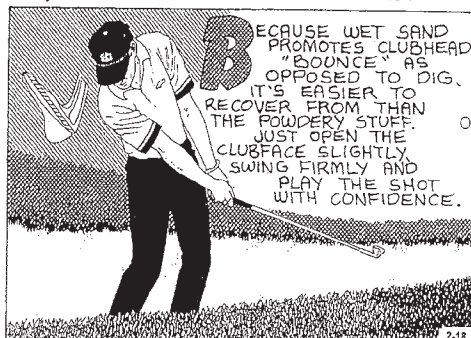
The Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary's annual Fire House Chili Supper will take place on Saturday, March 16th.

Chili (meatless also available), salad, corn muffin, dessert and beverage will be served at Station 1, 625 Orange Center Road from 5-8 PM.

Tickets are \$10 for adults (includes 1 refill), children 5-12 \$5, and children under 5 are free with a paying adult. Tickets must be purchased in advance from auxiliary members and at Knights' Inc., 286 Boston Post Road, Orange.

Any questions or for tickets call Linda at (203)-799-2486.

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## STUDENT NEWS



### Orange Students Named to Dean's List at the University of Vermont

The following Orange students have been named to the dean's list for the fall 2012 semester at the University of Vermont:

Samantha L. Monck a sophomore majoring in Animal Sciences in the College of Agriculture & Life Sciences; and

Stephanie A. Parente a senior majoring in Social Work in the College of Education & Social Services.

To be named to the dean's lists, students must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better and rank in the top 20 percent of their class in their respective college or school.

### Alexander Viera Named to Dean's List at Ithaca College

Alexander Viera, a resident of Orange and a freshman Clinical Health Studies major, was named to the Dean's List in Ithaca College's School of Health Sciences and Human Performance for the fall 2012 semester. From day one, Ithaca College prepares students for personal and professional success through hands-on experience with internships, research and study abroad.

### Orange Students Named to Springfield College Dean's List

Springfield College has named the following Orange residents to the dean's list for academic excellence for the fall 2012 term:

Anna Kraft is studying Sports Biology;

Stephanie Antonellis is studying Art Therapy; and

Brian Foley studying Athletic Training.

### Salve Regina University Dean's List

Jenna Stephens of Orange has been named to the Dean's List at Salve Regina University in Newport, Rhode Island for the Fall 2012 semester. Jenna is majoring in Elementary Education and Psychology. She is a 2009 graduate of Amity High School.

### Orange Students Named to Assumption College Dean's List

The following Orange students have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2012 semester at Assumption College. To make the Dean's List, Assumption students must achieve a GPA of 3.5 or higher.

Jessica Casolino, class of 2013 and

Alexa Vallie, class of 2013.

### Orange Students Earn Degrees from the University of New Haven

The following Orange students graduated from the University of New Haven on January 19, 2013:

Robyn Brower received a Masters in Industrial/Organizational Psychology.

Yee Leng Eugene Lee received a Masters in Forensic Science.

Wei Ling Stella Tan received a Masters in Forensic Science.

### Adelphi University Announces Dean's List

Dan Brennan has been placed on the Dean's List for the Derner Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies at Adelphi University for the Fall 2012 semester. Dan is an Amity High School Class of 2012 graduate and is the son of Jim and Sue Brennan in Orange.

### Orange Students Named to the Marist College Dean's List

The following Orange students have been named to the Marist College Dean's List for the fall 2012 semester:

Alexa Gherlone is a member of the Class of 2015 and is majoring in Business Administration - Marketing Concentration.

Alyssa Saunders is a member of the Class of 2013 and is majoring in Business Administration - Finance Concentration.

### Matthew Szatkowski Named to Rider University Dean's List

Matthew Szatkowski of Orange, a senior Communication major, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2012 semester in the College of Liberal Arts, Education, and Sciences at Rider University.

### Michael Tucci, Jr. Graduates Magna Cum Laude

Michael David Tucci, Jr. graduated from Bryant University Magna Cum Laude receiving a Bachelor of Arts Degree in December, 2012.

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## Biking Trails Proposed on Open Space Parcel

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

The New England Mountain Biking Association (NEMBA) is the latest group to express interest in securing a piece of the 376 acre Hubbell property for use by biking enthusiasts. Last month the group, headed by local psychotherapist Ed Perten, presented a plan to the Board of Selectmen requesting permission to build and maintain eco-friendly mountain biking trails somewhere within the vast parcel of open space.

At the February Board of Selectmen hearing the group made its presentation again, this time with the town's Conservation Commission in attendance. Perten, who works in Orange and lives in Milford, said the biking club, which has chapters throughout New England, always has an eye out for attractive woodsy properties that would suit mountain bikers. The group assumes all costs associated with building and maintaining the trails and typically creates natural biking paths, with as little disruption to the terrain as possible. "We do not alter the environment, we don't want to get rid of trees - that leads to erosion and eventually you aren't walking in the woods anymore you are walking on a superhighway," Perten said. "Mother Nature knows what she's doing and we don't want to mess with her." His vision is that a maintained trail will attract all sorts of visitors, from walkers, runners, hikers, bird-watchers, dog walkers, cross country skiers as well as bikers who enjoy the trail and "co-exist peacefully". As part of the proposal, NEMBA would have volunteer "trail ambassadors" who ride the trails, report any areas that need attention and encourage "trail etiquette" among the different interest groups.

Conservation Commissioner David Krause said that while the board is open to hearing all proposals for use of the property for the public's enjoyment, granting any group permission is premature at this point. "The town charter gives the role of overseeing open space to the Conservation Commission and our first duty as stewards is to develop a professional, comprehensive plan for the property," Krause said. A plan would include a comprehensive study of the land from experts on soil, terrain, topography, trees, wetlands, birds and wildlife; detailed mapping of the area; a proposal for the best trail lay out systems and community input about what the residents want from the property as well. When all is said and done, Krause expects this "comprehensive compilation of information" will be outlined in a several hundred-page document. Commission members have already met with several landscape management firms and expect to have a plan in place by late spring.



Unlike the Racebrook Road trek, which was purchased from the Water Company and already had trails and signage in place, the Commission is "starting from scratch" with the Hubbell property. In addition to rare rocks and rock formations, the property contains "unidentified and unmapped" old buildings and stone structures, the foundation of a home, a pond, huge tulip poplar trees, wetlands and high overlooks that are uncommon in Orange. "This is an incredibly expensive piece of property and quite an asset to the town. We want to develop it the right way, rather than with a piece meal, random approach where one group takes this and one group does that which can lead to problems," he said. "Granting permission to just 'do a couple of trails' is distracting and potentially harmful -- we can't have a cowboy mentality. We are eager to move forward with opening up to the public but if it's not done right the first time, it becomes harder and more expensive to manage it properly in the long run. We hope all groups enjoy this land and

we're committed to developing a well-planned trail network that is resilient, balances the environment and meets the needs of mountain bikers as well as birdwatchers."

First Selectman Jim Zeoli said he is interested in the Conservation Commission's input on the NEMBA project. He reported the town recently paved the Derby Milford Road entrance to the property and a parking area will be completed by the spring. The plan is to clear brush from the area and plant a "meadow mix" on the surrounding six open acres that may eventually contain a picnic area.

The town purchased the property from corporate giant Hubbell Inc. in 2011 for \$7.1million, averting Hubbell's original plan to build hundreds of "clustered" single family and duplex homes, including about 75 affordable housing units, on land which abuts Derby Milford Road and the Merritt Parkway. The town purchase did not include Hubbell's existing corporate offices or about 40 acres surrounding that site. It is the town's largest parcel of open space.

Perten's vision for utilizing the Hubbell property is pretty similar to the Conservation Commission's. "We hope our proposal encourages town officials to consider different ways to utilize the hundreds of acres of open space to best serve as many people as possible. The town saved this property from becoming houses, let's put heads together and find ways to best meet people's needs," he said.

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State Senator Gayle Slossberg (center) is joined by fellow legislators and military veterans at a press conference in support of military voting reforms at the Legislative Office Building in Hartford.

## Senator Slossberg Pushes for Military Voting Reforms

State Senator Gayle S. Slossberg (D-Orange, Woodbridge, Milford) joined State Representative Russ Morin (D-Wethersfield), veterans of the U.S. military, and election officials from Rhode Island in voicing support for reforms to Connecticut's military voting policies. Sen. Slossberg and Rep. Morin have introduced legislation this session that would enable military servicemen and servicewomen serving overseas to return their ballots by electronic mail or facsimile.

According to statistics from the Connecticut Secretary of the State's office, around 40 percent of absentee ballots transmitted to members of the military overseas are not returned. Some of the ballots do not reach the service members, and when they do reach them, many are not successfully returned to Connecticut to be counted in elections. S.B. 647 aims to remedy this problem by allowing for easier and more secure methods of return for these ballots. "Our servicemen and servicewomen put their lives on the line to fight for our freedoms," said Sen. Slossberg. "Why should they have any less of a right to vote than us? To disenfranchise 40 percent of our military is unacceptable. They risk their lives for us and we need to do better for them."

"It is appalling that we cannot confidently say to members of our military serving overseas that their votes will be counted," said Rep. Morin. "This bill gives us a chance to stop the disenfranchisement of our servicemen and servicewomen abroad, and it would be a shame if we did not seize this opportunity to do so."

Sen. Slossberg noted that 28 states currently allow for these ballots to be returned via fax, and 20 of these allow for e-mail submission. Officials in these states have confirmed that there have been no incidents of voter fraud as a result of this policy. Election officials from Rhode Island, where they allow for ballot return via fax, attended the press conference and attested to the absence of such fraud in their state.

Slossberg and Morin hope to see results similar to those of Maine, where the rate of return for these ballots pre-reform was less than 49 percent. Post-reform, the rate of return jumped to 74.5 percent. Testimony on S.B. 647 is scheduled to be heard at a public hearing in the Veterans' Affairs Committee later today. Link to video: <http://youtu.be/qt1jiVhz7rw>.

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# Amity District Searches for a New Leader

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

The Amity Regional School District #5 Board of Education has reopened the search for a new superintendent. Superintendent of schools John Brady is retiring this June. Amity's Board of Education has enlisted the CT Association of Boards of Education (CABE) to assist with the search. Brady announced his intent to retire last year, citing personal reasons, but he stayed on for an additional year. Interested candidates need to apply before March 10, 2013.

For the position, the Board of Education seeks a strong, energetic, inspirational and student-centered superintendent who can build on past successes and lead the school district to the next level. The new superintendent will be responsible for the education of more than 2,400 students at two middle schools and the high school. In its advertisement for the position, the Board of Education says it is seeking a superintendent that values the input and participation of families and communities in decision making and is passionate about educational excellence in learning, teaching and service to its families.

Polly Demerjian, president of the high school PTSA, believes that the ideal superintendent is an educator first, but who also possesses the qualities of a good businessperson. "In the 14 years I have had children in the system and been involved in PTSAs at every level, the concern I have heard voiced over and over is for a leader who balances the need to sustain a quality education (that can compete with other schools in our demographic group in Connecticut) with the fiscal realities of three towns with shrinking tax bases and limited state contribution," she said, adding, "It also doesn't hurt to have the superintendent have some diplomatic skills and be a good communicator, skills which Dr. Brady definitely has."

The Board of Education is looking for just that. Strong emphasis will be placed finding an intelligent, skillful communicator who can build relationships with all constituents; a progressive instruction leader; an individual who can maintain a high level of personal accessibility and visibility; an educator who will uphold the district mission to educate and enable every student while fostering a climate of accountability and high standards for all; and an adept financial manager with knowledge and experience in complex regional budgeting.

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## From the Desk of the Municipal Agent *By Denise Stein*

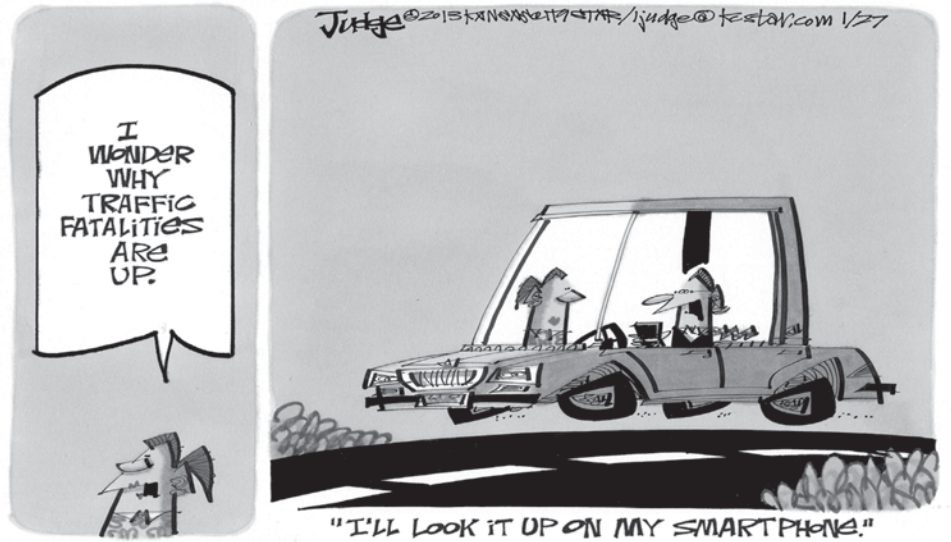


Greetings to everyone. This month, I am coming to you with a request to volunteer. I know that many of you are aware that one of our wonderful town resources is our "Resource Directory". If you don't know it, this is a wonderful publication with a list of resources that you might need at one time or another.

In this booklet, we have lists of state programs that can help you in your time of need. We have listings of homecare agencies that are reputed to be good. We also have lists of handymen that have a good reputation. We have housing options, a town contact list, how to contact the VA and, in general, a lot of good social service programs that will come in handy.

What you might not know about our wonderful resource directory is that there are only a handful left and when they're gone they're gone. Why is that, well the information was obtained in 2010 and before we publish another one, we really should check all of our listings and make sure we have the most current information.

So if you have forgotten my question that I started with I will repeat it. I am looking for some incredibly wonderful volunteers who can help me with The Resource Directory 2nd edition. If you are interested, please call me at Community Services. I look forward to hearing from you.



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Pictured (L-R): Police Commission Chairman Donald Lewis, Lieutenant Dennis Anderson, Police Commissioner Roy Cuzzocreo.

## Orange Policed Department Swears In New Lieutenant

The Orange Police Department held a swearing in ceremony for its newest Lieutenant on Friday morning (2-22-2013). Nineteen year veteran Dennis Anderson was sworn in by Police Commission Chairman Donald Lewis at Police Headquarters in front of family, friends and co-workers. Lt. Anderson holds a B.S. in Justice and Law Administration from Western Connecticut State University. He joined the OPD in 1994 and was assigned to the patrol division. He held the rank of Sergeant from 2003 until present. Lt. Anderson was assigned to the Investigative services unit in 2003 as a patrolman and again in 2009 and 2013 as a Sergeant. He is the recipient of the Department's exceptional service award. Lt. Anderson take will command of the Midnight Shift.

## Town of Orange

### Meetings for the Month of March 2013

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



Town Hall

4th	Zoning Board of Appeals ..... 7:00 pm Country Fair Committee ..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall HPCC
5th	Econ Development Commission ... 5:30 pm Town Plan & Zoning Comm..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
6th	OVNA Board of Governors..... 8:30 am	Clark Bldg
7th	OGAT..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall
11th	Tree Committee..... 4:30 pm Traffic Authority..... 4:30 pm Board of Police Commissioners ..... 4:30 pm Amity Board of Education..... 6:30 pm Conservation Commission..... 7:00 pm Orange Board of Education ..... 7:30 pm	Case Memorial Lib. Police Dept Police Dept Woodbridge HPCC Turkey Hill School
12th	Inland Wetlands Commission..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall
13th	Board of Selectmen..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall
14th	WPCA ..... 7:00 pm Community Services ..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall HPCC
18th	Family Counseling..... 9:00 am Board of Finance ..... 7:30 pm Board of Health ..... 7:30 pm	HPCC Town Hall HPCC
19th	Town Plan & Zoning Commission 7:30 pm	Town Hall
20th	CERT..... 7:00 pm Recycling Committee..... 7:00 pm	HPCC HPCC
21s	Case Memorial Library Comm..... 7:30 pm	Case Memorial Lib.
22nd	Emergency Management ..... 8:00 am	Police Station
25th	Youth Services Advisory Board ..... 7:30 pm	HPCC
27th	Safety Commission..... 9:00 am Memorial Day Parade Committee . 7:00 pm Park & Recreation Commission .... 7:30 pm	Town Hall HPCC Town Hall
28th	OVNA Prof Advisory Committee.. 5:00 pm	Clark Bldg

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Doc Whitney is pictured with his three daughters just one day before his death on Wednesday, February 20th, 2013.

(“Doc Whitney” continued from page 1)

at the Chilly Chili Run Road Race, and for many years had his own category until the “youngsters” caught up and joined the 80 and over group.

Doc had a full life, and it’s hard to find an Orange native that did not know him either through his years as a veterinarian, or a member of the Orange Land Trust, Rotary Club, Democratic Town Committee or for the Largest Ball of String and his snakes at the Orange Country Fair. He was a founding member of the Paugusset Club of Orange and the New Haven Central Hospital for Veterinary Medicine.

Doc served in WWII and then studied Veterinary Medicine at Auburn University in Alabama. He became a veterinarian at the same time as his father, Dr. Leon F. Whitney, and together they opened the Whitney Veterinary Clinic where Doc soothed distressed owners as he cared for their ailing pets for 50 years.

His snakes were both loved and feared: Denise Mirto remembers once when she was a child that word got out of one of Doc’s snakes escaping. “My mother made us come into the house until it was found. We lived about a mile away, but she was sure it was headed straight to our yard,” she laughed.

Tammy Costello had a different thought about Doc’s scaly creatures. “For decades, he taught children not to be afraid of reptiles. When he came to the school with snakes, my daughter couldn’t wait to have it resting on her shoulders and to feel it,” she said.

He nurtured a young lady named Kim McClure, who worked for him as a technician in his practice after he retired, before she applied to veterinary school. She recalls, “He encouraged me as I was applying to apply to Auburn University where he went. I got in and went to veterinary school there and we graduated 50 years apart.” Brinton came back to work for Doc as a veterinarian before they closed the practice and, she said, “He is why I am a part of New Haven Central Hospital. He and his wife Dorothy raised sheep while I worked for them as a vet and I remember one of the sheep needing a caesarian section, which we did together. He was retired but loved to keep his hand in by doing a few things like that together.” Dr. Kim McClure Brinton now runs her own Veterinary Office in Bethany.

Doc began running at the age of 80, after consulting with his son Charles on how to ease his way into it with proper breathing and pacing. He ran his first Chilly Chili Run 5K in 2000 at the age of 81, the only 80 and over runner in the race, organizers made a new category to accommodate him.

After his second wife Dorothy died, Doc moved to Brattleboro VT to live with his daughter, and remained just as active in this new community as he had been in Orange. He continued running, training around town, waving to his “fans” as he went along and continued driving to road races throughout the region. He joined the Brattleboro Rotary Club, Senior Bowling league, Senior Center Writing Group and attended local lectures. He even picked up blogging and continued to garden. His daughter, Kate said, “One of his greatest joys since relocating has been growing giant dahlias and once a week he’d cut a huge bouquet and walk a mile to town, handing one to each woman he passed.”

Doc may have passed away in Vermont, but his Orange was always his true home. He already is sorely missed by all whose lives he touched. There will be a celebration of Doc Whitney’s life in the spring in Orange.

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### Movies on DVD

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Boardwalk Empire, Season 2 (2011)  
Detropia (2012) (301.451)  
The Expendables 2 (2012)  
The Hurt Locker (2009)  
Kassim the Dream (2012) (Biography)  
Rocky (1976)  
Searching for Sugar Man (2013) (Biography)  
Shadow of Afghanistan (2012) (958.1)  
The Silence of the Lambs (1991)

### Audiobooks

Cashore, Kristin – Graceling (Teen)  
Chevalier, Tracy – The Last Runaway  
Diamond, Jared M. – The World until Yesterday: What Can We Learn from Traditional Societies? (305.89)  
Follett, Ken – Winter of the World  
Howard, Linda – Shadow Woman  
Mendez, Antonio J. – Argo: How the CIA and Hollywood Pulled Off the Most Audacious Rescue in History (955.05)  
Woods, Stuart – Collateral Damage

### Music

Ash, Peter – The Golden Ticket (OPERA)  
Band of Horses – Mirage Rock (ROCK)  
Barnatan, Inon – Darknesse Visible (CLASSICAL)  
Beethoven, Ludwig van – String Quartets op. 127 & op. 131 (CLASSICAL)  
Berio, Luciano – Sequenzas III & VII and other works (CLASSICAL)  
Kalman, Emmerich – The Carnival Fairy (OPERA)  
Ke\$ha – Warrior (POPULAR)  
Merritt, Tift – Bramble Rose (COUNTRY)  
Nicks, Stevie – In Your Dreams (ROCK)  
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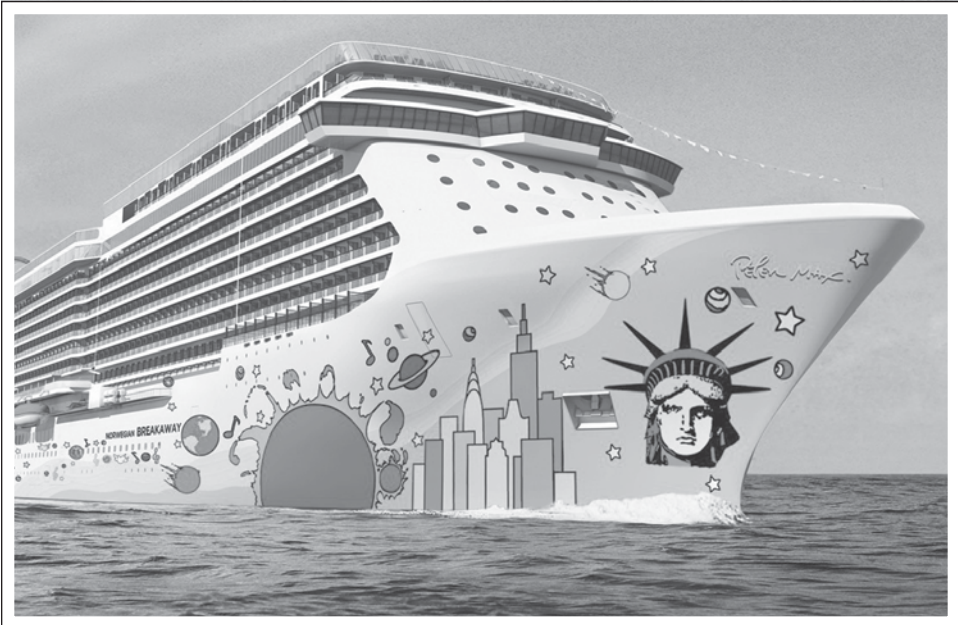
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**Get Ready to Cruise News**  
By Leslie Marsh



**Norwegian Breakaway**

The buzz is growing in anticipation of the New York-inspired Norwegian Breakaway making her debut in our very own homeport of New York City this May! From the New York themed hull design to the Broadway shows to fine dining and ship's Godmothers, The Rockettes, this ship promises to deliver everything you love about New York City at sea, all with the Freestyle cruising that Norwegian Cruise Line is known for.

The Norwegian Breakaway will weigh in at 144,000 tons and will be able to accommodate up to 4,028 passengers with a crew of 1,595. The majority of her staterooms will have an ocean view, but there will still be inside staterooms for those who may be more budget conscious. And speaking of inside staterooms, the Breakaway is going to have Studio Staterooms, purposely built for solo travelers. They're smaller than the average inside stateroom, but still have all the amenities associated with the other accommodations on board. In addition to ocean view, balcony and mini-suite staterooms, she's also featuring The Haven, the ultimate in luxury accommodations. The Haven features 24 hour concierge service, preferred seating and reservations for shows and dining as well as access to The Courtyard, with private pool, sundeck and poolside valet.

Some of the exciting new dining and entertainment venues onboard will include: The Waterfront, a quarter-mile oceanfront walkway with shops, restaurants and bars; 678 Ocean Place, three decks of entertainment venues such as the Breakaway Casino, 678 Ocean Place shopping and La Cucina Restaurant; Rock of Ages, five-time Tony-nominated Broadway show in the Breakaway Theater and the Aqua Park and Sports complex with five multi-story water slides. New dining venues include The Manhattan Room, modeled after a private New York supper club, offering guests the chance to dine and dance in style; O'Sheehan's Neighborhood Bar and Grill (NCL CEO Kevin Sheehan lent his name) featuring American classics served 24/7; Ocean Blue by Geoffrey Zakarian (celebrated world class chef) and The Cakestand, for those of us with a sweet tooth!

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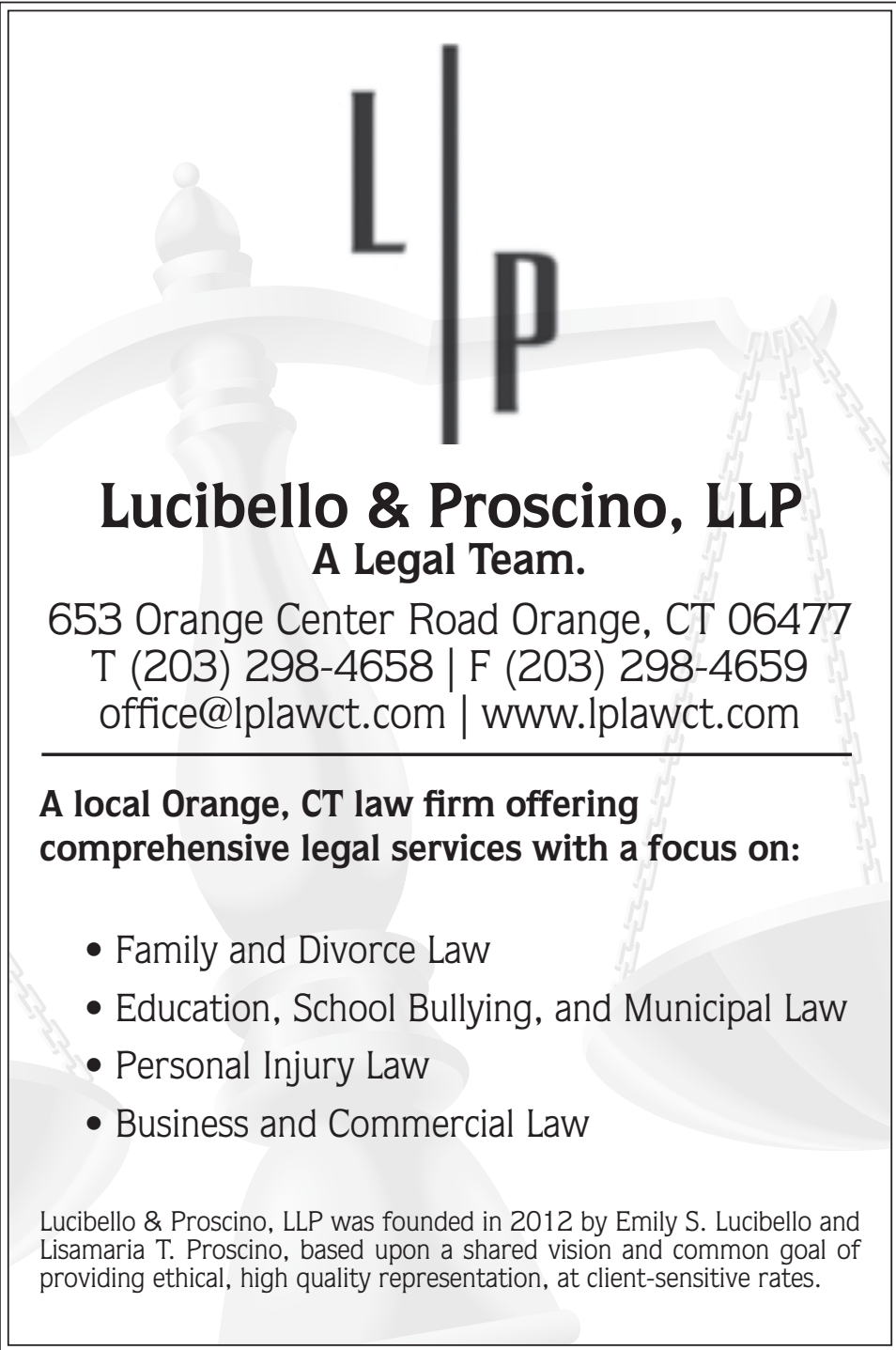
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## School Board Approves Changes to Student Calendar

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

Orange families will have a summer reminiscent of the older days next year. The Board of Education approved the student calendar for the 2013-2014 school year at its monthly meeting on February 11. Students will go back to school Tuesday, September 3, the day after Labor Day. The last day of school could be June 11, in the unlikely event that there are no snow days during the year.

Schools will be closed on Columbus Day, but in session for both Election Day and Veteran's Day. Students will have a minimum day on Friday, December 20 and then will be off for the holiday break until Thursday, January 2. Schools will be closed on Presidents' Day and the following day, but students will be expected in school for the remainder of that third week of February. The reasoning, according to Superintendent of Schools Lynn McMullin, is, "By shortening February break by three days, we'll have three snow days in the bank". The rest would be made up in June.

After the blizzard that cost Orange students three snow days early in February, McMullin said she received many requests from parents to take February break away. "That puts the board in a precarious situation," she said, since the board discussed and voted on this current year's calendar. The board may consider only holding school on 180 as is required by the state, as opposed to the 181 that were originally scheduled. "I know that we have buyer's remorse with this year's calendar that we decided on last year," McMullin said.

Schools will be out next year for a full week in April. If no snow/storm days are used, the last day of school will be June 11. The long summer, though ideal for students, will also be ideal to construction at the schools. "We're looking at significant projects to roofs and boilers, and my fear is that if we have rain during the summer that holds up that work, we can't have the teachers starting back too early before the construction is complete," explained McMullin. The board of education voted unanimously in approval of the student calendar for 2013-2014.

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Racebrook's First Grade Daisy Troop visited the Orange Senior Center over their February break from school. The girls helped the seniors to celebrate their February birthdays. The seniors and the girls shared some cake. The girls also handed out cookies and handmade bookmarks to all in attendance. A fun afternoon for all!



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**celebrity  
extra**  
by cindy elavsky

**Q:** Can you give me any info on the new season of "Army Wives"? -- Jennifer A., Nashville, Tenn.

**A:** The longtime hit drama, which begins its seventh season on March 10 at 9 p.m. ET/PT on Lifetime, welcomes a new castmate: **Brooke Shields**. Brooke will play the "brash and brilliant Air Force Col. Katherine Young. A crack C-17 pilot who can hold her own in the boys' club atmosphere of the military, she's hardly touched down in her new assignment at Joint Base Marshall Bring before she clashes with Army Gen. Michael Holden (played by **Brian McNamara**)." The series stars Catherine Bell, Brian McNamara, Kelli Williams, Wendy Davis, Terry Serpico, Alyssa Diaz, JJ Soria, Ashanti, Torrey DeVitto, Elle McLemore and Jesse McCartney. Sally Pressman and Sterling K. Brown will also appear in several episodes.

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**Q:** Now that **Matthew Perry** has his own TV series, when can we expect to see some "Friends" stars show up? -- DeeDee T., via e-mail

**A:** Matthew will welcome his former TV wife to his new show, "Go On," sometime in April. **Courtney Cox** will play a new love interest for Matthew's character, Ryan King. The "Friends" friends always have been supportive of each other's post-"Friends" endeavors, with **Jennifer Aniston** appearing on Courtney's "Dirt" and "Cougar Town"; **Lisa Kudrow** also on "Cougar Town"; and Kudrow's "Web Therapy" hosting **David Schwimmer** and **Courtney Cox**.

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**Q:** I know you're a fan of TNT's "Dallas," so maybe you can find out some scoops for season two for me? -- Erin T. in North Dakota

**A:** Well, I did manage to get a little bit out of **Josh Henderson**, who plays John Ross Ewing, when we spoke recently. He told me: "At the end of season one,



Josh Henderson

John Ross was on fire. By this season, he's cooled off a bit because he knows that if he wants to achieve his goals, then he's going to have to keep his emotions and anger buried to gain others' trust. But he's definitely on a mission, and he definitely wants to take down Christopher and Elena."

In regard to John Ross and Pamela Barnes' new relationship, Josh explained: "These are two people who know that they are never supposed to be together. Their fathers are enemies, but they don't care. Julie (Gonzalo, who plays Pamela) and I get along so well; we have a ton of fun together. I really think it shows on screen, and it's going to be a fun thing for people to watch throughout season two."

As for the show's future after the passing of **Larry Hagman**: "I don't know what the second half brings. None of us do. With Larry's passing, they've had to rewrite the second half of season two completely. I can tell you this: Season two is like season one on steroids. It's everything that people re-fell in love with 'Dallas' for in season one. You won't be disappointed."

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From left: Marji Lipshez-Shapiro, education director at the Anti-Defamation League, Amity Regional High School teacher Emily Clark, Holocaust survivor Anita Schorr, Amity High School teacher Maggie Barkin and Quinnipiac University School of Education Professor Gloria Graves Holmes were among those who participated in the "Echoes and Reflections" curriculum training.

## Amity Teachers Complete Holocaust Curriculum Training

More than 25 teachers from Connecticut, including Amity Regional High School teachers Maggie Barkin and Emily Clark, completed a February 5 training program on "Echoes and Reflections: A Multimedia Curriculum on the Holocaust," a comprehensive 10-part curriculum on the Holocaust. The Connecticut Office of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) sponsored the training which took place at the Quinnipiac University School of Education.

"Echoes and Reflections" uses visual history testimony from survivors and other witnesses and additional primary source documents, including maps, photographs, timelines, literature excerpts and other materials. The curriculum was produced primarily for use in high schools in partnership with the Anti-Defamation League, the USC Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education and Yad Vashem, the Holocaust's Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Committee.

In addition, Holocaust survivor Anita Schorr, of Westport, addressed the teachers. A native of Czechoslovakia, Schorr was arrested with her family in 1939 when she was 8, according to an April 12, 2012 article in "The Jewish Ledger." The family survived the Jewish ghetto and was transported to Terezin, where Schorr sang in the children's opera, "Brundibár." The family was then deported to Auschwitz, where Schorr's parents and younger brother were murdered. Schorr served in a slave-labor unit in Hamburg before ending up in Bergen-Belsen. After liberation, Schorr joined the Haganah, a Jewish parliamentary organization, and fought in the Israeli War of Independence. She married a fellow Czech and lived on a kibbutz until 1959, when the couple came to the U.S. Trained as a commercial artist, Schorr didn't start telling her story until about 10 years ago, after retiring from a long career.

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**"Dining with Susan"**

By Susan Noonan



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I always get very excited when I have an opportunity to write about a successful restaurant especially in this challenging economy. Actually in this case "The Original" Antonio's has three popular restaurants. I first met the Setaro family (Tony, Chris & mom Mina) in 2006 when they opened their first location in Woodbridge. This Italian restaurant that features home style cooking of Cosmina immediately became a very popular spot in town offering excellent food, reasonable prices and outstanding service. Mom "Mina" Setaro, is a native of Salerno, Italy. Mina's father owned restaurants in Italy, so she was brought up in the business and had owned successful restaurants in Oxford, Southbury, and Waterbury prior to the Woodbridge location. Mina is a friendly, soft-spoken woman whose beloved sons, Chris and Tony own the business with her. They are a close-knit family and have great admiration for each other.

Now, in 2013, the group now has 2 additional locations. "The Original" Antonio's- Beacon Falls opened in March 2009 and "The Original" Antonio's - Ansonia opened in November 2010. Tony runs Woodbridge, Chris in Ansonia, and mom Mina in Beacon Falls. All three locations are open Tuesday-Sunday serving lunch and dinner. They feature a wide range of classic Italian dishes along with a full pizza menu. Antonio's Restaurant offers catering for your special affair. Whether intimate or grand, they will ensure your complete delight. Antonio's caters in-house for up to 60 guests, or for larger functions, their professional and courteous staff will cater off-premises for up to 500 guests. They will accommodate any dietary need including vegan & gluten free. Antonio's 15 years of successful catering will make your event including birthdays, weddings, showers, bar mitzvahs, bat mitzvahs, engagement parties, anniversary parties, holiday parties, and corporate functions very special.

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## Orange Student Volunteers in New Orleans

Donald Evanko, a resident of Orange and a member of Providence College's class of 2013, recently participated in Providence College's annual NOLA (New Orleans, L.A.) Immersion 2013 trip, a faith-based service trip in response to the needs of post-Katrina New Orleans. The trip is a mainstay alternative break experience held for the past five years which aids the local community while exposing students to the faith, food and culture of the Gulf Coast.

From January 12 to 19, Evanko, a finance major, along with 13 other PC students, interacted with multiple service groups and agencies in the area, including Green Light New Orleans, the Harry Tompson Center, the Jesuit Volunteers in NOLA, and the St. Bernard Project. Also, the students volunteered with the Lower 9th Ward Village in an area very much impacted by Hurricane Katrina and still in need of revitalization. In addition, the students connected with New Orleans resident Leonard Alfeld of the class of 1974. The students were accompanied by Richard Lumley, a campus minister for PC.



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**From Your State Representative** *By Themis Klarides*



**Klarides Addresses Governor's Budget**

The budget proposal presented on February 6th by Gov. Dannel Malloy relies on record borrowing, budgetary gimmicks and other fiscal slight-of-hand maneuvers that will jeopardize the state's financial future and struggling economy, said Rep. Themis Klarides. The proposal included \$750 million in borrowing to pay day-to-day expenses, a spending increase of \$1.7 billion and an extension of several taxes scheduled to sunset this year. "With the state currently facing a \$2.5 billion budget deficit, it isn't responsible for the Governor to propose an unprecedented spending increase of nearly 10% while we borrow over \$3 billion just to cover operating and other expenses," said Rep. Klarides, a member of the Appropriations Committee.

"Our families use common sense budget principles everyday by living within our means and borrowing only what we can afford to pay back. Government needs to do the same, and this, unfortunately, is a step in the wrong direction.

"Following Gov. Malloy's last budget, which produced the largest tax increase in Connecticut history, I was hopeful about his pledge to not increase taxes again. However, he extended several taxes that were scheduled to expire, including the 20% corporate surcharge - creating instability for existing businesses in the state and discouraging new businesses from coming to Connecticut. The message here is clear: Connecticut is not open for business."

She added, "While eliminating the car tax sounds like a good idea on the surface, I am very concerned this will significantly shortchange municipalities who will be forced to raise property taxes - essentially creating a fancy shell game."

Other aspects of Malloy's budget include:

- Continuation of the electric generation tax, likely to result in more than \$80 million passed on to families and businesses;
- Avoids exceeding the Constitutional Spending Cap by moving \$900 million in spending outside of the cap;
- Bonds \$1.5 billion in FY 14 and \$1.6 billion in FY 15;
- Pushes off Economic Recovery Notes payments - \$300 million in bonding that will be moved from the next two years into the out-years;
- Bonds Pay-As-You-Go transportation projects - \$20 million a year;
- Implement Tax Amnesty program for \$25 million;
- Eliminates \$24.9 million in school transportation and adds a \$5 million regionalization grant;

\$47 million grant to municipalities to make them whole; and

Eliminates \$94 million in municipal revenue sharing grant (AKA manufacturing machinery and equipment grant/property tax relief).

The \$43.8 billion biennial budget was unveiled to the State House of Representatives and State Senate in a joint convention of the legislature by Gov. Malloy. The budget proposal will now be sent to the legislature's Appropriations Committee for further consideration. The General Assembly has until June 5 to pass a balanced budget.

Rep. Klarides represents the 114th District communities of Woodbridge, Orange and Derby.

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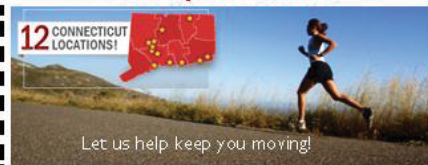
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Paula and Chris Dillon and teenager Mike Deitch (with shovel)

## What Would We Do Without Our Neighbors?

By Martha Sue Weisbart

The storm of this past month was one that tried the energy, patience and challenge for everyone. On Saddle Ridge Road, most of our neighbors were able to clear a place on the top of the driveway to put their car (that was for the homes on the lower side). Several of those on the upper, hill side were actually able to clear their driveways. Two of us, however, are dependent on the professional who has cleared our driveway for years. But the system broke down this time. He simple couldn't make it and after 4 days stranded by our driveway, by the time Tuesday came, we were desperate.

Saddle Ridge Road is also a street that has many of the original home owners....we have lived in our home for 46 years....so, the math tells you we aren't youngsters. We also live in an area where the community of streets around us come together annually for a huge, multi-street, gala and wonderful block party. These people, our neighbors, are a family.

In desperation, we reached out and emailed the block party neighbors, begging for guidance....names of people who might do our driveway, and our neighbor's. Many emails went back and forth offering shopping, sympathy for our plight and then within an hour, neighbors, Paula and Chris Dillon, together with Verne Cox appeared with their snow blowers. Along with them came the Dietch family teenager with a shovel.

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Although rather obscure in United States history, English King Charles I, born in 1600, had a pronounced affect on the early colonies of Milford and New Haven. As the King of England, Scotland and Ireland from 1625 until his death in 1649, Charles was embroiled in one struggle after another as he attempted to control Parliament and continued to interfere in the English and Scottish churches with his added attempts of levying taxes without consent from Parliament. He was thought to be a tyrannical absolute monarch, characterized by religious conflicts.

With his defeat in the First Civil War in 1645, Parliament expected him to accept its demands for a constitutional monarch but he remained defiant. He continued to support France and its suppression of the Protestant Huguenots. Distrust of Charles' religious policies was only increased with his marriage to Henrietta, a Roman Catholic, and with the help of other alliances, he alienated the Puritan leaders as well.

Charles declared war on Spain and without adequate funds from Parliament he resurrected an all-but-forgotten law called "Distraint of Knighthood". First instituted in 1279, it required anyone who earned forty pounds or more each year "to present himself at the King's coronation to join the royal army as a knight". He later reintroduced obsolete feudal taxes, one that was opposed by Parliament known as the "Ship Tax". Originally collected in time of war, Charles argued that there was no legal reason why the tax could not be collected throughout the entire Kingdom.

Charles continued to give concern to the religious leaders in his leaning toward Catholicism and his failure to support the Protestant cause. In appointing Archbishop William Laud, the king began a series of unpopular reforms attempting to ensure religious uniformity by dismissing non-conformist clergymen and closing down Puritan organizations. It is at this time that we see the Puritan minister, Thomas Hooker and other Puritan leaders set sail for America.

It wasn't long before Charles' defiance met its match and after the Second Civil War with the House of Commons passing an act to put their King on trial for treason. The idea of trying a King was a novel one as previous monarchs had been overthrown or murdered but never put on trial. Charles was accused of treason against England by using his powers to pursue his personal interest

rather than the good of England. The indictment held him "guilty of all the treasons, murders, burnings, spoils, damages and mischiefs to this nation".

King Charles I was declared guilty on January 27, 1649 and sentenced to death. His son, Charles II, did not make the religious situation much better and it was at this time that New Haven, which enjoyed the Puritan rule in England, became alarmed. Fifty-nine commissioners who sat in judgment at the trial of his father Charles I were being identified and those found guilty were executed. Some were pardoned while eighteen others escaped to other countries. This news caused great excitement in New Haven as two who had signed the death warrant of the new king's father had arrived in the New Haven colony, Colonel William Goffe and Colonel Edward Whalley. Having been in Boston, the pair were haunted by warrants for their arrest thus they fled to the colony led by Rev. John Davenport in 1660. They remained a short while as news of their whereabouts spread and they were on the run again. After a fruitless search for the two regicides, the officers continued their search in New Amsterdam.

Although the danger was lessened, the gentlemen were moved once more and taken in by Richard Sperry whose farm was granted to him by Stephen Goodyear, Deputy Governor of New Haven and wealthy merchant in the New Haven Colony. Richard Sperry and his brother Edward (Ezra) had come to

King Charles II who sent out warrants to arrest Whalley, Dixwell and Goffe.



An etching of William Goffe leading the citizens of Hadley Mass during an invasion by Native Americans during King Phillip's War in 1675.

America together in the ship named "Hector" one of the earliest to reach Boston in 1637. Soon the leaders Eaton and Davenport traveled to Quinnipiack and settled the colony of New Haven. Richard joined in this effort and became a significant member of the community.

The deed for the Sperry farm included all the land between the two mountain ridges extending south to what is now Westville, including West Rock and north into Woodbridge which was at that time the colony of Milford. Here in the famous Judges' Cave, where several slabs of trap rock provided protection against wind and rain, the regicides stayed for nearly a month. Their devoted friend Richard Sperry brought them food daily from his house nearly a mile away, sometimes carrying it himself and at other times sending it by his sons. The food was tied in a cloth and left on a certain stump.

Although the cave was adequate to live in, the mountain was also a home for wild animals and it was, one night, that the regicides were frightened by "blazing eyes" with one of them running to Sperry's home for safety. The people of New Haven became uneasy about their defiance of royal orders by giving shelter to Whalley and Goffe so the two took refuge in the home of Micha Tompkins on West River Street in Milford.

Their secret was well kept for more than two years but in 1664 they were forced to flee once more, back to the cave but soon fled to Hadley, Massachusetts. A third regicide, John Dixwell, having lived in the Massachusetts colony moved from Hadley to New Haven adopting the name James Davids and becoming a highly respected member of the community. In 1794 the honorable Ezra Stiles, President of Yale College wrote "A History of the Three Judges of King Charles I" with some later revisions by colleagues at Yale as to where the three judges are buried.

What we do know is that there are three streets in New Haven that bear the names of these men of conviction, Whalley, Dixwell and Goffe and they all intersect at Broadway. The original farm, once known, as Sperry Farms is now both urban and rural but the legacy of Judge's Cave still belongs to Richard Sperry and his descendents.



## LOCAL BUSINESS

### Homehaven Receives Grant

Amity Village, serving Orange, Woodbridge and Bethany, is part of HomeHaven (formerly called East Rock Village). HomeHaven is steadily growing in its mission to help people stay in their own homes as they age. For the second year in a row, the organization has received a \$5,000 matching grant from the Village to Village (VtoV) Network and MetLife Foundation to help with the development of a sustainable business and organizational infrastructure. East Rock Village was founded as a nonprofit corporation in 2010 by a group of New Haven neighbors whose purpose was to provide its members with the opportunities, services, and confidence to remain active participants in the life of the community as they grow older, living as fully as possible in the comfort of their own homes and calling on the help of volunteers and contracted home maintenance and health care services as needs arise. Despite the Village's immediate success in recruiting members and raising money from private philanthropic sources, it soon became clear that to continue and still maintain a desired level of services, the organization would need to include more households; there was growing interest from people in surrounding communities, but such expansion beyond the East Rock neighborhood threatened to dilute the concept of a community of involved neighbors, while also increasing the service area for volunteers and contracted agencies. The first \$5,000 Business/Operation Sustainability Grant from VtoV Network, in 2012, was used to hire professional consultants to help find ways to grow without losing the essence of the original vision.

As of January 1, 2013, the single Village with many tentacles to outlying areas has morphed into the umbrella organization, HomeHaven, which currently embraces three local Villages, East Rock, Westville, and Amity, with others to join as they are organized. Each Village will maintain its geographic identity and, while making use of the established operating infrastructure, may develop its own services according to needs in its particular community. The new grant from VtoV Network will be used for evolving a three-year fund development plan for HomeHaven and for the creation of operational and training plans for Village leaders and volunteers. As of February 2013 HomeHaven has 113 member households and 177 individual members.

HomeHaven is a member of the VtoV Network, which is a national organization that supports communities in establishing and managing their own Villages. Currently there are some 94 operating Villages in the United States and over 120 communities that are in some stage of developing one. HomeHaven is one of 12 Villages receiving Sustainability Grants from VtoV Network and MetLife Foundation in 2013. For more information visit the website [www.HomeHavenVillages.org](http://www.HomeHavenVillages.org).

### Cohen and Wolf "Cinco de Miles" Road Race

Together with the Autism Services and Resources CT, the Orange Chamber of Commerce presents the Cohen and Wolf Cinco de Miles Road Race. The race will begin at the High Plains Community Center on May 5, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. Dri-fit tee shirts will be given to the first 400 runners to register. The course is a 5 mile run through the country roads in Orange, beginning and ending at High Plains Community Center.

The mission of the ASRC is to provide, through its many programs, the most recent information and research to help parents and professionals understand the barriers and challenges people with ASD face on a daily basis. The ASRC Center is committed to raising public awareness about autism spectrum disorders and devoted to empowering families and lessening their isolation. They are the leader in the state dedicated to training, advocacy, integrated recreational programs, sibling support, adult support and much more. The ASRC is a 501(c)(3), non-profit organization in Connecticut that serves individuals with autism spectrum disorders, their family members, and the professionals who work with them.

Founded in 1962, the mission of the Orange Chamber of Commerce is to provide leadership in promoting a favorable business climate for our members. The Chamber is dedicated to being a proponent for the business community through education, interaction and support.

Participants of the race can register at [Active.com](http://Active.com). Fees are \$25.00 in advance \$30.00 day of event. Registration closes on Friday, April 26, 2013 @ 11:59 PM PST. For more information, call 203.795.3328 or e-mail [Info@orangectchamber.com](mailto:Info@orangectchamber.com).



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appreciate it for all the hard work they do," Foyer said. "When we got to an area of virgin snow, people would be clapping, offering us coffee and water, giving us the thumbs up, they were so happy to see us plow their street, even if we had to bury the ends of their driveways again."

Like many townspeople, including several who posted on the Orange, Connecticut Facebook page, Southland Drive resident Chris Moran has nothing but praise for the town's Highway Department. "They did a fantastic job clearing the roads for us," he said. As president and CEO of the General Electric Credit Union with offices in Milford and Bridgeport, Moran had reason to be appreciative. "Bridgeport was a war zone, it was terrible there!" he said. "And Milford roads were nothing like what we experienced in Orange. Whatever they did here, the other towns should use their model!"

First Selectman Jim Zeoli said Foyer is to thank for the town's handling of the blizzard. "It was his planning and preparedness for this event that got us through it as well as we did," Zeoli said. "While other towns were on the phones screaming for help, by Sunday night Orange roads were open and passable."

Police Chief Robert Gagne reported a relatively slow weekend with just three accidents, six disabled cars, and a few 911 medical calls. "The good thing was, unlike Hurricane Sandy, we didn't lose power, there were no trees or lines down and no fires so it tended to be a less busy storm," Gagne said. "Most residents were hunkered down knowing the storm was coming." The sheer amount of snow made it difficult to get around town but once again the department's Humvee came in handy. "Some of our neighboring towns had to call the National Guard to use their Humvees," he said. Police patrols remained stable as employees covered shifts for those who couldn't get in to work. "We had a few employees who either slept at the department or walked to open roads to be picked up and brought to work."

The town's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) was prepared with shovels in hand to dig out fire hydrants. Though less busy than during Hurricane Sandy, when High Plains Community Center was opened as a shelter, volunteers kept busy manning the reverse emergency telephone system relaying information to residents before, during and after the storm. "Our volunteers walked their own streets checking on neighbors," said town emergency management director Fred Palmer. "The snow was so deep it covered many storm doors and limited residents' ability to exit their houses."

Foyer is seeking any storm-related photos, particularly those with highway department workers and/or equipment for a department scrapbook of the event. Photos can be emailed to [dfoyer@orange-ct.gov](mailto:dfoyer@orange-ct.gov) or dropped off at the Highway Department.

### Orange Historical Society Needs Your Help

If you're still stuck in the house with the cold weather, why not clean a few closets or straighten out the collection in the cellar? From glassware to furniture, Helping Hands will accept your donation in our name and if your item is sold, the Orange Historical Society will earn 18% of the price. The store is located on the Post Road next to Gabriele's Restaurant. For information call 203 795-3106.

### Orange Historical Society T-Shirts For Sale

The Orange Historical Society will be selling these beautiful T-shirts for \$12/each. They come in small, medium, large and extra large sizes. Colors to choose from are black, white, grey and royal blue. Stop by the Academy Antique Shop, 605 Orange Center Road, any Saturday from 10:00am-3:00pm and pick one up! For more information or to make arrangements to purchase one, please contact Ginny at 203-795-6465.



# Wine Talk

With Ray Spaziani

## Switzerland... Its Wines & History



I have a very fond memory associated with Switzerland and Swiss wines. As a young man I was working my way through college playing saxophone on weekends in various bands. A very great musician and wonderful man, Sal Liebro, was a sought after lead alto player in many big name big bands in the 40's and 50's. He had played all the great gigs with Les and Larry Elgart who provided the music for Bob Hope's various TV gigs entertaining the troops, cut records with all the great singers from Sinatra on down. He was great friends with the jazz great Jerry Mulligan and was close to Hamden's own Domonic "Sonny" Conzanzo who was one of greatest jazz trombone players you could imagine. He had a sound that was so unique and so pleasing you had to hear it to believe it. Sal introduced me to Sonny and I became associated with the Quinnipiac College Jazz Ensemble. This was a fantastic college jazz organization that Sonny directed and played with upon occasion. We had very few musicians from Quinnipiac but we played at the Quinn Jazz Festivals and we gave concerts with the great Clark Terry who played with the Tonight Show Big Band and Jerry Mulligan and several other Jazz Greats who Sonny would get to play with us. We played on the New Haven green and at Quinnipiac College and at several locations. We cut a couple of records and in June of 1971 we were invited to play at the famous Montreax Jazz festival in Montreax Switzerland on the Lake Geneva shore line. Our 20 year old drummer was Ralph Nuzzo who, this past year, retired as principal of the Orange Kindergarten at the Mary L Tracy School. I went there expecting to quaff hearty German beers my older brothers had told me about when they were stationed in Germany in the early 50's. Instead I found wonderful white wines that I had never known and a great red wine called Blauburgunder. The flight attendants for Swiss Air were staying at our hotel and we were intimidated by them thinking of them as girls from a James Bond movie. When we got to know them they were just nice kids a couple of years out of high school like we were and they helped us order the good wines while giggling at our naiveté.

Switzerland is surrounded by major wine-producing countries and the Swiss are definitely wine conscious. Switzerland is both a wine producer (about 35 million gallons in good years) and it imports a great deal of wine from France, Italy, and Spain, among other countries. Most of the wines they import are red wines as about 65 % of the wines produced in Switzerland are white varieties.

Swiss vineyards date back to Roman times when vines were cultivated around Lake Neuchatel, Morat, and Bienne. In the Swiss mountains, passes such as the Simpson and Saint Gotthard, led to France, Austria, Germany, and Italy and thus became the highroads of the Middle Ages.

The Alps are an important influence on Swiss viticulture. The Alps shield the Valais area from winds and storms, for example, resulting in a temperate climate in summer, even though winters are cold. Most of the vineyards are at high altitudes, carefully terraced. Visperterminen, which is at an altitude of four thousand feet, is the highest vineyard in Europe. Because of the cold climate and high altitude, most vineyards face south over lakes and rivers to benefit from both direct and reflected sunlight. Most of the thirty thousand acres under vines is irrigated with water from melting glaciers through a system of canals.

While some ancient Roman vine areas are still grown, such as the Arvine, Amigne, Humagne, and Rese, the invading dukes of Burgundy brought European varieties with them, and it is these grapes that are grown in Switzerland today. The early indigenous grapes have been replaced, for the most part, by Chasselas, Pinot Noir, and Gamay.

The Chasselas is the most important white-wine grape, and it appears under several names in different parts of Switzerland. In Valais, it is called the Fendant, in Vand it is the Dorth, near Geneva it is the Perlan, and in the German cantons it is the Gutedel. In Neuchatel it is called the Chasselas.

The Sylvaner grape appears in Valais and Geneva, while a cross between Riesling and Sylvaner is grown in the German cantons. The Trainer grape in Valois is sometimes called the Savagnin.

Red wine grapes of French origin are the Pinot Noir and Gamay of Burgundy and the Merlot of Bordeaux. In the German cantons the Pinot Noir is known as the Blauburgunder and the Clevner. The Gamay, in Valais, is called the Goron. The Merlot, a newer vine to Switzerland, grows in Ticino, an Italian region along with the Italian varieties Nebbiolo and Bondolo. The Italian and French cantons of Ticino, Valais, Vaud, Geneva, Neuchatel, and Fribourg produce 90 percent of the wine in Switzerland.

On the southwestern frontiers of Switzerland is the Lake Geneva region, which is sub-divided into smaller regions. Chablais, southeast of Lake Geneva, produces good reds and pleasant whites. East of Lausanne is Lavaux, where one of the finest white wines, Dezaley, is produced from the Chasselas grape. West of Sausanne is La Cote, producing a fresh white wine called Dorin. On the tip of the lake is Geneva itself, the third largest producer. Red wines are produced in Vaud from the Gamay and Pinot Noir grapes, and are labeled Salvagnin.

The Valais, a long valley along the Rhone River, is third largest in area and first in wine production. This canton is favored with good soil and climate. The best wine is Fendant, and some wine called Johannisberger is produced from the Sylvaner. Dole, considered the best red wine of Switzerland, is made from 60 percent Pinot Noir, the balance being Gamay.

The Seeland area, which includes Lake Neuchatel, Morat, and Bienne, has a chalky soil rich in limestone and makes especially good white wines. North of Lausanne, on the north shore of Lake Neuchatel, is the home of the clean, fresh white wine called Neuchatel. It is made from the Chasselas grape and undergoes a second fermentation in the bottle. The wine has a slight petillance because of this and is most refreshing. A light red and a "partridge-eye" rose are produced from the Pinot Noir in the Seeland area. The best red wine is called Cortaillod, named for the village where it is made.

Ticino (Tessin), an Italian region on the other side of the Saint Gotthard Pass from Valais is on the southern slopes of the Alps. There are ten thousand growers around Lake Locarno, Lugano, and Maggiore. The climate is temperate, and the Merlot has been expanded from two thousand to thirty thousand acres in the past thirty years. Merlot produces eight million gallons annually, and the best is labeled Viti, for the appellation Vito Ticinese, if it passed government inspection.

Along the Rhine River, from Chur to Basel, are the German cantons, which produce about 10 percent of Swiss wines. Here red wine, which is 80 percent of the local production, is made from the Pinot Noir.

Champagne Nicolas Feuillatte, the #1 Champagne in France, the country where love is a daily celebration, is a recommended choice. Whether you are in for a romantic evening or a girls-night-out seeking a significant other, let Champagne Nicolas Feuillatte show you the path to romance. The Rose (SRP \$49) comes packaged in a beautiful gift box and will mesmerize anyone falling upon its salmon-pink color, aphrodisiac red fruits notes that pair ideally with a candle-lit dinner boasting lobster or oysters. This classic Brut NV (SRP \$37) will also delight you for this or any other occasion with its refreshing notes of apple and pears.

For those who seek help and advice on how to properly open a bottle, letting out air with a sigh and an exhaustive list of retailers and restaurants carrying the brand near you, turn to your iPhone, iTouch or iPad and download Mobile Toast, Champagne Nicolas Feuillatte's witty application. It will teach you how to avoid overflowing and will allow you to virtually pour a glass and toast your date. Our tip of the week.

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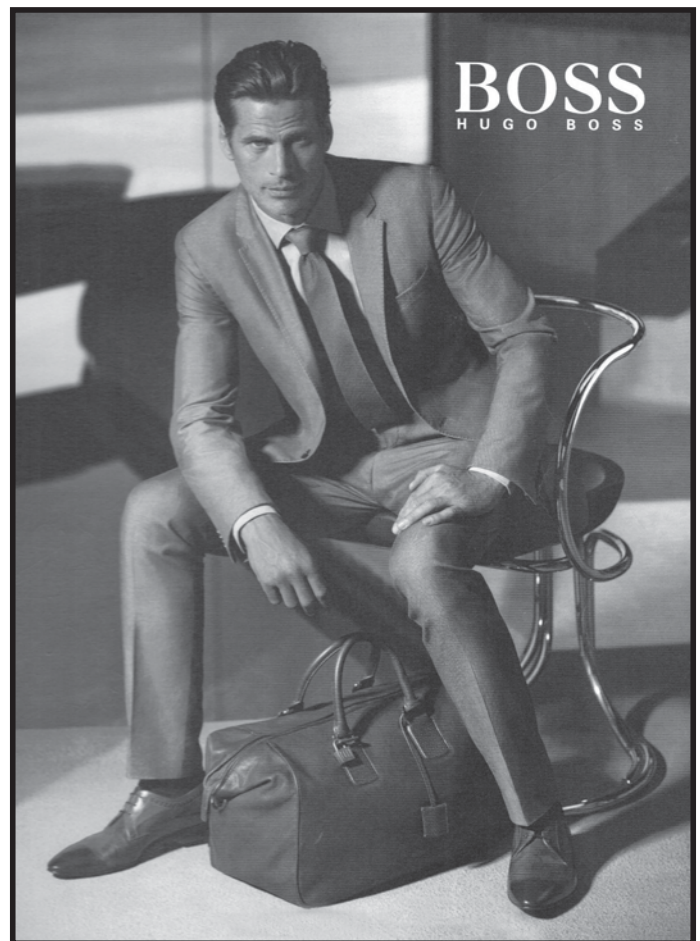
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# HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS



## Temple Emanuel Celebrates Debbie Friedman

*"We must live for today, we must build for tomorrow. Give us time, give us strength, give us life..." (Lyrics from "And the Youth Shall See Visions" by Debbie Friedman, 1981.)*

On Sunday, January 27, Temple Emanuel celebrated the musical life and legacy of the late Debbie Friedman, a leading composer and performer of contemporary Jewish music, with a concert of her music and the music of others influenced by her work. Participants in the event included the children of the Temple Emanuel religious school, the newly formed TE Children's Choir, directed by Anna Zonderman, and the TE Band, directed by Laurel Shader. In addition to several iconic songs by Friedman, who died in 2011, the TE musicians performed tunes by such composers as Julie Silver, Dan Nichols, Craig Taubman, Jacob "Spike" Kraus, Stephen Schwartz and Peter and Ellen Allard. Rabbi Michael Farbman explained how, as the first to bring a woman's voice and perspective into late 20th century Jewish music, Friedman inspired two generations of musicians to write accessible songs combining liturgy and social commentary.

Upcoming events at Temple Emanuel, both musical and non-musical, include "This is Purim," the Megillah reading and Purim shpiel on February 23, and the annual town-wide Interfaith Scholar in Residence Learning Experience, featuring a panel of Orange clergy discussing "Multiple Perspectives on Holiness" on March 10.

For more information about Temple Emanuel, please go to [www.templemanuel-gnh.org](http://www.templemanuel-gnh.org), or call the office at 203-397-3000.



Temple Emanuel

## The Saverese Family Fund Committee Needs Your Support

The Saverese Family Fund Committee will host a fundraiser on Wednesday, March 6th at App's restaurant (283 Captain Thomas Boulevard, West Haven) to benefit Michael Saverese and his family. He is now waging a valiant fight against cancer.

Three years ago Michael suffered TBI (traumatic brain injury) and serious back injuries from an accident. While undergoing treatment for these injuries, six months ago he received a diagnosis of 4th stage metastatic colon cancer. He has been unable to work because of his injuries and illness and he, his wife and two daughters need our help.

The benefit on March 6th will include a buffet dinner with cash bar at 6:00 p.m. with desserts and raffle to follow. Live music will be provided by the band "Furious George", playing classic 70's-80's rock from 7:00-closing. Tickets are \$30.00 per person. If you cannot attend, donations are encouraged and gratefully accepted. For tickets and information, call (203) 387-6095 or (203) 799-2728. Make checks payable to: The Saverese Family Fund c/o Pat McCorkle 846 Brookside Drive, Orange, CT 06477. Let's create a community of caring for Michael who has family roots in both West Haven and Orange! We can help!



## Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church to Present "A Taste of Greece"

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church announced details regarding A TASTE OF GREECE, to be held Saturday, March 9, 2013 from 11:00am-9:00pm. This one-day food festival features our mouthwatering Greek cuisine. Held in the Social Hall of the beautiful Byzantine-style Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, A TASTE OF GREECE offers a sampling of our well known dishes and desserts.



Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

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- Greek Pastries (glyka) – Baklava (layers of nuts and filo, drenched in syrup), Kourabiedes (shortbread dusted with powdered sugar), Galatoboureko (flaky pastry filled with custard), and Ravani (moist almond and honey cake).
- Eat-In or Take-Out – Dine in our elegant social hall, and/or take food and pastries to go for another Greek meal.

For 32 years Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church has delighted the senses at ODYSSEY, A GREEK FESTIVAL with a feast of Greek cuisine. Now you don't have to wait for Labor Day weekend! Due to popular demand, on Saturday, March 9, 2013, A TASTE OF GREECE will treat your taste buds to some of your favorites. Meet friends and family in Saint Barbara's Social Hall to dine Greek style. Take home some of your favorites for another meal.

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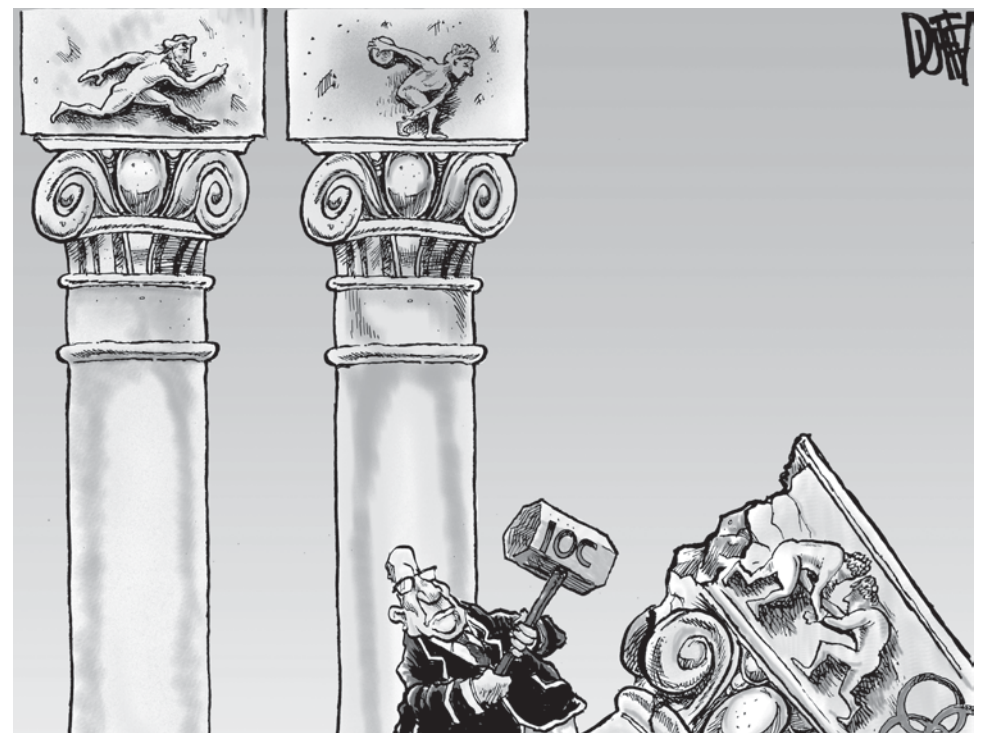
## Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church Easter Service Schedule

Our Lady of Sorrows Traditional Catholic Church on 378 Spring Street, Orange will be conducting Easter services as follows:

- Holy Thursday (3/28) 6:00pm;
- Good Friday (3/29) 6:00pm;
- Holy Saturday 12:00am midnight (pre-mass service @ 11:30); and
- Easter Sunday 9:00am, 6:00pm.



Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church





# Dollars and sense

## Inherited IRAs

By Roberta L Nestor

Inheriting an individual retirement account (IRA) can be a minefield of potential tax disasters for a beneficiary. If you find yourself inheriting any type of retirement account, the first thing you should do is seek the advice of a financial planner who can guide you through the complex options that are available to beneficiaries. Too often we see beneficiaries who cash in an inherited IRA and then ask for advice after the fact. Cashing in a beneficial IRA deems the distribution to be fully taxable and can cause havoc with your taxes. Besides, there are several alternatives to avoid having the entire distribution taxable as ordinary income.

Whether it is your mom, dad, spouse or friend that left you their IRA account you need to understand all of your options before you start signing papers. IRS regulations for inherited 401ks, IRAs and ROTH IRAs are different. This article will focus only on inherited IRAs. There are different rules for spouses and non-spouses; and there are different rules if the deceased IRA owner was over 70½ (and already taking required minimum distributions) or under 70½.

Spouses have the option of treating the IRA as their own or they can continue to treat the account as a "Beneficial IRA". The difference between the two is important. If the surviving spouse is under age 59½ and they treat the Inherited IRA as their own, they will lose the benefit of being able to withdraw funds before age 59½ without an IRS penalty. Registering the account as a Spousal or Beneficial IRA means you will always be able to take withdrawals before age 59½ without incurring a 10% penalty.

Note: This does not mean you have to keep the IRA account held at the same firm as where the deceased spouse had. Once the ownership is changed (either to your own IRA or as a beneficial) you can invest it wherever you want.

Spousal beneficiaries have the added advantage that any future minimum distribution requirements will be based on the surviving spouse's age, just as if he or she were the owner. Why is this important? Beneficial IRAs are required to take annual IRS required minimum distributions (RMD) in the year following death based on Single Life Expectancy tables. If you treat the IRA as your own, you will not be forced to make any distributions until you reach age 70½ and then you would use the Uniform Lifetime Table.

Here is an example of the impact of treating an inherited account as your own IRA versus a Beneficial IRA. Let's assume the Inherited IRA has a value of \$100,000 at age 70½. If you had treated the IRA as your own, the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) would be based on the Uniform Lifetime Table with a factor of 27.4 years. That translates to an RMD of \$3,640. Whereas with the Beneficial IRA you would be required to take out \$5,882 (Single Life Table has life expectancy factor of 17 years). Bottom line is that the Single Life Tables require higher rates of withdrawal and they begin right away, not at age 70½.

Note: The surviving spouse will be deemed to have made the election to treat the IRA as his or her own if any required amounts (applies only if deceased was over age 70½) have not been distributed under the required minimum distribution.

If a non-spouse inherits an IRA account, they do not have the option of treating the IRA as their own. They can, however, maintain tax deferral and not be forced to take the IRA out in a lump sum (old rules required that non-spouses had to have the Inherited IRA distributed over a 5-year period). If a non-spouse maintains a Beneficial IRA, they must begin RMD the year after the deceased passed. They can take out more than the RMD at anytime, even before age 59½.

Note: Failure to take out the RMD for any IRA account is penalized by the IRS. The penalty is 50% of the amount you should have withdrawn.

These are just a few basic rules for IRA inheritance and as you can see, they are not cut and dry and there isn't any one option that is universal for each situation. Future articles will explore other types of inheritances for different retirement plans, annuities and life insurance. If you have any specific questions, please feel free to send me an email.

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# Death Notices



## Natalie S. Smith

Natalie S. Smith, age 91 of Woodbridge, formerly of Orange entered into peaceful rest Feb. 15, 2013 at the Willows of Woodbridge with her devoted family by her side. She was the beloved wife of the late Francis W. Smith. Mrs. Smith was born August 15, 1921 in Meriden, daughter of the late James W. and Helen (Fitzgerald) Shortelle. Natalie was a retired Executive Director for the Printing Industry of Connecticut; she was a communicant of Our Lady of the Assumption Church. She was a longtime resident of Orange, and was a member of the Orange Republican Women's Club. Mrs. Smith and her late husband also lived in their retirement in North Ft. Meyers, FL. She enjoyed playing Bridge, square dancing, and travel.



Natalie S. Smith

Natalie leaves her loving family including 2 daughters, Nancy Kriz and her husband Joseph of Woodbridge, and Sally Winchester and her husband James W. of Tallapoosa, GA, 2 sons, Thomas F. Smith of Cincinnati, OH, and Peter J. Smith and his wife Linda of Chatham, MA, a brother James W. Shortelle of Wallingford, grandchildren, J. Michael and David A. Kriz, Kevin and Todd Smith, and Stephen, Brian, Gregory, and Andrew Smith, also 13 great grandchildren.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday March 9th at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of the Assumption (Mother Church) 1700 Litchfield Turnpike, Woodbridge. There are no calling hours. Memorial gifts may be sent to Masonicare Hospice, 33 North Plains Industrial Road, Wallingford, CT 06492. The Ralph E. Hull Funeral Home, 161 W. Church ST., Seymour is entrusted with the arrangements. To share a memory online, please only go to [www.hullfh.com](http://www.hullfh.com).

## Roger Charles Patrick

Roger Charles Patrick, of Derby, passed away suddenly of natural causes on February 15, 2013. He was born December 20, 1951 to the late Harrie and Mildred Ryan Patrick, and was the grandson of the late Raymond and Mildred Vadney. He attended Orange public schools and graduated from Amity Regional High School and completed numerous technical courses in emergency medical treatment and heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems.



Roger Charles Patrick

Roger was a 39-year member of the Orange Volunteer Fire Association where he attained the rank of Assistant Chief. For many years he was the co-chair of the pizza booth at the annual Orange Firemen's Carnival. He belonged to the Valley Fire Chiefs Association, Valley Fire Training School, New Haven Fire Academy, CT State Firefighters Irregulars Association, and assisted with the Engine #260 muster in Milford for many years. Roger had been an EMT trainer/evaluator for RECERT LLC and worked for Flanagan Ambulance; was a member of Teamsters 443 and Pipefitters United Association Local 777; and worked as an HVAC service technician for Chickos Energy Services in Milford, Hoffman Fuel, and Vadney Fuels in Orange during his career. He was known as an excellent technician with superb customer service skills.

Roger enjoyed riding his motorcycle, walking along the beach in West Haven, and his friend's pets. He served as a mentor to younger firefighters as an instructor and coach. Colleagues respected and admired him. He was a good friend who would give the shirt off his back.

Roger is survived by his brother, Hal Patrick (Fran) of Albany, NY and Wickford, RI; sister, Marcia Patrick of Tacoma, WA and West Palm Beach FL; nephews Eric Patrick (Gloria) of Waltham, MA; Drew Patrick (Nalini) of Norwalk, CT; and grandnieces Sophia, Phoebe, Thalia and Keira.

A Celebration of Life was held in February at Orange Fire Station #1, 625 Orange Center Road, Orange. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Orange Volunteer Fire Association, Inc., 625 Orange Center Road, P.O. Box 878, Orange, CT 06477. BEECHER & BENNETT, 2300 Whitney Ave, Hamden, was in care of arrangements. To send a condolence, please see obituary at [www.beecherandbennett.com](http://www.beecherandbennett.com).

# DEATH NOTICES

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**Milford Historical Society**  
**Thursday, March 14, 7pm**  
Community Room, Case Memorial Library  
Tyler City Road, Orange

featuring *Rodger Addil*,  
active member of the Shore Line Trolley Museum.

## The Trolley Car Era: 1900-1948



The Shore Line Trolley Museum was incorporated in 1945 with a mission to preserve the history and heritage of the trolley era.

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Come and hear about the museum's extensive trolley collection.

*The program is free and open to residents in neighboring communities.*





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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](http://www.ct-al-anon.org) or call Margaret at (203) 877-4313.

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

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

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

**Orange Arts & Culture Council** meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month, 7:30pm, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road. The public is invited.

**Orange Recycling Committee** meets every 3rd Wednesday except for January, July & August, 7pm, HPCC conference room, 525 Orange Center Road, public is invited to attend. For more information, email [Orangerecycles@gmail.com](mailto:Orangerecycles@gmail.com).

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

**The Rotary Club of Orange** meets every Friday, 12:15pm at the Racebrook Country Club, 246 Derby Avenue; prospective new members may contact Diane Eger at 203-530-4526 or visit [www.orangetrotary.org](http://www.orangetrotary.org) for information about the club.

**Trap Falls Kennel Club Dog Training Classes**, AKC Puppy STAR - targeting dogs under 12 months old in focusing and obedience; Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Prep Class; Family Manners Class - beginning and intermediate/advanced. All classes are held in Shelton at Pawz for Wellness. Call 203-450-9485 or email: [tfkctraining@gmail.com](mailto:tfkctraining@gmail.com) for more information.

**Milford Parks and Recreation Aqua Zumba Class**, beginning Monday, February 26, 2013 and Friday, March 1, 2013 and ending Monday, April 15, 2013 and April 19, 2013, McCann Natatorium, 34 Park Circle, Milford led by Renay. Pre registration required [www.ci.milford.ct.us](http://www.ci.milford.ct.us). Or call Renay 203-522-2616 [zumbarenay@gmail.com](mailto:zumbarenay@gmail.com), \$56/resident; \$61/non-resident for 8 classes or \$112/resident; \$122/non-resident for 16 classes.

**Hooked on the Sound Crochet Guild**, Saturdays, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, August 3, September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7, 2013; 10am-1pm, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, small meeting room on 2nd level (elevator available); share stitch successes, assist with pattern problems and have a great time crocheting, no fee. For more information, visit <http://hotscrochetguild.yolasite.com/>, Email [HOTSCrochetGuild@Live.com](mailto:HOTSCrochetGuild@Live.com).

**St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church A TASTE OF GREECE**, Social Hall, 480 Racebrook Road, Orange, CT, Saturday, March 9, 2013, 11 am - 9 pm, authentic Greek cuisine (gyro, souvlaki, spanakopita, Greek salad, pastries and more), eat-in or take-out, free parking, free admission. For more information, contact [www.saintbarbara.org](http://www.saintbarbara.org) or 203-795-1347.

**Holy Infant Church Women's Guild Bus Trip**, Andy Cooney's "Forever Irish" show, featuring Andy Cooney's Irish Sopranos, the Andy Cooney Band, and Irish Step Dancers, Tuesday, March 12th, Aqua Turf, Southington, \$72/includes the show, lunch, bus, and gratuities. Lunch choice/corned beef and cabbage or baked scrod, vegetable, potatoes, dessert, and coffee. The bus leaves the Holy Infant Church parking lot at 10:15 am. For reservations and information, please call (203)799-2379.

**Milford Knights of Columbus Cruise**, March 13-22, 2013, 10 day/9 night from NYC aboard the Norwegian Gem - San Juan, St. Maarten, St. Thomas and Samana. Price includes round trip bus from Milford/inside \$970.00, outside \$1060.00, PP,DO. Call John Benard 203-877-2737. Valid passport is needed.

**Orange Historical Society & Milford Historical Society Joint Meeting**, "The Trolley Car Era: 1900-1948" presented by Roger Addil, Thursday, March 14, 2013, 7:00pm, Community Room, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange.

**Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary Chili Supper**, Satur-

day, March 16, 2013, 5:00-8:00pm, Fire Station 1, 625 Orange Center Road, Adults/\$10, ages 5-12/\$5, under 5 free with paying adult, tickets must be purchased in advance at Knight's, 286 Boston Post Road, Orange or call Lynn at 203-799-2486.

**Artist Patti Mollica Lecture/Demo**, Monday, March 18, 2013, 1:00-3:00pm, St. Paul's Episcopal Parish Center, 25 Church St, Huntington, CT. Patti is a well-known acrylic artist, she will be using Golden Acrylics, and all those who register will receive free product samples and hand-painted color charts! This is a FREE event – but, you must register by March 13th if you want to receive free samples. TO REGISTER: e-mail [capisani@charter.net](mailto:capisani@charter.net) or call Carol @ 203-502-8177

**West Haven High School Class Of 1977's 35th Reunion**, Saturday, April 6, 2013, 7:00-11:00pm, Country House, 990 Foxon Road, East Haven. For more information and to register, go to [www.whhsclassof1977.com](http://www.whhsclassof1977.com) or contact Betsey Pesapane at [pez0559@yahoo.com](mailto:pez0559@yahoo.com) or (203) 764-7561.

**Cohen and Wolf Cinco de Miles Road Race**, Sunday, May 5, 2013, 8:30am, HPCC, 525 Orange Center Road, dri-fit tee shirts to first 400 runners to register, register at Active.com, \$25.00/advance, \$30.00/day of event. Registration closes on Friday, April 26, 2013 @ 11:59 PM PST. For more information, call 203.795.3328 or e-mail [Info@orangetchamber.com](mailto:Info@orangetchamber.com).

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## LEGAL NOTICE

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TO BE HELD ON MARCH 13, 2013 AND A REFERENDUM VOTE ON MARCH 20, 2013

Notice is hereby given to the electors and qualified voters of the Town of Orange, that a **Special Town Meeting of said Town will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2013** at 7:30 p.m. (E.D.T.) in the gymnasium of the High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477 for the following purpose:

To receive communication from the Board of Selectmen with respect to, and to consider and act upon the resolution entitled:

1. "RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS AGGREGATING \$15,427,000 FOR VARIOUS ROAD, SCHOOL, TOWN FACILITY AND POLICE CAPITAL PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$15,427,000 BONDS OF THE TOWN TO MEET SAID APPROPRIATIONS AND PENDING THE ISSUANCE THEREOF THE MAKING OF TEMPORARY BORROWINGS FOR SUCH PURPOSE"

The Board of Selectmen voted, pursuant to provisions of Section 2.6 of the Town Charter Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, that the vote on Item 1 of this call be removed and adjourned for submittal to electors and citizens qualified to vote in such meeting to a **referendum vote** at Adjourned Special Town Meeting **to be held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013**. As a result, the March 13, 2013 Special Town Meeting will be held to only consider and discuss the bond resolution (Item 1), not to vote on it. The question to be voted upon at the referendum shall be stated as follows:

**Question 1:**

"**Shall the resolution entitled 'Resolution Making Appropriations Aggregating \$15,427,000 for Various Road, School, Town Facility and Police Capital Projects And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$15,427,000 Bonds of the Town To Meet Said Appropriations and Pending The Issuance Thereof The Making Of Temporary Borrowings For Such Purpose' as introduced at a Special Town Meeting held Wednesday, March 13, 2013, be approved?"**

The ballot label for said question shall read as follows:

"**Shall the appropriation and bond authorization of \$15,427,000 for various road, school, town facility and police capital projects, be approved? YES/NO**"

The voting will be by paper/electronic ballot. Those desiring to vote for the question shall fill in the oval by the question on the ballot at "YES". Those desiring to vote against the question shall fill in the oval by the question on the ballot at "NO". Absentee ballots will be made available in accordance with law. Absentee ballots will be counted at the following central location: Orange Town Hall, 617 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477.

The full text of the aforesaid resolution is on file, open to public inspection, in the Office of the Town Clerk. The vote on the aforesaid resolution is taken under the authority of Section 2.6 of the Town Charter and Section 7-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended.

The polls will be open during the hours between 12:00 noon and 8:00 p.m. (E.D.T.) and electors shall cast their votes at High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477.

Property owners who are not electors but are qualified voters pursuant to Section 7-6 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as amended, shall cast their votes at High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477.

A qualified voter is any citizen of the United States eighteen years of age or more who, jointly or severally, is liable to the Town of Orange for taxes assessed against him or her on an assessment of not less than One Thousand Dollars on the last completed grand list of the Town, or who would be so liable if not entitled to an exemption under subdivision (17), (19), (22), (23), (25), or (26) of Section 12-81 of the General Statutes.

Such Special Town Meeting may consider and act upon any other business which may lawfully come before the meeting.

Dated at Orange, Connecticut this 1st day of March 2013.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF ORANGE  
ATTEST: Patrick B. O'Sullivan, II - Town Clerk





# top 10 movies

- 1. Identity Thief (R)**  
Jason Bateman, Melissa McCarthy
- 2. Warm Bodies (PG-13)**  
Nicholas Hoult, Teresa Palmer
- 3. Side Effects (R)**  
Rooney Mara, Channing Tatum
- 4. Silver Linings Playbook (R)**  
Bradley Cooper, Jennifer Lawrence
- 5. Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters (R)**  
Jeremy Renner, Gemma Arterton
- 6. Mama (PG-13)**  
Jessica Chastain, Nikolaj Coster-Waldau
- 7. Zero Dark Thirty (R)**  
Jessica Chastain, Joel Edgerton
- 8. Argo (R)**  
Ben Affleck, Bryan Cranston
- 9. Django Unchained (R)**  
Jamie Foxx, Christoph Waltz
- 10. Bullet to the Head (R)**  
Sylvester Stallone, Jason Momoa

## TOP DVD RENTALS AND SALES

- 1. Looper (R)**  
Joseph Gordon-Levitt
- 2. Ted (R)**  
Mark Wahlberg
- 3. The Bourne Legacy (PG-13)**  
Jeremy Renner
- 4. Pitch Perfect (PG-13)**  
Anna Kendrick
- 5. The Dark Knight Rises (PG-13)**  
Christian Bale
- 6. Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG)**  
animated
- 7. Possession (PG-13)**  
Jeffrey Dean Morgan
- 8. Trouble With the Curve (PG-13)**  
Clint Eastwood
- 9. Total Recall (PG-13)**  
Colin Farrell
- 10. The Watch (R)**  
Ben Stiller



# Chartbusters

### Top 10 Pop Singles

- 1. Macklemore & Ryan Lewis feat. Wanz**  
"Thrift Shop"
- 2. Bruno Mars**  
"Locked Out of Heaven"
- 3. will.i.am & Britney Spears**  
"Scream & Shout"
- 4. The Lumineers**  
"Ho Hey"
- 5. Taylor Swift**  
"I Knew You Were Trouble"
- 6. Swedish House Mafia feat. John Martin**  
"Don't You Worry Child"
- 7. Justin Bieber feat. Nicki Minaj**  
"Beauty and a Beat"
- 8. A\$ap Rocky feat. Drake, 2 Chainz & Kendrick Lamar**  
"F--kin Problems"
- 9. Pink**  
"Try"
- 10. Calvin Harris feat. Florence Welch**  
"Sweet Nothing"



Blake Shelton

### Top 10 Country Singles

- 1. The Band Perry**  
"Better Dig Two"
- 2. Gary Allen**  
"Every Storm (Runs Out of Rain)"
- 3. Hunter Hayes**  
"Wanted"
- 4. Blake Shelton**  
"Sure Be Cool If You Did"
- 5. Jason Aldean with Luke Bryan & Eric Church**  
"The Only Way I Know"
- 6. Florida Georgia Line**  
"Cruise"
- 7. Tim McGraw**  
"One of Those Nights"
- 8. Carrie Underwood**  
"Two Black Cadillacs"
- 9. Randy Houser**  
"How Country Feels"
- 10. Little Big Town**  
"Tornado"

## COUCH THEATER DVD PREVIEWS BY DNA SMITH



Gerard Butler in "Playing for Keeps"

EDITOR'S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of March 4, 2013.

### PICKS OF THE WEEK

**"Wreck-It Ralph" (PG)** -- The villain of an old arcade game decides he's done being the bad guy, and travels to other video games to find a new life. Wreck-It Ralph (John C. Riley) is a loveable, misunderstood giant who wants to get out from the shadow of his game's titular good guy, Fix-It Felix. Along the way, he teams up with annoying little girl from a racing game (Sarah Silverman). Every shot is packed with nostalgic nuances and rewarding visuals for the watchful. Characters from every generation of video games make clever appearances. The script is fast-paced enough to keep the kids involved in its story about a supposed bad guy who only wants to be kind and be accepted.

**"Red Dawn" (PG-13)** -- A handful of well-armed American teens wage war

against North Korean invaders in Spokane, Wash. For some convoluted reasons, North Korea 1) Has the resources for a land invasion of America, and 2) Actually does that. Who cares about the details? Only one of the foreigners has a name, and the rest get handily gunned down by suburban high-school students. Oh yeah, and it stars Josh Hutcherson and Chris Hemsworth -- two stars who signed on to the project just before their big breaks.

This is a remake of a big-deal '80s movie by the same name. Even the old "Red Dawn" doesn't hold up well in the modern climate, and this one has none of the charm and depth of the original. And the original was not deep.

**"The Intouchables" (R)** -- This French import tells a (kinda) true story about the friendship between a super-rich white man in a wheelchair and a black man he hires to be his assistant. It's full of life-affirming messages and tender scenes, all wrapped up in race humor that American audiences got tired of a while ago. The white guy likes classic orchestra, but his black friend gets him to listen to Earth, Wind & Fire. It's not the barrier-breaking true story it wants to be, but it might just produce some warm and fuzzy feelings.

**"Playing For Keeps" (PG-13)** -- A washed-up soccer star from Scotland (Gerard Butler) ends up in Virginia suburb with his ex-wife (Jessica Biel) and their son. While trying to prove he can be a real grownup, Butler's character gets roped into coaching his son's youth league team. Soon, he's swarmed by sultry soccer moms and stale comedy. This romantic comedy is as funny as a soap opera and as romantic as a "Lockhorns" comic strip.

1. What singer had a Top 10 hit with "Pride and Joy"?
2. Who released "Spanish Stroll," and when?
3. Which one-name artist released "I Want to Be Your Man?"
4. Who had a hit with "Calendar Girl"?
5. Name the song with this lyric: "Soon he'll be there at your side with a sweet bouquet, And he'll kiss your lips and caress your waiting fingertips."



1. Marvin Gaye, in 1963. He was shot and killed in 1984 during a violent argument with his father, Marvin Gay Sr.  
2. Mink DeVille, in 1977. It was used on the soundtrack of "In the Land of Women" in 2007.  
3. Roger Troutman, aka Roger, in 1988. His "The Many Facets of Roger" solo album was released after his debut with the group Zapp.  
4. Pop artist Neil Sedaka, in 1961. His mother took a second job to buy a piano, thinking that the young Neil would become a classical pianist.  
5. "It's All in the Game" by Tommy Edwards, in 1958. The melody was originally written in 1911 by Charles Dawes, who became the 30th vice president under Calvin Coolidge.

Sudoku answers on page 38

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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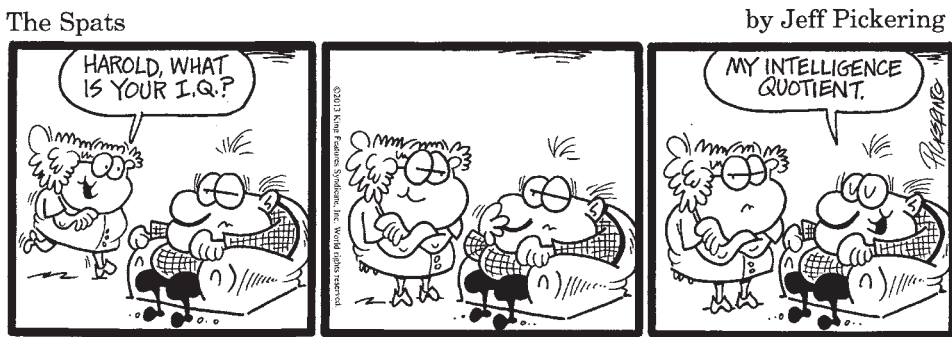
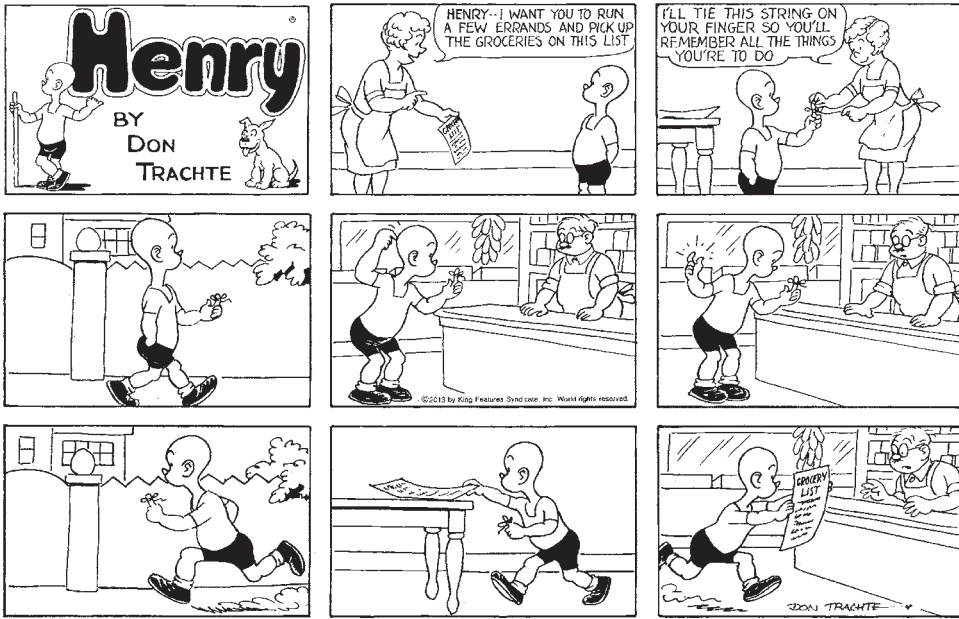
**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★**

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★★★ HOO BOY!

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HOLLYWOOD

By Tony Rizzo



Henry Cavill

HOLLYWOOD -- We will finally see the long-awaited reboot of the Superman franchise when "Man of Steel" opens June 14. The last Superman reboot, starring Brandon Routh, failed at the box office. This time around, British actor Henry Cavill is "The Man of Steel." We first saw Henry in "The Tudors" from 2007-2010.

Among his film roles were "Stardust" (2007) with Claire Danes, Sienna Miller, Peter O'Toole, Michelle Pfeiffer and Robert DeNiro, which cost \$88.5 million to shoot and made \$135.5 million. In 2009, Woody Allen cast him in "Whatever Works," with Larry David, Evan Rachel Wood, Ed Begley Jr. and Michael McKeon. In 2011, Cavill succeeded with "The Immortals" in 3D, with Stephen Dorff, Kellen Lutz, Frieda Pinto and Mickey Rourke. It cost \$75 million to make and earned a whopping \$227 million. This year's "Cold Light of Day," with Bruce Willis and Sigourney Weaver, came and went, costing \$20 million to make with only \$16 million in ticket sales.

As in the original "Superman," a first-rate cast will back him up. Four-time Oscar-nominee Amy Adams is Lois Lane (which Margot Kidder played), and Oscar-nominee Michael Shannon is the ruthless General Zod (originally Terence Stamp). Oscar winner Kevin Costner is Jonathan Kent, Superman's adoptive father (originally Glenn Ford), while Oscar-nominee Diane Lane is Martha Kent, his mother (originally Phyllis Thaxter). Oscar-nominee Laurence Fishburne is Perry White (originally former child star Jackie Cooper) and Oscar winner Russell Crowe is Jor-El, Superman's father on Krypton (originally Marlon Brando).

Cavill's Superman will have a dif-

ferent look. The Superman suit has been given an upgrade in the form of a built-in crotch (yes, that's what they're calling it!). The decision was based on the desire to make Superman more alien, and the red undershorts made him more Earth-like. Henry Cavill is more than capable of filling out the suit -- from top to bottom -- without any padding. The opening date of the film was chosen to honor the 75th anniversary of the release of the first comic book featuring Superman, Action Comic No. 1. How will Americans react to an English Superman, and what about the other skeleton's in Henry's closet that may come out?

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BITS & PIECES: Elizabeth Olsen and "Breaking Bad's" Bryan Cranston are in talks for yet another remake of "Godzilla," and here we thought Mathew Broderick's reboot put an end to that! ... TV isn't exempt from comic-book reboots. There's talk of a TV series based on the 1968 Jane Fonda film "Barbarella," which contained a scene where little robots tore off Barbarella's clothes ... well, you can do just about almost anything on cable these days!

Send letters to Tony Rizzo's Hollywood, 8306 Wilshire Blvd., No. 362, Beverly Hills, CA 90211.

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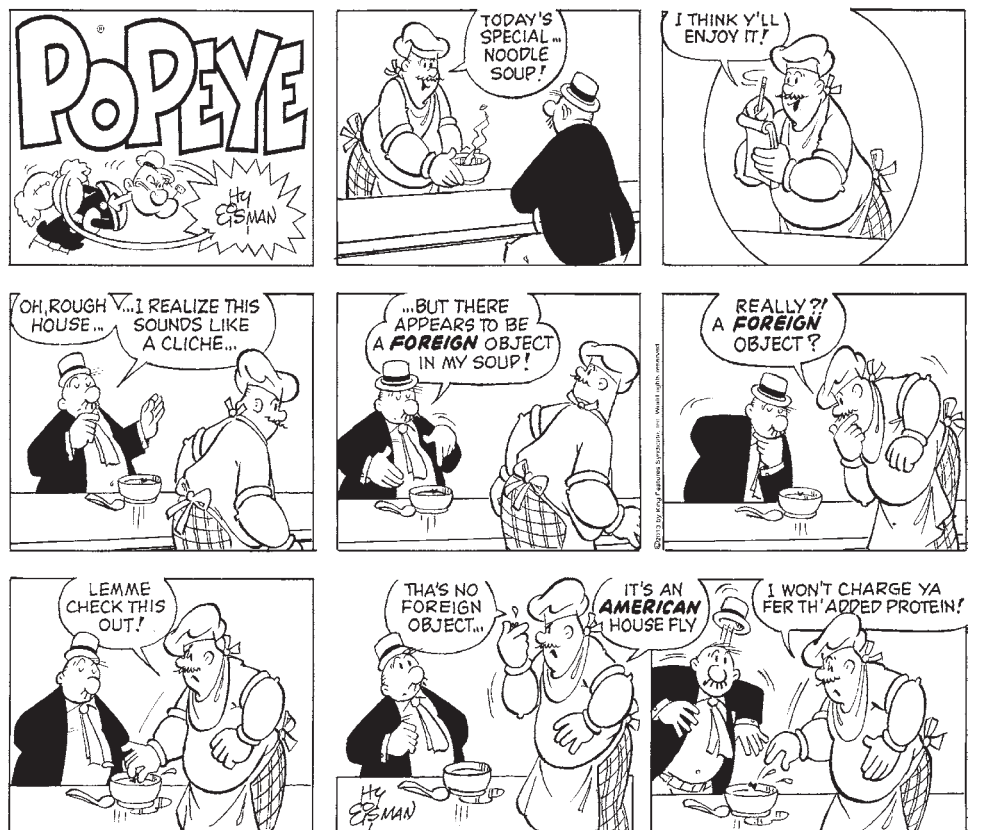
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- 18 No-goodnik
- 20 Bit of progress
- 21 Makes a mistake
- 23 Neither partner
- 24 New England football team
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**Who:** Boys and Girls, Residents of Orange, Ages 5 through 12.  
**When:** Sundays, APRIL 21<sup>ST</sup> through JUNE 23<sup>TH</sup> 2013  
**Where:** Mary L Tracy School  
 Fred P. Wolfe Park  
*Locations and times subject to change due to facility availability.*  
**Fees:** \$80.00 per player until MARCH 23, 2013  
 \$10.00 Late fee on any registrations after March 23<sup>ND</sup>, 2013  
**Format:** U-5 (Clinic) Divisions will remain coed  
 (U-5 = Age 5 as of JULY 30, 2013) 12:00-1:00 PM  
**Girls and Boys divisions in the following age groups:**  
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 U-8 & 9 division (Ages 8-9 as of JULY 30, 2013) PLAYS AFTER 1:00 PM  
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- Complete the attached form and mail with a check payable to: OSA  
 Orange Soccer Association, PO 605, Orange, CT 06477
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- Walk-in registrations accepted by the Orange Park and Recreation office, High Plains Community Center during business hours through MARCH 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2013

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- 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.

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 Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Height: \_\_\_\_\_ Weight: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Was Player registered in: Spring 12 \_\_\_\_\_ Fall 12 \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Player's Athletic Ability (Please rate: 1=Beginner, 2=Fair, 3=Average, 4=Good, 5=Excellent): \_\_\_\_\_  
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Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Students at Amity Middle School in Orange created their annual acrostic poem Valentines. They were delivered to residents at Maplewood at Orange, a senior living home. Top photo: Students with sample Valentines are Pete DeBassio, Quentin Pitter and Sophie Anwar-Krumeich. Bottom photo: Ruby Ciskowski and Summer Burzynski



For the 5th consecutive year Kaoud Rugs and Material Girls Boutique of Orange has collected toys for the "Yale Toy Closet" at the Children's Hospital. With the support of friends, family, customers, and Beecher Road school families they collected hundreds of toys. This is something that they are hoping to do at other times of the year since toys are needed year round. If you would like to donate any new, unwrapped non plush toy, they will be starting a collection again soon. Pictured (l-r): Kristina, R.J. Joey, Jim, and Jillian Kaoud.

**From the Youth Services Coordinator** *By John Ulatowski*



**Youth Services Orange Artist Colony 2013**

Open to all Orange 7th and 8th grade students, The Artist Colony will consist of 12 students only from Amity Middle School who have an interest in art. Space is limited. Student lists will be determined by the order (date and time) in which email is received. Session content is different from last year. Students will receive quality professional instruction and all art materials. There is no cost to the parent. There will be a drawing course scheduled during students' April vacation. Where: High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange CT 06477. Professional Instructor: Graham Dale-drawing. Contact Person: John Ulatowski Youth Services Coordinator. Drawing: (one session): April 15th Time: 9 am to 3 pm. Parents who are interested should email John Ulatowski at [julatowski@orange-ct.gov](mailto:julatowski@orange-ct.gov).

**Residential Values Decline in Current Revaluation**

*By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent*

Most town residents received notice recently that their property isn't worth as much today as it was in 2006. According to First Selectman Jim Zeoli, while final statistics aren't available yet, most residential property values declined while commercial and industrial property stayed the same or increased slightly. The rate is based on 70 % of property market value as of October 1, 2012.

The trend is opposite what happened at the last revaluation in 2006, when assessments on commercial and industrial land decreased and residential housing prices increased dramatically. The state mandated revaluation was conducted by the Massachusetts-based Vision Government Solutions Inc. But even though property value has decreased, don't expect to see that reflected in your tax bill. "It still costs 'x' amount of dollars to operate the town and the budget is still the budget, so even if your assessment goes down, the mill rate will be adjusted to account for the decrease in the Grand List," Zeoli said. The town is also seeking approval on a \$15,427,000 bond for repairs and improvements to town roads and buildings.

Residents with questions or complaints about their new assessment should direct them to Vision Inc., and not town officials. Informal hearings will be conducted at the High Plains Community Center by appointment only.





## LOCAL SPORTS

### Amity Basketball Clinches First Housy Crown in Six Years

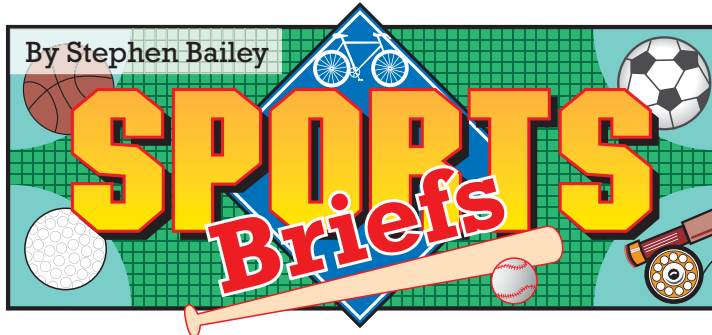
When Amity (17-5) defeated Shelton 75-60 on February 7, the Spartans clinched their first Housatonic Division championship since the 2006-07 season. It came on the same night that leading scorer Zac Campbell broke the 1,000-career points milestone, too.

Campbell finished with game highs of 22 points and 12 rebounds while Gardner Broderick added 19 points and five rebounds for Amity, which shot 47 percent from the field. The Spartans followed that victory with a 62-30 rout of East Haven on February 15. Amity held the Yellow Jackets to just 23 percent shooting on Senior Night as Remi Farrell paced the team with 11 points. Campbell and Broderick hauled in six rebounds each.

The senior class of Campbell, Broderick, Farrell, Ben LeVine, Gilbert Guo, Alex Tumeniuk and Matt Lettick, were honored in a pre-game ceremony,

along with Marine Corporal and 1989 Amity graduate Chris Zovinka who was in attendance as part of the Wounded Warrior fundraiser. Zovinka coached the Spartans' throwers on the track and field team while assisting around the school in recent years.

Amity fell to the state's top-ranked team, Fairfield Prep, 61-46 on Tuesday. The Spartans led 13-11 after the first quarter, entered halftime tied 24-24 and trailed 44-41 heading into the final period, before the Jesuits pulled away. Amity closes out its regular season schedule at Hand on Thursday and will face Notre Dame in the opening round of the Southern Connecticut Conference tournament.



### Kate Simon Wins State Open Shot Put Title

After claiming the Class LL shot put title with a heave of 40 feet, 1½ inches, Amity's Kate Simon blew away the State Open field throwing 41 feet, 6¼ inches — beating her closest competition by more than four feet. Simon, who will be heading to Yale University next fall, is the school record holder in the shot put.

The Amity girls' track and field team finished sixth at LLs with 27 points. Zoie Reed took second in the 55-meter dash (7.51) and the long jump (16-6½) before placing third in the long jump at State Opens (17-4½).

Mike Vitale took third in the shot put at State Opens (49-9) while the 4x200 relay team, composed of Benjamin Feola, James Bonvicini, Joshua Timpko and Sean Beaulieu, placed fifth (1:34.89). The Spartans' boys team took fourth place at LLs with 41 points. Vitale claimed second in the shot put (47-7½) while Zachary Torro placed third (47-3½).

David Karabinos was third in the 55-meter hurdles (8.17), the long jump (20 feet, 8¼ inches) and tied for third in the high jump (5 feet, 10 inches). Shae Belenski finished fourth in the 3,200 (9:42.35) and the 4x200 meter relay team took fourth (1:36.33).

### Spartans Ice Hockey Wins One for Martino Family

Amity's 2-1 win over Cheshire on February 7 carried an added emotional attachment. The Spartans honored the Martino family of Orange, which lost its home and possessions in a house fire on January 21, by edging their rival Rams on the ice to improve to 11-3 on the season. Amity also donated proceeds and donations from the game to the Martino family.

The Spartans, ranked No. 1 in Division II, set the tone right from the get-go as Brett McNeil scored just 35 seconds into regulation, off passes from John Crocker and Adam Shea. After heading into first intermission with the one-goal lead, McNeil scored again early in the second period. This time it was Johnny Uscilla and Shea who set him up 2:41 into the frame.

Cheshire's Sean Richard scored with 2:27 left in the period to pull the Rams within one, but Amity goalie Nick Nuzzolo preserved the Spartans' lead with a clean slate in the third period. Nuzzolo finished with 29 saves and Amity outshot Cheshire 36-30 as the Spartans rounded out their Division-I schedule. The Rams fell to 3-11.

### Amity Swimming & Diving Edges East Lyme

Amity improved to 10-1 with a 95-88 victory in East Lyme. The Spartans won seven of 12 events, with Dylan Swanepoel, A.J. Pite and Jacob Laser claiming two individual wins each. Swanepoel took the 200-yard freestyle (1:47.67) and 500 freestyle (4:51.08), Pite the 200 individual medley (1:58.63) and 100 breaststroke (1:02.25) and Laser the 50 freestyle (23.36) and 100 freestyle (50.42). Stephen Cheung won the 400 freestyle relay (3:24.61).



### Orange's Vitale to Compete in Boston

By Stephen Bailey — Orange Town News Correspondent

Mike Vitale entered the Southern Connecticut Championship Meet seeded first in the shot put. He was listed as No. 1 for the CIAC Class LL State Championship Meet too, but the Amity senior finished second both times. So heading into the CIAC State Open Championship Meet, Spartans throwers' coach Jason Moon pulled Vitale aside and told him to remain calm. The pressure would be off as he was slotted eighth for the biggest meet of his career.

Vitale cranked out a 49-foot, nine-inch heave on his final throw to place third. The top-six finish also punched his ticket to the New England Championship Meet in Boston — one of his goals at the start of the season. "It felt really good as soon as it left my hand," Vitale said. "I knew it was going to be a good throw just how it landed and came off my hand."

The Orange native thrived in what was a down year for the Spartans. Vitale helped lead Amity to a second-place finish at SCCs — finishing just one point behind champion Xavier — and a fourth-place result at LLs. A captain on the outdoor track and field team, Vitale is stepping up as one of the Spartans' star performers. He hopes to springboard off the State Open performance at New England's and then into the outdoor season. "It was huge for me because a lot of our big guys left (after graduating last year) and the coaches told me that I was one of the main guys who could get big points in these big meets," Vitale said. "I have a commitment to work hard and keep Amity track's reputation as strong as it's always been."

Now the team focus is diminishing as most of the other athletes on the team are done competing for the season. Other shot putters Zachary Torro and Dennis Flanagan are already looking ahead to the spring while Vitale and Kate Simon — a shot putter on the girls' team who won State Opens — will nitpick their form with each practice throw in preparation for New England's. Vitale said his goal is to break the 50-foot mark. That was another one of the benchmarks he wanted to meet before the start of the outdoor season.

Vitale registered a personal best earlier this season at the SCC Eastern Sectional Meet, throwing 49 feet, five inches. That's the toss that set him up to be the top seed at SCCs and LLs. But after falling just short in both of those meets, Vitale found redemption at Opens. "I was going in at eighth and I really didn't do well in SCCs and LLs," he said.

But he landed the farthest toss of his career to extend his indoor season. With the stakes one level higher at New England's, Vitale will look to remain calm and exceed expectations once more. Then it's on to the outdoor season, where he'll wrap up his career as a high school student-athlete. Said Vitale: "I'm pretty excited to actually throw in New England's, in Boston this year."

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**LOCAL SPORTS**

**CT Crushers to Host Comedy Night Fundraiser at Joker's Wild**

The CT Crushers 12U baseball team will host its first major fundraiser at the Joker's Wild, 232 Wooster Street, New Haven, on April 7th. Tickets are \$20 per person and are available from any team member or at Reno's Pizzeria, 500 Boston Post Road, Orange. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. The show starts at 7 p.m. There will also be raffle prizes. Have some laughs while helping the team! Joker's Wild has generously offered to donate half of all ticket sales to the team.

Playing at Cooperstown Dreams Park has been an annual tradition for 12-year old baseball players in Orange for many years. Every August, elite players from the Town of Orange make the annual pilgrimage in hopes of winning a national title. This cultural and life enriching experience for team and family members will create memories to last a lifetime. Players and coaches will visit the National Baseball Hall of Fame, share hometown stories, trade pins, and compete with players on over 100 teams from around the United States for a weekly national title. Team records and photographs will be displayed in the American Youth Baseball Hall of Fame. This once in a lifetime experience comes at a cost of \$850 per player and coach. In addition, the team will need to bring enough pins to trade with fellow players. Other costs involved are for sportswear, a banner, and travel expenses. Any donations are greatly appreciated and will help offset the cost incurred by families of players.

The team is also selling ads for its program book which will be distributed to attendees of the Joker's Wild fundraiser. The team is also accepting donations of raffle prizes as well as seeking a major corporate sponsor who would like its name displayed on the banner that will be carried by the team during opening ceremonies. Team members are: Jack Ballocca, Michael Bier, Clayton Coassin, Marc Chodos, Drew DeDomenico, Anthony Esposito, Michael Ficaro, Robert Jaques, Ryan Kennedy, Michael McGurrin, Peter Minore, Sean Nusdeo, Quentin Pitter, Gunnar Poulimas, Joey Schittina, and Griffin Tirollo. Please see any team member to purchase tickets, take out an ad, or donate a raffle item. For questions or more information, please contact Stephanie or Dave Kennedy, (203) 795-3216 or e-mail SKennedy0421@yahoo.com.

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# Salome's Stars

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Your soft-hearted self is drawn to a tempting offer. But your hard-headed half isn't so sure. Best advice: Do it only after every detail is checked out to your liking.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Your inventive mind should help you find a way to get around an apparently impassable barrier and make yourself heard. Your efforts get you noticed by the right people.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** You're enjoying this creative period. But by midweek, you'll need to emphasize your more pragmatic talents as you consider a risky but potentially lucrative move.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** An unexpected rejection could turn into something positive if you pocket your pride and ask for advice on how you can make changes that will make the difference.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Your Lion's heart gives you the courage to push for answers to a job-related situation. Stay with it. You'll soon find more believers coming out the ranks of the doubters.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** Your curiosity pays off this week as you push past the gossip to find the facts. What you ultimately discover could lead you to make some changes in your plans.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** A new sense of enthusiasm helps get you out of on-the-job doldrums and back into a productive phase. Family matters also benefit from your more positive attitude.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** A bit of nostalgia is fine. But don't stay back in the past too long or you might miss seeing the signpost up ahead pointing the way to a new opportunity.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** If you feel you need to take more time to study a situation before making a decision, do so. Don't let anyone push you into acting until you're ready.

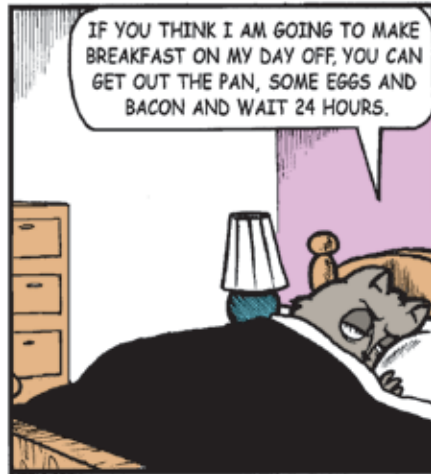
**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** As the Great Advice Giver, the Goat really shines this week as family and friends seek your wisdom. Someone especially close to you might make a surprising request.

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** Spiritual concerns dominate part of the week before more worldly matters demand your attention. An old promise resurfaces with some surprises attached.

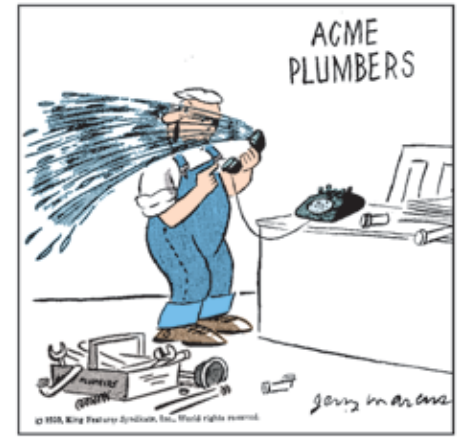
**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** You're in a highly productive period and are eager to finish all the projects you've taken on. But don't let yourself get swamped. Take a breather now and again.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a gift for learning new things quickly and applying your knowledge to best advantage where needed.

**Just Like Cats & Dogs** by Dave T. Phipps

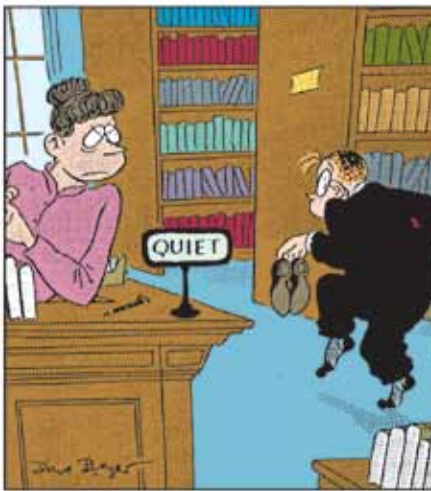


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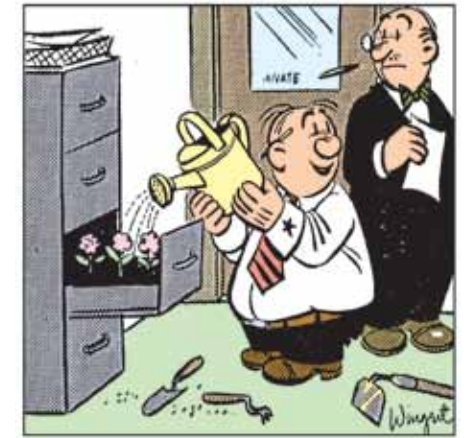


"Al, get the truck! This guy's REALLY in trouble!"

**MISTER BREGER** By Dave Breger



**HUBERT - -** By Dick Wingert



"I think they'll pull through the winter all right."

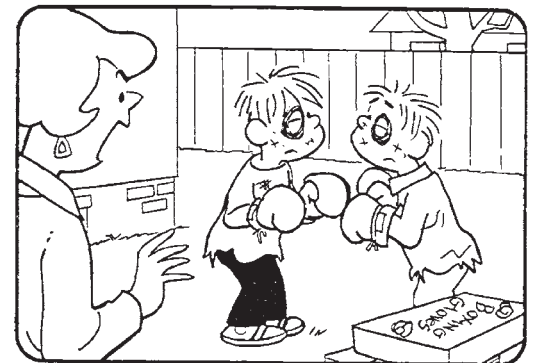
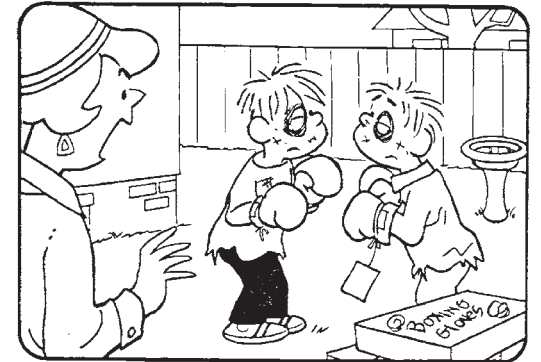
# top ten

## AIR PURIFYING HOUSEPLANTS

1. Areca palm
2. Lady palm
3. Bamboo palm
4. Rubber plant
5. Dracaena "Janet Craig"
6. English ivy
7. Dwarf date palm
8. Ficus Alii
9. Boston fern
10. Peace lily

Source: NASA

**HOCUS - FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTINOFF




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## No Bad Breath, So Why Brush Teeth?



**Paw's corner**  
by Sam Mazzotta

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** What are the risks if I don't brush my dog's teeth? He doesn't have really bad breath, so I don't see the point. -- Frank G., Houston

**DEAR FRANK:** Good question! Periodontal disease is a problem that develops over time. Your dog's breath might be OK now, but his teeth and gums could be slowly deteriorating as plaque builds up. And while bad breath often signals gum disease, it isn't the only indicator of a problem.

Brushing your dog's teeth regularly helps prevent periodontal disease. A dental checkup and cleaning at the veterinarian's office every six or 12 months is important too, because the vet will remove built-up plaque and also diagnose problems or point out potential issues that you can head off early.

According to vets at VCA West Los Angeles, there are more reasons to brush your dog's teeth.

- Pets often hide dental pain, like a toothache or abscess. Frequent brushing means you're more likely to realize there is a problem and take your dog to the vet to get it checked out.
- Severe periodontal disease can weaken a dog's jawbone to the point where it breaks.
- Periodontal disease can lead to infections in a dog's blood or heart.
- Oral cancer can be caught and treated earlier with regular veterinary dental cleanings.

VCA West L.A. added that veterinary dental cleanings are usually done while the dog is under anesthesia, to prevent stress and make the dog more comfortable. It also advises that small dogs, and dogs that eat only soft foods, need more frequent cleanings.

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## Bark Bytes...

By Vicki & Richard Horowitz

The love and laughter that comes with a new puppy epitomizes the joy of dog ownership. But while puppies are cute and cuddly, accepting the role of guardian for a new pup comes with significant responsibilities. Be certain that you or the recipient is ready for such a commitment.

### Tips for the New Arrival

Before you bring home your puppy, have these supplies on hand:

- **A crate** is an invaluable tool when housebreaking a puppy. It also provides your young dog with a sense of security when you are busy or away. However, never leave a puppy in a crate for longer than 4-5 hours.
- **Bedding** should be thick enough for comfort and sized appropriately for the breed. Be aware that some puppies that are left unattended for too long may chew their bedding.
- **Baby gates** serve as a great training tool in that they can be used to block off “restricted” areas of the house and help to teach your puppy what areas are off limits.
- **Dog-appropriate toys**, like the puppy-sized Kong™, are the smart choice. Although children’s toys look cute, they can prove hazardous. Never use old clothing or shoes as toys; a puppy cannot differentiate between your old and newly bought items. Stick with size-appropriate toys for your breed. Always supervise your puppy when he is playing with toys that contain squeakers as they can be a choking hazard.
- **Two dog bowls:** one for fresh water and one for quality dog food. Consult your veterinarian for food recommendations.
- **A well-fitted collar and leash** are a must for training and safety during outdoor excursions. Avoid chain leashes; a soft cotton leash is a better alternative.
- **A pet ID tag** allows your puppy to find his way home should he roam. You may also want to microchip your puppy at your next vet visit.
- **Brushes and dog shampoo** will eventually be needed for every breed.
- An odor and stain eliminator is a cleaner you will want on hand for those inevitable toileting accidents.
- **A veterinarian** should be researched and chosen beforehand. You will want a contact should an emergency arise. Introduce your new puppy early to the vet and learn what vaccinations he will need.

### Tips to “Puppy Proofing” Your House and Yard

In addition to the essential supplies mentioned above, ensure your home and yard are safe for the exuberance of a new puppy.

- **Remove potential hazards**—anything that would make an enticing chew toy—such as power cords, window blind cords, potted house plants, children’s toys, coins, batteries, shoes and clothing, garbage bins, and anything “bite sized” that could be ingested by a curious puppy. Outside, remove bite-size rocks, sticks, fertilizers, gardening tools and equipment. Also, be mindful of toxic household and garage items, such as antifreeze, detergents, mothballs and tobacco products. (See a complete list of dangerous items on our home page at [www.BarkBusters.com](http://www.BarkBusters.com).)
- **Large and unstable objects** should be moved out of harm’s way. These objects could potentially fall on your inquisitive puppy as he explores his new surroundings.
- **Move anything cherished or breakable** to higher ground. Puppy tails have a way of sweeping a coffee table clean.
- **Get on your hands and knees**—at the puppy’s view—to look for potential problems. If you think an item could be a hazard, remove it. It’s better to be safe than sorry.

### Tips for the First Day Home

Your pup will be excited and anxious in his new environment. It is your job to make him feel safe and comfortable.

- **Be patient.** Although accidents will happen, do not reprimand your puppy during the first 24-48 hours while he is acclimating to the new

environment. But do praise him profusely when he does something positive. This will start you both off on the right foot.

- **Structure is a must.** Have a planned schedule from the day your pup arrives—especially when trying to housebreak. Take your puppy outside frequently and stay with him so that you know he has toileted.
- **Getting acclimated** will take him some time. Show your pup where he will be eating, sleeping and toileting. As your puppy adapts to his new surroundings and routine, he will feel more comfortable.
- **Naps** are important for a puppy. Be sure to give him the space and time he needs to relax. Try not to overwhelm your puppy. He is like a new baby and will need frequent naps throughout the day.
- **Start training early.** Dogs are pack animals and seek authority and reassurance from the pack leader. Providing this leadership is key to managing a dog’s behavior. For additional behavior and training tips, please visit [www.BarkBusters.com](http://www.BarkBusters.com).

### Tips for the First Night Home

The first night may prove to be a challenge as puppies often cry and whine throughout the night. Also, he probably will need to go out to toilet. Just as the daytime routine is important, so is the evening routine.

- **Use the crate and bedding** at night. As difficult as it is, avoid letting your pup sleep with you or any other family member. It could lead to behavior problems down the road.
- **Your puppy’s sleeping arrangements** should be in a central location in the house. If you let your puppy sleep in your room, you may have trouble catching any shut-eye.
- **Tough love** should be your motto. Usually, a puppy takes a few nights to feel safe at night. Take him out to toilet every 4-5 hours. Other than that, he will need to get used to sleeping on his own.
- **If your puppy still has trouble sleeping** at night, hide a ticking clock in his bed. The sound imitates the heartbeat of the mother and can sometimes soothe an anxious puppy. To simulate the warmth of his littermates, place a warm water bottle or oversized stuffed toy in his crate for added comfort.

### Tips for the Future

- **Picking a trainer** can be a daunting or confusing task. Consult your veterinarian or visit [www.BarkBusters.com](http://www.BarkBusters.com) for the best training options for you and your growing puppy.
- **Keeping your puppy healthy** starts with a visit to a veterinarian. Usually, a yearly exam and the vet-recommended vaccinations will keep your puppy in tip-top shape.
- **Exercise** your puppy regularly. A walk in the neighborhood or a trip to the park is good for mind and body—for both you and your dog. Be careful not to overdo it with young pups.
- **Be consistent.** Puppies learn through experience and association. The more consistent you are, the faster your puppy will learn and the better he will perform.

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