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Race Brook Students Foster Love For Reading

Race Brook School students and their families spent the past three weeks reading one book in unison. Library Media Specialist, Lisa Mitchals worked with Reading Consultant Kelly Michel to introduce the program 'One School One Book' to the school in February, distributing the book 'Friendship According to Humphrey', which was about being a good friend and teamwork. "It's something to help foster the love of reading and make that home-school connection stronger and commit to the community of readers," says Mitchals. "It was really successful. The kids had fun."

She said that finding a book that would appeal to first graders and sixth graders was challenging. Each Race Brook School family got a copy of the book and at night, the family was supposed to sit and read together. We created a bulletin board of families reading together," she says. In the morning after reading, the students came back to school and had a question and discussion about the chapter led by the classroom teachers.

Read to Them, the organization that promotes One School One Book, educates families and schools on the benefits and importance of reading aloud at home with the belief that children who are read to learn to read more easily and become better readers. They meanwhile gain literacy skills that provide the basis for a lifetime of learning and productivity.

"We had great participation – the kids were really excited about it. We started the program off with a kick-off assembly where we revealed the book. Every day we made an announcement, giving a little hint about what was going on," she says. Students and their

TPZ Denies Children's Therapy Facility

By Laura Fantarella Orange Town News Correspondent

It's been home to a host of former businesses ranging from retail establishments to professional offices, two Town Plan and Zoning Commissioners felt a center offering children's speech and occupational services was not a good fit for a Racebrook Road building.

Property owner Frank D'Ostilio Jr., appealed to the board on behalf of prospective buyers, Amy and Craig Cahill, owners of Cheshire Fitness Zone, who hoped to open a satellite office in the space. The property, which is a non-conforming commercial use in a residential neighborhood, was home to D'Ostilio's company, William Orange Realty from 1988-2005 and most recently, Coldwell Banker Real Estate. In the 1950s the building housed a farm equipment business and over the years its uses have included a furniture store, travel agency, florist, and professional space for a lawyer and financial planner. Sale of the property to the Cahills was contingent upon zoning approval. "I am touched by the services they provide and believe in their mission to help children," D'Ostilio said. "It would be an honor to have them in my building." D'Ostilio said the Cahills' primary location in Cheshire is in "impeccable condition" and they would be good on-site neighbors and support the causes of the Orange community just as he has. According to D'Ostilio, traffic flow and use on the site would not be more intensive than when it

"We have an Instagram account for Race Brook families and they could upload pictures of themselves reading.

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was a realty company.

Although the name implies a fitness use, the Cahills described their business as professionals providing one on one speech and/or occupational ther-

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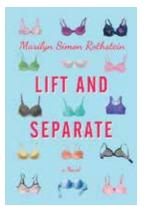
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families read the 15-chapter book over the course of three weeks.

The culminating event was for younger students to get together with their older buddies and re-read a chapter together. "We had a Twitter feed going on and were using Google Classroom and asked questions about how Humphrey expressed friendship and how can you do the same in your life? The older kids were working with the younger kids on their Chrome Books – we're a 1:1 school – to answer those two questions. In the library on the Smart Board, the Twitter feed was rolling through," Mitchals explains. "In the gym, we set up team-building activities based on Minute to Win It and the kids worked together with their buddies to solve whatever was going on at that table. We had about 16 tables set up."

Since RBS has a large number of families whose first language is not English, they wanted to create a way for those students to be read to. "We had people in our school and in our community read a chapter and I uploaded it onto our website so those EL families who couldn't read to their children could go online and click and have the chapter read to them. We had the police department, the fire department, the children's librarian at Case Memorial Library, our superintendent, our security guard, it was really cool!" Mitchals says.

She has since added the rest of the series of Humphrey books to the library and says she can't keep them on the shelves. "We'll absolutely be doing this again. The kids already want to know what we're doing next year," Mitchals says.



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apy services to a maximum of eight children per hour. As their Cheshire business has grown, the Cahills hope to expand to "help as many children as possible." The Racebrook Road location is desirable because of its homey feeling which seems less like a medical or doctor's office.

While Racebrook Road resident Jeff Gordon submitted a letter in support of the plan, several neighbors expressed concern that changing the building's use could open the door to less desirable tenants down the road. Janet Harrison, who lives directly behind the property said, "If the use changes to therapy what's to keep it from becoming drug or alcohol therapy? I'm not opposed to that but in my backyard?" she said.

Commissioners Paul Kaplan and Ralph Aschettino argued in favor of the plan, citing that previous boards have supported a host of different businesses at the location. "Unless we change it back to residential, from a planning point of view what can we do? This use doesn't seem detrimental in any way and less detrimental than a real estate office. This operation is professional; clients have to make appointments to be seen. It's a comparable use. We have to make decisions for the town and use some brains," Aschettino said.

Commissioners Judy Smith and Kevin Cornell voted against the plan, Cornell saying the proposal as a rehabilitative facility was "substantially different in nature" than a real estate office. "Any way you slice it it's not the same," Cornell said.

TPZC Chairman Ozzie Parente excused himself from the vote, citing a conflict of interest as D'Ostilio is a client of his. TPZC regulations dictate applications with a split vote cannot be approved.

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Sunday, March 18 marks the Grand Reopening of the JCC of Greater New Haven. Since suffering a devastating fire on December 5, 2016, the JCC of Greater New Haven has been hard at work rebuilding its facilities and programs. A new fitness center, rock climbing wall, MakerSpace, co-working business center, art gallery, café, and locker rooms now enhance the building, which also boasts an indoor swimming pool, racquetball courts, double gym, family center and children's playscape, auditorium and adjacent campsite.

"We are building a promising and exciting new future for the Greater New Haven community," said Judy Alperin, CEO of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven, "...and we are forever grateful to our community partners, Jewish agencies and synagogues, the town of Woodbridge, and our first responders who have all helped us immensely throughout the past 14 months." The project came to life through the architect and construction management firms—Svigals & Partners and PAC Group, respectively.

The Grand Reopening celebration will take place on Sunday, March 18, from noon-5 p.m. and is free and open to the public. Visitors and guests will be able to splash in the pool, let their imagination soar in the new Maker-Space, scale to new heights climbing our new rock wall, relax with a free massage near the new Spa at the J, and joyfully play in the gym. (Check JCC website for precise schedule of activities). Enjoy a nosh and catch up with friends at the new Café 360, proudly brewing Willoughby's Coffee & Tea, and serving a great array of kosher snacks, and great locally-prepared foods.

Included in the Grand Reopening celebration is the dedication of the new Beverly Levy Early Learning Center. The center, formerly known as Yeladim, will be named in memory of the late Beverly Levy, a longtime leader in our community who died at the young age of 63 in March, 2014. Beverly's husband, Dr. John Levy, said naming the center in his wife's honor is a reflection of her whole philosophy that "you want to invest in our children. They are our future."

The Grand Reopening celebration is also the culmination of a community volunteering day, "Mitzvah Day," which is organized by the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven. Mitzvah Day combines fun with fundraising and allows volunteers of all ages the opportunity to participate in meaningful projects that benefit the whole community. These acts of kindness activities will run throughout the day at the JCC, as well as at the Jewish Federation's Shoreline Office in Guilford and throughout the community.

At the JCC throughout the day, projects include lasagna making, creating activity bags for children currently in hospitals and their families, card making for U.S. and Israeli soldiers, a Mitzvah cycling event in the new Indoor Cycling Studio, crafting no-sew blankets for local pet shelters, as well as creating worry dolls to be sent to our sister city, Afula, Israel. Face painting, juggling, a DJ, and games will accompany a carnival-themed expo from 12-3 p.m., which will showcase the good works of our many area nonprofits.

Dedication of Beverly Levy Early Learning Center: 1 p.m.

Ribbon cutting ceremony for the JCC: 1:30 p.m.

The Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven is a non-profit organization that aims to lead, build, strengthen, and renew a dynamic local Jewish community and to provide support and caring for Jewish people in our community, Israel and worldwide. We are guided by the traditional Jewish values of Torah (tradition, learning and deeds), Tikkun Olam (improving the condition of our world), Tzedakah (philanthropy and acts of loving kindness), and k'lal Yisrael (Jewish peoplehood).

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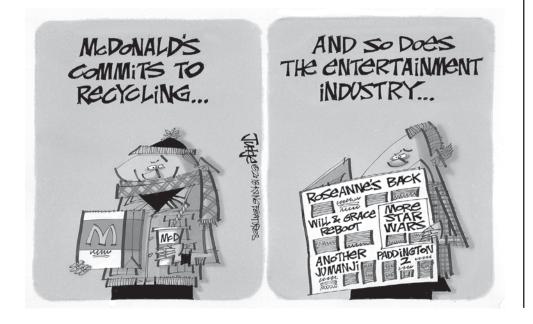
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March 30 Easter & Passover Issue	March 23
May 4 Mother's Day Issue	April 27
May 25 Memorial Day Issue	
Note: Copy due by 4:00p.m. Thank you.	

FROM OUR READERS

Have a Happy & Safe Saint Patrick's Day

On March 17th Americans from coast-to-coast will don shamrock green and celebrate one of the biggest parties of the year - Saint Patrick's Day. If you're over the legal drinking age, we're asking you to stay under the limit and do your part to prevent drunk driving.

That's why we're joining Anheuser-Busch and asking pub-goers to #GiveADamn and get home safe no matter where the night takes you. Over the past 30 years, Anheuser-Busch and its wholesaler partners have invested more than \$1 billion in the United States to promote alcohol responsibility and help prevent drunk driving.

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To continue having this display, we would appreciate any donations to cover repairs and needed materials that occur yearly. After 7 years of enjoying this display, there are areas that need to be refurbished. Contributions may be made out to the Orange Nativity fund and sent to:

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Emma & Marci Garofalo Quaranta

Orange Student Follows in Her Mother's Footsteps

Legacies from the incoming Class of 2022 were recognized in February at the annual Orientation for Incoming Freshmen. Nine members of the class have mothers who are alumnae and four members of the class have grandmothers who are alumnae. Twenty-eight class members have one or more sisters who are current students or graduates of the Academy (33 sisters in all). Members of the entering class come from 20 towns and 42 feeder schools.

"Sacred Heart legacy is again strongly represented in this class. We are particularly struck with the number of alumnae who are sending their daughters to Sacred Heart. The presence of these young women at the Academy is a testament to the importance that families place on the values learned here, and their desire to ensure that the Sacred Heart tradition continues," announced Director of Admissions Elaine Lamboley '60 in welcoming the Class of 2022.

The following student from Orange of the Class of 2022 is among the Sacred Heart Academy Legacies: Emma Quaranta, Daughter of Marci Garofalo Quaranta '87.



Amity Adult & Continuing Education Classes to Begin

Registration is now open for the spring session of Amity Adult & Continuing Education with classes beginning on March 1st, at Amity Regional High School, 25 Newton Road, Woodbridge. A wide variety of courses are being offered in such categories as: Finance, Arts & Crafts, Computer, Dance, Health & Wellness, Fitness, Languages, Spirituality and SAT Prep.

This spring, published author, Bette Isacoff, will again be offering her "Memoir Writing" course. Choose from a wide variety of Finance classes covering topics such as College Planning, Retirement, Estate Planning and more! Want to learn to fly fish, make beautiful holiday cards, play the ukulele, guitar or harmonica? We've got the class for you!

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For full course descriptions, and to register for classes, view the complete Spring 2018 Amity Adult & Continuing Education catalog at www.AmityAdult-Ed.MyProgramPlus.com<http://www. amityadulted.myprogramplus.com. For more information, please contact Debra Taylor at 203-397-4814.

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Ansantawae Masonic Lodge #89, is offering two "Memorial Medical Scholarships" for \$1,000 each to a college student studying counseling, social services, psychology, psychiatry, nursing, medicine, social work, gerontology or pharmacology and having completed a minimum of two college semesters in their chosen field, and maintaining a minimum GPA of 2.75 are encouraged to apply for this scholarship. Candidates must be a daughter, son, granddaughter, or grandson of a member of Ansantawae Lodge #89 or a resident of the town of Orange.

Also being offered are two "Memorial Lodge Family Scholarships" completed a minimum of two college semesters in their chosen field, and maintained a minimum GPA of 2.75. Qualified students are encouraged to apply.

Interested students should send a synopsis of their credentials and current social interests within their chosen field, along with a current official school transcript. [Transcripts should be sent directly from your school.] Send to: Lodge Scholarship Committee, Mrs. Elmer F. Manley, 1014 Fernbrook Road, Orange, CT 06477-1011. All requests must be received by May 25, 2018. Your full name, address, email and phone where you can be reached must also be included. For further information call (203) 799-2651 or (203) 623-9421 or email hcbypolly@yahoo. com; Subject: Scholarship.

Residents Named To SHA Honor Roll

Sacred Heart Academy Principal Sr. Kathleen Mary Coonan, ASCJ has announced the Honor Roll for the FIRST SEMESTER of the 2017– 18 academic year. The following students from Orange have been named to the Honor Roll:

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9th Annual Peck Place Senior Prom

Peck Place School will once again host a Senior Prom in the Peck Place School Gymnasium on Friday, April 27 from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm.

Last year we had a ton of fun! There will be a buffet style lunch and beverages. This is an actual prom with music and dancing. The attire is dressy, but you could wear whatever will make you comfortable. Be sure to wear your dancing shoes.

Oh, and the best part is it's FREE! Just RSVP to the Orange Senior Center at (203) 891-4784, so we can tell the school how many will be attending or directly to Peck Place School c/o Mrs. Erica Campbell at ecampbell@ orange-ed.org.

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Fourth Grade teacher and grant writer, Valerie Anton, with artist, Joanna Escandon, holding the "Tree of a Balanced Life" canvas.



Students from Mrs. Bronson's Fourth Grade Classroom practicing a yoga pose during one of Lani Rosen-Gallagher's yoga sessions.

Tree of A Balanced Life Grant Project Big Hit at Race Brook School

The "Tree of a Balanced Life" grant project sponsored by the Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation (www.jamiehulleyartsfund.org) focused on the hands-on learning experience of using art to express quotes and thoughts on how to live a more balanced life. The project promoted Race Brook School's PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support) program by promoting the cultivation of mindfulness, gratitude, and expression of love for oneself and others in daily life. A local yoga and mindfulness instructor, Lani Rosen-Gallagher, from Full of Joy Yoga in New Haven visited the fourth grade classrooms at Race Brook School in

Orange to spend two half hour sessions discussing mindfulness meditation, daily mantras, and gentle yoga stretches to encourage mindfulness, gratitude, and expression of love for oneself and others in daily life. Following her presentation, students wrote journal entries reflecting on specific personal examples of how they can vorite quote and wrote a journal entry explaining their personal interpretation of the quote. Fourth grader Niko Z chose the quote: "Make the world lovely". For him he says, "This means that I want the world to be a better place. We can all do nice things for each other, so it makes people feel happy." Fellow classmate Jana A. chose the quote: "Reach high, for the stars lie hidden in your soul. Dream deep, for every dream precedes the goal". For her she explains this quote means, "You can make it to the top with your dreams. Try to make your dreams come true. Ask for help. Make new friends. Try hard. Don't stop dreaming!"

A local artist was commissioned to paint a tree on a canvas representing a "tree of a balanced life". Each student decorated a colorful leaf with a word to represent the theme of their quote, and the artist attached each leaf to the tree. The tree became a collaborative, visual artistic expression that promotes mindfulness, gratitude, and expression of love for oneself and others. The canvas will be hung in the school library to serve as a model to promote positive behavior and growth for students and teachers and, as a result, to enhance the well-being of others in the school and local community.

apply the yoga instructor's teachings to promote more balanced and positive behavior towards others in their daily lives.

The fourth graders also researched inspiring and motivational quotes to promote more daily balance and positive behavior. Students chose a fa-

"For 'tis green, green, green, where the ruined towers are gray, And it's green, green, green, all the happy night and day; Green of leaf and green of sod, green of ivy on the wall, And the blessed Irish shamrock with the fairest green of all."
MARY ELIZABETH BLAKE

ORAINGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP

STUDENT MEWS

Dean's/President's List Andrew Biondi Named To Boston College Dean's List

Newton, MA - Andrew Biondi of Orange, CT recently named to Boston College Dean's List for fall semester 2017. Andrew is a student in the Morrissey College of Arts and Science majoring in English. Son of Maria and Joe Biondi.

Kristen Mencucci Named To Endicott College Dean's List

Beverly, MA - Endicott College is pleased to announce the Dean's List students for fall 2017. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no grade below a "C", have no withdrawal grades, and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester. The following students have met these requirements: Kristen Mencucci of Orange is a Senior majoring in Hospitality Management. She is the daughter of John Mencucci and Patricia Mencucci.

Orange Residents Named To The Dean's List For The Fall 2017 Semester At Quinnipiac University

Hamden, Conn. - The following Orange students were named to the dean's list for the Fall 2017 semester at Quinnipiac University: Nicole Antaya, Collin Fischman, John Grasso, Elizabeth Marino, Phillip Nam, Lauren Salatto-Rosenay, Connor Sauer, Bret Schneider, Sarah Smeriglio, Jessica Szkotnicki, and Aby Varghese. To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Fulltime students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to be eligible. Parttime students must complete at least six credits during a semester.

Janaya Young Named To UB's President's List

The University of Bridgeport has named Janaya Young to the President's List. Students who achieve a grade point average of 3.7 or higher in any given semester are named to the President's List; the highest academic honor a UB student can achieve during the semester.

Graduations

Local Students Graduate From The University Of New Haven

West Haven, CONN. -The following Orange students received degrees from the University of New Haven at Commencement ceremonies in December at the Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre in Wallingford, Conn.: Ali Abdulrazzaq Hm Al-Emadi, Associate in Science, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Criminal Justice with a concentration in Law Enforcement Administration; Habib Saleh H Alkhaldi, Bachelor of Science, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Fire Science with a concentration in Fire Administration; Hussain Saleh B Alkhaldi, Bachelor of Science, Henry C. Lee College of Criminal Justice and Forensic Sciences, Fire Science with a concentration in Fire Administration; Shannon Hoshauer, Master of Arts, College of Arts and Sciences, Industrial/Organizational Psyc; and Stephen Sasso, Master of Business Admin, College of Business, Business Administration.

Association of CT Fairs Scholarships

The Orange Country Fair has announced that applications for The Ct. Association of Fairs scholarship program are available at Amity Senior High School guidance department, The Case Memorial Library and at the Orange Town Hall.

One \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to a graduation senior or college student pursuing a course of study in agriculture, home economics or a related field during the next school year. One \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to a graduation senior or college student pursuing a course of study in any field during the next school year. One \$1,000.00 scholarship to a graduating senior or college student to be chosen at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

All applications must be received and returned to the fair secretary by May 15th. Please mail to: Marianne Bauer, Secretary - Orange Country Fair 1041 Beechlawn Terrace Orange, Ct. 06477 (203) 795-6489.

Friends Of The Library Scholarship

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library announces that applications for the 2018 Lucy Scillia Scholarship can now be picked up at the Library. Applicants must reside in Orange, but may attend any public or private high school. The amount of the scholarship is \$1000.00.

Completed applications may be delivered to the Library or sent to: Friends of the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, CT 06477. Deadline for applications is April 30, 2018.

Attention Teachers!

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> You can also send us your pictures. (Parental consent required)

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Visit New York City on St. Patrick's Day

Celebrated annually across the globe on March 17, St Patrick's Day is one of the world's most popular celebrations. Its significance originates in Ireland as a Catholic feast day which celebrates Saint Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland. However, in more recent times, St Patrick's Day has taken on an altogether more global and secular significance, with St Patrick's Day celebrations being held around the world in various forms.

In the United States, people traditionally celebrate St Patrick's Day by wearing green garments, drinking alcohol that's been dyed green or indulging in other Irish themed activities. Many American cities put on St Patrick's Day parades, including Cleveland, Boston and Kansas City; however the largest St Patrick's Day Parade in the United States - and the world - is held in New York City and is said to be watched by over two million people.

The first St Patrick's Day Parade in New York City was held in 1766, when Irish soldiers marched through the city, and in 2006, more than 150,000 people marched in the St Patrick's Day Parade. Among those participating in the event were bands, members of the fire department, social and cultural clubs in the city, emigrant societies and military and police groups. Furthermore, prominent New York politicians, and those planning to run for office frequently appear in the St Patrick's Day Parade.

Organised by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, the St Patrick's Day Parade has attracted more than a little controversy in its time. For instance, the Ancient Order of Hibernians has often opted to appoint controversial Irish Republican figures as its Grand Marshall; what's more, the group recently banned gay and lesbian groups from participating in the parade. As a result of this, alternative St Patrick's Day parades, such as The Queens parade, have been organised by opposing groups; the Queens parade, for instance, is open to all groups who wish to march on St Patrick's Day.

But whatever parade you choose to go and see, New York City is truly the

place to be on St Patrick's Day. With green bagels, green flowers, green hats and clothes a frequent sight on the day of the St Patrick's Day Parade, New Yorkers tend to frequent local Irish pubs and drink Irish beers and liquors in celebration of the festival, which now takes on both religious and secular significance.

And with plenty of affordable hotels in New York City to choose from, you won't be stuck for accommodation in the city if you choose to visit on St Patrick's Day. After all, how could you possibly resist the unique opportunity to eat a green New York bagel and drink a glass of dyed-green Guinness while basking in the emerald glow of the Empire State Building?





Town Of Orange's New Snow Fighter

On January 25, 2018 the Town of Orange Highway Department welcomed a new addition – a 2018 Mack "Snow Fighter".

This 2018 Mack replaced a 1991

Ford Dump Truck at a cost of \$185,000 complete.

The new truck has been assigned to Bryan Clark, a 30-year veteran of the Highway Department.

Youth Services

by John Ulatowski

Youth Services Job Bank Residents Can Assist With Variety Of Jobs

Orange Youth Services Job Bank provides a service of pre-screened students, ages 13-16, who can be employed by area residents to do a large variety of jobs such as yard work, garden help, raking, snow shoveling, mother's helper, and more. For further information, please contact John Ulatowski, Orange Youth Services Coordinator at 203-891-4785.

Youth Services High School Volunteers **Can Assist With Community Events**

Orange Youth Services has a list of Orange High School youth who are available to assist their community with a variety of volunteer needs. Our volunteers have signed up with a parent with Youth Services to access opportunities in regards to attaining

their necessary school volunteer credit hours. They are available for a variety of community and organizational services located in Orange. For information, please email John Ulatowski, Orange Youth Services Coordinator, at julatowski@orange-ct.gov.

Orange Memorial Day Parade

In preparation of the Town of Orange Memorial Day Parade which will be held on Sunday, May 27, 2018, the committee has started to meet to plan for the parade. Any person or group can march in the procession provided that they fill out an application form and list any special requests or accommodations they might require, especially those with disabilities.

Forms are available online at www. orange-ct.gov and at the Orange Town Hall in the First Selectman's Office and are due back by May 1, 2018 to Kevin Gilbert, Parade Organizer, at 256 Peck Lane, Apt. #29, Orange, CT 06477. Participants can also fax the completed form to Karen Goldberg at the Orange Town Hall — 203-891-2185.

Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of March 2018



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

12th	Traffic Authority4:30 pm Board of Police Comm4:30 pm Amity Board of Education6:30 pm	Police Dept Police Dept Woodbridge
13th	Inland Wetlands Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall
14th	Safety & Health Cmte10:00 am Board of Selectmen7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
15th	Case Memorial Library Comm7:00 pm Pension Board7:00 pm	Case Mem Library Town Hall
19th	Family Counseling9:00 am Orange Board of Education7:00 pm Board of Finance7:30 pm Board of Health7:30 pm	HPCC Mary L Tracy Bldg Town Hall HPCC
20th	Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm	Town Hall
21st	CERT7:00 pm Recycling Cmte7:00 pm	HPCC HPCC



Orange Visiting Nurse Association

Could you be Pre-Diabetic?

The aim of this study is to prevent/ postpone the onset of Type 2 Diabetes. This study is for the Orange Town residents between the ages of 35-60 with a family history of Diabetes, personal history of gestational diabetes, and obesity. The study will be limited to a total of 20 people.

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22nd	Memorial Day Parade Cmte	6:30 pm	HPCC
23rd	Emergency Management	8:00 am	Police Station
26th	Youth Services	7:00 pm	HPCC
28th	Safety Comm Bond Construction Oversight Cmte Park & Recreation Comm	7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall Town Hall



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The History and Traditions of St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick is a widely known historic figure and arguably the most famous patron saint of a country. Despite this level of fame, we know only few details abut his life.

It is generally accepted that St. Patrick was born in Northern Britain to wealthy parents around 390AD. His original name was 'Maewyn Succat'. He later adopted 'Patricius' as his Christian name, which later became known as Patrick.

when he was sixteen, Patrick was taken prisoner after raiders from Ireland had attacked his family's estate in Wales. They took him to Ireland where he spent six years in captivity as a slave. It is said that it was at this time, while he was working as a shepherd on a hillside that he became a devout Christian.

He eventually escaped from his slavery to Gaul, via Britain, where he studied for twelve years in the monastery under St. Germain, the bishop of Auxerre. It was during this period of training that Patrick realised his calling in life was to become a missionary and convert pagans to Christianity.

after his training, he wanted to go back to Ireland, to convert the native pagans to Christianity. But he had to bide his time as St. Palladius was ordained by Pope Celestine and sent to Ireland as their first bishop. It was over two years later, when Palladius was transferred to Scotland, that Patrick was appointed as second bishop to Ireland.

Patrick proved himself to be quite adept at winning converts to Christianity. So much so, that he upset the local Celtic Druids. In fact, he was arrested on several occasions, but managed to escape each time. He journeyed extensively across Ireland, establishing monasteries in several locations. In addition, he also set up churches and schools, all of which created the foundations for the whole of Ireland to eventually be converted to Christianity.

His missionary work in Ireland continued for thirty years. After that, Patrick retired to County Down in North Eastern Ireland. Patrick died on March 17th in 461AD.

never formally granted by a Pope; however he is in the church's official List of Saints. The day became a feast day in the early part of the 17th century, though it has since evolved into more of a secular holiday.

Much Irish folklore surrounds St. Patrick's Day.

He is said to have given a sermon from a hilltop that drove all the snakes from Ireland. No snakes are know to have existed in Ireland at least since the end of the ice age. Some scholars think the driving away of the snakes may have been a metaphor for the conversion of the pagans.

A more plausible story attributed to Patrick is how he used the Shamrock, a three-leaved clover, to explain the Trinity. In his sermons he would use it to represent how the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit could be separate elements of the same entity.

Today, St. Patrick's Day is a day to recognise Irish heritage and celebrated by people in many parts of the world, such as the United States, Canada, and Australia. St. Patrick's Day is also celebrated in other locations as far away as Japan, Singapore, and Russia.

It was first publicly celebrated in the USA in Boston in 1737. The first recorded St. Patrick's Day parade also took place in America, when on March 17th, 1762 Irish soldiers serving in the English military marched through New York City.

The global spread of the holiday was in part due to the Great Potato Famine of 1845 which forced over a million of the Irish population to emigrate

Did you Know?

In 2008, St Patrick's feast day was officially on 15th March. The Catholic Church moved the date to avoid a clash with Holy Week. This is quite an unusual event - the last time it happened was 1940, but it won't happen again until 2160.

St Patrick is also the patron saint of Nigeria, Montserrat and Engineers. Office Holidays lists important national and public holidays around the world in a calendar format. All featured holidays have detailed background information. Visit http://www.officeholidays.com for more details on hundreds of other holidays.

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Craft Church Coming to New England Brewing Company

What do you get when you cross a local craft brewery with a reputation for excellence, and an Episcopal church who wants to get the word out that worshipping God can also be relaxed and fun? The answer is `Craft Church'! On Sunday, March 18th, The New England Brewing Company, located at 175 Amity Road in Woodbridge, is offering up their famous Tasting Room to church goers and spiritual seekers alike for a special Sunday night Service/event.

Doors will open up at 6:30 p.m. where guests will be treated to a variety of appetizers, sparkling cider, and two free samples of NEB's latest creations on tap. (For those over 21.) At 7:00 p.m. a Eucharistic service, open to all, will occur around the bar, joined by a great live band, directed by Mr. Fabian Ortiz, of St. James Episcopal Church in New Haven. Afterwards, stay and enjoy a class of craft beer (a portion of the sales will go to fight local hunger) meet some new friends, and/or try to stump the priest with questions about good and evil.

Why church in a brewery? It's simple really, because we remember that once upon a time, a carpenter came to earth to feed the hungry, talk with the spiritually curious, and console the heavy burdened. And he did not ask for church membership or a particular code of conduct before he came. He just came. And, and He is coming still. Curious? Join us on the 18th.

This ecumenical church event is a collaboration of several Episcopal churches in Connecticut. For more information please contact Fabian Ortiz at fabian.ortiz@stjamesnewhaven.org or New England Brewery's Facebook page.

Inaugural Real Living Community Service Award

Presented To Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio

Real Living Real Estate, one of the nation's leading real estate franchisors and a member of the HSF Affiliates LLC family of real estate brokerage franchise networks, is excited to recognize Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio Real Estate with the Inaugural Real Living Community Service Award, for their outstanding community service work. "We're proud to give back to an incredible community that has done so much for us," said John Wareck, partner and broker of Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio. "It's an honor to be recognized for our efforts with this award."

To be considered, Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio Real Estate submitted a short video describing service work completed in the New Haven's Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen and the inspiration behind this service. For this year's award, John Wareck explained the commitment of helping by volunteering to serve dinners nightly at the soup kitchen and praised the agents that volunteered for duty. "We gather a different group from our team each time we volunteer at the Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen, which we have enjoyed doing over the past several years. Each agent takes time out of their busy schedules to help those of the community in need."

"From supporting children with disabilities to helping victims of natural disaster, we are so proud to recognize these everyday heroes making a positive difference right in their backyards," said Robert McAdams Jr., president of Real Living. "Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio is an exemplary representative of our Real Living brand."

Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio was presented with the Real Living Community Service Award at an awards ceremony held during this year's Real Living Connection conference in St. Petersburg, Fla.

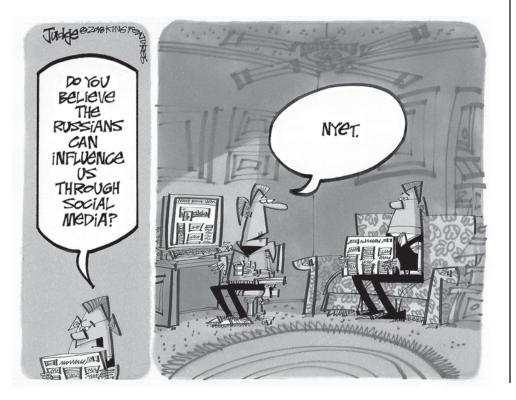
"Our first honorees set high standards for their compassion and corporate citizenship," said Gino Blefari, president and CEO of HSF Affiliates. Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio has gone beyond the call of duty to help local people and programs. They are wonderful ambassadors our Real Living Real Estate brand."

Real Living Real Estate is a full-service real estate brokerage franchise company with a comprehensive and integrated suite of resources for franchisees and their sales professionals, as well as for consumers who work with them. In 2016 and 2017, Real Living Real Estate was named "Real Estate Agency Brand of the Year" in the ongoing Harris Poll EquiTrend® study; and was named "Most Loved" and "Most Trusted" real estate brand in the study in consecutive years.

Chona Joins Coldwell Banker

Aileen DeFeo, Branch Vice President of the Coldwell Banker Residen-





tial Brokerage Orange office, welcomes Gisele Chona, a team member of the Shanbrom Real Estate Group, to her team of experienced and dedicated real estate agents. With over 20 years of experience in real estate specializing in New Haven County, Gisele has the knowledge, experience and network, to assist you with all your real estate needs. Having bought and sold numerous primary homes as well as investment properties, Gisele understands the detailed work involved in every transaction large or small. Gisele treats every client like family, which results in numerous referrals and many repeat clients. Fluent in Spanish, Gisele is an excellent choice to help navigate each and every step of your property transaction from financing, inspection to a successful closing.

Gisele Chona

Gisele can be reached at Coldwell Banker's Orange office at 236 Boston Post Road at her direct line phone number 203-996-8316 or email at Gisele.Chona@CBMoves.com. LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP





Colleen Weatherspoon

Stefan Zuber

Weatherspoon, Zuber Represent Orange

Dancing With Our Heroes Competition

The Fred Astaire Franchised Dance Studios of New England will once again be partnering together to raise money for our injured service men and women and their families. On March 10, 2018 the studios are hosting "Dancing With Our Heroes" a gala and dance competition to benefit the Friends of Fisher House Connecticut. Veteran Colleen Weatherspoon and her Fred Astaire Dance instructor, Stefan Zuber, will be representing the Orange studio.

The Fisher House Foundation is a national organization offering free housing to families of injured or ill service members while their loved ones are cared for. This May, the organization will be opening their first home in Connecticut on the grounds of the West Haven campus of the VA Connecticut Healthcare System. Previous "Dancing With Our Heroes" events organized by the Fred Astaire Dance Studios have raised nearly \$300,000 to help in the construction of this house.

"Since 2013 the Fred Astaire Dance Studios of New England have raised \$280,000 for the Fisher House located on the West Haven VA Hospital campus," said Tom Flowers, COO of The Friends of Fisher House Ct. "We cannot offer enough thanks to the staff, students, and veteran dancers in the many Fred Astaire Dance Studios for their tremendous generosity. Dancing With Our Heroes 2018 will, once again, serve to provide the loved ones' of our military veterans with a magnificent place to stay, free of charge, during a period of medical crisis. "A family's love is truly the best medicine."

The gala will be held at the Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa in Groton, CT and will feature one or more heroes nominated to represent each studio. A professional instructor from each studio is committing 10 hours of their time to train each hero on either the fox trot or swing.

The night of the event features a silent auction, sit-down dinner, professional shows, general dancing and the "Dancing With Our Heroes" competition. But the competition starts much sooner than that as the community is invited to go online and pledge support for the hero of their choice with a donation. Every dollar raised for each veteran counts as a vote. And of course the real winners are the families served

Orange Tractor Supply Donates 23 Bags Of Pet Food

The Tractor Supply Co. store in Orange is donating 23 bags of pet food to feed dogs and cats in need of adoption. "More often than not, animal shelters and rescues depend greatly on food donations to support the pets they take in that await adoption," said Steve Sipos, manager of the Orange Tractor Supply store. "Our goal at Tractor Supply is to do our part in helping adoption efforts in our community because we know that pets are more than just dogs and cats, they are family." Tractor Supply presented the pet food donation to New Haven Cat Project.

In addition to the pet food donation, the Orange Tractor Supply hosts pet adoption events throughout the year. Visit TSCEventPartners.com or call the store at 203-795-0663 to learn more about working with Tractor Supply for pet adoption events. For information and tips on adopting an animal and raising pets, visit TractorSupply.com/ PetCare.

Founded in 1938, Tractor Supply Company is the largest rural lifestyle retail store chain in the United States. At September 30, 2017, the Company operated 1,665 Tractor Supply stores in 49 states and an e-commerce website at www.tractorsupply.com. Tractor Supply stores are focused on supplying the lifestyle needs of recreational farmers and ranchers and others who enjoy the rural lifestyle, as well as tradesmen and small businesses. Stores are located primarily in towns outlying major metropolitan markets and in rural communities. The Company offers the following comprehensive selection of merchandise: (1) equine, livestock, pet and small animal products, including items necessary for their health, care, growth and containment; (2) hardware, truck, towing and tool products; (3) seasonal products, including heating, lawn and garden items, power equipment, gifts and toys; (4) work/recreational clothing and footwear; and (5) maintenance products for agricultural and rural use.

Tractor Supply Company also owns and operates Petsense, a small-box pet specialty supply retailer focused on meeting the needs of pet owners, primarily in small and mid-size communities, and offering a variety of pet products and services. At September 30, 2017, the Company operated 162 Petsense stores in 26 states. For more information on Petsense, visit www. petsense.com.

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Some of us are still shoveling snow, but soon it will be time for spring or summer vacation. The time to think about it is now, before all the slots are gone.

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online to www.wwfs.org.

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To learn more about the event and voting for the heroes, please visit www. dancingwithourheroes.com.



ed money, hotel points, timeshares and more. Go online to www.vacationsforwarriors.org and scroll down for the eligibility qualifications and selec-

tion process. You'll need to fill out the application, but if you're chosen, you can have a great vacation. If in doubt, check the Gallery.

If you're a wounded warrior and can get yourself and your family to Orlando, Florida, the Wounded Warrior Family Support group will provide you six nights (free) at Bahama Bay Resort. You'll get passes to Sea World, LegoLand and more. Website photos show a pretty posh place, with pool, fitness, spa, salon, maid service, kids' game room and much more. There's a three- to four-month advance notice requirement, so don't delay. Go



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options. For more perks, consider the premium membership, which gets you shortstay options, last-minute options and more.

That upgraded membership will set you back \$119 a year, however.

Check Military Cruise Deals (www. militarycruisedeals.com), owned by a military family, for vacation deals. They claim to beat prices offered by the big online travel sites.

For calming PTSD retreats, see Veterans Freedom Retreat (www.veteransfreedomretreat.org). For retreats for women, caregivers, kids, PTSD and more in Massachusetts, see Project New Hope, www.projectnewhopema.org.

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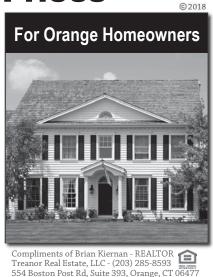
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ABLE Accounts: Frequently Asked Questions

DOLLARS AND SENSE

Presented by Roberta L. Nestor

ABLE accounts, also known as 529A or 529 ABLE accounts, were established as part of the Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2014. This act created these tax-advantaged accounts for people with disabilities under section 529A of the Internal Revenue Code.

But who is eligible to establish an ABLE account, and what are the advantages?

Who is eligible? Eligibility to establish an ABLE account is limited to individuals living with significant disabilities and whose disability onset began before age 26. (Note, this does not mean a person must be younger than 26 to be eligible.) Those who meet this criteria and are already receiving benefits under Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and/or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) are automatically eligible to establish an ABLE account.

Here, it is important to keep in mind that ABLE accounts are owned by the disabled individual, but contributions can be made by the beneficiaries, their family, and their friends.

How does an ABLE account affect government benefits? For individuals with disabilities and their families, these accounts are valuable because they allow for saving without jeopardizing eligibility for government benefits. Without an ABLE account, a disabled person cannot earn more than \$700 per month or have more than \$2,000 in savings or other assets in order to remain eligible for Medicaid health coverage or SSI. With an ABLE account, on the other hand, a balance of up to \$100,000 can accrue before federal benefits are affected, allowing disabled people to save for the future and use the funds for a range of needs.

Is there a contribution limit? For 2018, the annual contribution limit for an ABLE account is \$15,000. This figure may be adjusted periodically to account for inflation. Many states have set total contribution limits of \$300,000; however, if a person's What are the ABLE account options? Eligible individuals are free to enroll in any state's program provided that the program accepts out-of-state residents. To compare state plans, we recommend you check out the ABLE National Resource Center website (http://ablenrc.org/state_compare).

What is the difference between an ABLE account and a special needs trust? The biggest difference between an ABLE account and a special needs trust is tax efficiency. With an ABLE account, income and distributions are tax free if used for qualified disability expenses, whereas special needs trusts are subject to trust tax rates for any and all income that is not paid out to trust beneficiaries each year. ABLE accounts are also far cheaper to establish and easier to administer than special needs trusts. Plus, they offer a greater level of control and flexibility.

Special needs trusts do offer advantages in several key areas. Most important, they allow unlimited funds to be set aside for the benefit of a disabled individual without affecting federal benefits. ABLE accounts can shield only \$100,000 before SSI benefits are turned off. Qualified disability expenses from an ABLE account are very broadly defined, but a special needs trust drafted with the appropriate language can be used for an even wider array of expenses. Last but not least, a properly established and implemented special needs trust can pass leftover trust assets to the disabled individual's beneficiaries, whereas money left in an ABLE account at the time of this individual's death will be subject to Medicaid payback and will likely be exhausted.

Given these advantages, it is no wonder that special needs trusts have long been the most popular way to support a disabled individual without jeopardizing his or her federal benefits. Despite the benefits of ABLE accounts, the relatively low contribution limits mean ABLE accounts are unlikely to fully meet the needs of disabled individuals. As such, families with the

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ABLE account balance exceeds \$100,000, his or her SSI cash benefit will be suspended until the account balance falls below \$100,000. The ability to receive or be eligible to receive medical assistance through Medicaid is not affected by the individual's account balance.

How can ABLE accounts be used? Similar to a 529 plan for college, contributions to an ABLE account can grow and be spent tax free on qualified disability expenses for the designated beneficiary. These include any expense related to the designated beneficiary as a result of living a life with disabilities, such as: Education; Housing; Transportation; Employment training and support; Assistive technology; Personal Support Service; Health Care Expenses; Financial Management; Administrative Services; and Expenses that improve quality of life. means to do so should still consider creating special needs trusts, although ABLE accounts can be used in conjunction to maximize savings and benefits.

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Experimenting with science is always fun for the 5s class at OCNS! Learning how it feels to have blubber like a polar bear swimming in the Arctic Ocean was a hit. We love being scientists!



Orange Volunteer Firefighters respond to downed tree during Storm Riley.



The AM 3s class at OCNS made heart headbands as part of their Valentine's Day celebration. The class enjoyed sharing cards, and learning about kindness and friendship!







The Addams Family

Tickets Available For Amity's Spring Musical

Tickets are available for the Amity Regional High School performance of The Addams Family: A New Musical. The musical will be performed by the award-winning Amity Regional High School Theater Department under the direction of Robert and Andrea Kennedy.

Performances are scheduled for April 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 at 8:00 p.m. at the John J. Brady Center for the Performing Arts at Amity Regional High School, 25 Newton Road in Woodbridge. Tickets are \$18 and can be purchased online at www.

amitytheaterdepartment.com or by contacting the box office at (203) 392-2019 or email amityboxoffice@gmail. com.

This year's corporate sponsors include the Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation, Burns Insurance & Financial, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage and LATICRETE. Proceeds raised go to the Amity Theater program.

The Addams Family: A New Musical is the most recent reincarnation of Charles Addams' iconic clan, which he originated in his macabre cartoons for The New Yorker. The "mysterious and kooky" family was brought to life in the popular '60s television series and on the big screen before opening on Broadway in 2010.

> In the musical, a grown-up Wednesday, daughter of Gomez and Morticia, has given up torturing little brother Pugsley and, unbeknownst to her family, fallen in love with a (gasp!) normal boy

from a normal family. Havoc ensues when they all gather for dinner at the Addams Family mansion and discover that, no matter our differences, when it comes to family we're more alike than we think.

For further information, please call the box office at (203) 392-2019 or email amityboxoffice@gmail.com.





L to R: Amity High School Alumni Jake Brownstein, Michael Goodman, and Dani Battat of the band EGGY perform during their student workshop at Amity High School on February 23. [Photo by Sean Malloy]

Rock Band EGGY Visits Amity H.S.

On Friday, February 23 the jam band EGGY visited Amity High School to discuss their music and their career path with current students. Over 100 Amity students in grades 9-12 heard the band play several of their original songs and talk about their personal journeys as musicians and songwriters.

Three Amity High graduates play in

EGGY – Jake Brownstein, (guitar/vocals), Michael Goodman, (bass/vocals), and Dani Battat (keyboards/vocals). Alex Bailey, (drums/vocals) hails from the Chicago area and is currently a student at the Berklee College of Music in Boston.

EGGY's visit to Amity was made possible by a grant from the Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation.



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Alchemy Vocal Ensemble to Appear in Orange

The a cappella singers of Alchemy Vocal Ensemble will present a concert at the Orange Congregational Church on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 4:00 pm. Their performance is part of the Music on the Green series at the church. The artists who are based in Connecticut are under the direction of Joseph D'Eugenio. A program of varied composers, Brahms, Schumann, Durufle and Randall Thompson, will feature. A few of the selections will be accompanied on the church's Odell pipe organ which graces the sanctuary.

Admission is \$10, and tickets are available at the door. For more information, contact bryan.campbell@snet. net.



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Quinnipiac University students Lauren Salatto-Rosenay of Orange, left, and Louis Napolitano of River Vale, New Jersey, rehearse a scene from "Little Shop of Horrors"

QU Presents 'Little Shop Of Horrors'

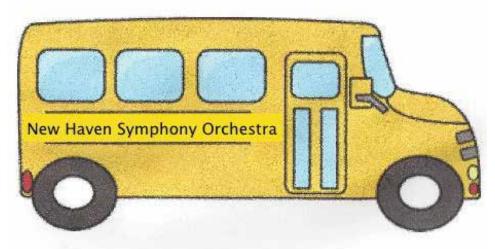
The Quinnipiac University Theater Program will present the musical, "Little Shop of Horrors," from March 1-4 at the Center for Theatre Arts at Quinnipiac, 515 Sherman Avenue, Hamden. Written by Howard Ashman and composed by Alan Menken, the play was one of the longest-running, off-Broadway shows and has since been produced worldwide. "This show illuminates the talents of our students and takes advantage of all the theatrical possibilities that were opened up to us when we moved into our new Theatre Arts Center last fall," said Kevin Daly, assistant professor and chair of the theater program at Quinnipiac.

The play's protagonist, a meek floral assistant named Seymour Krelborn (played by Louis Napolitano of River Vale, New Jersey), stumbles across a new breed of plant that he names "Audrey II" (played by Connor Whiteley of New Haven) after his co-worker and love interest. This foul-mouthed, R&B singing, carnivorous plant promises fame and fortune to Seymour as long as he keeps feeding it blood. Over time, Seymour discovers Audrey II's other worldly origins and her pursuit of global domination. In addition to Napolitano and Whiteley, the cast includes Kat Katriel of Oakland, New Jersey, who plays Chiffon; Regina Gunther of Valley Stream, New York, who plays Crystal; Nicole Mawhirter of Malverne, New York, who plays Ronnette; Ryan Devaney of Wallingford, Connecticut, who plays Mushnick; and Lauren Salatto-Rosenay of Orange, Connecticut, who plays Audrey. Paul Zopatti of Rockport, Massachusetts will play several characters, including Orin, Bernstein, Snip and Luce.

James Noble, an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Visual and Performing Arts, will direct the musical; Abbey Copeland, assistant teaching professor of theater, will design the set; Margaret Peebles will supervise the lighting; and Katya Vetrov will oversee the wardrobe.

Performances will begin at 7:30 p.m. on March 1–3 and at 2 p.m. on March 3-4. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$10 for students and senior citizens. Tickets can be purchased at qulittleshop.brownpapertickets.com. For more information, call 203-582-8652.

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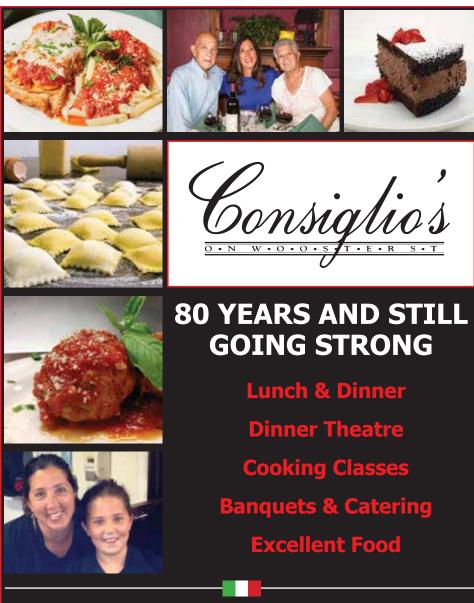
The Orange Arts and Culture Council is once again sponsoring Hop the Bus to the New Haven Symphony for the February 15 concert. This is the fourth year the OACC has sponsored free busses to the NHSO concerts at Woolsey Hall.

Concertgoers can avoid the hassle of finding a parking space near Woolsey Hall by taking advantage of this FREE service. The bus picks up riders in front of High Plains Community Center in Orange at 6:45 PM, and drops them off in front of Woolsey Hall, picking them up immediately following the concert. This service is made possible

by grants from the Orange Lions and Orange Foundation.

The March 22 concert, Miller Conducts Tchaikovsky, features guest conductor American conductor Rebecca Miller, who has been making her mark on the UK's classical music scene as the Director of Orchestras for the Royal Holloway University of London and the Royal Tunbridge Wells Choral Society Chorus and Orchestra.

For bus reservations, call 203-878-7417. For concert tickets call the New Haven Symphony office at 203-865-0831.



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The four year old class at Orange Congregational Church Nursery School has fun with yoga, led by teacher Lindsay Marieb.



The 3 year old class at Orange Congregational Church Nursery School enjoyed learning how to care for their teeth, from Dr. Dorota Brynda Hansen.



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Q: Last year I was really into this show about a group of friends trying to make it in Hollywood, and one of the girls lands the lead role in blockbuster YA fantasy movie. We get to see how it changes her and her relationship with her friends, and how she changes the actors she works with because of her "normalness." Can you tell me what that was called and if/when it will be back? -- Rhiannon G., via email

A: You're thinking of **"Famous in Love,"** which airs on Freeform. I've also been waiting for word on its return, and I just heard that it will be back for its second season on Wednesday, April 4, at 8 p.m. ET. There's time to catch up before the premiere, either on Netflix or On Demand, which I highly recommend because this is a fun, enticing and completely bingeable series.

Based on the novel by **Rebecca Serle**, the show follows ordinary college student Paige (played by **Bella Thorne**) -- who got her big break after auditioning for the starring role in a Hollywood blockbuster -- and her friends and co-stars as they try to navigate the bumpy waters of stardom and fame. The show also stars **Carter Jenkins, Charlie DePew, Georgie Flores, Niki Koss, Pepi Sonuga, Keith Powers** and **Perrey Reeves**.

Q: I remember you had written some time ago that **"Timeless"** had been canceled, but then, in a rarity, was uncanceled by NBC. I keep looking for its premiere but haven't seen anything about it. -- Margaret H., Madison, Wisconsin

A: Don't worry: The powers-that-be at NBC have not gone back on their word to renew "Timeless," the exciting time-travel fantasy series that stars **Abigail Spencer, Matt Lanter, Mal**-



Bella Thorne [Freeform/Nino Munoz]

colm Barrett and **Goran Visnjic**. It makes its season-two premiere on Sunday, March 11, at 10/9c. I'm so glad the series didn't end with the massive cliffhanger, where we learned that Lucy's mom is Rittenhouse, Flynn has been arrested and thinks Lucy set him up, and Emma has stolen the time-travel mothership.

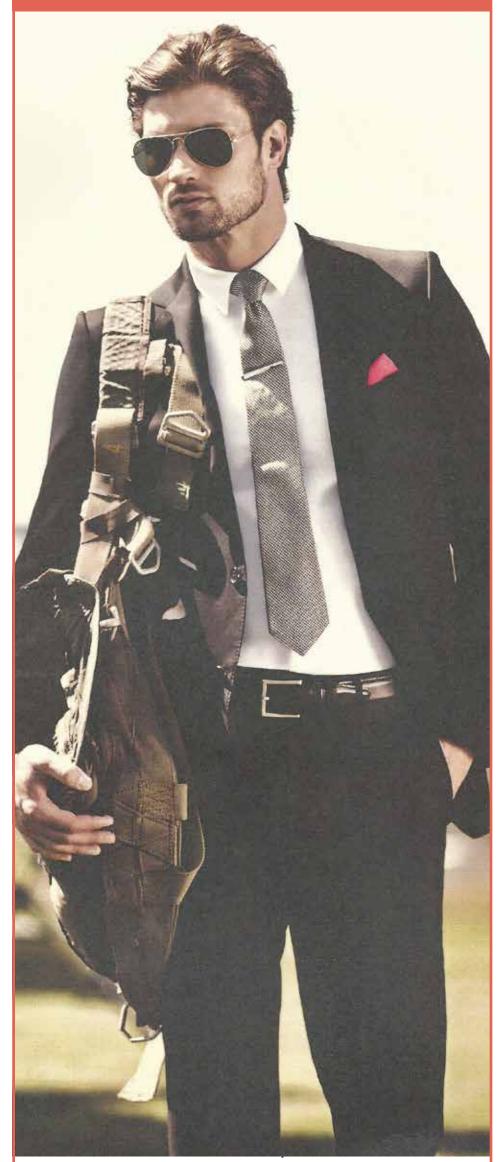
Here's some scoop about this season. The first episode has Lucy, Wyatt and Rufus traveling back to World War I, where a new character is introduced: **Nicolas Keynes** playing an injured American soldier who "seems helpless at first but is more formidable than he seems," according to producers. This season also will visit the Salem Witch Trials (be careful, Lucy!) and Hollywood in the 1940s.

Q: Is it true that there's a sequel to **"March of the Penguins"**? -- Bobbie F., via email

A: It's true! Premiering exclusively March 23 on Hulu, the second installment of the Oscar-winning documentary offers the tale of a father and son as they embark on their first journey together and overcome unimaginable challenges along the way. Like the original film, **"March of the Penguins 2: The Next Step"** is narrated by **Morgan Freeman** and promises to continue to tug on the heartstrings.

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Garden Club Rings In Chinese New Year

The Garden Club of Orange celebrated the Chinese New Year, The year of the Dog, at its monthly meeting in February. Hospitality chairs Diana DeFillippo and Larry Huzi along with committee members Lana Ho and Dot Zolla created a festive party that included authentic Chinese food, des-

serts and decorations. The committee dressed in traditional Chinese silk jackets provided by Lana Ho.

The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT, NEGC and the NGC. For membership information, contact Joanne Friedrichs at 203-795-4266.

American Legion Boys State Orange Post 127 Sponsorship

This is a one week program of The American Legion. Boys State developed from the concept that youth should be offered a better perspective of the practical operation of government; that the individual is an integral part and commensurately responsible

June 2018 at Eastern Connecticut State University. Applicants are notified that we are requesting receipt of complete signed applications by APRIL 30th, 2018.

This year the application and supplementary materials on the program are available on line: http://ctboysstate.com. Candidates should fill applications out, print them and get them signed per the directions on the website (High School Principal certification of the applicant as a Junior is required) and mail them to the post coordinator by the deadline at:

Design by Pat Dray "Sweeping Vistas"

Advanced Standard Flower Show

Four members of the Garden Club of Orange were featured in The Federated Garden Clubs of CT'S Advanced Standard Flower Show that was part of the 37th annual "Connecticut Flower & Garden Show" held February 22-25 in the CT Convention Center in Hartford. Larry Huzi was awarded the Terry Stoleson Award as well as a Blue Ribbon for his floral design, "Earth Songs". Pat Dray scored 90+ points for her creative design, "Sweeping Vistas". In addition, Pat earned a Blue ribbon for her holly specimen in the horticulture division. Caroline Dirsa received a 2nd place award for a rosemary plant. Debbie Antoon exhibited in the photography division.

The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCt, NEGC and NGC. For membership information contact Joanne Friedrichs 203-795-4266. for the character and success of his government. As such, it is an activity of high educational value, born out of a need for youth training in practical citizenship.

Boys State is classified as a leadership action program where qualified male high school juniors take part in a practical government course designed to develop in the young citizens a working knowledge of the structure of government and to impress upon them the fact that government is just what they make it. Young men chosen to be Boys State citizens can look forward to a wonderful and challenging experience. All who attend acquire a better understanding and deeper regard for our nation's legacy of freedom and democracy.

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Tickets are \$12.per person and must be purchased through New England Young at Heart.

Contact Elaine at 203-887-5047 or email at neyahevents@gmail.com.





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Milford Masonic Lodge Installs New Officers for 2018

On Friday January 5, 2018 Ansantawae Masonic Lodge #82 installed their Officers for 2018 at their Lodge Hall in Milford.

Orange Lions Club Wine Tasting

The Orange Lions Club needs your support, so we can continue our programs for blindness, aid, prevention and eye research along with community projects and donations. Our Wine Tasting is on Friday, March 16, 2018 at the St. Barbara's Church Hall on Racebrook Road in Orange, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The event is facilitated by Wine and Liquor Outlet of Orange (528 Boston Post Road) and MTFRNATION will feature tastings of wines, craft beers, and whiskeys. You will also enjoy a cheese smorgasbord sponsored by Trader Joe's of Orange, delicious stuffed breads and more from Eli's of Orange, and an Irish themed dessert table. The night includes entertainment by Orange resident musician, Craig Calistro, many raffle baskets, and a fabulous silent auction! Our featured silent auction item is a Tesla Kiddie Car complete with all the bells and whistles and several items from NCIS, specially donated to the Orange Lions Club which includes one of Mark Harmon's

scripts from the show!

Tickets are \$35 per person and are available from any Orange Lions Club member at the Wine & Liquor Outlet, or by calling co-chairs Betty Hadlock at (203) 795-0134 or Marianne

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Recently the Amity Leos, part of the Woodbridge Lions Club, attended the mid-winter conference for Lions Club District 23 in Cromwell. All three districts from the state of Connecticut were in attendance. In total, there were eleven Leo clubs from around the state. The Amity Leos, comprised of students from Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge, meet twice a month at the Amity Teen Center. Pictured with Leos are Jennifer DiBlanda, Program Director at the Amity Teen Center, and two Leo advisors, Candi Edwards and Taylor Stallsworth. Call today and join us for a wonderful and fun evening as you support the many projects of the Orange Lions Club, a 501(c)3 organization!

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Amity Athletics on Receiving End of Cash Gifts

By Melissa Nicefaro Orange Town News Correspondent

Two local businesses made generous donations to the Amity Board of Education in February. Both donors requested that the funds go to the district's athletic department.

Eli's Orange donated \$4,300 to support the athletics program. "Wear your Amity gear when you go out to eat in town because they recognize that lots of Amity patrons are in their restaurant," says Superintendent of Schools Chip Dumais. "They do the golf tournament annually and they decided to donate a portion of the proceeds to the schools this year."

There is no formal designation other than that it should go to the athletic

program.

Bella's Café of Whalley Avenue, New Haven donated \$3,000, specifying that the donation is used for wrestling mats. The café is owned by Rose Foote, whose son is an Amity wrestler, according to Dumais.

"For wrestling matches, they prepare the mats for a tournament, then after the tournament, they don't use the mats anymore and schools can pick them up at a dramatically reduced price and when Ms. Foote found out that this was possible, she wanted to donate them to us," Dumais says.

The Board of Education appreciatively accepted the donations and will discuss where the Eli's contribution can help fund a need.

Mount Ida's Southworth Awarded

Named GNAC Men's Volleyball Offensive Player of the Week

Mount Ida junior outside hitter, Brett Southworth, was named as the Great Northeast Athletic Conference Men's Volleyball Offensive Player of the Week on February 5th for his efforts in a trio of Mustang victories over the weekend. A native of Orange, Conn. and a graduate of Amity Regional High School, Southworth registered 31 kills (3.44 per set), 22 digs (2.22 per set) and six service aces on the week, including a double-double performance of 17 kills, 12 digs and three service aces in a 3-1 triumph at Dean on February 4th.

Brett, who posted a .313 attack percentage in the three outings, added eight kills, seven digs and two service aces in a home sweep of Southern Vermont on Friday evening while recording six kills and three digs in a 3-0 victory over Pratt Institute as part of Sunday's tri-match action at Dean. Southworth leads Mount Ida in kills (47) and ranks second in digs (34) in the early going, as he has accounted for 56 points through five matches to date.



Brett Southworth

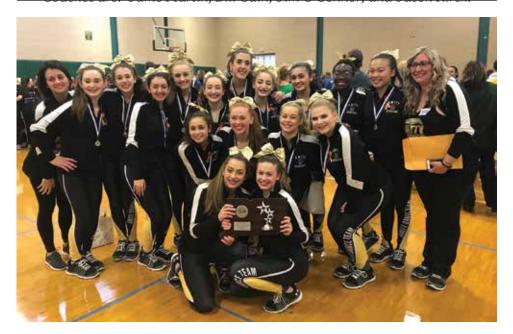
Ladies of Orange Win Two Tourneys



Grade 4 Team recently won the Milford Knights League Tournament. Girls on the team are: Julia DeMaio, Mackenzie Smith, Lily Simons, Addy Pivovar, Ava Storz, Sarah Donegan, Sydney Cain, Sienna Murphy, Nina Nardecchia, Marlee Lyons, and JJ Kirck Coaches are: Todd Simons, Mike Storz, John Pivovar, and Jason Kirck.



Grade 6 Team recently won the Shehan Center League Tournament. Girls on the team are: Mackenzie Martin, Vivian Cain, Kelsey O'Connor, Jillian Barnes, Bridget Lowder, Grace Cavallaro, Ava Holden, Lucci Dottori, Grace Launder, and Meghan Kirck Coaches are: Jame Martin, Bill Cain, Jim O'Connor, and Jason Kirck.



Head Coach Craig Martin's Mustangs, who stand at 3-2 overall, hit the road for four contests the week of February 5 beginning on Thursday evening when Mount Ida ventures to Chestnut Hill, Mass. to square off with Pine Manor in a non-league match at 7:00 p.m. EST.

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The Amity Dance Team competed in the CIAC State Dance Competition on Saturday, February 24, 2018. They received Runner Up in Hip Hop and have advanced to the NCESSPA Regional's in Vermont on March 10th with their Hip Hop and Pom routines. Pictured with the team are Captains Hailey Benedetto, Haley Fusco and Coaches, Teressa Diaz-Hennessy and Caitlin Cusano. [Photo by Debbie Tashlein]

St Patrick's Day Party Food Ideas

Drinks: Simple recipes that you could use for green St. Patrick's Day drinks are a green milk punch or other punches which use lemon lime soda and green ice cream or sorbets. A favorite at my house are shamrock shakes. Mix together 3 cups of mint chocolate chip ice cream and about 1/4 cup milk (more or less depending on how thick you like it) and blend on high until creamy. For adults you can add some Creme de Mint! If you are having a St. Patrick's Day party for kids you could also add a package of green drink mix to a gallon of white milk to add a festive touch to the healthy beverage.

Snacks/Appetizers: Most green vegetables (green peppers, green olives, celery, cucumbers, avocados, broccoli, spinach, green onions) and fruits (green apples, kiwi, pears, green grapes) are excellent to use for fresh fruit and veggie trays along some dips (how about green onion?) for your St. Patrick's Day party. Whip up some salsa Verde, hot spinach dip or guacamole to serve with the veggies or some chips and crackers. You can even find green tinted crackers which are made with spinach to serve. Here's a good guacamole recipe that's super easy to make.

Mix the following together: 2 ripe avocados (mashed), 1/4 cup of onion (chopped), 1/2 cup of tomato (chopped), 1 Tablespoon lemon juice, 1/2 cup Catalina salad dressing and salt and pepper to taste. Serve with tortilla chips.

Main Dishes: If your party needs a main dish and some sides, Chicken Chile Verde is a good choice with it's green color and lime and cilantro garnishes. You can also make pasta salad from green (spinach) noodles or a great big salad with chicken and green goddess salad dressing.

Desserts: Simple green colored desserts that would be perfect for St. Patrick's Day are jello (you could even make a layered jello dessert alternating plain jello and one mixed with whipped topping), pudding (try pistachio or add some green to vanilla), and ice cream (mint) or sorbet (lime). If you have more time and feel more creative why not make a cake in the shape of a shamrock or pot of gold? Or cupcakes that are topped with some St. Patrick's Day decorations.

A super simple recipe for fudge is sure to go over well. All you need are a bag of chocolate chips and a container of prepared frosting. Melt them together over a medium flame, stir well and place into a foil lined 8 inch square pan. Let cool and then refrigerate. You might try white chocolate chips and vanilla frosting and tint it with green food coloring and some mint flavoring.



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Zion Lutheran Church Invites You

"Our Father who art in heaven....". For Christians, these opening words of the Lord's Prayer are so familiar that we don't often give them much thought. But have you ever considered what an astonishing thing it is that we—insignificant, fleeting creatures that we are—would presume to call upon the Creator of the cosmos with the expectation of being heard at all, let alone that we should, as Martin Luther put it, "ask Him confidently with all assurance, as dear children ask their dear Father"?

The notion of God as Father is certainly present in the Hebrew Scriptures, but it remains a relatively minor theme. In the Gospels, Jesus of Nazareth takes this minor theme and moves it to the center of his teaching. In the Sermon on the Mount alone (Matthew 5-7), Jesus refers to God as "Father" seventeen times. And when he teaches his disciples to pray, he says, "Pray then like this: Our Father in heaven..." (Matthew 6:9). This new emphasis is an expression of Christianity's audacious central claim: that Jesus is not merely another human teacher, but is in fact the eternal Son of God.

So I would argue that when Christians address God as Father, we're not simply saying, "Creator," with a familial or patriarchal accent. Rather, we call



upon God as Father because Jesus has invited us, as his disciples, to share in his relationship to his Father. We can confidently pray, "Our Father who art in heaven," trusting that we will be heard, because the Son of God came down from heaven to be our brother so that the God of heaven might be our Father.

Zion Lutheran Church invites you to join us as we reflect on the Lord's Prayer during our mid-week services every Wednesday in Lent (through March 21) at 7:30pm, or to join us for our regular Sunday service at 10:30am. Children's Sunday school and adult bible study are at 9:30am. Services will be held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of Holy Week (March 29-31) at 7:30pm, culminating with our Easter Sunday festival worship on April 1 at 10:30am.

Congregation Or Shalom Events

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Weekly Services Minyan Services Sunday 9:00 AM Monday 7:30 AM Thursday 7:30 AM Healing Circle Wednesday 7:30 AM Shabbat Services Friday 7:00 PM; Saturday 9:30 PM

Coffee And Learn With The Rabbi Every Wednesday (please call the office for schedule) Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus teaches an hour- long class devoted to the ancient texts of our heritage and the light they shed on the current issues. The class begins at 11:00 am and ends at 12 noon sharp. All Wel-

come. Please call the office to confirm

class is meeting. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Shabbat Across America

Friday, March 9, 7PM focusing this year on: A Taste Of Kugel!

In the course of the service we'll nibble on a variety of kugels in the Social Hall, as the rabbi explains their history! Why is Kugel eaten on Shabbat? Why is it called "Kugel"? Do you call it "Kigel" or Kugel? Why the different pronunciations? Did you grow up with a "Galicianer" kugel or a "Litvisher" kugel? What's "Jerusalem" kugel? Why are some kugels sweet, while others are savory? It's all food for thought! Come & taste & learn! Must RSVP to our office 203.799.2341 by March 2.

Come, Celebrate and... Laugh! The Godfather's



Congregation Or Shalom

Meshuggener Wedding!

Presented by New York Dinner Theater, The Godfather has invited you to his daughter's wedding; (you don't want to refuse!) Saturday March 24th, Guests arrive @ 7:30 pm, Ceremony begins promptly @ 8:00 pm, Singing, Dancing & "Viennese Dessert Table", BYOB (wine must be Kosher). Come, join the celebration!! Get your tickets now. Tickets \$39. RSVP online @ www.orshalomct.org or call the office @ 203.799.2341.

Zumba Gold

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

Annual Landwirth Lecture

Congregation Or Shalom, 205 Old Grassy Hill Road, Orange will hold its annual Landwirth Lecture, THE JAZZ SINGER SINGS ON! Celebrating the 90th Birthday of a Jewish-American Classic, on Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 3:30 P.M. Did you know that the original "Jazz Singer", starring Al Jolson, was Hollywood's first talking motion picture? Did you know that Danny Thomas, Jerry Lewis and Neil Diamond starred as "Jazz Singers" as well? What is the enduring allure of this story? What was its origin? How does it speak to us today? Watch Jerry Lewis' 1959 50-minute NBC performance of the Jazz Singer, as well as clips from other incarnations of this Jewish American classic. Discuss its significance with our guest speaker Dr. Eric A. Goldman.

Dr. Goldman, who received a Ph.D. in Cinema Studies from New York University, is a much sought-after lecturer on Jewish film. Dr. Goldman has served as a member of the Education-

al Advisory Committee of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and is currently adjunct professor of cinema at Yeshiva University. He co-hosted on the Turner Movie Classics television network and is the film critic for "The Jewish Standard". His most recent book The American Jewish Story through Cinema, published by the University of Texas Press, has garnered critical acclaim.

All are welcome. Free and open to the public. This event is sponsored by the Landwirth Family Fund. For further information, please call the synagogue office at 203-799-2341.

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"Success isn't how far you got, but the distance you traveled from where you started." —Steve Prefontaine



Church of the Good Shepherd

Holy Week & Easter Sunday Worship 2018



Church of the Good Shephard

The Church of the Good Shepherd invites you to attend any of our upcoming services and events during Holy Week and on Easter Sunday. All are welcome.

Sunday, March 25

Palm Sunday services at 8am and 10am with Blessing of the Palms and Reading of the Passion

Thursday, March 29

Maundy Thursday service begins at 6:30pm with fellowship and refreshments at 6:30, and service at 7pm

Thursday March 29-Friday, March 30

Vigil Altar of Repose Thursday 8:30pm-10pm, and Friday 8am-3pm Sanctuary open for prayer and anointing for healing

Friday, March 30

Good Friday Hour of Prayer at 12pm

Outdoor Stations of the Cross at 3 pm, rain or shine

Holy Eucharist from the reserve at 7pm

Sunday April 1

Easter Sunday services at 8am and 10am

Easter Egg Hunt following the 10am service

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd is located on 680 Racebrook Road, Orange, Connecticut. Sunday service times include Rite II Holy Eucharist without music at 8 a.m. and Rite II Holy Eucharist with music at 10 a.m.

For more information about The Church of the Good Shepherd's many other programs, please call the Parish Office @ (203) 795-6577, email us @ thegoodspheherd@optonline.net, visit our website @ www.thegoodshepherdorangect.org, and of course, check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/ cgsorangect for frequent postings.

The First Church of Christ Lenten & Holy Week Events

We are pleased to announce the First Church of Christ Woodbridge schedule of services and events for the Lenten Season and Holy Week and invite everyone in the community to join us at 5 Meeting House Lane. Our Easter Sunday 10 a.m. service will feature special music from our Senior Choir and Bell Choir, both under the leadership of Faye Chen, and from our organist Nenad Ivovic.

Lenten Bible Study Series – Wednesdays thru March 21, from 6- 7:30 p.m. in the Parish House. We begin with a light supper of soup & bread at 6, followed by Bible study at 6:30. You are invited to attend all or part of the series.

Holy Week Services: In the Meeting House except as noted.

Palm Sunday Worship Service – March 25 - 10 a.m. Through readings and symbols we will walk with Jesus from his triumphal entry into Jerusalem to his crucifixion.

Maundy Thursday Service of Tenebrae – March 29 - 7 p.m. We will commemorate the Last Supper with communion and the service of the shadows.

Good Friday - Meditation and Readings – March 30 - 10 a.m. – Noon. People are invited to quietly come and go as you please.

Easter Sunrise Service – April 1 -6:30 a.m. on the Church Green. A breakfast follows in the Parish House.

Easter Sunday Worship Service – 10 a.m. with glorious music, commun-



The First Church of Christ

ion, and the proclamation of the Good News of Jesus' Resurrection.

We also invite all members of the community to join us for our regularly scheduled services and events:

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

Church School - Sunday at 10 a.m. the second through fifth Sundays during the school year with lessons based on the Lectionary.

Confirmation Class for children in 7th – 9th grades will meet in March on Sunday the 25th following worship. The class will focus on Holy Week.

Middle School Youth Group for 5th – 8th graders will meet in March on Sunday the 11th following worship.

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

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

Pampered Chef Fundraiser

Held By Holy Infant Church Women's Guild

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild is holding a Pampered Chef fundraiser from Sunday, March 4, 2018



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through Sunday, March 25, 2018. 20% of total sales (before tax and shipping) will be given back to the Women's Guild.

This is a wonderful opportunity to help the Guild and to get quality Pampered Chef products that make cooking and entertaining fun and easy. Place your order in one of the following ways:

- online via http://www.pamperedchef.com/go/HolyInfant;
- 2. call or text Laura Vega at (203)494-3561; or
- 3. email Laura Vega at laura06477@gmail.com.

Holy Infant Church

Cash, checks, and money orders will be accepted. All checks and money orders are payable to Laura Vega. There is a \$35 fee for any returned checks. All orders will be shipped directly to the address you provide.

"Be still and know that I am. Be still and know. Be still. Be." — ST. PATRICK all that is in your house, and all that your fathers

Detail of the "Sun-god Tablet," showing the court of Babylon, about 900 B.C.

have laid up in store to this day will be carried to Babylon; nothing shall be left,' says the Lord. 2 KINGS 20:17



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Send us your organizations events listings and items of interest. We will publish them for free.

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Programs at the Case Memorial Library are free, except as noted for materials charges, and open to the public. Library hours are as follows: Monday and Thursday 12-8; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10-5; Saturday 10-4. The Library will be closed Friday, March 30 in observance of Good Friday. We will close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 29.

Events For Adults

Book Discussions Books & Breakfast Morning Book Discussion Group Tuesday, March 20, 10 a.m.

Join Books & Breakfast leader Carol Davidson for a discussion of A Violet Season by Kathy Leonard Czepiel. Refreshments will be served. Check for copies at the Circulation Desk.

The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

Thursday, April 19, 7 p.m.

Join The Bookcase leader Toby Zabinski for a discussion of The Unseen World by Liz Moore. Check for copies at the Circulation Desk.

2018 Oscar Films

Full Oscar film schedule to be available mid-March.

Dunkirk | 1 hr. 46 min. | PG-13

Monday, March 5, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, 1 p.m. Allied soldiers from Bel-

gium, the British Empire, and France are surrounded by the German Army, and evacuated during a fierce battle in World War II.

Get Out | 1 hr. 44 min. | R

Monday, March 12, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, 1 p.m.

It's time for a young African-American to meet with his white girlfriend's parents for a weekend in their secluded estate in the woods, but before long, the friendly ambience will give way to



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The Great! Basement Book Sale

Members Preview

Thursday, March 22, 4-7 p.m.

The preview is for members only, but you may become a member at the door.

Public Sale

Saturday, March 24, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Come for great deals on thousands

of new and gently used books including hardcover and paperback fiction and nonfiction for adults, children, and teens as well as vinyl records, DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks. It's the perfect place to pick up a gift for an upcoming event, add a new special book to your coffee table collection, or just grab a few great new things to read.

Events For Teens Book Chat Café

For Amity Middle School students who love to read and share their opinions over refreshments. Held at the Amity Middle School Media Center. Please see Ms. Leibrock to join and for more information about meeting dates and times.

Events For Children 3-5 Year Olds Storytime

Mondays, 4 p.m.

movement, fingerplays and puppetry together. Registration is not required.

No Bake Kids' Cooking Class with Courtney Huggins

Wednesday, March 7, 3:45-4:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, Session I: 2-3 p.m.; Session II: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

For children ages 5-10. Make tasty, healthy recipes with Courtney Huggins, Orange ShopRite's Registered Dietitian! Registration is required and will open February 14 for the 3/7 session and March 28 for the 4/18 sessions. Please notify us of any food allergies at the time of registration so that we may make the proper accommodations.

STEM Storytime

Saturday, March 10, 10:30-11:15 a.m.: Color Science Saturday, April 7. 10:30-11:15 a.m.: Weather

Can a fairytale or picture book really be used to teach science? See how with Ms. Michelle! We'll read the book together as a group, learn more about the story through our re-telling, then make a scientific craft or try some hands-on experiments together. This storytime is best for children ages 3-5, but older siblings are welcome. Registration is

Minute to Win It Physics with Cool-ology

Thursday, April 5, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

For children ages 5-10. Can you ace our one-minute physics challenges? Find out at this interactive workshop as we explore inertia, motion, and acceleration! Registration is required and will open on Thursday, March 15.

Tween Event: LED Throwie Workshop

Thursday, April 12, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

For children in grades 4-6. "Throwies" are tiny lights constructed out of rare earth magnets, watch batteries, electric tape, and LED bulbs and are designed to stick to metal surfaces. Link them together to create a color-changing throwie "ball" or make individual lights to build a throwie constellation! Registration is required and will open on Thursday, March 22.

Scratch Coding Storytelling

Thursday, April 19, 5:30-6:45 p.m.

For children in grades 4-6 (grade 3 with a parent). Create your own unique story using Google CS First! Laptops and headphones will be provided. Space is limited and registration is required. Registration will open on Thursday, March 29.

"The Rainbow Fish" Drama Workshop with Ingrid Schaeffer

Saturday, April 21, 2-3:30 p.m.

For children ages 5-10. Deep inside the ocean, a fish with sparkling rainbow scales captivates fellow sea creatures with his beauty. But everything changes when the rainbow fish refuses to share any beauty with his admir-

ers. Ingrid Schaeffer will read Marcus Pfister's tale aloud to the group and provide costumes and props. Then, we'll re-enact the story together. Participants will also complete an art activity based on the book as part of the workshop. Registration is required and will open on Saturday, March 31. This drama workshop is generously funded by a grant from the Orange Foundation Trust U/A, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee.

a nightmare.

Wonder | 1 hr. 53 min.

Monday, March 19, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 21, 1 p.m.

The incredibly inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman, a boy with facial differences who enters fifth grade, attending a mainstream elementary school for the first time.

The Florida Project | 1 hr. 51 min. | R Monday, March 26, 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, 1 p.m.

Set over one summer, the film follows precocious six-year-old Moonee as she courts mischief and adventure with her ragtag playmates and bonds with her rebellious but caring mother, all while living in the shadows of Walt Disney World. Enjoy storytelling, books, music, fingerplays and puppetry at this story time series especially for 3-5 year olds! A story-related craft is offered following each session. Registration is not required. No storytime February 19.

Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays, 10:30 p.m.

Little ones and their caregivers are invited to this high-energy story time with Ms. Michelle! We'll practice nursery rhymes, sing and move together, plus explore touch-and-feel books. Registration is not required.

2-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

Audience participation is highly encouraged at this storytime session just for 2s. Enjoy books, stories, music and required and begins three weeks in advance of the storytime date.

Slime Time

Thursday, March 15, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

For children in grades 1-5. Get messy as a slime-ologist in training! We'll learn how to make non-Newtonian fluids and even study slugs. All recipes are Borax-free and feature ingredients readily available in most home kitchens. Registration is required.

Tween Bubble Science

Wednesday, March 21, 3:45-4:45 p.m. For children in grades K-3. Explore the foundational basics of coding using tech toys like Code the Mouse, Code-A-Pillar, and our Goldieblox sets. Registration is required and opened on Saturday, March 3.

Code Studio

Thursday, April 26, 5-6 p.m.

For children in grades K-3. Play games that teach the basics of coding. Laptops and headphones will be provided. Space is limited and registration is required. Registration will open on Thursday, April 5.

Art Receptions

March: Oils by Andy Bishop, on view March 3-30.

April: Art by the children of Orange elementary schools, selected by art teachers, on view April 2-28. Reception: April 6, 4-56 p.m.



The GREAT Basement Book Sale

It's time to spring forward to the Great!BasementBookSale at the Case Memorial Library on Saturday, March 24th, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Friends invite you to join them in roaming through the stacks and tables filled with hardcover and paperback books for adults, teens, and children. You'll also find CDs DVDs, vinyl records, audiobooks and a selection of old books for collectors. A crew of the Friends works year round to sort and organize and to shelve and display books. Items are for sale by categories and genres, making it easy to find what you want. Look for a bestseller in the New Book Section and fill a bag for \$2.00 with mass market paperbacks in the Bargain Book Section.

There will be a Members-Only Preview on Thursday, March 22nd from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be served. Not a member? Join that day and shop til you drop!

The proceeds from the sale are used by the Friends to provide programs, museum passes and equipment for the library.

Volunteers Age 55+ Needed

The Agency on Aging of South Central CT has volunteer opportunities for adults age 55+. Volunteers can tutor young children in reading in East Haven, Hamden & New Haven schools and afterschool programs (training provided), help frail seniors organize their monthly bills, read with a child in a North Haven elementary school, or visit with a homebound senior or a veteran. For more information, call Cherie at 203-785-8533 x2907 or email volunteer@aoascc.org. Also, visit www.aoascc.org.

Everyone Is Invited To A **PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING** State Project No. 0106-0128

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Lions of Orange serving at the Lions Club Pizza Party

house, explaining to a crowd of mostly foreign tourists that Grant lived there for about five years. The site was hardly a Gateway Arch, but the quaint enthusiasm of its preservation aims offered some bitesize edification. It was the tourist equivalent of eating your broccoli. I marked a second stamp in my passport: "Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site JUL 20 2017

TO BE HELD

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

(Inclement Weather Date: April 12, 2018)

at the

Orange Town Hall Lower Level Meeting Room 617 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477

Open Forum for Individual Discussions with DOT Officials will begin at 6:30 p.m. Formal Presentation at 7:00 p.m.

Residents, commuters, business owners, and other interested individuals are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to learn about and discuss the proposed project.

Written questions or comments should be directed to Mr. Michael S. Cherpak, P.E. Transportation Supervising Engineer Connecticut Department of Transportation P.O. Box 317546 Newington, Connecticut 06131-7546 or e-mail **Michael.Cherpak@ct.gov**

PLEASE JOIN US ON Wednesday, April 4, 2018

Plans will be available at the Orange Town Hall two weeks prior to the meeting. The meeting facility is ADA accessible. Language assistance may be requested by contacting the Department's Office of Communications at (860) 594-3062 at least 5 business days prior to the meeting. Persons with hearing and/or speech disabilities may dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS). Language assistance is provided at no cost to the public and efforts will be made to respond to timely requests for assistance.

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CCTV Low Vision Reader donated by the Lions of Orange.

Thank You Lions Club of Orange

by Dennis Marsh

The Orange Senior Center and Orange Community Services wishes to say a big thank you to the Lions Club of Orange for all they do for our community. The Orange Lions have recently donated a CCTV Low Vision Reader. The reader is located at the High Plains Community Center in the Senior Lounge, just a few steps away from the Senior Center Library. Thank you to Lion President Fred Turner and Lion Mark Leventhal for delivering and installing the Low Vision Reader. On February 21, the Lions Club of Orange sponsored a Lions Club Pizza. Nearly 100 seniors attended as the Lions personally served each guest. The guests stayed for the musical entertainment by Ashly Cruz, a senior center favorite. Everyone had a great time!



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

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

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

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

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

Orange Arts & Culture Council, meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month, 7:30pm, HPCC, 525 Orange Center Road, check chalk board for meeting room. The public is invited.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Trinity Community Preschool, Enrollment for the 2018/2019 school year is open! - 33 Center Road, Woodbridge, the Preschool offers a nurturing, faithbased early learning environment for children aged 1 – 6 years, Visit www. trinityefc.com/preschool for more information on classes and schedules. For applications or to schedule a visit, contact the Preschool Director at sharonc@trinityefc.com or 203-387-4710 x25. Trinity Community Preschool admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin.

NAMI Support Group Meeting,

meetings begin promptly at 6:00pm and end promptly at 7:30pm, BRIDG-ES, a community support system, 949 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford (entrance in the rear of the building), conference room on the second floor, on the following dates for 2018: March 6, April 3, May 1, June 5, July 10, August 7, September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4. They are free of charge and facilitator led. Family & Friends welcome.

Morning Book Discussion Group, Thursday March 1, 2018, 10:30am, The

Thursday March 1, 2018, 10:30am. The Ellen Aftamonow Woodmont Library, 16 Dixon Street, Milford, "The Innocent," by Harlan Coben. The April book is "Small Hours," by Jennifer Kitses. The group meets the first Thursday monthly. For information, call 203-874-5675. All are welcome.

Girl Scouts of Connecticut invites all interested guests to attend "A Conversation with Martha Hall Kelly" author of NYT best-selling novel Lilac Girl, Wednesday, April 11, 2018, 12:00-2:00pm, New Haven Lawn Club, 193 Whitney Avenue, New Haven. During lunch, Kelly will be interviewed by Diane Smith, Emmy award-winning TV and media personality. Come hear about Kelly's incredible journey writing this inspirational novel, hear from a local Girl Scout, and support an organization that build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. To purchase tickets and support Girl Scouts of Connecticut, go to bidpal.net/MHK18.

OLT Spring Guided Hike: Orange Turkey Hill Preserve

The Orange Land Trust will be leading a guided hike at the Turkey Hill Preserve on Saturday, April 14th. People should meet at 9:30 a.m. in the parking lot at 300 Derby Milford Road (GPS address). This is opposite Turkey

We recommend hiking boots/shoes or shoes/sneakers with a good tread. A good hiking stick or trekking pole(s) can be helpful.

We will team up with the Orange CERT Emergency Communications



Hill Road.

This is Orange's largest open space site, with 376 acres offering the most varied experiences for the visitor. An old growth core forest is dotted with ledges, ridges, vernal pools, gorges, streams, ponds, shallow waterways, and a few hills that are steep but hikeable. It is populated by a wide variety of plant life and wildlife.

This moderate to challenging hike will include information on the historical highlights, and a hike through one of the most enjoyable natural places in our area. Please wear appropriate footwear as there are some rocky areas and some "ups and downs" in the trail. Team. They will serve as trail assistants, while they get to know the area terrain and perform a simulated search and rescue communications exercise, such as would be needed to find and escort lost hikers out to safety.

This free hike, conducted by volunteers of the Orange Land Trust, is not at all difficult for those who are sure-footed and fit, and presents an opportunity to reconnect with our town's history and beauty. All are welcome and please bring a friend.

So, grab your hiking gear and plan to join us! Only steady rain showers will cancel. For information, call Chris at 203-397-7599.

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Memorial Service For Robert Reinhard

Ginny Reinhard invites friends and family to a memorial service for her husband, Bob Reinhard, to celebrate Bob's 77 years on this earth on April 8, 2018, 4:00pm at Congregation Or Shalom, Old Grassy Hill Road, Orange. Following the service, there will be a social hour and all friends and family are welcome. For information, please call Ginny at 203-795-6465.



DEATH NOTICES

The Orange Town News will publish Death Notices for Orange families free of charge as a service to our readers. Family members please email notice (limit 250 words, please) to: edit@orangetownnews.com

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aresca & Sons Funeral Home, established in 1888 by Alfonso Maresca, has been privileged to provide its services to thousands of families over the past 127 years.

St.Patrick's Day: What is it Really All About?

St. Patrick's Day, which falls on March 17th, is celebrated around the world. For many people this festival brings to mind Irish leprechauns, dressing in green and, of course, pints of Guinness. However, there is more to St. Patrick's Day than just beer and fancy dress and this article explores some of the lesser-known facts about the day.

Firstly, it is important to investigate who St. Patrick was and why he is associated with this day of revelry. Contrary to what many people may believe, he was, in fact, from Wales, and wasn't Irish by birth. When he was just sixteen years old, it is alleged that he was captured and taken as a slave to Ireland. While he was there he converted to Christianity and claims he heard voices telling him to go back to Great Britain. According to biographer Philip Freeman, these voices told Patrick to go back to Ireland and to teach the Irish about Chris- tianity. This is why he is accredited with bringing the Christian faith to the Emerald Isle. St. Patrick came across a lot of opposition whilst carrying out his mission and he died in relative anonymity in 461 AD. Many myths now surround his life and work.

One of the most popular tales about St. Patrick is that he got rid of all the snakes in Ireland. However, although there are no snakes in Ireland today, there never were. Freeman argues that this story surrounding the banishing of snakes from the Emerald Isle was a metaphor for the fact that St. Patrick "drove the old, evil, pagan ways out of Ireland" (National Geographic, March 16, 2012, John Roach).

Today, March 17th is a day of celebration around the world and if you've ever spent St. Patrick's Day in Ireland,

or America for that matter, you'll know that everything is turned green: people wear green clothes, drink green beer and, in the case of various cities, including Chicago, even dye the rivers bright emerald green. However, this colour, which is synonymous with Ireland for many people, has not always been linked to the country nor to this festival. For centuries, the symbolic colour both of Ireland and of St. Patrick's Day was blue. Green was only adopted when various political groups started to wear it during the 19th Century.

Most interestingly perhaps, is the fact that the first St. Patrick's day parade was not held in Ireland but instead, was held in the United States. Whilst the city of Boston claims to have held the first parade

in 1937, many have argued that the first official parade was in New York City in 1766.

The festival's popularity in America is due to the country's large number of descendents of Irish immigrants. Approximately 36 millions people living in America today claim to be of Irish descent. During the Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries, thousands of Irish men and women left Ireland to escape famine and to seek a better life in America. It comes as no surprise, therefore, that the cities with the highest numbers of Irish-Americans, such as Boston, Massachusetts and Chicago, Illinois are well-known for their elaborate celebrations on March 17th.

To conclude, it is evident that there are many myths surrounding the festival of Ireland's patron saint. For many people who celebrate St. Patrick's Day around the world, it is simply an excuse to drink beer and to toast their distant Irish roots. However, it may be worth remembering the work of St. Patrick and the sacrifices he made in order to take Christianity to the Emerald Isle.

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Gary Oldman in "Darkest Hour" [Universal Pictures]

he's Oscar-nominated for his performance, while the film is nominated for both design and makeup (among other categories). It's really everything you want in a historical biopic -- tension, excitement and dramatics that keep you on the edge of your seat.

"Three Billboards Outside Ebbing,

Missouri" (R) -- Seven months after the rape and murder of her daughter, Mildred Hayes (Frances McDormand) needs an outlet for her frustration with local law enforcement. She finds it in three rented billboards; together they send a message to chief of police William Willoughby (Woody Harrelson): solve the case. The grief they cause and the grief that caused them are the fodder for some dark, disturbing and yet seriously comic undertakings. Sam Rockwell plays the lawman's second in command, a devout understudy with an angry attitude problem. Director Martin McDonagh plucked his billboard inspiration from real life, then wrote these parts tailor-made to per-

- 1. Who released the 1975 "Love Rollercoaster?"
- 2. Name the singer-songwriter who released "Two-Bit Manchild."
- Who released "Primrose Lane" and when?
 Which Fleetwoods song is on the soundtrack of

"American Graffiti"?



5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "Is it real? Is it fake? Is this game of life a mistake? 'Cause when I lost the love I thought was mine for certain, Suddenly it starts hurting."

1. Ohio Players on their "Honey" album. Legend says that the scream in the song was from someone falling off a nearby rollercoaster. Not true. 2. Neil Diamond, in 1968, on his "Velvet Gloves and Spit" album. 3. Jerry Wallace in 1959. It became the theme song for "The Smith Family" sitcom in 1971. 4. "(He's) The Great Imposter," their 1961 song. The group was inducted into the Doo-Wop Hall of Family" sitcom in 1971. 4. "(He's) The Great Imposter," their 1961 song. The group was inducted into the Moo-Wop Hall of Fame of America in 2006. 5. "The Happening," by the Supremes, 1967. The tune was the theme song for the movie of the same name. The film (about some beach bums who kidnap a mobster who couldn't get anybody to pay the ransom) was a dud, but the song scomed to the top of the charts.

Sports Quiz

By Chris Richcreek

- 1. The Baltimore Orioles had only 19 stolen bases during the 2016 season. Name the last time a major-league team had fewer stolen bases for a season.
- 2. Kendrys Morales set a Royals team mark in 2015 for most total bases in one game (15). Who had held the record?
- 3. When was the last time before 2016 that the NFL had two games end in a tie in the same season?
- 4. How many consecutive years has the Kansas men's basketball team won its opening game in the NCAA Tournament?
- 5. When was the last time before the 2016-17 NHL season (Toronto Maple Leafs) that three rookies each reached 60 points for the same team?
- 6. When Josef Newgarden (26 years old) won the 2017 IndyCar series championship, he was the youngest to do so since who?
- 7. When was the last time before 2017 that tennis star Venus Williams reached the semifinals of three majors in the same year?

1. The Detroit Tigers stole only 17 bases in 1972. 2. George Brett had 14 total bases in a game in 1979. 3. It was 1997. 4. Eleven consecutive years entering 2018. 5. It was the 1980-81 Quebec Nordiques (Peter Stastny, Anton Stastny and Dale Hunter). 6. Sam Hornish Jr. was 23 when he won the title in 2002. 7. It was 2002.





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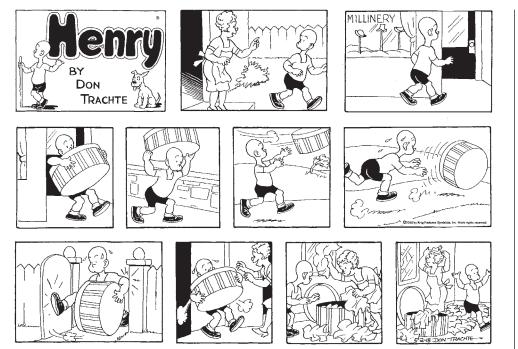
"Darkest Hour" (PG-13) -- Winston Churchill is front and center in this captivating retelling of the events surrounding his appointment to prime minister and England's entrance into full-throttle war with Germany. Focusing on the short but explosive time frame between May 1940 and his "We shall fight on the beaches" address to Parliament weeks later, we follow Churchill as he wrestles with the viability of a political solution to the growing Nazi threat, while cementing the stone will of the people in defiance of German tyranny. Gary Oldman is electrifying as Churchill, going so far beyond believable that it's no wonder fection for their inhabitants, who shine as bright as Oscar gold.

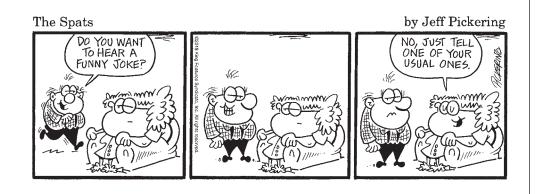
"Coco" (PG) -- Miguel Rivera (Anthony Gonzalez) is 12-year-old musician in a family that has outlawed music for generations. On Dia de los Muertos, a twist of fate delivers him to the Land of the Dead, where he must find a family member to bless his return to the land of the living. Believing he may be related to legendary singer Ernesto de la Cruz (Benjamin Bratt), he sets out to find his musical roots before time runs out. Gael Garcia Bernal voices Hector Rivera, who offers to be Miguel's savvy guide through the back alleys of the vibrant, colorful world if Miguel will put up his photo in the living world -even the deceased cannot live forever if there is no one to remember them.

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By Tony Rizzo "Doctor Dolittle" was originally a 1967 film with Rex Harrison. Harrison was fresh off his Oscar win for "My Fair Lady" (1965), and "Dr. Dolittle," which also starred Samantha Egger and Anthony Newley, was a dismal flop. It cost \$17 million and made only \$9 million. 20th Century Fox tried again in 1998 with Eddie Murphy, and the sequel grossed \$294 million. Another sequel in 2001, also with Murphy, grossed \$176 million. Now, Universal Studios has acquired the rights and are making "Voyage of Dr. Doolittle" with Robert Downey Jr. in the title role.

Downey's been Tony Stark, aka "Iron Man," since 2008 and has completed "The Avengers: Infinity War," due in May, and the two-part untitled "Avengers" sequel, being released in 2019 and 2020. Joining Downey in live-action roles are Tom Holland (his "Spider-Man" co-star) and Antonio Banderas (as a pirate), while Emma Thompson, Selena Gomez and Ralph Fiennes will lend their voices to talking animals. It's set for an April 2019 release.

Jim Carrey says he's deleting his Facebook account, as well as dumping his Facebook stock, because it profited from the "Russian interference in our election," and he's urging others to do the same. He added, "For a long time America enjoyed a geographical advantage in the world, with oceans on both sides of us, and now social media has created a cyber-bridge over which those who do not have our best interest in mind can cross, and we are allowing it. No wall is going to protect us from that, and this easy access has



Robert Downey Jr. [Depositphotos]

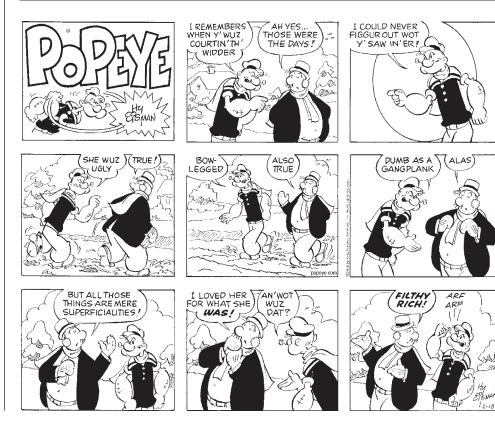
to be more responsibly handled."

The producers of the hit HBO series "Game of Thrones," now in its final season, have signed to create "Star Wars" films for Disney that will be separate from the current franchise, as well as a "Star Wars" TV series, which we knew had to happen sooner or later.

Armie Hammer, so good in "Call Me by Your Name," can console himself for not getting an Oscar nomination with the two films he's just completed. The first is "Hotel Mumbai," with two-time Oscar nominee Dav Patel (for "Slumdog Millionaire" in 2008 and "Lion" in 2016). The second is "On the Basis of Sex," a drama about Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, with Felicity Jones (Oscar nominee for "The Theory of Everything" in 2014) as Ruth, and Armie as her husband, Martin, with help from Justin Theroux, Kathy Bates and Sam Waterston. Call Hammer by any name, so long as it's not "The Lone Ranger," his 2013 flop with Johnny Depp!

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> "For 'tis green, green, green, where the ruined towers are gray, And it's green, green, green, all the happy night and day; Green of leaf and green of sod, green of ivy on the wall, And the blessed Irish shamrock with the fairest green of all." — MARY ELIZABETH BLAKE





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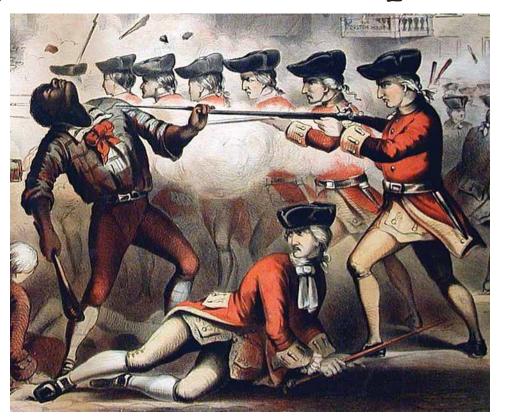
The history books have highlighted the American Revolution with major and minor heroes, some sticking in our minds while others faded into the history itself. In the early days when I was a teacher in the Orange school system, the name Crispus Attucks was written in the social studies books as the first person killed in the American Revolution during the Boston Massacre. He was depicted as a black man but historians are now in disagreement about whether he was indeed a free man or an escaped slave but most agree that he was of Wampanoag and African descent.

As a Wampanoag, he would have been part of the tribe living in Rhode Island. Despite the lack of clarity of his ethnic origin, Crispus became an icon of the anti-slavery movement in the mid 19th century. As the abolitionist movement gained strength in Boston, supporters supported the idea that Attucks played a heroic role in the history of the United States. Born in Framingham, Massachusetts, history described him as a slave of Deacon William Brown. In 1750 Brown advertised for the return of a runaway slave giving a reward of 10 pounds for his return.

It would not go unnoticed that a slave, answering to his description, became a sailor and whaler, spending much of his life at sea and working around the docks along the Atlantic seaboard. In the fall of 1768, British soldiers were sent to Boston in an

attempt to control the colonials in the unrest that followed the Stamp Act but these attempts only increased the tension between them. After dusk on March 5, 1770, a crowd of colonials confronted a sentry who had scolded a boy for complaining that an officer had not paid his





David Humphreys

we all know, John Adams did not stay on the side of the British for long. In 1998, the Unites States Treasury released The Black Revolutionary War Patriots Silver Dollar featuring Attucks on one side. There are places and schools named in his honor around the country with Attucks Middle School in Houston, Texas, Crispus Attucks Elementary School in Kansas City Missouri, Crispus Attucks High School in Indianapolis, Indiana among others.

Although, Crispus Attucks may appear to be a rare instance for the

> Revolutionary War, we only have to go to Stratford, CT for another, Jack Arabus. Jack was a slave of a wealthy merchant and during the days of the war, an individual could pay another to take his place and it was Jack's owner who indeed struck an agreement to send him

took up Jack's defense. In a landmark decision, the judge in the case ruled that Jack was free the moment he left to fight for the cause of liberty. Many of the 300 black slaves who fought for Connecticut during the Revolution gained their freedom as a result of Jack's case. Jump Ship to Freedom, written by James and Christopher Collier is the second book of the Arabus trilogy which begins in 1787, a few weeks after Jack Arabus' death.

The book focuses on his son Daniel who hopes to buy his and his moth-

er's freedom using the notes, worth \$600 that he left them...the payment for his military service. In the process of forming a new government under the Constitution, a decision would be made whether or not to honor the notes.

Wallingford Afri-

the 6th Regiment. During his 3 years in the service, he found himself in some very difficult situations including those along the Hudson River. Upon returning to Wallingford, Freeman found his freedom was withheld as Yale revised the agreement. Chatham wanted to marry Yale's slave Rhea but he would only allow the marriage if Chatham agreed to another 7 years of slavery. The marriage took place in 1782 but freedom was to come a good deal sooner as records in Wallingford show that his emancipation and that of his wife and child was granted in 1782.

Freeman proved not only a good soldier but also a successful landowner. He was one of the few slaves to own property in the town, buying a quarter acre in the area which is near today's Hartford Turnpike. He paid 15 pounds which most likely came from his pension which up until 1818 was only given to soldiers that were injured. Many soldiers of African descent came from Wallingford with surnames of Liberty and Freedom, taken in hopes of achieving what their names described. Some of the names listed in the rolls did not include a surname but Job, Prince, Sampson or nicknames, long forgotten.

During the Revolutionary War Connecticut found it difficult to recruit new members for the army so it adopted the forming of "colored" soldiers. A battalion of blacks was soon enlisted with Captain David Humphreys of Der-

> by. Some objections were made by the officers in accepting these recruits but they proved to be loyal and efficient soldiers. Captain Humphreys was attached to General George Washington and it soon became the regiment sought after by the very officers that had been in disdain of

bill at the barber.

Townspeople gathered throwing snowballs and debris at the soldiers and a group of men set out toward the Old State House, armed with clubs. Attucks was among this mob and when a soldier was struck by a piece of wood, he fired killing 5 colonists one of whom was Crispus Attucks. John Adams successfully defended most of the accused British soldiers against a murder charge with two being found guilty of manslaughter. The soldiers faced hanging but were instead branded on their thumbs. In his arguments, Adams called the crowd "a motley rabble of saucy boys, Negros and molattoes, Irish teagues* and outlandish Jack Tarrs."**

Wow, that was some argument! As

David Humphreys

in his son's place. Of course Jack accepted the offer because it meant that he had bought his

freedom and thus he entered the Colonial army in place of the son of his merchant master. He fought mightily and after 6 years of service, returned to Stratford, his home. At this, his former owner rescinded the offer because service aboard his merchant ship was too valuable to give up. The merchant did not return the 10 pounds he had received from the Town of Stratford for Jack's service, a mighty blow to the Revolutionary coffers.

Angry and disillusioned Jack ran away but was quickly captured and jailed in New Haven. The merchant sued for the return of his "property" but a Yale lawyer, Chauncey Goodrich can-Americans also joined forces for the Revolution. Many of these soldiers were also

slaves whose owners promised them emancipation if they fought in the war. The agreements were somewhat informal and subject to being rescinded as with Jack Arabus. It would appear that black men preferred the dignity of being a soldier to the humiliation of being a slave, risking their lives knowing that possible freedom lay before them but slavery was sure if they stayed.

One of the more interesting black soldiers was Chatham Freeman owned by Noah Yale in Wallingford, CT. He too was given his freedom if he took Yale's son's place in the service of his country. Chatham enlisted in the army on June 2, 1777 serving as a private in

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- Philo Freeman
- Prince George
- Ned Freedom
- Job Caesar
- Tom Freeman
- Cuff Liberty

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More often than not, it is the dog. While we observe the dogs and owners, we can often see how well the dogs have trained the owners. In fact, the root of many behavioral issues is that the dog thinks he is the "pack leader". It's not something owners realize until we point out the tell-tale signs. Suddenly the owners see things from their dog's point of view and have a new respect for their dog's intelligence.

For fun, we have listed some examples of dogs who have taken the lead to control situations to get what they want. These are real-life scenarios compiled from our clients. You may see yourself or your dog in these behaviors!

- Merlin (a border collie) wakes up my husband in the middle of the night to go out and then sneaks back upstairs and takes his spot in the bed."
- Our Boxer Olly loves to play in the mud. My husband started breaking a biscuit in half and throwing it on the lawn to clean Olly's wet paws with the hose. Now Olly won't go out on the lawn unless a treat is thrown."
- Our German Shepherd King has learned to use the door handle so we don't have to let him out. That is the good news. The bad news is he doesn't shut the door after himself, letting all the bugs in! When he is at daycare, he often opens the door to the garden and lets all the dogs out. This can be dangerous!"
- "Our dog Cuda has my number.
 When he wants to go for a walk, he goes and grabs his leash. He is relentless in his begging and I

relaxed after two months and took the tape off. Did he forget? No! The day I took the tape off he woke me at night."

- "If I ever have new people come over and they ignore Ozzie (a Shar pei/Rottweiler/German Shepherd mix), he will immediately run and get his favorite toy which is quite large. He shakes it in between our visitor's legs until they rub his belly and say 'hello'. Once he has received the attention, he will lie down and take a rest. Shutting him into another room doesn't work because he has figured out how to open the door."
- "My miniature Poodle dog has been crate trained. He is fine if I put him in there during the day... in fact, he loves it! However, at night, he barks uncontrollably until I let him out and give in."

Do you find yourself giving in? Dogs can wear you down. They are fighting you for control. For 24 hours make a list of all instances where you are responding to your dog's demands.

Don't worry if the list is long. The way to turn things around is simple but it takes patience. Note when you are giving in to your dog and STOP doing it. Easier said than done, we know. You have to ignore attention-seeking behavior or demands from your dog. By not responding to your dog's demands, you are communicating that you are the leader in a passive way that he instinctively understands. He may sulk, whine or bark but after a few days (or even weeks) he will see that his misbehaviors aren't working anymore.

Don't ignore your dog completely. Play with your dog as you build trust and allow him to use his intelligence in new ways. Dogs need to be mentally and physically stimulated or they will get into trouble. If your dog demands something from you, ignore him until he gives up and goes away. Wait 10 minutes and then call him back to play, eat or walk. This may seem minor to you but is massive to a canine brain. You will be changing your relationship with your dog so that he begins to respect you versus controls you. The new behavior will become part of your life. Once you have pinpointed the changes to be made, remember to be consistent.

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- King Crossword -Answers Solution time: 21 mins.

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- always give in because I work from home and don't want my client's to hear his barking!"
- "Snoopy our Labrador doesn't like it when I am on my cell phone. He will literally block the screen with his body and tail until I put it down."
- "My two dogs love to play fetch. Every time I go outside they will appear with a tennis ball and start jumping all over me until I throw it."
- Our Malamute Aska flips the indoor flap of my letter box to get my attention. He often does it in the middle of the night which wakes me up and leads me to go downstairs to make sure there is not a prowler. So I taped it up. He stopped immediately so I finally

Vicki and Richard Horowitz, of Woodbridge, are dog behavioral therapists and trainers with Bark Busters, the world's largest dog training company. For more information, call 1-877-500-BARK (2275) or visit www.dog-trainingnew-haven-ct.com.





ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You could have some problems with doubters who don't share your enthusiasm for that new project you're supporting. But use the facts to win them over to your side.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Someone is impressed by how you managed to get your case to the right people, despite attempts to keep you on the outside looking in. Expect to hear more about this.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Good for you -- your gift for seeing both sides of a dispute helps cool down a potentially explosive workplace situation. Some family-related tensions also begin to ease.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your determination to prove yourself is put to the test by midweek. Counting all the positive factors you have going for you will help you get over your self-doubt. Good luck.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Several co-workers are still determined to resist coming over to your side. But don't let that stop you from presenting your proposal to the people who count. Stay the course.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might prefer to be taken on faith and not have to prove yourself. But the truth is, you need to offer more facts if you hope to persuade people to accept what you say. LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A family situation takes an unwelcome turn. While others might be looking around for answers, you'll soon sort it all out logically, and the matter will be resolved.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Someone might try to create doubt about your reliability for his or her own agenda. But your reputation and your colleagues' long-standing faith in you saves the day.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) An unexpected change of plans forces you to come up with an alternative by the end of the week. Look for colleagues to offer valuable suggestions.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Nothing upsets the Goat as much as broken promises. But before you vent your anger, consider that this could ultimately prove to be a blessing in disguise.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An old workplace problem you thought you had solved for good resurfaces. But this time, co-workers will take a more active role in helping you deal with it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be careful not to be misled by a negative reaction to one of your more important projects. If you believe in it, then it has worth and is, therefore, worth staying with.

BORN THIS WEEK: Everyone appreciates your gift for finding beauty, even where it seems least likely to exist.

Jealousy Disrupts Doggie Household

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My two household, and therefore the overall dogs, "Jake" and "Albie," are normally real sweethearts. But over the past or new baby; shifting the furniture few months they have been increas- around; or even decorating for the

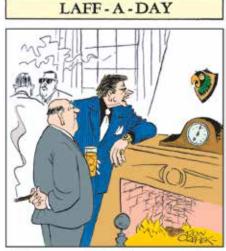
ingly nasty to one another. Jake is five years older than Albie, who the shelter told me is about four years old. If Albie sees Jake lying in the sunny corner of the kitchen, he growls and barks. Jake will growl and bark right



dynamic -- a new roommate, new pet holidays. Whatever

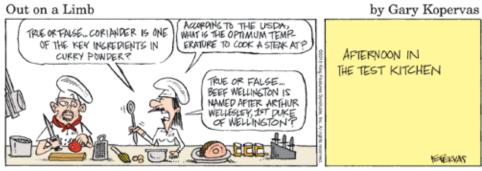
the cause, you must re-establish order. Your dogs need to know that no matter what else has changed, you're still head of the house. Make sure that you show no favoritism. When it's time Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps





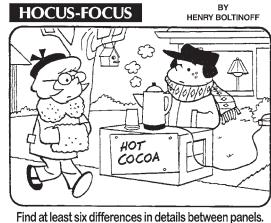
'He was a great bird and I'm gonna miss 'im. But he knew too much."







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- 2. Honey Nut Cheerios
- 3. Cap'n Crunch
- 4. Froot Loops
- 5. Lucky Charms
- 6. Frosted Flakes
- 7. Fruity Pebbles
- 8. Cap'n Crunch's Crunch
- Berries
- 9. Apple Jacks





back. Last week they came very close to fighting. What can I do to stop this once and for all? -- Gerry in Las Cruces, New Mexico

DEAR GERRY: Dust off your dog-training manual -- you're going to need it. Basic commands like "sit," "stay," quiet" and "leave it" are very helpful in defusing a situation between two housemate dogs.

Sometimes dogs exhibit jealous behavior for no apparent reason; other times something has changed in the

for treats, both dogs get treats (and only if they're both sitting calmly). When one is curled up in his doggie bed, the other should be, too. Take them for longer walks to burn off more energy, and work with them on basic commands.

What if this doesn't stop their behavior? You will need to separate them into different rooms if a verbal "leave it" command doesn't work. If their behavior worsens, contact a pet trainer.

Send your questions or comments to ask@pawscorner.com.



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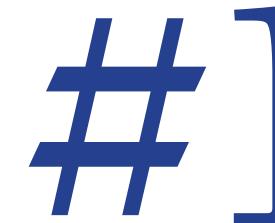


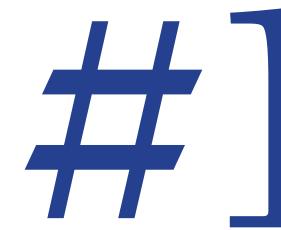
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