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ORANGE RANKED 5TH IN CT 'BEST TOWN FOR YOUNG FAMILIES"

By Laura Fantarella- Orange Town News Correspondent

Town residents know that Orange is a great place to live but statistics say it's so as Orange ranked fifth in the NerdWallet's analyses of the best towns for young families in Connecticut. The website's findings, published earlier this month, used a combination of home affordability, residents' incomes and the town's projected long-term growth, quality of education and family friendliness to determine towns' rankings on the list. "We looked at ratings at GreatSchools.org to find the best schools and also included a new component to our methodology – the percentage of families with school-age children and the poverty rate for young children. This measure helps determine if an area is affordable for families and healthy for children," the site stated. Orange ranked behind Simsbury, Trumbull, Kensington, and Glastonbury.

reau's American Community Survey to assess factors like affordability, growth rates and education quality," she said. "Orange's strong performance was supported by its excellent schools and high percentage of families with school-age children. The town also ranked among the top 10 in our study, "Best Places for Homeownership in Connecticut," released in October."

The following blurb about the town was included on the website. "Orange – like Trumbull, its neighbor 11 miles to the west – has relatively high living expenses, with a median home value of \$393,300. However, its schools received a 9 at GreatSchools, and over 3 in 10 households have families with children younger than 18. Even though it may be one of the more expensive places in the state, it still holds onto its roots. The annual Orange Country Fair, which began in 1898, features tractor pulls and pig races.



TURKEY HILL PREPARES FOR 50 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

This year will mark 50 years since Turkey Hill School opened its doors to the community and its former principals, staff and alumni are invited to celebrate. The Turkey Hill School PTO is planning a variety of family friendly events to take place at the school from 4 to 10 p.m. Saturday, May 16 which will include, oversized and carnival-style games, a book fair, raffle, silent auction and more. The day will conclude with an outdoor movie that will begin at sunset.

To commemorate the school's "birthday," each of the six grades has adopted a decade and will present a collection of visual projects that will highlight life at Turkey Hill from 1964 to the present. The day will include many of the activities typically enjoyed at the school's end of the year picnic, like the Dunk Tank, photo booth and cook-out with food for sale from Outback Steak House. Event coordinator Jeanine Capecelatro said the school's PTO is working hard to organize the celebration. "When I heard last year that this year would be the school's 50th birthday, my ears perked up," Capecelatro said. "I thought it would be fun to expand on our annual

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family picnic with more activities and invite alumni and former staff."

THS Principal Denise Arterbery said current students are having fun going through the stacks of the school's old photo album-style yearbooks that are housed in the library. "They are making observations and inferences noticing the similarities and differences between the '60s '70s, '80s and now - what life at Turkey Hill was like then, what clothing the students wore, and the hair styles," Arterbery said. They are also comparing the types of field day activities and school trips and highlighting the popular authors of the time. A book of photos and news articles chronicling the construction of the school is being used to present a video reenactment of the time.

Arterbery also reached out to Dorothy Berger, who was the school's first principal and remained in the position for 20 years before becoming the town's First Selectwoman. "After talking with her I realized that even though it's been 50 years, we shared

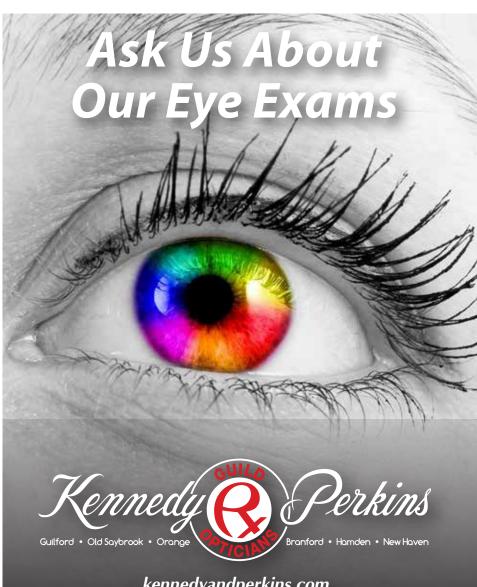
According to NerdWallet's Senior Communications Analyst Sara Collins, "Our analyses are entirely rooted in statistics – in this case we crunched data from the 2013 U.S. Census Bu-

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ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO **PRESENT 2.4% BUDGET INCREASE**

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

The Orange Board of Education will present to the town a \$19,280,735 budget proposal on April 27. The spending plan carries a 2.4% increase over the current year's plan.

The board had approved and presented to the Board of Finance an operating budget with a 4.4% increase. After what Interim Superintendent Mike Nast referred to as an 'amicable discussion' between the finance team and the board of education, an agreement was reached to remove two contingency teacher positions from the budget with the understanding that if enrollment increases enough to warrant the hiring of one or two more teachers, the Board of Finance will then allocate funds.

"When developing a budget, we do what is best for kids, and we also keep senior citizens in mind. We work collaboratively to present a budget that is best for all residents," Nast said. Contractual obligations are the driving force behind much of the increase, Board of Education Business Manager Mary-Jo Sierakowski said.

The addition of two teachers was intended to reduce class sizes that could be sneaking up to 23 children as enrollment grows, following a trend of the past couple of years when all of Orange Schools have seen increasing enrollment. This school year, Peck Place had

seven new enrollments, Turkey Hill had 13 and Race Brook has had 27.

There was strong appeal to the Board of Finance to allow the funds to keep class sizes from reaching as high as 22-23 students at the presentation. The underlying message to the board was the reminder that Orange is known for its quality education and that should be preserved. "We need to raise the bridge or lower the water - here we need to do both," Town Finance Director Al Chiarenzelli said, referring to the budget as a whole.

Jim Leahy, vice-chairman of the Board of Finance reiterated Chiarenzelli's point. "We have to find a way to do more with less. Our job is a balancing act. Please understand that we are partners. As we ask questions, please keep that in mind," he said to Nast and Sierakowski.

Debbie Davis, an Orange resident who was a teacher for 35 years, said, "Orange is most well-known for our outstanding schools. Education is Orange's best product. Please don't shortchange our children."

Her daughter, Mara Saccente is a member of the Board of Education. She said she fully supports the budget and kept in mind the call to do more

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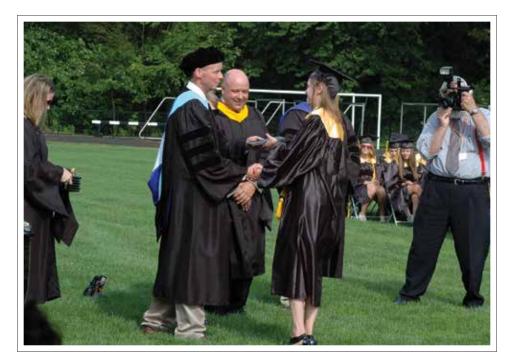






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Principal Charles Britton at the 2014 Amity High School Graduation.
BRITTON TO MOVE ON

By Bettina Theil – Orange Town News Correspondent

Amity High School Principal Charles Britton in a letter to parents and students on Friday, March 27, announced that he will be leaving his post at the end of the school year and join Sacred Heart University as assistant professor of education in the Department of Educational Leadership and Literacy. "I look forward to spending the second half of my career as a professor, researcher and scholar," he wrote.

In his letter he finds warm words for the Amity community, even holding out the possibility to return in the role of a parent. "Who knows, Chase and Cassidy may well end up right here," he wrote. "I can think of no better reason to search for a home in Bethany, Orange or Woodbridge."

Britton has been at the helm of the school for the past eight years, providing structure and stability through months of searching for a new superintendent. It also was a time of remarkable recognition for the school, its students and faculty, culminating last year in the national Blue Ribbon recognition.

"Keep up the great work, Amity," he closed his letter. "Your efforts and willingness to support the work of Amity teachers is quite literally making a world of difference."



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HISTORY CORNER



Although the sign on the Green says Orange 1822, the land was not always Orange but a section of Milford referred to as North Milford. In his will dated November 24th 1720, Richard Bryan, the son of one of the original founders of the colony of Milford bequeathed 208 acres he had purchased from the sachem of the Paugussett's, Ansantawae in 1700. Throughout the early days of the colony, several purchases were made with Alexander Bryan being conspicuous in all of them.

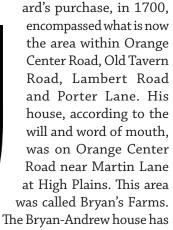
The first purchase of Native American land took place in 1639 after much discussion and decision making to leave the colony of New Haven where the original Milford group lived for a time. Having left England during the reign of Charles I, believing that the new world would afford them the freedom they sought for their religious beliefs, a group led by Rv. Peter Prudden left the Massachusetts Bay Colony and traveled south. Having arrived in an area to be the New Haven Colony, Rev. Prudden's group held a separate allotment in the New Haven Nine Squares as the Hertfordshire section. They cleared the land, built houses and planted crops. But the New Haven Colony was headed by John Davenport and Theophilus Eaton of London and it was soon obvious that the Rev. Prudden wanted to establish his own colony.

In the summer of 1638, he preached at Wethersfield and attracted a devoted following, many of whom wished to move on. Their choice

was land in the region around the mouth of the Wepawaug River, 10 miles west of New Haven and it was on February 12, 1639 that the first purchase, from the Native Americans was effected. In the native tongue, Wepawaug means small crossing place and indeed, the river

is rather narrow in many spots. We often hear about coats, mirrors and such being traded for land but the facts appear to be six coats, ten blankets, one kettle, twelve hatchets, twelve hoes, two dozen knives and a dozen small mirrors. The transfer of land used the old English "twig & turf" ceremony where the deeds were signed and Ansantawae was handed a piece of turf and a twig. He thrust the twig into the turf and handed it to the English thus signifying that they relinquished all lands specified in the deeds.

It took another five purchases to complete the area which then included all of the area we know as Orange. Rich-



had a date of 1720 but research shows that the house is "newer" and the deeds don't match with the original purchase. A small foundation in back of the house might have been an earlier dwelling, temporary perhaps while the present one was built. Since the will was written in 1720 with Richard dying in 1734, there would be some speculation as to when any land changed hands before that date. Richard had 5 sons and 3 daughters, one being Nathan who was married in 1739.

As was the custom, upon marriage, a house was built and it would seem, without a deed at hand, that Richard Jr. sold or gave part of his inherited 208 acres to Nathan who then built that house we now know as the Nathan Bryan-William Andrew House. The inhabitants of Bryan's Farms were still part of the Milford Colony, subject to all laws as set out at the first general court held on November 20, 1639.

According to the early records, it was agreed and determined that the power of electing officers and persons to divide land and manage the interests would be the church, only. It was also agreed that all the business of the plantation should be done according to the written word of God. Therefore, the Bible made their code of laws for the present time.

At the first town meeting there was much discussion as to whether or not voting and office holding should be

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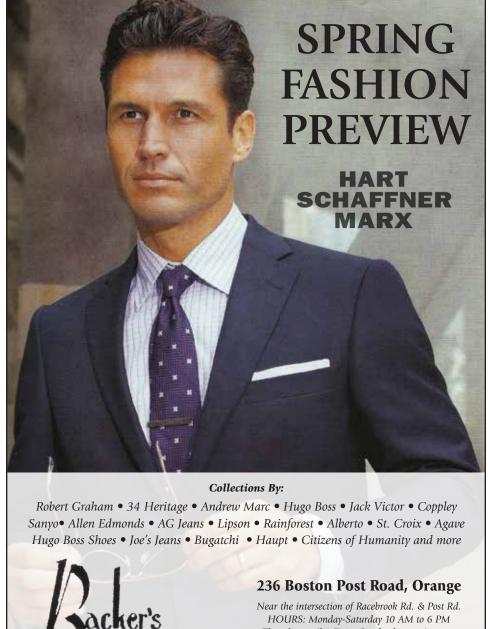
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Upcoming Issue Deadline	<u>Upcoming Issue Dates</u>
April 24th	Mother's Day Issue May 1st
May 15th	Memorial Day Issue May 22nd
June 5th	Father's Day Issue June 12th
Note: Conv due hv 4:00n.m. Thank vou.	

FROM OUR READERS

To the Editor

Although it has been eight months since my husband Jackson T. King, passed from this world, I have increasingly reflected upon the wonderful knowledge and understanding of my caregivers for Jack, both part-time and full-time.

Bright Star from Fairfield, Connecticut, provided a caregiver, Joseph Sterling. Besides giving Jack excellent twenty-four hour care, Joe would watch sports with Jack and joke about the "plays," which always put a smile on Jack's face.

The Orange Visiting Nurse Association provided nurses for special needs, always cheerful, evaluating, and excellent in their service. One of the nurses from the Orange VNA, Maria Biondi, is very experienced in helping the home caregiver and family members with their questions and concerns about Alzheimer's Disease. She was able to walk our family through our feelings and our needs for direction and planning with end of life issues. Our family is grateful for her compassion and support.

The third organization is Vitas. I can't imagine any human beings that work together in a more kind and informative way. The caregivers from Vitas were exceptional in their service not only to Jack, but also to our entire family.

These agencies working in the home kept our family together during Jack's illness. Our caregivers inhabit a special department of life from which we can all find new meaning. We are so grateful to them.

Mrs. Nancy King

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financial education and empowerment. According to its website, when it comes to credit cards, insurance, loans or expenses like hospital costs, consumers make almost all their decisions in the dark. NerdWallet attempts to provide accessible online tools, research and experts to help consumers take back control of their choices in a marketingdriven, trillion-dollar industry. Connecticut may be one of the smallest states in the U.S., but it is also one of most educated and it has one of the highest per capita income levels in the nation.

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SUPERINTENDENTS RECOGNIZE STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

South Central Area Superintendents' Association (SCASA) held its 9th annual Student Awards Luncheon on Friday, March 13, 2015, at 12:00 Noon at Cascade in Hamden, CT. This program provides area Superintendents with the opportunity to recognize students' accomplishments based on high academic achievement, strong extra-curricular involvement, and an important com-

mitment to community service.

The students recognized from the Orange Public Schools were: Giustina Parente and Zoe Smith from Race Brook School, Adarsh Kongani and Arity Morrison from Turkey Hill School and Sydney Pitter and William Wei from The Peck Place School.

Congratulations to our students and their parents.



Amity Regional High School Graduate Cameron Ratliff Earns Dean's Award Recognition at Colgate University

Hamilton, NY -- Cameron Ratliff, a Mathematical Economics major from Orange, CT, has earned the Dean's Award for academic excellence at Colgate University for the Fall 2014 semester. Students with a 3.30 or higher term average while enrolled in 3.75 or more course hours are eligible for Dean's Award recognition at Colgate.

Local Student Mikaila Schmitt Named to Dean's List of Emory College

Atlanta, GA -- Mikaila Schmitt of Orange, CT was named to the Dean's List of Emory College of Arts and Sciences, the undergraduate, liberal arts college of Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, for the 2014 fall semester. Students must be in the top 20 percent of Emory College or have approximately a 3.850 grade point average or higher to be named to the Dean's List.

Area Residents Named to Dean's List at Fairfield University

Fairfield, CT -- Fairfield University has announced that the following Orange residents have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2014 semester:

Sandra DiDonato, Christopher Drusbosky, Abigayel Phillips, Robert Schwartz, Mark Pinciaro, Tyler Bishop, Casey DelBasso, and Ashley Madigan. To be selected for the Dean's List, a student must attain a grade point average of at least 3.5, of a possible 4.0.

Lauren Ide Named to the Honors List at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Madison, NJ -- Lauren Ide, of Orange, CT, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham Campus, located in Madison, NJ has been named to the Honors List for the Fall 2014 semester. To qualify for the Honor's List, a student must carry a 3.5 or better grade point average out of a possible 4.0 and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 letter-graded hours (four courses).

Jaime Bouchard Makes Goodwin Dean's List for Fall 2014

East Hartford, CT -- Jaime Bouchard has earned a spot on the Goodwin College Dean's List for the Fall 2014. Bouchard, a student from Orange, is one of 943 students to make the Dean's List, reserved for those who demonstrate great academic performance. Dean's List inclusion requires a student to earn a minimum 3.5 GPA, the equivalent of an A- average, during a given academic session. The student must also be enrolled in a minimum of six academic credits to qualify. Goodwin College congratulates Bouchard on making the Dean's List and demonstrating such a high standard of excellence in the classroom and beyond.

Griffin Paier Named to Dean's List at Loyola University Maryland

Baltimore, MD -- Griffin Paier, a member of the class of 2018 from Orange, has been named to the fall 2014 Dean's List at Loyola University Maryland. In order to qualify for the Dean's List at Loyola, a student must have a GPA of at least 3.5 with a minimum of 15 credits.

Cristina Disorbo Named To The Marist College Dean's List For The Fall 2014 Semester

Poughkeepsie, NY -- Cristina Disorbo of Orange, CT, is a member of the Class of 2016 and is majoring in Fashion Merchandising.

Local Students Named to the Fall 2014 Dean's List at Merrimack College

North Andover, MA -- Merrimack College Dean's List for fall 2014 has been announced. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must achieve a 3.25 GPA out of a 4.0 grading system. Cassie Giza, Jennifer Post, and Christopher Cimmino of Orange have been named to the fall 2014 Dean's List.

Shoba Patel Named to Merit List of Oxford College

Atlanta, GA -- Shoba Patel of Orange, CT was named to the Merit List of Oxford College, the two-year liberal arts division of Emory University located in Oxford, Georgia, for the 2014 fall semester. Students must earn a grade point average of 3.0 or higher during the previous semester to be named to the Merit List.

Brianna Chiaraluce Named to Dean's List at Sacred Heart University

Sophomore Brianna Chiaraluce of Orange, CT has been named to the Dean's List for the College of Arts and Sciences at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield for the last semester.

Local Students Named to Fall 2014 Dean's List at SCSU

Southern Connecticut State University has named the following Orange students to the Fall 2014 Dean's List: Taylor Baker, Vincent Ceccarelli, John Cerillo, Kevin Collesano, Madison Correia, Miranda Curnane, Miranda Demirjian, Nicholas Flemmig, Aubree Goldwitz, Christopher Isley, Jennifer Jordan, Paul Klaucke, Kennedy List, Peter Litwin, Sara Livoti, Kaelyn Phillips, Emily Schuessler, James Steinbrick, Stephanie Toscano, and Alexander Woznicki.

Katherine Boynton of Orange Named to St. Lawrence University Dean's List

Canton, NY -- Katherine D. Boynton, of Orange, has been selected for inclusion on the Dean's List for academic achievement during the Spring 2014 semester at St. Lawrence University. Boynton is a member of the class of 2017 and is majoring in biology. Boynton attended Academy of Our Lady of Mercy. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must have completed at least four courses and have an academic average of 3.6 based on a 4.0 scale for the semester.

Olivia Matthes Theriauet Named to Deans' List at Choate Rosemary Hall

Local Resident Olivia Matthes Theriauet named to Deans' List at Choate Rosemary Hall Wallingford, Ct. Daughter of Melissa Matthes and Dan Theriauet of Woodbridge, Ct was named to the Deans' List during the Winter 2015 term at Choate Rosemary Hall.

BOARD OF ED TEAMS WITH SEARCH FIRM TO FIND NEW SUPERINTENDENT

The Orange Board of Education hired the Cooperative Educational Services (C.E.S.) Executive Search Team to assist in hiring the next superintendent of schools starting July 1. 19, was compiled and organized by C.E.S. Executive Search Consultants Thomas Jokubaitis and Jim Ritchie and published in a comprehensive report on the district website. The Superintendent Search Committee will use the data collected to assist them with creating the selection criteria framework that will be used to review candidate applications and to structure interview questions and activities. "Gaining a clear understanding of the Orange school district community's expectations of its next superintendent is critical to the success of the search and to the eventual success of the new superintendent," said Thomas Jokubaitis, one of two lead consultants from C.E.S. "Data we collect will serve as a guide during the recruitment and selection phase of the search and will assist the new superintendent once he or she is appointed." With the help of the C.E.S. Executive Searches Team, a new superintendent will be selected by the Board of Education this spring with a schools leader

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

expected to be on the job on or about July 1. 2015. A total compensation package will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

In a nutshell, the search committee

to all staff, students and the community at large.

The committee is looking for a superintendent who is able to establish and sustain effective communications with the Board, students, staff, parents and the community as a whole, including fostering relationships with the media and responding to community feedback. In addition, he or she must possess strong financial and managerial background, must be committed to improving learning outcomes for all students, must be active and visible in the schools and the community. Experience at PreK-8 grade levels is preferred. The C.E.S. Team provides boards of education in Connecticut with a comprehensive approach to hiring superintendents, assistant superintendents and central office staff in a cost effective manner, and the full resources of the

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for executive positions in public edu-

cation.

During March, the search team invited members of the Orange community to participate in two research activities designed to identify leadership characteristics and attributes that the community finds important to the success of the new superintendent of schools. An online survey was available via a link on the district website (www. oess.org) beginning Monday, March 16 through Monday, March 23, 2015. The survey is anonymous, and all staff, parents, public officials and community were encouraged to participate.

Board of Education Chair William Kraut said the purpose of the survey was to "ensure the Board of Education has a clear understanding of the communities' hopes for a new superintendent of schools."

In addition to the survey , data collected at focus group sessions on March is looking for a superintendent who possesses an authentic belief in educating the "whole child" and one that understands and model appropriate value systems, ethics, and moral leadership, and coordinate with social and human services, as appropriate, to help students grow and develop. The new superintendent must demonstrate leadership through empowering and inspiring others within the organization by visioning and shaping a positive and productive school and district culture. He or she must also be committed to collaboratively building the capacity of the entire school system while building mutually respectful relationships by working effectively with the Board to formulate district policy, define mutual expectations of personnel performance and demonstrate effective governance

Did You Know? April 16th is National Health Care Decisions Day

Who will make health care decisions for you if you are unable to do so yourself?

There may come a time when you are unable to make medical decisions for yourself due to injury, illness, or disease. For that reason, it is important that you sign a document called "Health Care Instructions". Anyone over the age of eighteen (18) should have Health Care Instructions.

To recognize the 8th Annual National Health Care Decisions Day, we want to remind you that:

- You have the right to make decisions about the medical care you receive.
- You have the right to tell your physician that you do not want certain medical treatments.
- You have the right to name the person (or people) who will make health care decisions for you if you are unable to do so for yourself.
- You have the right to pre-direct specific instructions about any aspect of your health care.
- You have the right to have your wishes communicated in the event you no longer are able to express your own medical wishes.

Your rights can be preserved by signing Health Care Instructions. Health Care Instructions are legal instructions to your physicians and family members that express your wishes pertaining to your medical care. These instructions will govern if you are unable to actively participate in your medical decision making or communicate your medical wishes.

Health Care Instructions allow you to:

- Designate one or more individuals ("Health Care Representatives") to make medical decisions on your behalf, in accordance with your wishes.
- Authorize your Health Care Representatives to discuss your medical history and current medical status with your physicians.
- Direct the withholding or withdrawing of mechanical life support systems if you are in a persistent vegetative state or the final stages of a terminal illness.
- Name a person to serve as your Conservator (someone to manage your personal or financial matters) if you should ever be deemed incapable by the Probate Court.
- Donate all or part of your body, following your death, for transplantation, therapy, education, or research if you wish to do so.

If you change your mind about any of the decisions you have made, you have the right to change or revoke your Health Care Instructions at any time while you are alive and mentally capable.

We encourage you to take a few moments to consider your health care wishes in observance of the 8th Annual National Health Care Decisions Day. If you are interested in learning more about how to protect your medical rights and medical wishes, please contact the office. We would be glad to meet with you for a no hassle, no charge initial consultation, no matter how long it lasts.

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LOCAL BUSINESS







Pictured are: Top left: John Wareck with "Rookie of the Year" Nancy Anderson of Woodbridge. Top right: Wareck/D'Ostilio's "Top Producer" - Regina Sauer of Orange. Bottom: Young Lee of Orange receives an award for "Highest Business/Commercial Sale".

WARECK D'OSTILIO ANNOUNCES PRODUCTION AWARDS FOR 2014

Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio is proud to announce the recipients of Outstanding Sales Production awards for the year 2014. Recipient of the highest honor was Regina Sauer for Top Producer which included highest multisale for the company in 2014. Woodbridge resident Nancy Andersen was recognized as "Rookie of the Year".

The awards are made on the basis of sales and listing volume for the 2014 fiscal year. "We are very proud of our agents' dedication and growth in the company," said John Wareck. "We expect 2015 to be a very productive year." Wareck D'Ostilio Real Estate is located at 47 High Street in New Haven, 1673 Litchfield Turnpike on the Woodbridge/Westville town line and 174 Cherry Street in Milford. Real Living Wareck D'Ostilio Real Estate is part of The Real Living Network of Home Services of America, a Berkshire Hathaway Affiliate.

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Kristen Keslow of Woodbridge received an award for highest condo sale and Young Lee of Orange received an award for highest business/commercial



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ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP

SCILLIA SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE TO ORANGE HS SENIOR GRADS

Applications are now open for the Lucia Scillia Scholarship, a \$1,000 award sponsored by the Friends of the Case Memorial Library. The Lucy Scillia Scholarship is available to a graduating high school senior who is a resident of Orange.

Lucia Scillia devoted much of her life to instilling a love of reading in children. After a fulfilling career as a school librarian, Lucy continued to share her love of books through a variety of activities. Among her many achievements is the establishment of the library at the former Sacred Heart-St. Peter's School in New Haven, where she served as the school's volunteer librarian. Lucy was also a longtime member of the Friends of the Case Memorial Library, served on the Orange Town Library Commission, and was active in library fundraising efforts.

The application deadline is April 30, 2015. To be considered for the scholarship, applicants must submit a narrative, information sheet, and high school transcript. Applications are available at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, CT 06477 or on the website: http://bit.ly/1xmCtNO.

AMITY TEACHER SELECTED FOR MARINE TECH PROGRAM

Valerie Cournoyer, Amity Regional High School, Woodbridge, was one of eleven teachers from Rhode Island and Connecticut who will participate in a yearlong professional development program in marine technology and ocean science being offered through the University of Rhode Island's Inner Space Center (ISC) and University of Connecticut Avery Point, known as the Marine Technology for Teachers and Students (MaTTS) Project.

Teachers will participate in a series of intensive professional development sessions led by ocean scientists this spring during which they will build marine technologies like hydrophones, remotely operated vehicles (ROVS), observational buoys, and sensor-based instruments. In July each teacher and two of their high school students will attend a weeklong summer institute at the University of Rhode Island where the teams will deploy their newly built instruments in the field; take part in ISC supported sea-going expeditions; participate in career building activities; and become fully orientated to the ISC's upcoming expeditions. During the school year, the newly trained students will host live interactions between ISC scientists and local middle school classrooms. The teams will also participate throughout in ISC facilitated webinars, regional science cafes, and online journal blogging.

The MaTTS Project, an innovative \$1.2 million National Science Foundation funded program, focuses on providing opportunities for teachers and students to experience new technologies related to exploring the global ocean and discover pathways to marine careers using these new tools. During this experience, teachers receive indepth content and technology instruction tied to Next Generation Science Standards, learn to incorporate marine technology-related, hands-on activities into the classroom, gain awareness of marine technologies and where they are used in regional ecosystems, and

develop techniques for transferring their new knowledge to students and peers.

The Inner Space Center (ISC) uses cutting edge technology, including telepresence, for ocean research, exploration, and education. The ISC generates accessible portals for ocean research, expand the capacity for scientists to engage in real-time mission operations, while inspiring the next generation of ocean explorers. The ISC brings the excitement of ocean discoveries to onshore audiences world-wide. For more information, please visit www. mattsproject.org.

Valerie Cournoyer has been teaching freshman biology at Amity Regional High School in Woodbridge, Connecticut for 15 years. In addition, she is the Director of the Bermuda Studies Program, and teaches tropical marine biology, which introduces students at Amity to the Bermuda Institute for Ocean Sciences (BIOS) in Bermuda. Memorable moments include completing a 24-hour octopus study, night snorkeling with Caribbean Reef Squid, and seeing a Spotted Eagle Ray.

Prior to teaching in public school, Valerie worked for many years in non-profit, informal education organizations such as Ocean Classroom in Bridgeport, CT, and The Maritime Aquarium at Norwalk. With a desire to use this background and experience, Valerie proposed having a year-long marine biology and oceanography class for juniors and seniors, which was recently started and is currently in its second year. Program materials form the MaTTs Project will enhance the development of this new course.

Valerie lives in Seymour, CT with her husband and youngest son, Sam, who is a high school senior and is currently applying for colleges. Her oldest son, Ben, works for Algenol, Inc. in Ft. Myers, FL making biofuels from algae. Personal interests include kayaking, quilting, and the occasional TV binge watching, the latest being the FX series Fargo.

8TH GRADERS HEAR ADVICE ON THE PROCESS OF WRITING

On Friday, February 27th, eighth grade students at Amity Middle School Orange learned about the process of writing from the author of six books for young adult readers. Shelley Stoehr, a resident of West Haven and the wife of Christian McCarthy, an 8th grade math teacher at Amity Middle School Orange, shared the process she uses in her fiction writing.

Shelley Stoehr's most recent titles include Saving Bone and Weresisters which she co-authored with John Patrick Kennedy. Shelley read from both of these titles to explain an author's use of voice. Roenaja Moore, an eighth grader, commented that she liked the description of author's voice and particularly enjoyed hearing the author read from Weresisters.

Keith Norton, another student, asked Shelley what techniques she uses when she doesn't know where the story needs to go next. Shelley described a process she uses called "What if..." where she places the characters in different scenarios to see if she can overcome writer's block. Alexandra Bonat said that this portion of the talk intrigued her the most.



Shelley Stoehr

Another eighth grade student, Mounisha Anumolu, really liked the motto for life that Shelley shared with them. "Find something you love and do it every day." For Shelley Stoehr it is clearly writing that she most enjoys. She starts each of her days by writing. Her other book titles include the following: Crosses, Tomorrow Wendy, Wannabe, and Weird on the Outside. All of Shelley's books are available online. She maintains a website at www.shelleystoehr.com.

LAST CALL FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Orange high school seniors who intend to apply for aid from the Orange Scholarship Fund need to move fast. The deadline for completed applications is April 15. If you haven't already picked up an application form at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, do it today. You must be a resident of Orange but can be attending any of the local public or private high schools. Awards are based on need, academic achievement, and community service. Remember, the application must be complete to be considered, so act now if you are looking for scholarship aid to continue your education.

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with less, "The cost of educating each student is going up and this is a fiscally responsible plan. Educating in the 21st century costs more. Small class sizes are key to our plan of success."

Board members Christian Young, Bobby Ricciardi, Kim Browe and Susan Riccio also spoke in support of the budget and keeping class sizes small. Nast said he simply wants to be prepared for next year. "Right now, we're not well-prepared for additional students that show up at our door and we haven't planned for." This year, 67 additional students enrolled in Orange Schools. "We are working with the Board of Realtors to come up with a way to make a better projection," Nast said. He said that he has confidence in the Board of Finance that if additional teachers are needed in the fall, the funds will be available. "I was impressed with the collaboration between the Board of Education and the finance team during this process," said Nast, who admits to seeing his fair share of budget presentations over his years as superintendent.

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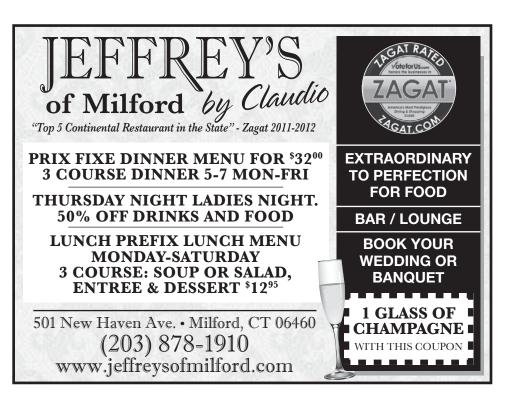
The Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut is looking for individuals in our community who will celebrate their 100th birthday in 2015 or who have already passed this milestone. The Agency will host a special luncheon on May 6th to honor and celebrate the lives of these centenarians.

To request an invitation for a centenarian you know, please visit www. aoascc.org under news & events or email info@aoascc.org. The AASCC holds this luncheon in recognition of Older Americans month. Older adults have made countless contributions and sacrifices to ensure a better life for future generations. Since 1963 communities across the country have shown their gratitude by celebrating Older Americans Month each May. This celebration recognizes older Americans for their contributions and demonstrates our nation's commitment to helping them stay healthy and active.

This year, in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Older Americans Act (OAA), the focus is on how older adults are taking charge of their health, getting engaged in their communities, and making a positive impact in the lives of others.

OHS PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Orange Historical Society recently joined the Connecticut Post Card Club and met some very nice members. Our collection of postcards was of interest to those who attended and we are hoping that our regular antique shop customers will stop by on Saturdays from 10-3 to check out our collection of Connecticut cards as well as selections from many of our states along the east coast. We will be highlighting old photographs as well for those collectors of local history. Stop by at the Academy Museum, 605 Orange Center Road for a "look see" of antiques, collectibles, dolls, books, linens, vintage jewelry, lighting and other items of interest. For information, call 203 795-3106.





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TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

TOWN OF ORANGE MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2015

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



Town Hall

2nd	OGAT	Town Hall
6th	Zoning Board of Appeals7:00 pm Country Fair Committee7:30 pm	Town Hall HPCC
7th	Town Plan & Zoning Commission 7:30 pm	Town Hall
8th	Memorial Day Committee7:00 pm Board of Selectmen7:30 pm	HPCC Town Hall
9th	Elderly Housing Liaison Committee12 noon Community Services Commission7:00 pm	Silverbrook Estates HPCC
13th	Tree Committee4:30 pmTraffic Authority4:30 pmBoard of Police Commission4:30 pmAmity Board of Education6:30 pmConservation Commission7:00 pmOrange Board of Education7:30 pm	Case Mem. Library Police Dept Police Dept Woodbridge HPCC Mary L. Tracy Bldg
14th	Inland Wetlands & Water Courses Comm 7:30 pm	Town Hall
15th	Economic Development Comm5:30 pm CERT	Town Hall HPCC HPCC
16th	Case Memorial Library Commission 7:30 pm	Case Mem. Library
20th	Family Counseling9:00 am Board of Finance7:30 pm Board of Health7:30 pm	HPCC Town Hall HPCC

FROM THE YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

By John Ulatowski

Area Residents Need Jobs Help? Youth Services Job Bank Can Assist

The 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, attics/basements, raking, snow shoveling, small painting, party helper, tutoring, clerical assistance, mother's helper...and more. For further information, please call John Ulatowski, Orange Youth Services Coordinator, at 203-891-4785.

Youth Services Volunteer Program Assists High School Students

Youth Services has assisted many Orange High School Students with opportunities to accumulate their quota of High School volunteering hours. Students have had opportunities through dances, local Town and community events and more to participate with assisting the Town and organizations who may have specific needs for volunteer assistance. Parents can email John Ulatowski, Youth Services Coordinator, at julatowski@orange-ct.gov for information.

Youth Services Newsletter Online Featuring Current Photos & Events

Youth Services recent newsletter, The Youth Informer, is online on the Town website. The newsletter features many articles and photos of recent Youth Services programs and events. Featured in this edition are items on babysitting, Artist Colonies, the K-6 Children of Orange exhibit, the Living History Club, the Youth Services e-Parenting series, and Job Bank. The newsletter can be accessed by going to the Town website/click on Community Services, then Youth Services, then on the Youth Services Newsletter attachment.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE PROGRAM

The annual Town of Orange Memorial Day Ceremonies and Parade will be held on Sunday, May 24, 2015. Kevin Gilbert once again will serve as Parade Organizer.

Parade ceremonies will commence promptly at 10:30 a.m. at the High Plains Community Center Field. The parade will step off immediately following the ceremony down Orange Center Road past the reviewing stand with services following at the Orange Center Cemetery.

The Parade Committee encourages

any groups wishing to participate to contact Karen Goldberg at the Orange Town Hall at 203-891-4738 or Kevin Gilbert at 203-795-2417 or 203-795-4647. Applications for participation in the parade are available in the Orange Town Hall – First Selectman's Office or on the town's website at www.orangect.gov. The Committee anticipates many marching bands and floats.

The Committee invites the public to join in honoring our nation's veterans. NOTE: In the event of rain, exercises will be held in the HPCC auditorium.

- 21st Town Plan & Zoning Commission 7:30 pm Town Hall
- 23rd OVNA Professional Advisory Comm.......5:00 pm Clark Bldg Bond Construction Oversight Comm......7:30 pm Town Hall

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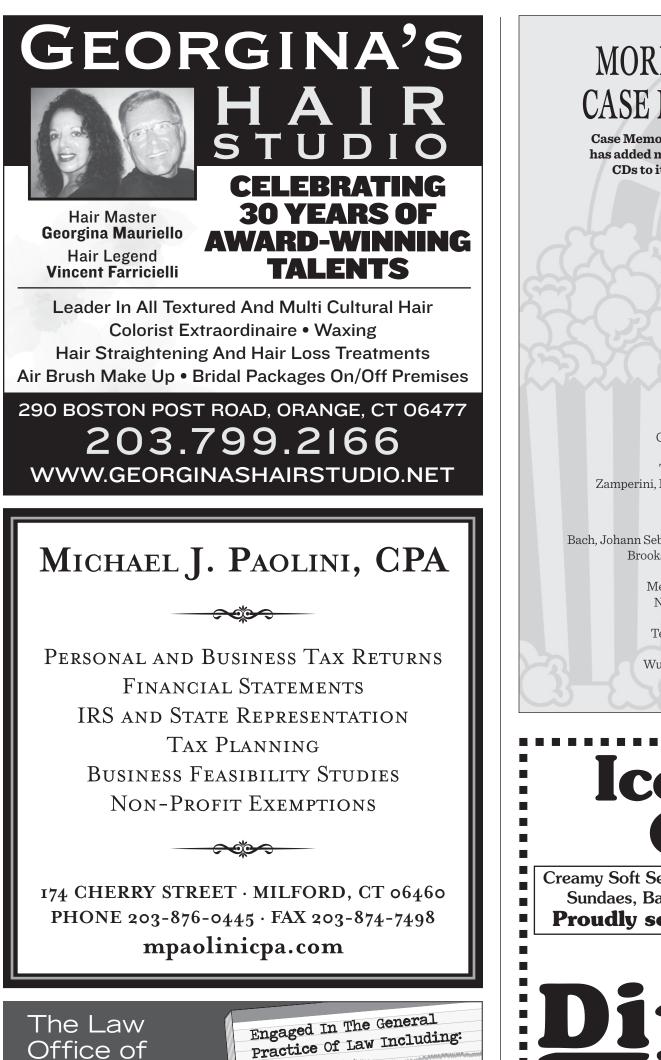
PUBLIC WORKS WORKING DAILY ON POTHOLE REPAIRS

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

It's the year of the big BA-BOOM as the frigid winter segues into one of the town's worst ever for frost heaves and pot holes. Cold weather and pot holes go hand in hand, according to Public Works Department Crew Chief Don Foyer. "We're inundated with them, our crews are out seven days a week right now," Foyer said. "Even ones we've already filled pop right out again after a heavy rainstorm." Foyer expects his crew won't rest until the weather warms up and the ground temperature stays heated.

The department's policy is to fill pot

holes as soon as they are made aware of them, either by residents, town officials, the police department or the department's own observations. Though the department has fielded a few calls from angry residents who expect the town to pay for damage to their cars from hitting a hole, the town is only liable if they were aware of a pot hole and did not fix it. While no one area of town is hardest hit, several roads already scheduled for resurfacing are in extra-rough shape. "The damage is spread pretty evenly throughout the town," he said.



MORE OFFERINGS FROM CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Case Memorial Library, located at 176 Tyler City Road, has added more movies on DVD, Audiobooks and music CDs to its extensive collection. Check them out!

Movies on DVD

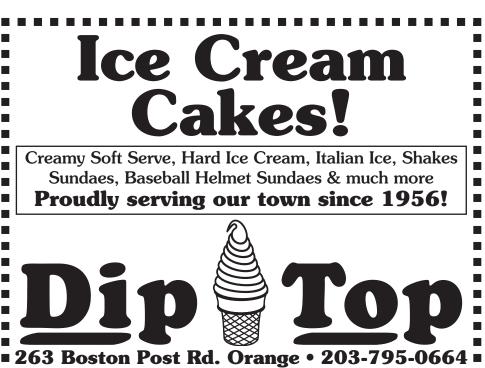
Boyhood Downton Abbey, Season 5 The Equalizer Game of Thrones, Season 4 The Giver Gone Girl If I Stay Lucy The Maze Runner This Is Where I Leave You

Audiobooks

Genova, Lisa – Still Alice Greaney, Mark – Full Force and Effect Hannah, Kristin – The Nightingale Tyler, Anne – A Spool of Blue Thread Zamperini, Louis – Don't Give Up, Don't Give In (Biography)

Music

Bach, Johann Sebastian – Italian Concerto and other works (Classical) Brooks, Garth – Man against Machine (Country) Despicable Me 2 (Soundtrack) Mellencamp, John – Plain Spoken (Rock) Nickelback – No Fixed Address (Rock) Rush – Moving Pictures (Rock) Terje, Todd – It's Album Time (Popular) Testa, Mary – Have Faith (Popular) Wu-Tang Clan – A Better Tomorrow (Rap) Yo La Tengo – Extra Painful (Rock)



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CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY EVENTS

Programs at the Case Memorial Library are free (except as noted for materials charges) and open to the public. Library hours are as follows: Monday and Thursday 10-8; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10-5; Saturday 10-4. The Library will close at 5 p.m. on Thursday, April 2 and will be closed on Friday, April 3 in observance of Good Friday.

Registration is highly recommended for all Library events.

Weekly Storytimes

Come to our weekly storytimes to have fun, meet new friends, and set your child on the path to lifelong learning!

Lapsit Storytime

Our lapsit storytimes are for babies and toddlers up to 24 months and feature nursery rhymes, music, and movement. Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Visit casememoriallibrary.org/storytime.htm for upcoming dates.

Two-Year-Old Storytime

Our 2-year-old storytimes feature storytelling, music, and movement. Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Visit casememoriallibrary.org/storytime.htm for upcoming dates.

Three to Five-Year-Old Storytime

Our 3 to 5-year-old storytimes feature storytelling, rhymes, finger plays, and a craft activity. Mondays at 4 p.m. Visit casememoriallibrary.org/ storytime.htm for upcoming dates.

Events for Children Hooked on Llamas

Saturday, April 18, 1 p.m.

Come pet a real, live llama outside on the sitting wall, listen to llama stories told by Debbie Elias of Country Quilt Llama Farm, and hear about the many uses of llamas. In the event of rain, this program will be held inside. For children of all ages.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover



176 Tyler City Road, Orange, CT 06477 203-891-2170 www.casememoriallibrary.org

On April 21 your stuffed animal is invited to sleep over at the Library! We've got lots of fun activities planned for them after you've gone home. Drop off your stuffed animal in the Children's Room any time on Tuesday and pick it up any time the next day. Join us for a special all-ages storytime at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Limited to 25 children. One animal per child.

Earth Day Nature Hike

Wednesday, April 22, 2 p.m.

Celebrate Earth Day with a hike! Join us as we explore local woods and learn about native flora and fauna. Collect fallen items to create a memorable craft afterward. Space is limited. Rain or shine. For ages 6-11.

Events for Teens

Teen Craft: LED Bracelets Tuesday, April 21, 2 p.m.

Sew a light-up cuff bracelet using LED lights, a coin-sized battery, battery pack, felt, and conductive thread. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited. For students in grades 6-12.

> Book Chat Café Tuesdays, April 28, May 19

Held at the Amity Middle School

Events for Adults Oscar Films

Registration is highly recommended for all Oscar films. Seating is limited. Registration opens three weeks in advance of the screening date.

Imitation Game ~ Monday, April 6, 7 p.m. & Wednesday, April 8, 1 p.m. PG-13. 113 minutes.

Foxcatcher ~ Monday, April 13, 7 p.m. & Wednesday, April 15, 1 p.m. R. 129 minutes.

The Judge ~ Monday, April 20, 7 p.m. & Wednesday, April 22, 1 p.m. R. 141 minutes.

American Sniper ~ Monday, May 11, 7 p.m. & Wednesday, May 13, 1 p.m. R. 132 minutes.

Still Alice ~ Monday, May 18, 7 p.m. & Wednesday, May 20, 1 p.m. PG-13. 101 minutes.

Cooking with John Bencivengo

Wednesday, April 15, 7 p.m.

Join Chef John as he demonstrates delicious spring recipes. Registration begins Wednesday, April 1. A \$5 per person food charge must be paid upon registration.

The Bookcase: Evening

for a discussion of The Heretic's Daughter by Kathleen Kent.

Dating After 40: 7 Steps to Find Love Thursday, April 30, 7 p.m.

Feeling lonely? Don't know how to find love and where to look for it? Dating coach Ronnie Ann Ryan will teach you everything you need to know to find the right partner for you. Discover ways to increase your appeal and learn the best way to meet people as well as how to avoid common dating mistakes and self-sabotaging behaviors that keep you from connecting with the love you want. Followed by a Q&A period.

An Evening with the Dog Whisperer

Monday, May 4, 7 p.m.

Spend the evening with Dog Listener Pat Wright and learn how to bring your dog peace and eliminate unwanted behaviors. Some of the many topics discussed include pulling on the lead, jumping, aggression, separation anxiety, and excessive barking. Followed by a Q&A period.

Books & Breakfast: Morning Book Discussion Group

Tuesday, May 19, 10 a.m.

Join Books & Breakfast leader Carol Davidson for a discussion of The Children Act by Ian McEwan.

Art in the Library

April: Artwork by the children of Orange elementary schools, selected by their art teachers. *Reception:* Thursday, April 9, 4-6 p.m.

May: Artwork by the senior citizens of Orange. *Reception:* Thursday, May 7, 5-7 p.m.

Friends of the Library Semi-Annual Great! Basement Book Sale

Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Over 50,000 items will be available this year, including hardcover and paperback fiction and non-fiction, vinyl records, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, and books for children and teens as well as many free items. Come check it out!

Tuesday, April 21 – Drop off your animal Wednesday, April 22 – Pick up your animal Media Center for teens who love to read and share their opinions over refreshments. Please see Mrs. Goss.

Book Discussion Group

Thursday, April 23, 7 p.m.

Join Bookcase leader Toby Zabinski

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similar challenges and goals," she said. Like Berger, Arterbery's focus is on students' individual growth and what is best for the children and the THS community. "Turkey Hill was forward thinking back then and it still is," she said. "We may not fit a cookie cutter mold but we adapt to fit our population."

One Orange family that has always been well represented at Turkey Hill is the Doheny family. Monica Doheny Csejka and her twin sister Margie Doheny Sansone were among 11 siblings and seven Doheny cousins that attended the school consecutively from 1964 to 1986. "At one point there were 11 Dohenys in the school at the same time, sometimes even two and three in the same grade," Csejka said. Now Csejka's daughter Kennedy is in the sixth grade at the school and her son Jason graduated two years ago. "I think there should be a wing or a hallway named after us, we've been at the school longer than Dottie Berger," Csejka said. "My brother said we probably spent more time in the principal's office than the principal!"

More details about the celebration will be available in the coming weeks.

SENIOR CENTER PASTA FESTA Living Treasure Awards

On Friday, May 15 from 5 to 8 pm the Orange Senior Center will hold it's the eleventh annual Pasta Festa! dinner in the beautiful banquet room at Grassy Hill Lodge on 77 Sodom Lane in Derby. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of this year's Living Treasure Awards to three deserving Orange residents: Netti Bartocetti, Kevin Hadlock, and Al Pol. We will be entertained by the strolling accordion playing of David G. Winners of the raffle will go home with some great prizes donated by individuals and local businesses. Tickets are on sale at the Orange Senior Center for \$20 per person. Call the Orange Senior Center at (203) 891-4784 for more information.

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SENIOR CENTER

By Dennis Marsh



New Location – Pasta Festa

Join us on Friday, May 15 from 5 to 8 for our annual Pasta Festa! We will be at our new location, at the beautiful, Grassy Hill Lodge on Sodom Lane Derby. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of this year's Living Treasure Awards to three deserving Orange residents. Winners of the raffle will go home with some great prizes donated by individuals and local businesses. Tables of 8 to 10 are available. If you wish to be seated with particular people, payment for the group must be made at the same time. Otherwise we cannot guarantee that you will be sitting together. Please let us know if you would like to donate a prize for the raffle. Tickets go on sale Tuesday, April 2 at \$20 per person.

Veteran's Wall

Come join us May 1 at 2pm as we honor the men and women who have served our country. The extensive program will include a scrolling frame picturing living town veterans, and will honor the 6 different branches of service. Registration forms are available through Orange Community Services. This Wall of Honor will be forever a part of our mission and values and will serve as a daily reminder as to the Service, Sacrifice and Honor of our Veterans. Call (203) 891-4784 for more information.

OCS Benefit Concert

"Spring Into Action" Friday evening April 17th at 7:30PM at the High Plains Community Center Gym. Orange Community Services Presents the first time ever Food and Fuel Bank Benefit Concert featuring Orange's own Gary Harger and featuring Art Bellucci on piano. Special guests include Barbie Harger, and the Orange Chorale! Join us as we celebrate Broadway, the American Songbook, and Spring, the season of renewal. Reception immediately following the concert in the Café. Tickets are \$20

All proceeds from this event will benefit the Orange Community Assistance Programs which includes the Food and Fuel Bank. Please come and support these vital programs. Tickets available at Orange Community Services Department. Stop by for your tickets or call us at 203-891-4788.

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Join Ed Jolley as he teaches Basic Photography & Video on Wednesdays April 1-May 6 at 10am. Limited to 7 seats. Call the center (203) 891-4784 to RSVP

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Wellness

Monday, April 27, Tara will discuss "Juicing & smoothies" from 11:30am-12:30pm. A great way to get all your veggies! RSVP at (203) 891-4784.

Movie of the Month

Join us Friday, April 17 1:00pm, "The Grand Budapest Hotel" starring Ralph Fiennes, F. Murray Abraham, and Mathieu Amalric. The adventures of Gustave H, a legendary concierge at a famous hotel from the fictional Republic of Zubrowka between the first and second World Wars, and Zero Moustafa, the lobby boy who becomes his most trusted friend. Popcorn & soda will be served. Call to reserve a seat.

Lunch & Fun

Join us Thursday, April 9, 11:30am, for My Life so Far, with Ron Davis as he speaks about his experiences with Walt Disney, the FBI and more. Participants bring their lunch at 11:30 and the program begins at noon. Coffee and dessert will be available. Call the Center to reserve a seat.

Senior Center Tag Sale

Thinking of downsizing or just need to clean out some stuff? Join us in our tag sale on Friday April 10, from 9:00— 1:00pm. Tables are available to rent for \$10. Proceeds go to the Community Assistance Fund. Also be sure to visit the tag sale and browse the tables. The senior center is also accepting donations of baked goods for our bake sale table.

has scheduled April 23 to speak to those in attendance of the Lunch Program on Diabetes Prevention and Management. This is a free lecture, and is required by one of the funding sources for the lunch program. Call Ellen (203) 891-4765 to reserve a meal.

Book Club

Come join us for our FREE Senior Center Book Club to be held April 24, from 2:00-3:30pm in Lounge. This month's title is The Invisible Bridge by Julie Orringer.

Boomers & Beyond - Dating After 40

"Boomers" collaborative with the Case Memorial Library will take place on April 30 at 7:00pm at the Library. The topic will be Dating after 40: 7 Simple Steps to Find Love presented by Ronnie Ann Ryan. Please RSVP to the Library at (203) 891-2170.

AMR CPR Training

Who wants to be part of a World Record! May 20, 2015, from 1-5pm, our local EMS provider—AMR in conjunction with the OPD & OFD will be attempting to set a world record by providing free training to save lives through chest compression-only CPR. This event will take place at the HPCC.

2015 Trips

NEIL SEDAKA at Mohegan Sun, Tuesday April 21, 2015. Singer/songwriter Neil Sedaka will be performing many of his recorded hits as well as the songs he has written for other artists. Sing along to "Oh Carol", "Calendar Girl", and "Breaking up is Hard to Do". Cost: \$93pp. Includes show, \$15 free bet, and a \$15 Meal Voucher, transportation, & driver gratuities. Full payment due at registration.

HELLO DOLLY !! at the Warner Theater - Sunday May 3, 2015. Lunch at San Marino in Waterbury with a choice of Veal Parmigiana, chicken marsala, or stuffed filet of sole. Then enjoy the show at the Warner Theater Cost: \$96. Includes transportation, lunch, show, & driver gratuities. Full payment due at registration. WESTCHESTER THEATRE—West Side Story- May 6, 2015. A modern version of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, set on the mean streets of New York during the turbulent 50's. Cost: \$99pp includes transportation, lunch, show, and driver's gratuity. Full payment due at registration. ITALIAN FEAST at Hunt's Landing, May 21, 2015. Celebrate Italy! You don't have to be Italian to enjoy this special event. Buffet lunch includes Minestrone, Chicken Marsala, Beef Steak Pizziola, Lemon Peppered Fish, Pasta and more. Cost: \$97pp includes transportation, lunch, activities, and driver's gratuity. Full payment due at registration.

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Welcome Spring Cabaret

Monday, April 13, 1:30—3:00pm, Bob Mel will be performing at our Welcome Spring themed Cabaret. We look forward to seeing you there. Call (203) 891-4784 to reserve a seat.

Elderly Nutrition Lunch Program Nutritionist Speaker

Annette Hise, Dietitian/Nutritionist from LifeBridge Community Services





Pictured in photo are: dancers and James Zeoli, Orange First Selectman.

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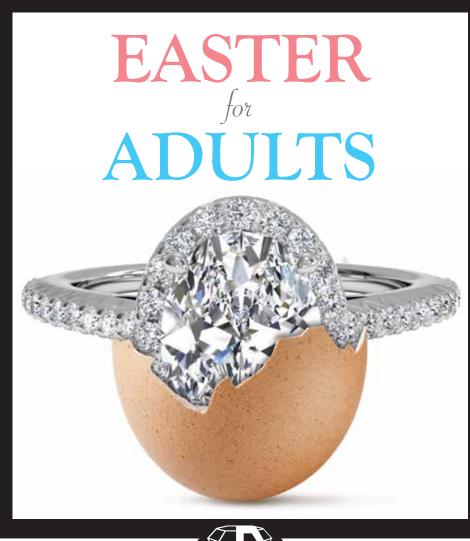
The Orange Republican Town Committee sponsored a very "up beat" evening of delicious food, Irish dance and music, and camaraderie at Biagetti's restaurant.

The crowd wore green hats, ties, and accessories which added to the fun and

merriment.

The surprise of the evening was a group of talented young dancers from the Mulkerin School of Irish Dance in West Haven. They performed various Irish dances which enhanced the spirit of the evening.

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This year, Peck Place held its annual Father-Daughter Dance at Grassy Hill Country Club. There was a DJ, photo booth and professional photos being taken. Pictured are a group of girls all dressed up for the evening.



Peck Place School recently held its annual Mother-Son Bowling Night at Woodlawn Duckpin Bowling in West Haven. This event was open to all grade levels and was very well attended. Pictured are a group of bowlers enjoying the evening.





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Peck Place School participated in Screen Free Week, which is an annual celebration where families, schools and communities all across the country turn off TV's, video games, computer games and apps and turn on life! The PTO planned a week's worth of fun activities for the students to enjoy with their families and friends. The activities included a Zumba and Taekwondo night, a panther paint night, a ziti dinner and bingo night, Bubble Mania and ended with a panther bounce night. The PTO chairs that

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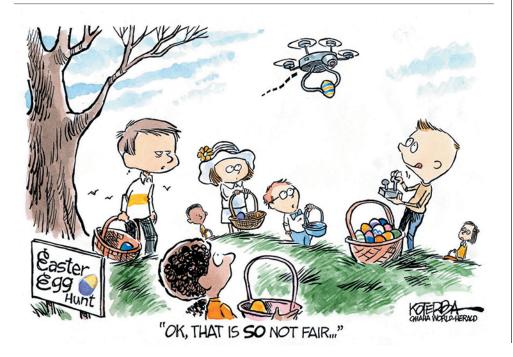
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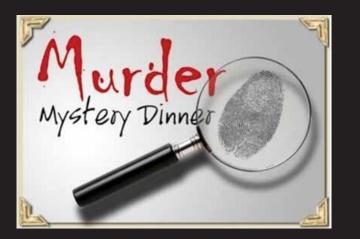
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planned and coordinated the activities did an amazing job and the kids and adults had so much fun! Pictured are some students enjoying a few of the week's activities.









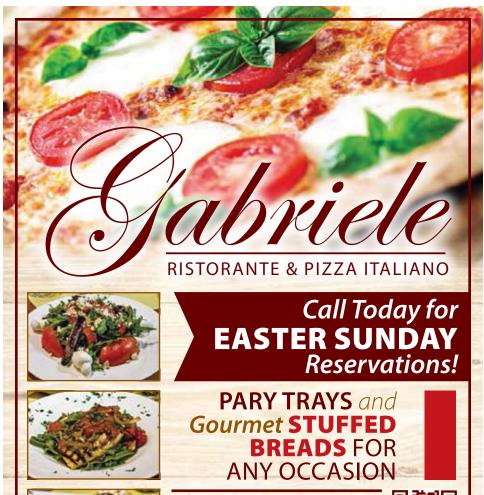
Friday, April 10th **"A Worry On Wooster Street"**

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DINING WITH SUSAN

By Susan Noonan





SHOPRITE FROM HOME 2015

I originally wrote about "Shoprite from Home" a few years ago and decided to re-visit this popular & constantly growing service with our Orange & Woodbridge readers. The success of this service is amazing thanks to ShopRite owner Harry Garafalo and his dedicated & loyal staff. ShopRite from Home is not only for the elderly or handicapped but also busy families or just anyone in general that doesn't have the time to spend in a grocery store.

ShopRite from Home offers the service in two ways. Once you place the order online you can select option 1 to pick-up at the store. The staff will bring the order right to your vehicle. Option 2 is to have it delivered to your home. The driver brings it right into your kitchen. The fee for either option is \$10.00 (delivery is free on every 5th order). Milford ShopRite delivers to Orange and Hamden Shoprite delivers to Woodbridge. You can select a convenient time for the delivery within a 3 hour time frame (8a-11a, 10a-1p, etc.) The website shows the days and times available.

The personal shopper assigned to your order carefully selects all items (all perishable items such as meat and produce must be inspected by a manager before leaving the store). If the store is out of an item ordered, the personal shopper calls you to see if you would like a substitution If you have any last minute instructions or additions to your order, just call the store and speak with your shopper. The quality of everything I have ever ordered has always been outstanding. The staff is very well trained paying great attention to detail for each order.

ShopRite from Home offers over

the staff your coupons and they will be deducted from your next order. There is no minimum order for shopping online. If you spend \$20.00 or \$200.00, you still receive the same courteous, efficient service along with top notch quality. You may pay for your ShopRite from Home pick-up order just as you would any shopping trip to the store with cash, check, credit card, debit card or gift card. For delivery, you can pay by check (with prior approval), credit, debit or gift card.

Shoprite of Milford and Hamden owners Harry Garafalo and his lovely wife Ann are truly special people and give so much back to the local community. Harry has received numerous awards for all his charitable work and community service. Stay tuned in 2016 for Shoprite of Milford's new store across the street from the current location on the former site of the Showcase Cinemas. The new Milford Shoprite will be 68,000 square feet and a flagship type store. The Garafalos also own ShopRite of West Haven, East Haven & Stratford. The web site for shopping online: www.shoprite.com - you can now order your groceries with the ShopRite App for iphone & Android.

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Final notes: Harry, Ann and their dedicated staff make grocery shopping a pleasure whether you shop online or at one of their stores, ShopRite has delivered everything to my home including live lobsters, fresh flowers, sandwich platters, ice melt, greeting cards, candles, vitamins, storage containers, gift cards; the list goes on & on. Again, if getting to the store is difficult or you just hate shopping or just too busy, ShopRite from Home is perfect solution for you and your family. Remember to support our local family owned businesses.

If you have a favorite restaurant, please e-mail susan@orangetownnews. com or susan@woodbridgetown.news. com.



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Q: Now that "Sons of Anarchy" is over, can you tell me what Katey Sagal has planned next? -- Glenn F., via email

A: The lovely and talented actress is set to reteam with "Sons" creator Kurt Sutter -- who also happens to be Katey's hubby -- for the FX period drama "The Bastard Executioner." The series centers on a former warrior/ knight for King Edward I, Wilkin Brattle, who is overcome by the destruction of war and vows to lay down his sword. When violence finds him, he's forced to return to his violent ways.

Australian actor **Lee Jones** plays Brattle, with "True Blood" alum Stephen Moyer playing his friend, Milus Corbett. Matthew Rhys, Sam Spruell, Flora Spencer-Longhurst, Darren Evans, Sarah White, Sarah Sweeney and Danny Sapani round out the cast. Production on the series began March 19, with no word yet on a premiere date.

Q: I thought **Tina Fey** had a new comedy coming to NBC, but I've looked all over for it, to no avail. Can you tell me what happened? -- Kellie F., via Facebook

A: When NBC passed on Fey's hilarious "Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt," Netflix swooped in and saved this brilliant comedy from obscurity. "The Office" alum Ellie **Kemper** stars as the eponymous Kimmy, who recently escaped from being held prisoner underground by a man who claimed the world above had ended in an apocalypse. Kimmy



Tina Fey

moves to New York City, where she tries to put her life back on track with the help of new employer Jacqueline Voorhees (played by the always wonderful Jane Krakowski), new roommate Titus Andromedon (the fabulous Tituss Burgess) and landlord Lillian Kaushtupper (the legendary Carol Kane). Season one consists of 13 episodes, all of which now are available for streaming on netflix.com.

Q: Can you tell me the latest news on "Cedar Cove"? -- Richard O., via email A: The phenomenally popular Hallmark Channel nighttime drama series, which stars Andie MacDowell as Olivia Lockhart, has been renewed for a third season and will return for new episodes later this summer. Although an exact date has not yet been given, I'm thinking it will follow suit with the previous two season and premiere in mid-July. Dylan Neal will return as Jack Griffith, Olivia's onagain/off-again love interest.

Write to Cindy at King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475; or e-mail her at letters@ cindyelavsky.com.



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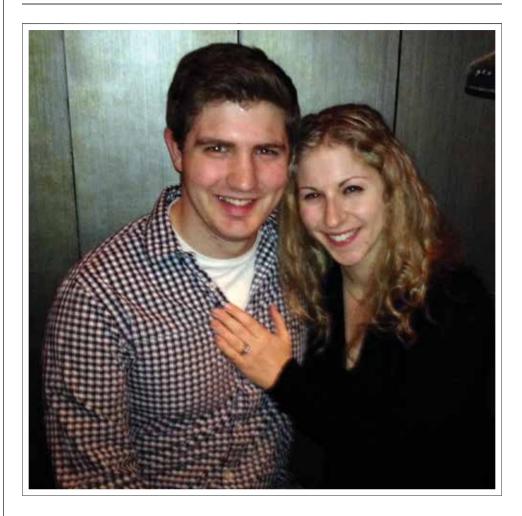
Dr. Dorota Hansen visited the three year old class at Orange Congregational Church Nursery School to teach them how to care for their teeth. They are shown wearing face masks, just like a dentist. Registration is underway for our 3 and 4 year old classes for the 2015-16 school year.

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Drs. Zbigniew and Bonnie Drozdowicz of Orange, CT, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Dr. Linda Beth Drozdowicz to Mr. Simon Daniel Zais, son of Mr. Daniel Zais of Rochester, MN, and Mrs. Teresa Zais of Madison, WI. Dr. Drozdowicz attended Amity High School and the University of Connecticut, and she graduated from Mayo Clinic Medical School. She is now working as a resident physician in Psychiatry at Mount Sinai Hospital in Manhattan, NY. Mr. Zais graduated from Century High School and served in the Army until 2011. Since leaving the Army, he has been working as a professional standup comedian, performing in NYC and around the country. Mr. Zais also works for National Car Rental and is studying Business. The wedding is planned for June 2016.





IT'S A BOY!

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GARDEN CLUB PROFILES MEMBER NANCY MATTHIES

Interviewed by Lana Ho, Publicity Chairman.

Nancy Matthies grew up in a Woodbridge, Connecticut farming family. She attended local schools and graduated with a Nursing Degree in 1951. The same year she also married Richard Matthies. They moved to Orange in 1953 and still live in the same house today. Nancy and Richard raised four children and have eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. In the early years she had a big vegetable garden and harvested blueberries and raspberry crops. She would then can and freeze the fruits and vegetables. Nowadays, Nancy and her husband love to travel.

Nancy joined The Garden Club of Orange in 1956 while raising four kids! I asked her what made you decide to join the Garden Club of Orange? Her quick response was "I love gardening"! Having just moved to a new place and with her husband in the service in Korea, she wanted to meet people with a similar interest.

Nancy immediately became active on the Garden Club board holding various chairmanships and became President in 1969. In 1976 Nancy became an Accredited National Garden Club Flower Show Judge and in 1997 a Judge Emeritus. Nancy was awarded The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut - Life Member and in 2002 and a special pin for her 50 years of service. Some of her major contributions were: co-chaired 'Village Green', a Standard Flower Show in 1974; co-designed the Herb Garden for the Town's 175 Year Anniversary at



Nancy Matthies ~ Photo by Lana Ho

the Stone Otis House 1977 to 1980; and co-chaired Garden Club's '80 Year Celebration' in 2010.

I ask her, having been in the Club for 60 plus years, what would you tell others that are thinking of joining the Garden Club? She said, "What a good learning experience! One will get the most out of it by joining various committees and by taking classes that are offered." Her favorite committee is Civic - contributing to the beautification of Orange. At present Nancy is The Garden Club of Orange's Award and Library Chairman.

The Garden Club of Orange is a member of The National Garden Clubs, Inc., The New England Region of Garden Clubs, Inc. and The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc. Interested to learn more, call Maryellen Bespuda 203-795-5414.

AFGHANS FOR OUR VETERANS

The Afghan Ladies of the Orange Senior Center knit and crochet afghans for veterans. An embroidered strip with "USA HERO" is sewn on every blanket. This group is looking for more crafters project with their skills. Yarn is available. Meetings are the 4th Monday of the month at 1:00pm in the lounge at the Orange Senior Center. For more information, please call the Orange Senior Center at (203) 891-4784.



"RACING" TO FILL FOOD PANTRY SHELVES

It is a natural instinct to donate items to a food pantry during Thanksgiving and the December holidays but, as stated on the Connecticut Food Bank website "hunger doesn't stop after the holidays." It is just as important to help fill your local pantries in February and March, especially after the severe winter experienced by Northeasterners.

Cub Scout Pack 923 based in Orange from Race Brook School recently coordinated a food and home supply drive in conjunction with their annual Pinewood Derby Car Race. The Scouts successfully completed two pledges from the Cub Scout Promise at this event. The first was "to do your best" by creating and racing unique cars they carved out of a block of pine. The second was "to help others" by collecting food and other items from their neighbors, friends and family members for delivery to the Orange Community Services food pantry.

The Scouts are encouraging local townspeople to donate a bag or two to the Orange food pantry or an organization of your choice this month.

THE GARDEN CLUB PROGRAM ON BEATRIX FARRAND

The Garden Club of Orange welcomes Leslie Martino of Woodbridge Garden Club to present a program on Beatrix Farrand's garden designs in Connecticut. Leslie is a Landscape Designer herself and a Landscape Historian. Connecticut is fortunate to have a few surviving Farrand gardens. These gardens are now restored and open to the public. The program will start at 1 PM at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, CT. All guests are welcome and the program is free to the public.

The Garden Club of Orange members will be exhibiting Creative Line-Mass Designs - "It's Finally Spring" using spring flowering bulbs. Members will also be exhibiting Daffodils grown from their gardens.

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COMMUNITY WOMEN HOSTING PAINT & SIP FUNDRAISER

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Reservations are required! You can register at www.PaintSocialArt.com.

Just click on the calendar of events, go to our date and click the link. Tickets are \$40 each and this includes all your painting supplies, instruction, and 16x20 canvas.

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The Amity Teen Center has recently launched two mini fundraisers to help raise money for updating our video gaming equipment.

There is an ONLINE Pampered Chef Party. People can go to this link and place an order of anything they want from this awesome company thru April 15 and the Teen Center will receive 15% of these orders. All of the orders will be delivered to the Amity Teen Center, located at 10 Selden Street in Woodbridge, and you will be able to pick them up there. However, for an extra \$2.00 the order can be delivered right to your doorstep. Everyone that cooks or knows someone who likes to cook can find something here that they will love. There are many items that are under \$10 (and lots above that too). http:// www.pamperedchef.com/pws/mrskindredjr/guest-landing/8906625989787

Our second mini fundraiser is a GO-FUNDME campaign. People can go to this link below and make a donation of ANY denomination and it will go

The Orange Foundation, a commu-

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towards our fundraising for video gaming equipment. Anyone making a donation will receive a VIP invitation to our "UNBOXING" Party where they will have a chance to play on some of the newest consoles XBOX ONE, PS4 or Wii U first. We will have pizza and cupcakes at this unveiling!! http:// www.gofundme.com/o3m2rk

In addition to this, we are ALWAYS accepting donations of used games or working consoles, controllers and accessories. If you have anything that you are no longer using and think that the teens of our community would like them, please contact us! For more information about these mini fundraisers, please call Executive Director, Jen Romanoff at 203 668-9348.

The Amity Teen Center, a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization, was formed in 1987. We hold after school, evening and weekend activities for area teens in grades 7 – 12. Anyone interested in learning more about us, please go to www.amityteencenter.org.

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plications are also Established available in school 1976 COUNDAY guidance counselors offices. Orange residents who are graduating seniors from any secondary school are eligible. The submission deadline for scholarship applications is April 15th. Completed applications should be sent to The Orange Foundation, P.O. Box 729, Orange, CT 06477. The Distribution Committee will review the material and recipients will be notified in early June. Since 1974, the Orange Foundation has distributed more than \$379,825.00 in scholarships. Financial support comes from The Charles Flynn Fund, the Harry Haynes Fund, the Thomas Birmingham Fund, the William Knight Scholarship Fund, the Vaughn Family Scholarship Fund, and the Elizabeth C. and John W. Povilaitis Community Fund.

The submission deadline for grants for projects benefitting the residents of Orange is April 30th. Completed applications should be sent to The Orange Foundation, P.O. Box 729, Orange, CT. Those eligible for grants include non-profit organizations, parent-teacher organizations and service organizations. Janice Lettick, Chair of Grant Distribution THE and member of the Distribution Committee states, "Since it began giving out grants, the Foundation has distributed over \$145,000 to various local civic and community organizations. The grant range is from \$500.00 to \$1500.00. We encourage Orange community organizations to apply for funding to support their activities." Past recipients include Orange Juniorettes, Shepherd's Table, Orange Senior Services, Orange Historical Society, and the American Legion Post 127, among others. The Officer Robert F. Stankye Fund, the O'Sullivan Family Fund, the Olga Fund, and the Dusty and Frank Downey Fund, provide funding for these grants.

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PLANTING THE SEEDS FOR YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE

By Roberta L Nestor

Whether they are tulips, tomatoes or trees, they all start with a seed. If you want something to grow and bear fruit, you need to plant the seeds today. Then you need to continuously nourish, care and watch over your seedlings, you can't just hope a plant will survive, it needs your attention. The same can be said for planning a secure financial future, you have to start somewhere.

Start by asking yourself, what is it you want to grow? Something easy that doesn't require much care? Something you want to only have to nourish once or twice a year? Or do have the time and commitment to grow something that may require constant care?

If you want easy without much involvement, the best way would be to utilize your employer's 401(k), 403(b) or 457 plan. What could be easier than a payroll deduction? It is automatic and requires some research as to the options available in your retirement plan. Do they allow for ROTH contributions, or only traditional tax-deferral? Do they allow after-tax contributions (which can be used in the future for ROTH conversions)? If your employer plan does allow for ROTH contributions, perhaps that will be your biggest decision. Should you pay taxes now for tax free income at retirement or defer taxes and have more money working for you now during the accumulation stage?

Once you have set up your payroll contribution, you then have to learn more about the investment options available with your plan. Age-weighted investment portfolios are gaining popularity, both inside and outside employer retirement plans. For example, a 30 year old today may select a "2050 portfolio" for retirement at age 65. These are designed to be well-diversified and gives the investor access to several different asset classes within one investment. Lastly, don't forget to find out if your plan allows for "auto-increases". ute. If you are within the income limits you can contribute up to a maximum of \$5500 to a ROTH IRA (over age 50 can contribute \$6500). Maybe you can't afford the entire contribution and that's okay because you can contribute whatever is affordable. Most investment companies will let you contribute as little as \$50 a month if you have an automatic monthly contribution from your checking account. Six hundred dollars a year is a small commitment to your future. If a 25 year old made that commitment to saving \$50 a month until age 65, and the ROTH earned a hypothetical return of 5%, that ROTH would be worth over \$80,000! And, the bonus of course, is that ROTH accumulations are tax free.

The most complicated financial seeds to plant would be individual stocks. This takes time, patience and often higher investment amounts if you want to be well diversified. Buying and selling of individual stocks would require some research. Finance websites such as yahoo finance allow you to track an investment portfolio. If this is your first time buying individual stocks, maybe you want to "make up" a portfolio and track it for a month or so, get familiar with the price movements of your stock selections. If you are using non-retirement money for purchasing individual stocks, you should be aware of taxation of short and long term capital gains.

We all have to start somewhere so don't wait any longer to get your financial garden growing!

Roberta L. Nestor is a financial advisor practicing at 491 New Haven Avenue in Milford, CT offering retirement, long term care, investment and tax planning services. She also offers securities and advisory services as an Investment Adviser Representative of Commonwealth Financial Network – a member FINRA/SIPC and a Registered Investment Adviser. Fixed insurance products offered through Nestor Financial Network are separate and unrelated to Commonwealth. Commonwealth Financial Network or Nestor Financial Network does not provide legal or tax advice. You should consult a legal or tax professional regarding your individual situation. Roberta can be reached at Nestor Financial Network, 203-876-8066 or roberta@nestorfinancial.com.

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CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD SCHEDULE OF EVENTS IN LENT

The Church of the Good Shepherd, located at 680 Racebrook Road, Orange, invites you to attend any of our upcoming services and events. All are welcome. Maundy Thursday's Agape Meal and Foot Washing will take place on Thursday, April 2, 2015 @ 6:30 pm. This will be a joint service with The Rev. Tricia Pasly and the congregation from St. Andrew's in Milford. It will include a modest dinner and foot washing to commemorate the Last Supper. On Good Friday, April 3rd, the church will be open for quiet meditation between the hours of 12noon-3pm. Stations of the Cross will be led by the Youth Group at 4:30 pm, including a "Walk the Way of the Cross" through the Good Shepherd neighborhood. In addition, Good Friday Penitential Rite with Reserved Sacrament will take place on Friday, April 3rd @ 7:00 pm at the Church of the Good Shepherd. The Great Vigil of Easter will take place on Saturday, April 4th @ 7:00 pm at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, located at 283 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford CT. Easter Sunday, April 5th, will be celebrated at the Church of the Good Shepherd with Rev. Tim Hodapp from the Connecticut Diocese at 7:45am & 10:00 am with the Choir. There will be no 9 am service on



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Easter Sunday. An Easter Egg Hunt will take place immediately following the 10:00 service for children of all ages.

In addition to services at the Church of the Good Shepherd, the public is invited to attend Chapel on the Green Easter Service on April 5, 2015 @ 2 pm in New Haven. Fifty-two Sundays a year and in every weather condition, Trinity's Chapel on the New Haven Green is a unique outdoor gathering. The Church of the Good Shepherd and St. Andrews plan to participate in this service by bringing 200 bagged lunches to hand out after the service. All are welcome to help us prepare lunches at the Church of the Good Shepherd immediately following our 10am Easter service.

For more information, please call the Church of the Good Shepherd at (203) 795-6577, visit our website (www.thegoodshepherdorangect.org) and the CGS Facebook.

COMMUNITY INVITED TO MISHKAN **ISRAEL ANNUAL PASSOVER SEDER**

Congregation Mishkan Israel will be hosting its annual community Passover Seder on the second night of Passover, Saturday, April 4. The Seder will begin at 6:00 p.m. Members of the community are cordially invited. The cost of the Seder is \$45.00 for adults (13 and older) and \$22.50 for children ages 4-12; kids under 4 are free. Advance reservations, which are due by March 27, are required. Advance ticket sales is available online at: cmihamden. org. This year's food is being provided by Emily's Catering. Congregation Mishkan Israel is located at 785 Ridge Road in Hamden. For more information, call the synagogue office at (203) 288-3877.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE FOR **ORANGE CONGREGATIONAL**

Orange Congregational Church - 205 Meeting House Lane, Orange, CT, 203-795-9749 - invites you to come to one of our two weekly Sunday Worship Services: 8 a.m. in the Chapel or 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Coming up, our Holy Week schedule is as follows: Maundy Thursday, April 2 there will be a 7:00 PM Service of Tenebrae in the Sanctuary; Good Friday, April 3 there will be two services - a Noontime Meditation in the Chapel and a 7:00 PM Worship service in the Sanctuary.



Orange Congregational Church

For Easter Sunday, April 5 there will be a 6:30 AM Sunrise Service at Hannah's Hill as well as a 9:00 AM and an 11:00 AM Worship service in the Sanctuary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR B'NAI JACOB

Every Saturday, 9:00 a.m.; come learn parshat hashavua (the weekly torah portion) over bagels or matzah! and coffee in the library with Rabbi Shapiro before 9:45 a.m. services.

Passover Schedule

Friday, April 3rd at 7:45 a.m. Fast of the First Born (1st Seder) Candlelighting; 7:13pm No evening service Saturday, April 4th at 9:45 a.m. Festival Service No Bread & Torah

toms, signs and diseases as found in the bible.

Shabbat Dinner & Bima Band Friday, May 1st at 7:30 pm. All are welcome to Shabbat Schmooze and Services but you must pre-register for dinner. Your payment is your reservation.

Got Shabbat May 8th. Tell Betsy Flaherty or Rabbi Shapiro or someone on the committee that you would like to host. Invite at least one BJ family to your home for Shabbat. We just want you to celebrate Shabbat with one another. We will supply candles, challah, blessings, and even ideas for meaningful conversation. Every Tuesday & Wednesday Mah Jong & Canasta. Anyone can come in and play. We will be offering coffee "and" but feel free to bring a dairy lunch. We have limited amount of tables, call the office to make reservations. Last minute reservations can usually be accommodated. As a reminder, daily minyan is at 7:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. and Sunday morning minyan is at 9:30 a.m . Friday night services are at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday at 9:45 a.m.

HOLY INFANT WOMAN'S **GUILD TAG SALE**

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild will have its Spring Tag Sale on Saturday, April 25, from 9 am to 2 pm. The sale will be in the school gym at 450 Racebrook Road.

There will be a variety of vendors selling new and used items and collectibles.

The Guild will be selling books. A few tables are still available at \$25 each.



Holy Infant Church

For more information or to reserve a table, call Gloria at (203)795-4679.



Sunday, April 5th at 9:30 a.m. Festival Service

Thursday, April 9th at 6:00 p.m. Festival Service; Candlelighting 7:17pm Friday, April 10th at 9:30 a.m. Festival Service

Saturday, April 11th at 6:00 p.m. Festival Service; Candlelighting 7:19pm Sunday, April 12th at 7:45 a.m. Early Minyan with Yizkor; 9:00 a.m. Matzah & Torah; 9:45 a.m. Festival Service; 11:00 a.m. Yizkor

Lunch & Learn with Dr. Howard Taubin Medicine and the Bible. Saturday, April 18th after Kiddush. Come join our congregant Howard Taubin as he turns his experienced eye to symp-

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HOLIDAY WINES

If you're celebrating Easter most Easter menus are centered around Ham or Lamb and depending on what your side dishes include, there are many wonderful wine choices that will work for you beautifully. Ham is generally prepared with a sweet glaze or topping to offset the inherent saltiness of the meat. The two tried and true wines that every wine article and liquor store recommend are Riesling and Gewurztraminer. Both wines offer fresh flavorful taste profiles, sweet fruit to balance the salty ham but yet have enough acid to balance off the combination and not compromise either the ham or the wine. There are many Rieslings that will do the job nicely but why not consider an Alsatian or German Riesling for their mineral laden old world character or a bright Washington State Riesling like Chateau St. Michele or one from Hogue Sellers would do very well. They are reasonably priced as well. If you are opting for a spicy Gewurztraminer, you may consider successful vintners such as Columbia Crest, Trimbach or Domaine Schlumberger. Riesling and Gewurztraminer are crowd-pleasing wines that have the versatility to handle a variety of palates while allowing for lots of preparation options for ham.

Now if you want to think outside the box, my selection this Easter is a Vouvray. This is a fresh medium and dry white wine made from Chenin Blanc grapes. It has wonderful aromas of honey and acacia underlined with a subtle and refreshing acidity. One of my favorites is Domaine de Vaufuget. Another possibility is a wonderful Spanish Albarino! Although delicate, its fruity aroma and delicate flavors make it one of my favorites. I like one Called Fulget which means Glow. There is an Albarino pictured on the label that glows when the wine reaches the proper temperature. If you don't like the pairing, it still makes for a great conversation piece. If you must have red wine, Zinfandel is the way to go. Try Seven Deadly Zins. It has enough fruit to hold up to the ham. Lamb is my all time favorite. Whether rack of lamb, leg of lamb, roast lamb or lamb chops, the strategy is to stick with your well grounded red wines - a red Burgundy, a northern Rhone red, a Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Merlot or a Tempranillo or Syrah. You are shooting for red wines with decent tannin structure, good fruit and a finish that can endure as long as the lamb itself. The goal is to have a wine with enough fruit and acidity to handle the robust flavors of the lamb, but not overpower it in the



process. No powerful Zins or Super Tuscans! This year I am having a Pinotage from South Africa. That will raise an eyebrow or two in my house.

Wines for Passover have come a long way! My Dear Teacher and Saxophone instructor Seymore Schonberger used to savor the Manishewitz Elderberry Wine for his Passover Seder. Kosher wines have come a long way since the basic Manishewitz. (Although I recently tried the blackberry wine and it is well balanced.) Someone must have sent a Rabbi or two to Ucal Davis because the quality of Kosher wines has improved quite a bit over the years. Some recommendations include Bartenura Moscato. This sweet and greenish yellow colored white has a simple nose with floral and fruity scents with a full texture and a medium finish. Carmel King David Sacramental is a wine from Israel, Galilee region. The Carmel wineries were established in 1882. Today Carmel is Israel's leading producer of wines and spirits, maintaining a careful balance between the traditional art of wine making and the use of the latest technology. It is a Kosher Dessert non-VARIETAL red wine Blend. I thought it was good. My wife's cousin loved it with homemade cannoli. My favorite Kosher wine is Baron Herzog Champagne Brut. This is a sparkler made from wines produced in California and New York. It has been fermented with special Champagne yeast and given extended contact to enhance the complexity of the wine. It has the aromatic notes of the New York fruit and the lighter, more elegant tones contributed by the fruit from California.

No matter how you celebrate the upcoming holiday season remember it is a blessing given to us all to enjoy our dear family and our dear friends. As years pass it becomes more and more evident that we only have a finite opportunity to so. Please use this opportunity to forgive and forget and use this time to use great food and great wines to bind everyone together and enjoy. I think you will be glad you did. Enjoy! Ray Spaziani is the Chapter Director of the New Haven Chapter of the American Wine Society. He teaches wine appreciation classes at Gateway Community College, The Milford Board of Ed and Moltose Wine and Beer Merchants and is a member of the International Tasting Panel of Amenti Del Vino and Wine Maker Magazine. He is an award winning home wine maker and a Certified Wine educator. Email Ray with your wine questions and wine events at Ray. Spaziani@gmail.com.

DEATH NOTICES



Richard "Rick" Ceccarelli

Rick, age 47, entered into heaven on February 18th after a long illness. He leaves his wife Christine Olden Ceccarelli. Mr. Ceccarelli was the son of Katherine Bonessi Ceccarelli and the late Arthur Ceccarelli. He grew up in Orange before moving to Stratford. Rick was a chef at 500 Blake Street in New Haven for several years. Besides his wife and mother, he leaves two daughters Elizabeth and Brianna both of Florida and two grandchildren Caleb and Arianna as well as many nieces and nephews. He was also predeceased by a sister Sherri and a brother Gregg.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday April 25th at 9:00am at Holy Infant Church, 450 Racebrook Road, Orange. There will be no calling hours. Arrangements are in care of the West Haven Funeral Home at the Green.

Dr. George W. Benz

Dr. George W. Benz, 61, passed away on February 9, 2015, at his home in Tennessee. Survivors include his wife, Judith (Dwyer) Benz, his mom, Mary Benz of Orange and his sisters, Deanna Mancino (Bob), Pamela Cianci (Mike), and MaryEllen Conhois (Richard). He was predeceased by his Dad, George W. Benz. He also leaves nephews, Nick, Jeffrey and Andre and nieces, Lauren, Amy and Georgia, as well as many cousins.

George grew up in Orange and attended local schools. He received his B.S. (1976) and M.S. (1980) from the University of Connecticut and his PhD (1994) from the University of British Columbia.

He was a Professor at Middle Tennessee State University and authored many papers and books on Ichthyology and Parasitology. George was passionate about his research on sharks and other topics and Graduate students and colleagues who were special to him. He was a unique person and will be remembered fondly by all who knew him.

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VETERANS POST

by Freddy Groves

VA: Net Worth Won't Affect Health Care

The Department of Veterans Affairs will no longer use net worth as a factor to determine if a veteran is eligible for health care. Previously, veterans who were ill with conditions that were not service-related could get care at VA hospitals if their income and net worth met certain thresholds and they made co-payments. Here's how it works now: The VA calculates the gross income of the household, and then subtracts deductible expenses for the prior year. The result of doing away with assets means that low-income veterans will have fewer out-of-pocket costs for health care, with co-pays ranging from \$15 to \$50, opening the door to approximately 190,000 more lower-income veterans over the next five years. In 2014, the VA dropped the requirement that these veterans file updated financial information annually. Instead, the department now gets the income figures directly from the

Internal Revenue Service and Social Security.

If you're not enrolled in VA health

care and want to be, go online to the benefits explorer at hbexplorer.vacloud. us and answer the questions, which include whether you participated in Project 112/SHAD (Shipboard Hazard and Defense), periods of service, whether you're a Purple Heart or MOH recipient and many more. The last page concerns your ZIP code, dependents, income and certain deductible expenses. It will help determine what benefits you could have if you enroll.

Veterans who live in high-cost areas might be able to get reduced co-pay rates for inpatient care. Call the VA at 877-222-VETS (8387) to find out. There are some services that are exempt from co-pays, such as care and counseling for military sexual trauma, readjustment counseling, smoking and weight loss services and publicly announced services like health fairs.



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Top 10 Country Singles

1. Sam Hunt

"Take Your Time"

2. Blake Shelton feat.

Ashley Monroe

"Lonely Tonight"

3. Thomas Rhett

"Make Me Wanna"

4. Cole Swindell

"Ain't Worth the Whiskey"

5. Jason Aldean

"Just Gettin' Started"

6. Brett Eldredge

ENTERTAINMENT

TOP 10 MOVIES

1. Chappie (R) Sharlto Copley, Dev Patel

2. Focus (R) Will Smith, Margot Robbie

3. The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (PG) Judi Dench, Maggie Smith

4. Kingsman: The Secret Service (R) Colin Firth, Taron Egerton

5. The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of Water (PG) animated

6. Fifty Shades of Grey (R) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan

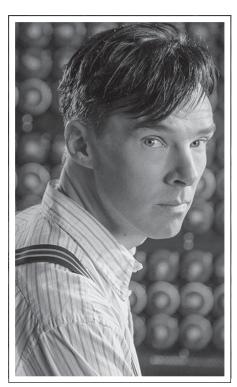
7. McFarland, USA (PG) Kevin Costner, Maria Bello

8. The Lazarus Effect (PG-13) Olivia Wilde, Mark Duplass

9. The DUFF (PG-13) Mae Whitman, Bella Thorne

10. Unfinished Business (R) Vince Vaughn, Dave Franco





TOP 10 RENTALS

1. Big Hero 6 (PG) animated

2. Horrible Bosses 2 (R) Jason Bateman

3. The Theory of Everything (PG-13) Eddie Redmayne

> 4. Whiplash (R) Miles Teller

5. St. Vincent (PG-13) **Bill Murray**

6. Dumb and Dumber To (PG-13) Jim Carrey

7. Beyond the Lights (PG-13) Gugu Mbatha-Raw

> 8. The Judge (R) Robert Downey Jr.

> 9. John Wick (R) Keanu Reeves

10. Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (PG) Steve Carell

the '50s, Turing (Benedict Cumberbatch) was arrested, tried and convicted for the crime of homosexuality. This biopic goes in-depth with a brilliant man's struggles against persecution.

The film won the Oscar for best adapted screenplay, on top of a pile of nominations. Cumberbatch should have taken the Best Actor, but that of course went to Eddie Redmayne, who was in a different biopic about a different British genius struggling against non-scientific challenges. Still, Cumberbatch's performances -- and Keira Knightly playing opposite -- stand strong.

"Wild" (R) -- Reese Witherspoon plays a woman who takes a solo walk for more than 1,100 miles of the Pacific Crest Trail -- for reasons that aren't easy to spell out, even for her. There a sense that she has no control over her life. She seems caught between destructive behavior when she's alone, and toxic relationships when she tries to connect. Based on the memoir by Cheryl Strayed, this is doubtlessly Witherspoon's best performance since "Walk the Line," perhaps her best on film.

CHART BUSTERS

Top 10 Pop Singles

1. Mark Ronson feat. Bruno Mars "Uptown Funk!"

> 2. Ed Sheeran "Thinking Out Loud"

3. Maroon 5 "Sugar"

4. Ellie Goulding "Love Me Like You Do"

5. Rihanna & Kanye West & Paul McCartney "FourFiveSeconds"

> 6. Hozier "Take Me to Church"

7. Taylor Swift "Style"

8. Taylor Swift "Blank Space"

9. The Weeknd "Earned It (Fifty Shades of Grey)"

10. Pitbull & Ne-Yo

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Sudoku answers on **p**

"Time of Our Lives"

- "Reach Out I'll Be There" was the signature song for which 1. Motown group?
- Who released "Can't Get Used to Losing You" in 1963? 2.
- Name the trio that released "Don't Pull Your Love." 3.
- 4. "Mockingbird"? Carly Simon and ...

Holloway's version only reached No. 39 on the charts, but the BS&T version went to No. 2. 5. "You've Made Me So Very Happy," first released in 1967 by co-writer Brenda Holloway and two years later by Blood, Sweat & Tears. James Taylor 3. Hamilton, joe Frank and Reynolds, in 1971. Years later, the Glen Campbell single had a typo on the cover sleeve, leaving out the R in "yc

2. Andy Williams. In 1980, The Beat came out with a reggae versi L. The Four Tops, in 1966. After two weeks at the top of the charts, it was bumped by "96 Tears."





Ellie Goulding

8. Lee Brice

"Lonely Eyes"

"Like a Cowboy"

"Mean to Me" 7. Zac Brown Band "Homegrown"

"Drinking Class"

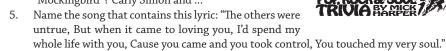
9. Chris Young

10. Randy Houser



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Who was the other half of the duo who released



Benedict Cumberbatch in "The Imitation Game"

EDITOR'S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of March 30, 2015.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"The Imitation Game" (PG-13) --Alan Turing was a renowned genius, roboticist, code-breaker, Naziconfounder and all-around British treasure. In the 1940s he led a team of geniuses who broke the Germans' "unbreakable" code and laid the foundation for modern computers. In

"The Rewrite" (PG-13) -- Hugh Grant has a way of stumbling over his words, fidgeting, looking around and then saying something understatedly clever or disarmingly earnest. It's his modus operandi. If he were a pro wrestler, stammering through a sheepish grin would be his signature move. In this waytoo-old-for-coming-of-age dramedy, Grant plays a washed-up Hollywood screenwriter who reluctantly accepts a gig teaching screenwriting at a little college in upstate New York. First he's a jerk, but then he must learn some lessons and repair relationships with the various stereotypical characters he's offended with his offbeat charm.

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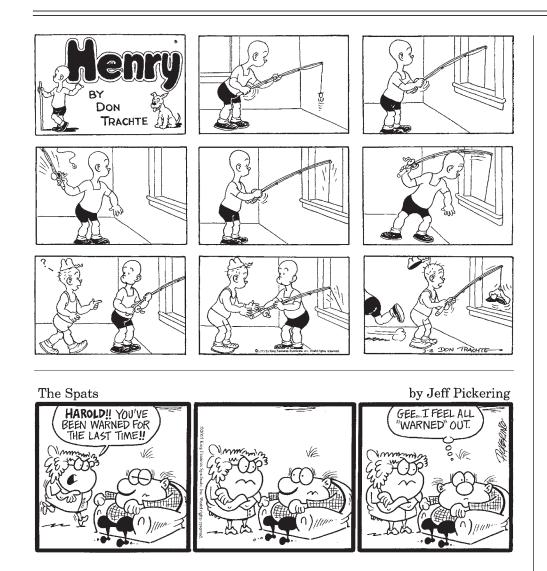
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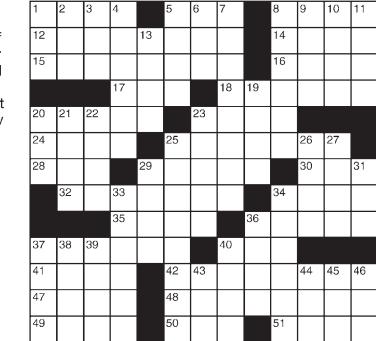
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HOLLYWOOD By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- Marlon Brando died in 2004 with the dream of Tetiaroa, his Polynesian atoll near Tahiti, becoming an ecological resort that could sustain itself with solar and sea power. At long last it has become a reality. Tourists now can stay at The Brando, a resort on the remote, unspoiled island with 35 villas, barely visible from the sea, that can accommodate 84 guests at a starting rate of \$2,735 a night. In addition, you can be guided around the atoll by his granddaughter, 27-year-old Tumi Brando, whose mother, Tarita Teripia, co-starred with Brando in "Mutiny on the Bounty," for no extra charge.

I never understood how Kelly Osborne could sit on the panel of "The Fashion Police," with her purple hair and her Mohawk, and pass judgment on other people's looks and clothes. The recent incident concerning Giuliana Rancic's remark about Disney star Zendaya's dreadlocks, in which she said, "She smelled of patchouli oil and weed," at the Oscars, seemed like "Much Ado About Nothing." Osborne was furious because, she said, "Zendaya is a friend of the show."

Giuliana apologized, not once but twice, even though she read the remark as written for her by the show's writers, and still Osborne threw Giuliana and the show under the bus. Joan Rivers brought those kinds of remarks to the show, and even without her, everyone knows it's just poking fun at fashion. Word is The E Network was so outraged by Osborne's ultimatum's they told her to quit or be fired.

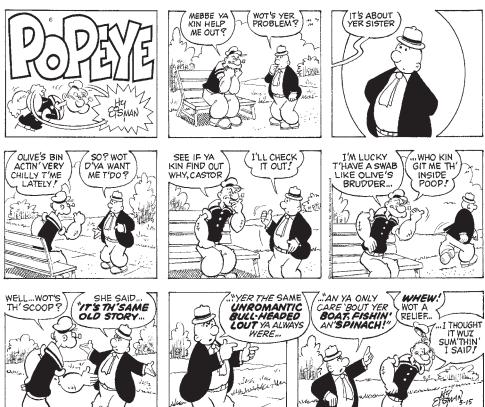


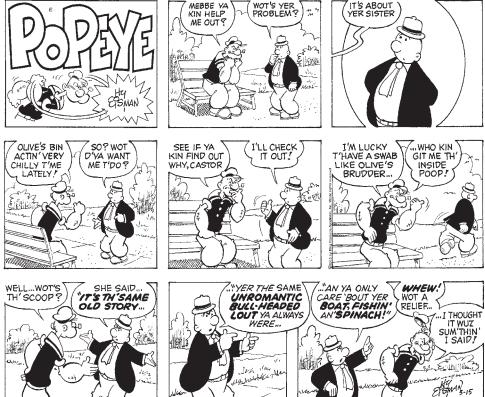
Kelly Osborne

Sadly, they're talking about one of those "K" girls, already too represented on The E Network, taking her place. "The Fashion Police" may just be going out of fashion!

Our court system is still trying to extradite director Roman Polanski for having sex with a minor in 1977. Polanski is in Poland preparing to shoot the \$48 million film "The Dreyfus Affair," based on the novel "An Officer and a Spy." He has had to endure the murder of his wife, Sharon Tate, and their unborn child at the hands of the Manson Family in 1969. The statutory rape charge forced him to flee the U.S. to France and Poland to avoid extradition. Polanski is 81 years old; the girl is now 51 years old.

Maggie Smith has announced that season six of "Downton Abbey" will be her last, admitting, "I can't see how it can go on, I mean, I certainly can't keep going. To my knowledge, I (meaning her character) must be 110 by now!" LOL!





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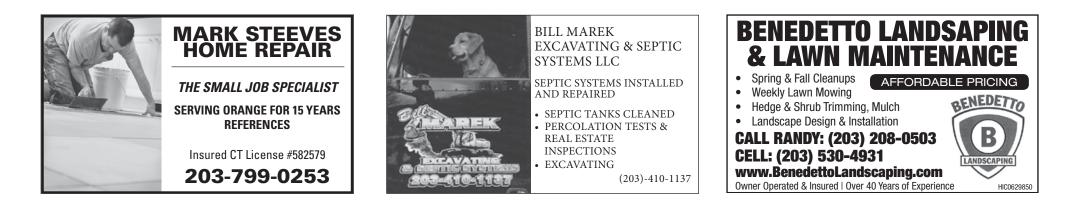
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BULLETIN BOARD

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.

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.

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 7:30pm, HPCC conference room, 525 Orange Center Road, public is invited to attend. For more information, email Orangerecycles@gmail.com. Beginning August, meetings will be held every 3rd Tuesday at 7:00pm except for October which will be held on October 14, 2014.

Elm City Kennel Club General Meetings, third Wednesday of each month, except during July and August, 7:30pm, Paws'N Effect, 36 Corporate Ridge Drive (off Sherman Avenue), Hamden. For more information, contact New Member Coordinators Gary Wilson, at 203-996-2245 (gwilson86@comcast. net) or Maureen Anderson, at 203-430-5229 (maureenanderson@snet.net). Next meeting Wednesday, April 16, 2014. Refreshments will be served. Our April meeting will include a program on AKC Dog Shows 101.

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.orangectrotary.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.

Woodmont Library Morning Book Discussion Group, meets the first Thursday monthly, next meeting Thursday April 2, 2015, 10:30am, Ellen Aftamonow Woodmont Library, 16 Dixon Street, Milford, April's book is, "The Apple Tree Yard," by Louise Doughty, for May's book is, "The Gospel of Jesus, According to Biff," by Christopher Moore. All are welcome. For further information, call 203 875-5675.

Love To Crochet, Hooked on the Sound (HOTS) Crochet Guild, a nonprofit group of enthusiastic crocheters meet monthly, NO FEES, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange CT, 203-891-2170 (library only), Saturdays, 10:00am-1:00pm, April 4, May 2, June 6, July 11, August 1, September 12, October 3, November 7, December 5. Website: www.hotscrochetguild.yolasite.com/. Email us at HOTSCrochet-Guild@Live.com.

New NAMI Support Group Meeting,

every first Monday of the month, meetings begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. and end promptly at 7:30pm, BRIDGES, a community support system, 949 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford, conference room on the second floor, meeting dates are April 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, August 3, August 31, September 14, October 5, November 2 & December 7, 2015. They are free of charge and facilitator led. Family & Friends welcome.

The New Haven Mineral Club - 42nd Annual Show 2015, Wednesday & Thursday, April 11 & 12, 2015, Saturday, April 14, 2015, 9:30am-5:00pm, Sunday, April 15, 2015, 9:30am-5:00pm; Amity Regional Middle School, Sheffield Road (off Route 34), Orange, Minerals, Gems, Jewelry & Fossils, Exhibits- Dealers- Door Prizes-Lectures- Demonstrations. Donation \$5.00, Children under 12 Free when accompanied by an adult. For more info visit newhavenmineralclub.org.

Hearing Loss Association Of America, Southwestern Ct Chapter Meeting, Saturday April 18, 2015, 10:00am, Watermark, 3030 Park Avenue, Bridgeport; featured speaker Stuart Losen PhD, "Coping With Hearing Loss As We Grow Older". For additional information please contact Mike at 203.268-2924 or email atticsmith@aol.com.

HAVE A GREEN EASTER CELEBRATION

Easter calls to mind colored eggs and baskets full of candy and toys. Many of the things used for Easter celebrations are not necessarily eco-friendly. But there are ways to embrace greener options to ensure Easter is a happy time for celebrants and the environment. Here's how to get started.

Easter BasketsEaster baskets overflowing with fake grass and plenty of treats are an eagerly anticipated component of Easter celebrations. However, many of the items found in a typical Easter basket -- or even the basket itself -- may be made of items that are damaging to the environment. Plastic easter eggs are made from plastics that may not be biodegradable. Furthermore, they may be made using chemicals that are damaging to the environment. Plastic grass carries the same dangers. Once discarded, plastic grass also may pose risks to wildlife that can become tangled in the substance or inadvertently eat it and choke or experience intestinal blockage. Instead of pre-packaged Easter baskets, individuals can construct their own. Look for baskets made from reusable materials, such as wicker or other wood-based materials, steering away from plastic. Instead of plastic grass, shred paper that is headed for the recycling bin.



with fresh flowers in a vase. Use twigs and ribbon to create inexpensive and green centerpieces for the holiday table. Wrap cloth napkins in a thick blade of grass for a little festivity. Construct wreaths from pruned garden clippings and florist wire to dress up doorways.

Table Settings

Avoid disposable products whenever possible to prevent extra items from ending up in the trash. It is easy to wash ceramic or even fine china with ease in a dishwasher. Think about purchasing decorative spring-themed glasses that can be reused year after year. Resist the urge to use disposable bakeware and serving platters as well. While they may take a little longer to wash, you'll be doing your part to help the planet.

Look for treats without excessive packaging. You can gather healthy treats and toys individually and put together in the basket. This way you can cater more to what your child enjoys and rely less on the cheap stuff that will end up in the garbage.

Easter Eggs

Coloring Easter eggs is a tradition. So are the coloring kits that may be made from chemical food dyes. Instead, look to natural foods to add a festive hue to the eggs. Cranberry juice or beet juice can turn eggs pink. Red cabbage leaves or mashed blueberries can dye eggs blue. And turmeric can give eggs a yellow tint. These all-natural dyes are safe for little fingers.

All-Natural Decorations

Rather than silk flowers and plastic eggs, use the real thing in your decorating. Bring a little of the outside indoors

Easter Dinner

Many families dine on ham and potatoes or a roast for Easter dinner. Shop locally at your nearest butcher for the meat instead of purchasing something mass-produced in a can. A local farm stand may yield plenty of fresh vegetables to accompany the main course. Instead of store-bought desserts, think about fresh berries in a homemade pie for the perfect ending to this festive day.

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confined to church members and this was passed with Alexander Bryan being one of the chosen. As an interesting sidebar, William East, another one of the chosen, owned property in the area of today's Webster Bank on Route 1. In 1675 he married a widow, Mary Plum and he gave her the property that was to become a Tavern, known as the Half Way House. Leaving the property to her grandson, John Woodruff who left the property to his son Enoch, who in turn

left it to his widow and his four children.

To Polly, he left the bar room and to both Polly and Ann a large quantity of rum suggesting that the house was a public house before the Milford Turn-

pike, Route 1, was built in 1801. Given the description of the property, being placed at halfway tree, has spawned the thought that the tavern was halfway between New York and Boston. How many dwellings were built in the southern part of what is now Orange in the early 18th century is not readily known but the number would be considerable, considering that in 1750 a vote was taken to set up a school at Bryan's Farms.

Keeping in mind that Bryan's Farms was part of the Milford colony, the use of the name North Milford would have been appropriate for those homes near and around where the Green is today. The first church in Milford was, as was said, the heart of the community being used as a courtroom, auditorium and town meetings in addition to the divine services. For almost 100 years members of the north end of Milford made their way to church in much the same weather as we have experienced this year. It wasn't bad enough to have traveled the distance from home to church but to then endure the cold in church, sitting through its two, long services. In Mary Woodruff's book she writes, "Late in the afternoon there was the return trip, back to a cold hearth and after doing the nightly chores, to return to cold sleeping rooms and plunge into icy sheets, perchance offering up a prayer of thanksgiving that Sunday came but once a week". We should add here, that the fires were never 100% out as the coals were banked to be rekindled and most homes had a bed warmer that when filled with hot coals would be passed between the sheets to make



the "plunge" a little more hospitable. In 1792 the feeling of the parishioners was to have services closer to home and to this end was built a meeting house 36' by 30' just south of where the Orange Congregational Church stands today, on the Green. A petition by Bryan's Farms was issued to the First Church in Milford for preaching in the winter months. They were granted six Sundays with a minister from Milford. The next year was increased to 10 services and by 1796 it was increased to twelve.

> At this time, there were two Milford churches, as members of the First Church, who disagreed with the manner in which the beliefs were held, founded their own,

several blocks away. By 1804 the early fathers, not satisfied with the number 12, presented a petition to the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut and being "deeply impressed with the importance of a constant attendance for themselves and families on public worship and while their attendance is always accompanied with inconvenience, it is sometimes rendered impossible".

After much debate, the petition was granted and the Society was organized on the first Monday in December 1804. Regular preaching began and on February 24, Mr. Erastus Scranton a student at Yale, a candidate for the ministry preached his first sermon and continued until July when he was ordained pastor of the church and society.

The future of the Town of Orange was now in the hands of the church







and by 1822, the General Assembly, receiving a petition in April of 1821 granted that all the portion of Milford known as North Milford and a portion of West Haven was to become a town to "enjoy all the powers, privileges and immunities enjoyed by other towns in the state". Choosing a name for the town caused a difference of opinion with names suggested as Milford Haven, North Milford, and Westford with Orange being chosen in memory of the kindness and restoration privileges afforded by Prince William of Orange.

The original seal of the Town of Orange is the coat of arms of William, Prince of Orange, and husband to Queen Mary. In recognition of the restoration of the charter privileges given to the Connecticut colony in 1687 and the Charter Oak, Orange was the name chosen for the new town.

"Students from Mary L. Tracy School were happy to celebrate all things green during the month of March. From leprechaun Math, to special guest visitors, green was highlighted in more ways than one. Pictured here is one of the preschool classes in front of their "lucky" bulletin board, as well as the Irish Dancers from Lenihan School. Lastly, one of our Dads donned green military attire while collecting a sizable donation from the MLT community of supplies for soldiers. Here's to melting snow, changing seasons and some nice GREEN grass!"



WEISS NAMED AS CT ALL STAR

Doria Weiss, 18, of Orange was named to the Connecticut All-State Soccer Team for the second straight year. A Center Mid Fielder, she scored 17 goals and had six assists in leading her team to the New England Championship Finals.

She was selected to the New Haven Register's All Area Girls Soccer team. She is a three-time All Fairchester League and Western New England Prep-school all-star, was named to the Boston Globe All NEPSAC (New England Preparatory School Athletic Council) team, and was selected to play in the Senior Bowl.

> Doria is senior class president at Hamden Hall. She will attend the University of Michigan in the honors program this fall.

PARK AND RECREATION **INFORMATION AND EVENTS**

OFFICE CLOSINGS

The Park and Recreation office will be closed on the following days:

• Good Friday - Friday, April 3

• Memorial Day - Monday, May 25 Please check the pool and fitness center bulletin boards for facility hours

BIRTHDAY POOL PARTIES

The pool is available for party rentals on: Saturdays 5:00pm-6:00pm and Sundays 1:00pm-2:00pm

Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. All participants will be given a swim test before the party starts. Children must be able to swim one full length of the pool, or a parent must go in the water with them. The lobby is also available for use after the open swim. A refundable deposit is required for the lobby and shall be returned if the area is properly cleaned after the party. Please call Sue at (203)891-4794 for information.

SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS

Counselors and Specialists

Applications are being accepted for people interested in being a counselor or camp specialist this summer beginning on Wednesday, April 1, 2015. This job is a 9 week commitment and begins on June 15th with orientation. All applicants must be available for a personal interview. All returning counselors and specialists from the 2014 Day Camp are required to fill out an application and turn it in by Monday, May 4th, 2015. We will not be accepting applications for Junior Counselors.

weather, please check the Park and Recreation website at www.orange-ct. gov Recreation Services home page.

The WTNH television station will also be notified of the information, but may choose to post it on their website only. Programs scheduled to run at any of the school gyms will be automatically canceled if school is canceled or closes early. The pool may be open even if the schools are closed.

AMITY REGIONAL AQUATIC CLUB

This is an age group swim team. Information is available on the team's website, www.aracswimteam.com

SUMMER CAMP INFORMATION

Day Camp is scheduled to begin on June 22 and continue for 4, two week sessions, ending on August 14.

Day Camp is for children who are entering kindergarten and are the age of 5 when camp begins through 5th grade, from 9:00am-4:00pm. Early and late stay is available at an additional charge.

The Travelin' Teens camp is for children who have completed 6th through 9th grade. Camp runs for 8, one week sessions starting June 22. Most trips are from 9:00am-4:00pm. Early and late stay is available at an additional charge. Registration information, forms and fees will be available on April 20th.

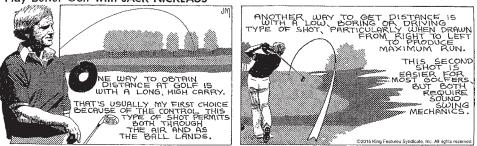


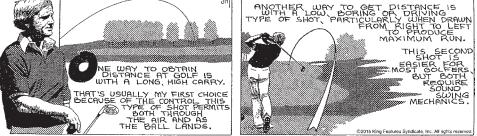
Good job guys! The Orangemen Fifth Grade team wrapped up their season. They won Branford Tournament and runners up in Milford Hoopfest. The team has fifth grade boys from Orange and Woodbridge. They are coached by Powell Chodos and Jim Donovan.



The Lady Orange of Holy Infant 5th Grade Girls Travel Team recently captured the Fairfield County Basketball League Tournament Championship defeating New Fairfield 28-25. The team is comprised of all Orange residents. Team members are: Alaina Schneider, Anna Varholak, Bailey McDermott, Emma Kirck, Jayne Whitman, Jenna Ricciardi, Meghan Kirck, Rose Wegman, Sarah Granados, Sydney Manzione

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Resident Registration for Travelin' Teens begins on April 27th.

Resident Registration for Day Camp begins on May 4th.

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The Orange Arts and Culture Council is sponsoring its third annual photography contest "Picture This". The contest is open to Orange residents in grades 4 -12. The contest encourages participants to photograph people, places or things in Orange. The photos will be judged in three grade categories: Grades 4-6, Grades 7-8 and Grades 9-12. Prizes of 1st- \$25.00, 2nd -\$15.00 and Honorable Mention - \$10.00 will be awarded in each grade category.

The photo entries may be in black/ white or color. The submitted photo must be 8"x10" in size and unframed. Each entry should include a brief description about the subject of the photo. The photographer's name, address, school and grade level should be included on the back of the photo.

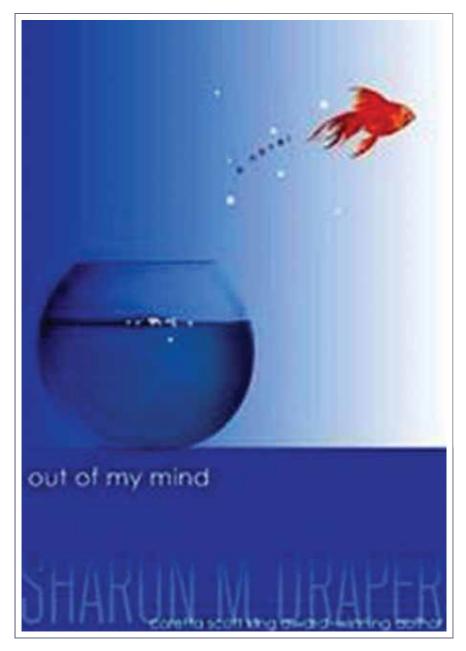
All photos must be submitted by June 1, 2015. Send entries to OACC, PO Box 596, Orange, CT 06477. The photos will become the property of the OACC and will not be returned.

For further information, contact Judy Primavera at 203-795-1133 or Liz Gesler at 203-795-5133.

CHINMAYA MISSION TO HOST 'CHINMAYA MELODIES'

The Chinmaya Mission Fairfield-New Haven is proud to host an exhilarating evening of Bollywood music by young maestros Sanjeev and Armeen Ramabhadran. The much-awaited musical extravaganza (also the Annual Fundraiser) will be held on Saturday, May 2, from 6 P.M. to 9 P.M. at Hamden Middle School, 2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden. Free parking is available on premises. The exciting evening starts with the social hour at 5 P.M., when patrons enjoy delicious Indian snacks and hot masala chai. Tickets are priced at \$100, \$50 & \$30 with corresponding tickets for children at \$90, \$40, \$25. Babysitting for kids aged 5 and above is available on site at a cost of \$5 which includes pizza. Tickets can be bought online at: www.chinmayafairfield.org. Bring your family and friends and enjoy a nostalgic evening of Bollywood music!





READING TOGETHER BUILDS CHARACTER

One Book-One Read family event is for families with a student attending Amity Middle School Orange. Families will be reading the novel Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper with their parent/guardian. They will come back to school for 4 fun-filled nights surrounding the themes in the book. There will be fun activities, book trivia, games, videos, and snacks. Since we have only 60 copies of the book available, be sure to sign up in the school library or the main office at Amity Middle School Orange. You can also phone Mrs. Goss in the media center 203-392-3200 ext. 2042 or email her at nancy.goss@reg5. k12.ct.us to sign up.

Books will be distributed on the first night. Below are the dates:

- 1st night--Tuesday, April 14th
- 2nd night--Thursday, April 30th
- 3rd night--Monday, May 11th
- 4th night--Wednesday, May 27th
- Evening sessions begin at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 7:30 p.m.



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OUTSIDE Т В Η Ο E

While most of us have been counting the days 'til warm weather returns,



there's one Orange resident who is sad to see the last piles of snow melt away.

Annemarie Sliby, 51, is a ski lover who swooshes down the slopes all season long from Thanksgiving's

opening day 'til mid-April when there's one last ribbon of snow winding from mountaintop to bottom. "I go 'til the bitter end," she said. Sliby has loved the sport since her dad first took her skiing at age 14. "Skiing is exciting, it feels like flying!" she said. "I love the adrenaline rush you get when you've had a great run. It never gets boring—bumps, jumps, trees, corduroy cruisers--you can do something different on each run. I love the beauty of the mountains, the smell of the winter air and fresh pines, and the friendliness of all skiers - because

we share that common bond. And of course I love the Après ski—the ending to a perfect ski day!"

Once she hit her 20s, skiing became a regular winter time activity, one that has taken her to the top of mountains in Maine, New

Hampshire and Vermont, out west to Utah, Montana, Colorado and California, and most recently, to the Alps of Switzerland.

This year Sliby joined a local ski club for the first time where she met a group of like-minded ski enthusiasts who ranged in age from 20s to 60s. "I wish I'd done it years ago," she said, pointing out the discounted group rate made skiing in Europe more affordable. Her trip this year to San Moritz was an interesting change of venue, not only for the breathtaking scenery, but the sensation of skiing above the tree line. "I was amazed at the beauty of it, it was just gorgeous," she said. "The slopes had a different look than out west where you have trees and big trams. Since there are no trees everything is all white. There aren't many signs that tell you where you are going – and the few they have are in German -they're just neon colored sticks marking the trails. It wasn't the best skiing in the



Annemarie Sliby

world because they had less snow than usual this year, but the beauty of the country and the mountains left me in awe." She also enjoyed the elegant eateries that dot the mountainside and the outdoor, sheepskin-covered barstools designed to keep skiers warm and the brief stopover in Italy to eat pastries on the way to the mountain.

At home Sliby takes off several weekends a month and heads to Vermont, typically skiing at Mount Snow or Killington. "If you ski the east you can

> ski anywhere, we're used to skiing on everything from ice and hard packed snow to powder. In the Alps the native skiers didn't know how to change their skiing style moment to moment like skiers from the

East Coast in the U.S." she said. Sliby admits since she loves the "crazy stuff" -- skiing the varied terrain in the trees and the knee-bouncing bumps of moguls - she typically skis with men, except for long-time ski buddy, Carol Cody who she began skiing with in the 1990s. "There are not a lot of women who ski," she said. Though Sliby doesn't fly off the big jumps, she can often be found alongside teenagers in the terrain parks, riding the half pipe and getting "a little air." "The half pipe is so much fun!" she said.

Sliby, who is executive assistant to the president at PEZ, still has a couple of weeks left of her favorite spring skiing when she can peel off a few layers, put on sunglasses and catch some rays as she barrels down the mountain. When she finally puts her skis away she'll brush off her sneakers and get out her bathing suit for her warm weather activities - running, hiking, paddle boarding and kayaking. And hope for another cold, snowy winter in 2016.

BARK BYTES...

By Vicki & Richard Horowitz



Helping Your Dog Ease into Your New Home

By Richard and Vicki Horowitz

Moving into a new home can be both an exciting and stressful time for humans and pets. While we are able to understand why we have changed our dwelling, your furry companion may have a harder time adjusting to his new environment. Following are some tips to help your dog adapt to the new place you call "home".

Before moving day, take time to reinforce basic obedience commands with your dog. He'll be more focused on you and have an easier time settling in to his new surroundings.

Use a distinct scent, such as lavender oil, around your old home for at least a few weeks prior to your move. Then, before you bring your dog to the new house, spray the same scent throughout the space. This common scent can help create a sense of comfort and familiarity for your dog.

During busy packing activities, confine your dog in his crate. Provide him with fun toys to keep him occupied, and remember to take him for on-leash walks throughout the day. If you anticipate a hectic moving day, consider boarding him at a day care, kennel or with friends to keep him safe.

When you arrive at your new home, take your dog for a leashed walk both inside and outside the home. Keep him confined in a room or his crate to ensure he doesn't escape while you are busy with unpacking chores.

Place his bowls, toys and bed in the same rooms as in the old house (e.g., next to the kitchen fridge, in the family room). Continue to use the same bed he's been using—providing a new bed in his new home may be too much change for him to take all at once.

Understand that your dog will need time to adjust to his new living arrangement as well as to possible time and climate changes. As he adapts to his new surroundings, he will begin to feel more comfortable and relaxed, especially if he sees that you yourself are calm and comfortable in the new environment.

It typically takes about three weeks for a dog to become accustomed to his new setting, so try to keep to the same routine your dog has been accustomed to. This will alleviate stress and help him settle in faster. Plan to be home with your dog for the first few days after the move. During these days, begin spending short periods of time away from the house to see how he will respond. That way, when you have to be away all day, your dog will be better adjusted to the home and will feel more comfortable when you're not there.

sary, restrict his movements, the less chance for mistakes. If there were pets in the house previously, there may be issues with your dog wanting to mark his territory. Be careful not to correct him excessively and be sure to praise him profusely when he does something positive.

Observe your dog's behavior. The move he has just experienced may be traumatic for him. Watch for potential medical concerns such as not eating, diarrhea and coughing which may be associated with stress and require treatment. Other signs of stress are pacing, hiding, destroying things and separation anxiety.

Fearful behavior is common when a big change has occurred in a dog's life. Your dog may be uncharacteristically timid in his new surroundings. Needy or "clingy" behavior is also common. Your dog may be feeling unsure and so he may try to follow you wherever you go. Remember, you are his most familiar anchor in the new home.

If your dog shows signs of nervousness, try not to overly reassure him. By giving him an unusual amount of attention when he is worried, you can inadvertently communicate to him that there must be something to worry about. Just remain calm and confident. Toys like the Buster® Cube or KONG® products may be a good way to entertain your dog and keep his mind focused on something fun.

Check your new home's surroundings for any dangerous items, such as rat poison, antifreeze, chewable objects or holes in a fenced area.

Research a veterinarian and plan to visit the clinic with your dog before an actual appointment or emergency visit. Provide the clinic with a copy of your dog's veterinary records.

License your dog according to local ordinances, update his identification tags, and contact your dog's microchip or tattoo registry to update your contact information. Place new stickers on the doors and windows around your house to alert emergency personnel that there are pets inside.





ORANGE RESIDENTS!

Help me make this column a success. Send me your suggestions - if you think you may make an interesting subject, or someone you know should be featured, let me know at laura@orangetownnews.com.

Be patient with your dog. Realize that accidents will happen. The more you are able to monitor him and, if neces-

Be patient with your furry pal as he adjusts to his new home. He may take days or even weeks to get comfortable with his new home and routine. Continue to provide an environment of love, comfort and trust, and your dog will soon settle in to his new home sweet home.

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-training-new-haven-ct. com.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) An unexpected problem should be handled as quickly as possible so that it doesn't cause too much of a delay. Someone who knows what you're facing could provide needed advice.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An unsettling situation seems to be taking forever to be resolved. Fortunately, your Bovine aptitude for patience is strong this week, so you'll be more than able to wait it out.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Taking a stand against an uncalled-for situation involving a friend or co-worker isn't easy, but somehow you'll rise to the challenge and do it. Rely on advice from someone you trust.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) There are still some questions on all sides that need to be dealt with in order to allow hurt feelings to heal. Get your workplace tasks done early so that you can devote more time to loved ones.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Consider a new spring makeover that will show all you Leos and Leonas in your best light. A new hairdo and some fashionable new clothes can help put a fresh glow on your image.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Some stormy, emotional weather can blow up in the workplace when an irate co-worker has strong words for

you. But if you believe right is on your side, you'll be able to ride it out.

LIBRA (September 23 to October

22) Creating more balance in your life is especially important now so that you're not distracted when you get into projects that will make demands on both your physical and mental energies.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) As much as you enjoy being right when others are not, show your generous side by offering to use what you know to everyone's benefit. This way, you gain admirers and avoid resentment.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good week for the Archer to aim at healing relationships. Whether it's at home, at work or among your friends, get everyone to set things straight and make a fresh start.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although you like things done your way, this is a good time to listen to ideas from others. You might even find yourself agreeing with one or more of their suggestions.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Aspects favor positive action to reclaim your ideas from someone who might want the glory without doing any of the work. Expect to find many people rallying to support you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel uneasy about taking that step forward at work or in your private life. But who knows better than you that while treading water keeps you afloat, it doesn't get you anywhere.

ENTERING THE WORLD OF CAT SHOWS

DEAR PAW'S CORNER:

I think I have the most beauti-

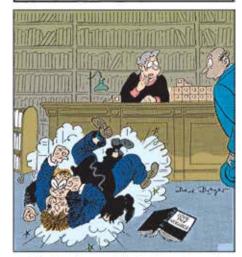
ful cat, and I'd like to enter him in a cat show to see if he'd win. How can I get "George" into a show? --Tracey B., A Paw's

to enter, rules of competition, tips on caring for and grooming your

cat, and a list of upcoming events. The International Cat Association (http://tica.org/) is another good resource, with lots



MISTER BREGER By Dave Breger

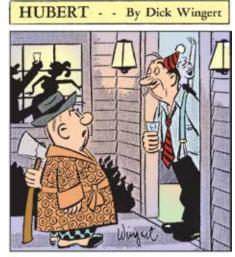


"Oh, dear-it seems they both want our only copy of the same book....!"

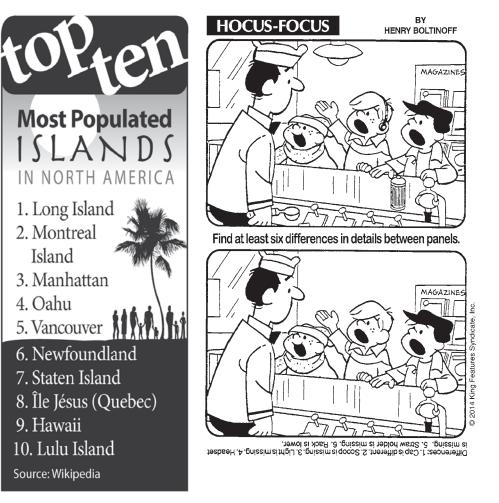
LAFF - A - DAY



"I never take you anywhere because you keep saying you have nothing to wear!"



"I believe you sent for a piano tuner."



via email

DEAR TRACEY:

The first thing you should do is study: Read up on cat shows, how they're conducted, what breed groups are typically shown, what judges look for, and so on.

Don't worry if you're not sure of George's breed: Many shows have a "Household Pet Class" that doesn't have a specific breed standard.

Where's the best place to start studying? The Cat Fanciers Association (www.cfa.org) has a website with lots of good information on the basics of cat shows, like how

by Sam Mazzotta

calendar. It's important to be sure that

of information

and a robust show

George is up to the stress of being shown. Is he a friendly, wellsocialized cat who is OK with being petted and picked up by strangers? Can he stay relaxed in a strange, noisy environment near several other cats? Is he in good health? Are his vaccinations up to date?

Finally, attend one or two cat shows near you, without George, to see how they are conducted and decide if you'd like to make your cat a competitor.

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



Monarch butterflies utilize about 30 milkweed species as hosts for their larvae. Most used is the common milkweed (Asclepias syriaca), a weedy species that grows plentifully in sunny fields. Most monarchs that overwinter in Mexico each year are thought to have fed on this species as a larva.

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