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Students Create Memorial for School Shooting Victims

BY MELISSA NICEFARO
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When four Amity Middle School Orange students heard about the February school shooting in Parkland, Florida, they became angry and wanted to get the message out that something has to change. “I was fueled by anger,” said eighth grade student Emma Hatjopoulou. “We wanted to ‘walk out’ on the day that other schools were, but we weren’t allowed to. We were asked to pick another way to have our voices heard.”

So, they did. On a sunny Tuesday morning at 10:02 in front of dozens of classmates, Emma, Ali Bower, Jade Krukar and Piper Zschack read statements and honored the victims of the shootings. Students were asked to wear burgundy and silver on April 24th and to sign up for the ‘walk-out’ with their homeroom teachers.

“As many of you know, on February 14th, 2018, there was a mass shooting at Stoneman Douglas High School in Florida. Within only six minutes, 15 virtuous students were injured, 17 innocent lives were lost, and a community was left grieving and shattered,” Emma said to the crowd.

Jade continued, “Today, we have gathered here to remember the victims of the shooting,” and she proceeded to read each name of the 17 victims and share a point or two about their lives. “Nicholas Dworet, age 17, was an avid swimmer with dreams of making it to the 2020 Olympics. Aaron Feis, age 37, was a football coach who used his own body to shield bullets from students. Jamie Guttenberg, age 14, was an intelligent girl who wanted to be a

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Historic Houses to be Salvaged

BY LAURA FANTARELLA
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A piece of Orange history may wind up in Nashville if the bones of the home on the former Finer Farm are right for a Tennessee couple putting an addition on their 1780 house. If not Nashville, there’s also interest in New Hampshire -- but the final destination could be anywhere in the USA for the old Orange homestead.

Ed Oberg, owner of Ashford Restoration, and his team are carefully dismantling the Turkey Hill Road home, salvaging floorboards, framing, sills and posts from the property which was once the site of the Finer dairy

farm and cannery. Built sometime in the 1700s, the house sits on a five and a half-acre parcel that adjoins Turkey Hill School.

The town purchased the property from descendants of the original owners in July of 2016 for \$325,000 with the intention of preserving it for possible future use. According to First Selectman Jim Zeoli, the property is in a desirable location given its proximity to Turkey Hill School. “We don’t have any use for it at this time, there’s nothing we’ve identified if for, but we wanted it for possible future needs,”

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mother and an occupational therapist.”

“We hear stories like the one of Parkland in the news and we often forget that these are the lives of real people we’re talking about. Reading the name of a victim is easy, recognizing that they were a real person with a whole future ahead of them is much harder,” Piper said.

The girls planted 17 flowers around a tree in the school courtyard to serve as individual memorials for the victims of the shooting. “These flowers are not to serve as a grim reminder of the tragedy that has taken place, but as a representation that new life and hope can come about in the aftermath of something terrible,” Piper said. “They

also symbolize the power that we as students have. If just a few kids can make a lasting impact on their school, just think what the voices of every student across the country could do.”

Ali continued, “So these flowers not only serve as a memorial, but also as a reminder; everybody has a voice, and it’s up to you how you’ll use it. By simply standing up for what you believe in, you can make more of a change than you know.”

A moment of silence was held for each victim. “We hope this inspires other things to happen. We all say we want to do more – to help people feel like they have a voice and a sense of unity. We wanted to inspire people to make a difference. You’re never too young to do that,” Ali said.



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Residents “Blinded By The Light”

BY LAURA FANTARELLA
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Cedarwood Drive residents Pat and Paula Minore have been blinded by the light -- and not in a good way. After nearly two years enduring high intensity floodlights from Turkey Hill School shining into their bedrooms all night long, the couple hopes the Town Plan and Zoning Commission (TPZC) may provide the light at the end of the tunnel.

The TPZC was the latest stop for the Minores who, along with several neighbors, have brought their plight to the Board of Education, its facilities director, superintendent, the Zoning Enforcement Officer and even First Selectman Jim Zeoli with little resolution. And though minor adjustments were made along the way, and the powers-that-be seemed willing to work with the Minores to alleviate the issue, the solutions didn't work and there was miscommunication and misunderstanding between all parties involved.

The issues began in 2016 when a town project to pave and refurbish the Turkey Hill School (THS) parking lot was completed. Never an issue in the more than 30 years the Minores lived in their home, suddenly the new LED bulbs installed in the lamppost fixtures now illuminated the land from dusk to dawn, filling nearly every room of their house with bright light. "The school was lit up like Yankee Stadium all summer. I couldn't have a drink on my deck without light blinding my eyes," Minore said. "These lights have dramatically affected our quality of life. It's been disheartening to be ignored by town officials."

Minore recalled contacting Zoning Enforcement Officer (ZEO) Paul Dinice in 2016 and as a result, a posse of Board of Education officials came out to their home to check out the situation. "They were making hand puppets on the wall," Minore said. "I didn't find it amusing." The Minores even hired an independent company to perform a lighting analysis and learned the new lights were up to 70 times brighter than moonlight and exceeded lighting regulation limits. A year later, in October and again in July of 2017, Dinice sent letters to School Superintendent Dr. Vince Scarpetti declaring the lights were in violation of Orange Zoning Regulations. In November, with no response from Scarpetti or the Board of Education, Dinice issued an Abatement Order to the Board, instructing them to submit a site plan

application -- lighting supplement -- in compliance with town regulations or "remove all light fixtures which were illegally erected." The notice stated failure to comply with the order would result in a \$150 per day fine for each violation. According to Dinice, a fine has not yet been issued.

When Scarpetti addressed the Board at the TPZC meeting, he reported the Board of Ed was "immediately responsive" when they learned of the problem but Scarpetti made no reference to the abatement order sent by the ZEO. "The Minores only pointed out one fixture and we immediately installed covers and redirected the lights," he said. "We did our best to rectify the matter and we thought it was resolved."

As TPZC Commissioners listened to the sequence of events they pointed out the town should have submitted a site plan for the THS paving project before it began, at which time compliance with lighting and other regulations would have been determined. The problem seems to stem from the new LED lights that replaced the original incandescent bulbs in the parking lot's fixtures giving off much higher light values.

TPZC Chairman Ozzie Parente outlined what has to happen next. "There's no point in a cease and desist order, this has to get fixed or down the road there will be a lawsuit and that would be ridiculous," he said. The Commission recommended the town hire a professional to submit a site plan in compliance with zoning regulations.

First Selectman James Zeoli was in the audience throughout the TPZC meeting and offered to hire a lighting professional and have the information available by the May meeting. But as of this printing, the two lights causing the most problems are inexplicably out. "We don't know why they aren't working and we can't do the light study until they're fixed," Zeoli said, adding he's optimistic the situation will be resolved shortly.

"It's a town property and it's a school and there's many concerns across the country that schools need to be well lighted for safety and security purposes but this is overkill as far as lighting goes," Zeoli said. "There should be shields on the lights and they should be redirected and none of that was done. We'll figure it out and fix it."

The Minores were cautiously optimistic leaving the meeting. "Hopefully it won't take too long," Minore said.

Did You Know?

As Mother's Day approaches, you may wonder, what does a legal column have in common with a Dr. Seuss book? More than you may think!

Do you remember the Dr. Seuss book "Horton Hatches the Egg"? Horton, an elephant, is asked by Mayzie, a bird, to sit on Mayzie's egg while Mayzie does a few errands. Well, Mayzie ends up taking off on a permanent vacation to Florida, leaving Horton stranded on the egg. Horton, an elephant of his word, sticks it out through many trials and tribulations, until the egg is hatched. Out comes a creature that is part bird and part elephant. So, who is the mother?

Assisted reproductive technology. In 2018, there are many ways to become a mother. Examples include intrauterine insemination, egg and sperm donation, in-vitro fertilization, intracytoplasmic sperm injection, and gamete intrafallopian tube transfers.

Keeping track of the players. The genetic mother is the mother whose gamete has been fertilized. The carrying mother is the mother who carries the fertilized gamete (embryo) until delivery. The mother who ends up as the "parent" of the baby, however, might be a third mother who entered into a gestational agreement with the other "mothers." So, is the mother Horton or Mayzie?

How does this relate to estate planning? Your Will and Living Trust (if applicable) should be clear about what you mean when you use terms such as "child," "grandchild," "heir," "descendant," or "lineal descendant." You don't want your family to be arguing about whether Horton or Mayzie is the mother. Clearly defined terms in your estate planning documents almost always will diffuse a disagreement about what was intended.

If you are interested in learning more about the intersection between assisted reproductive technology and estate planning, please visit our website and read our blog for recent posts. For advice specific to you or your family, please contact the office. We would be glad to meet with you for a no hassle, no charge initial consultation, no matter how long it lasts.



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Left to Right - David Smith Altice USA, Laura Jordan Altice USA, Matthew Rothman, State Rep. Themis Klarides, Arianna Decker, Nyah Parkinson, LeeAnn Browett, Chris Borelli.

Klarides Interviewed for Women's History Month Event

House Republican Leader Themis Klarides participated in a special Women's History Month Meet the Leaders event at Amity High School on Tuesday, April 3rd. The event was hosted by David Smith of Altice USA and gave students the opportunity to engage in dialogue about the significance of women in history, leadership and public service.

Rep. Klarides answered students' questions about women in leadership and her experience in public service.

The full 30-minute interview can be viewed by visiting www.meettheleaders.com.

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STUDENT NEWS

Achievements

Jacqueline Chasen Inducted Into The Honor Society Of Phi Kappa Phi

Baton Rouge, LA -- Jacqueline Chasen of Orange, Connecticut, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Chasen was initiated at University of Massachusetts. Chasen is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Phi Kappa Phi was founded in 1897 under the leadership of Marcus L. Urann who had a desire to create a different kind of honor society: one that recognized excellence in all academic disciplines. Its mission is, "To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

Dean's List

Nusdeo Named to Syracuse University Dean's List

Kevin Nusdeo, from Orange and a freshman at Syracuse University, was named to the Dean's List for fall 2017

as well as the Athletic Directors honor roll for fall 2017. He plays football at Syracuse. Parents are Michael and Mary Nusdeo.

Bryant University Students Named To Deans' List

Smithfield, RI -- Bryant University is committed to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence, and extends congratulations to the Orange students who have been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2017 semester: Connor Mislow, class of 2021 and Alexander Tumeniuk, class of 2018.

Honor Roll List

St. Joseph High School, Trumbull – 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

President's Honor Roll: GPA average of 95 or higher with no individual mark under a 90

Principal's Honor Roll: GPA average of 88 or higher with no individual mark under an 80

Those from Orange named to the Principal's Honor Roll are: Carly DeMaio grade 12, Mackenzie Gallagher grade 9, Brady Hutchison grade 9, Hannah Hutchison grade 12, Preston Kral grade 9, Maeve Malone grade 9, Dean Moccia grade 12, Grace Vocalina grade 12, and Tess Vocalina grade 10.



Turkey Hill's Drama Club Production of Toy Town

BY DANA ZOTTOLI

It was lights...camera...action on the stage at Turkey Hill School on Friday and Saturday, March 23rd and 24th as the Drama Club presented Toy Town for parents and community members. The music, stage sets, and cast costumes provided 94 Turkey Hill students with an opportunity to engage in authentic performances from well-known toy characters such as the Country Caroline Doll, Lego People, G.I. Joe, Barbie and Ken, Trolls, Cabbage Patch Kids, and Raggedy Ann.

Students took pride in presenting group acts, individual acts and solos. Country Caroline's plight to preserve her father's legacy as builder of Toy Town, despite accusations of theft was awe inspiring! Antagonist, Evil Cobra's, threats to take over Toy Town ignited a sense of urgency amongst the residents of the town. G.I. Joe's concern that residents of the town were being injured led to the mission of unfolding the resident behind the injuries and saving Toy Town. A twist in the plot re-

vealed that Strawberry Shortcake was behind it all! Many times, throughout the production, laughter was riveting in the audience. The singing and music was captivating. The involvement from parents, staff, and former students demonstrates a commitment to engaging the children of Turkey Hill School in developing opportunities for meaningful learning experiences which promoted personal, social, and emotional growth.

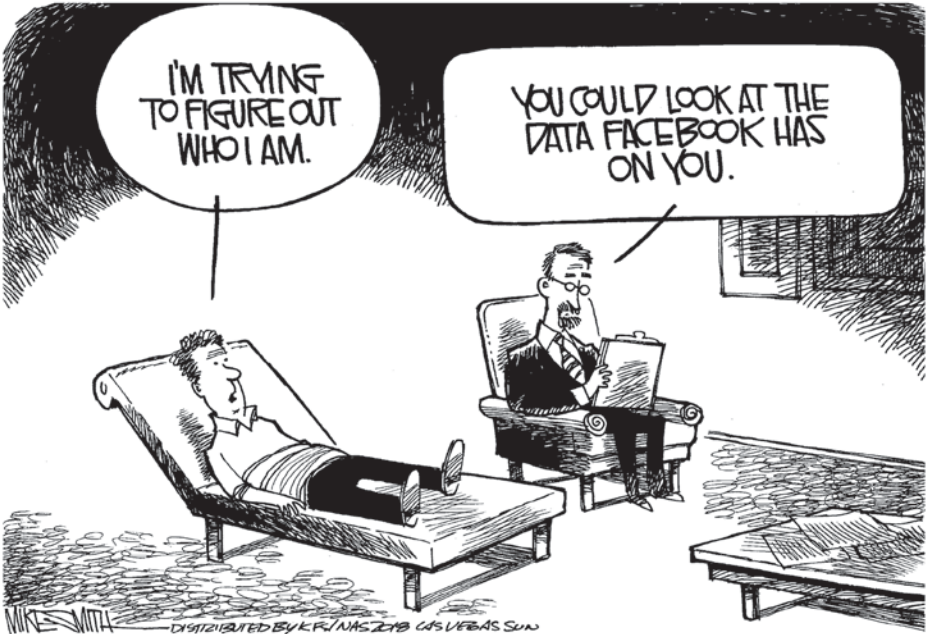
Drama Club Producer, Deborah Sansone (former Turkey Hill School parent), stated that she came back to Turkey Hill as the Drama Director because "There are a dozen former THS students who have leading parts in high school productions." The impact of the THS drama club is long lasting for our students. The students of Turkey Hill School definitely made their parents and community members proud! Many thanks to Deborah Sansone and the team, entirely run by volunteers, for providing support so that Turkey Hill School students could shine on stage!



Officer Chris Morse of the West Haven Police Department visited Orange Congregational Church Nursery School. The 4-year olds learn about People in the Neighborhood and their jobs. Officer Morse is a resident of Woodbridge.

Amity Budget Referendum

The Amity Budget Referendum will take place on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at High Plains Community Center from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Pursuant to State Law Absentee Ballots are available in the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall during normal hours.



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GenCyber Security & Forensics Camp for Teens

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The University of New Haven's Tagliatela College of Engineering will offer, for the second year in a row, Connecticut's only GenCyber security and forensics camp for high school students, the GenCyber Agent Academy.

The GenCyber Agent Academy, sponsored by the National Science Foundation and the National Security Agency, will be offered to 20 girls and 20 boys free of charge. The students must be entering ninth through 12th grade in the fall.

The camp will take place on the campus of the University of New Haven from July 24 to 29 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day. Full-time faculty in the University of New Haven's Cyber Forensics Laboratory will teach the program. The group's work exposing flaws in various phone apps has been featured worldwide.

To be considered for the camperships, students must write a 500-word essay about why they want to attend the camp and must have a letter of recommendation from a teacher. Applications to the CyberGen Agent Academy are due by May 15.

No previous experience in computing is necessary. Campers will be provided with different levels of training based on the students' experience.

"At the University of New Haven's Tagliatela College of Engineering, we embrace teaching cybersecurity con-

cepts starting at a young age," said Ibrahim Baggili, the camp director, and the project's principle investigator. "We are passionate about involving underrepresented minority students in this effort and teaching skills to the future generation of the cybersecurity workforce that will protect our nation."

The camp is a first chance for teens to look at cybersecurity and consider working toward a career in a job market that has one million job openings this year.

The camp will be supported by the lead instructor Liberty Page, a computer science instructor at the University with many years of experience in teaching science in Connecticut public schools, and Frank Breiting, assistant professor of computer science, and the University's hacking team mentor.

Activities at the camp will include an introduction to Python programming, cyber forensics, virtual reality, network defense and hacking concepts, investigating drones, and learning from experts in the field about their careers and their jobs. Students will also participate in a cyber competition and a scavenger hunt. Speakers will also discuss what is necessary for a career in cybersecurity and forensics and how to apply to colleges.

Participation in the camp includes three meals a day. Funding for transportation is also available.



Back row, left to right: Payton Bakis, Kate Sim, Chris Carlson, Aiden Courtney, Jack Hawes, Mike Kwolek, Adam Glassman, Nolan Smith, Noah Graver, Patrick Mizzone, Matt Carloni, Josh Hemstock, and Madeline Abdelmesih. (Second row, left to right): Gerry Burns, Justin Hunt, Adam Mortier, Julieanne Pereira, Emma Curis, Arielle Chetwynd, Anachal Poddar, Aditi Chalasani, Jesse Della Camera, Annabella Gefen Alves, Greta Pedenski, and Cindy Clen. (Third row, left to right): Chris Barberry, Dylan Lyons, Anna Saccante, Jenna Chizmadia, Isabelle Rosewater, Emily Barretta, and Roxanne Torriani (Fourth row, left to right): Melissa Musante, Seamus Hennessy, Ben Cap, Brett Chodas, and Kayle Mingione. [Photo by Jennifer Marganski]



Seated left to right: Jesse Del Camera, Seamus Hennessy, Patrick Mizzone, Matt Carloni, and Noah Graver. [Photo by Jennifer Marganski]

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"Giving Hair & Hope"

Amity Middle School in Orange hosted its 10th annual "Giving Hair and Hope" event. Over \$18,000 was raised for the St Baldrick's Foundation for Pediatric Cancer Research and Pantene Beautiful Lengths.

Teachers, staff, students, community, and family members packed the gym to make this event a huge success.

Area barbers and hairstylists donated their time to shave heads and cut pony tails of over 50 participants. Entertainment was provided by Mulkerins' Irish Dance Studio. "This is what I love most about hosting this event. It gives our students the opportunity to help others," said Vicki Fielosh, teacher and event coordinator.

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HISTORY CORNER

They Were Both On The Same Side...

The world is small at times but no smaller than the connection between the Otis family and the Bryan family. It's interesting to note that the Town of Orange has two historic homes, both once lived in by the descendants of two members of the Revolutionary War. One ancestor, Alexander Bryan, was born, as it would seem from Susan Woodruff's Families of Early Milford, in Milford. Alexander was one of the founders of the 1638 colony and he and his son Richard were the town's first merchants who had been engaged in fur trading with the Native Americans from the beginning of the settlement, carrying on a lucrative commerce with Boston, New York and the West Indies. Alexander's reputation was so well known that his notes of "hand" passed as currency in Boston. It is said that he had as large a business as any merchant on the American coast outside of Boston.

His great grandson becomes the subject of the next part of the story. Born in 1732, Alexander became the first permanent settler at Saratoga Springs in New York. Establishing himself as a tavern keeper, he was soon selected to be a spy by the patriot General Horatio Gates, the same general who was partly responsible for the defection of Benedict Arnold. Bryan was to undertake the dangerous mission of reporting the number and strength of the British army commanded by John Burgoyne and what he thought their movement might be.

In the meantime, he was spying for the British conveying information from a Tory confidant. In his tavern, the Half Moon, Bryan was able to convey the necessary information on the British movements to Gage, a somewhat arrogant man but loyal to his country if not his place in it. The tavern was located about two miles north of Waterford, New York on a road which served as the principal means of communication between the northern and southern frontiers. His home was naturally the place for the contending powers to meet, neither one realizing his double life as a spy. There is no doubt however, in reading material written about him that he was a loyal member of the patriots and his country.

Burgoyne and his men were camped on the heights and plains of Saratoga in September of 1777 and this is where Alexander Bryan entered, as they say in the theater, "stage left." He bought a piece of cloth at the camp for a pair of trousers and stumbled around the camp in "search" of a tailor. It was this ruse that afforded him the luxury of moving about to ascertain the strength of Burgoyne's army, men AND artillery. However, as night fell, Bryan overheard some disturbing talk that led him to



believe he was suspected of being a spy. He planned his escape that night and when early morning came he was indeed pursued by two British horsemen.

Bryan, on foot, plunged into Fish Creek (Fishkill) south of the Camp at Saratoga swimming among the weeds with only his mouth above the water for more than an hour to avoid being captured. Eventually the British soldiers returned to camp and Bryan relayed his information to General Gage and his officers. Gage immediately ordered his men to cut down the trees in the woods surrounding Burgoyne to impede his travel. Now remember what was written

about Gage and his love of self. Bryan's son and wife were ill and he learned that the promise Gage had made to see that a physician tend to them was not fulfilled. It had been this promise that persuaded Bryan to undertake his dangerous mission. He returned to his tavern only to find that his son had died and his wife, who had been pregnant, suffered and her infant son died shortly after birth due to her illness



and confinement.

It's sad to read that Alexander Bryan's heroism for his country was not acknowledged and went unrewarded and no token of appreciation was ever given. Bryan died in 1825 at the age of 92.

Just about the same time as Alexander was swimming in the bulrushes, James Otis was fighting on the side of colonies. Not with weapons but with his pen. Otis has been overlooked over time but some think he was the "father of the Revolution." He was the first to take a stand against the British laws that were being imposed upon the colonies. In 1761, Otis

delivered an impassioned speech which gave rise to the heart of the rebel cause.

There are few freedoms fundamental to the right of privacy and it is the 4th amendment to our Constitution that gives our citizens the right to oppose unlawful search of our property. Otis wrote, "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effect, against unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be

violated and no warrants. Shall issue, but upon probable cause." James, an attorney, was indeed outspoken and his words of "no taxation without representation," which fell to the orations of John Adams, was actually given by Otis in one of his many tirades against British tyranny.

Upon the ascension of George III to the throne, England began tightening the ropes on the American colonies with custom inspections, high tariffs on sugar and molasses and bribes to the Massachusetts governor, Francis Bernard to receive 1/3 of all fines collected from the capture of smugglers and their wares. Otis had been the king's advocate but resigned his post when his father was passed over as Chief Justice of Massachusetts. This is the event that put fire in James Otis to defend the colonies and the oppression they suffered.

Described as a "plump, round faced, smooth skinned, short necked, eagle eyed politician, Otis never-the-less had the respect of John Adams claiming him to be "a flame of fire." Otis is said to be the author of "A man's home is his castle," a saying that is still used today. He goes on, "At this time the law would totally annihilate the privilege of privacy where custom house officers could enter any home when it pleased them, where 'Every man, prompted by revenge, ill humor or wantonness to inspect the inside of his neighbor's house may get a writ of assistance.'" A writ of assistance is a lawful order for an official to perform a certain act such as collecting taxes.

James Otis was the champion of liberty and in the forefront of the Revolution. We teach our children about Paul Revere, John Adams and others, but we need to remember and honor the life of James Otis, Jr. He, however, was also known to be abusive toward others making him a target for his foes. He got into a coffeehouse brawl which left him with substantial injuries to his head which quickened what had become a rather obvious mental failing. He had become so abusive that a commission was appointed and he was found to be a lunatic.

Often people with an arduous personality can become more aggressive than the situation is called for, but nonetheless, James Otis, Jr. when of sound mind gave the Revolution the "kick start" that it needed. Otis was struck by a lightning bolt while standing in the doorway of his sister's home, a most fitting end for "the flame of fire."

Note: Nathan Bryan of the Bryan-Andrew house and Charles Otis of the Stone-Otis house are the descendants of these two brave and heroic men.

“Salvaged” From Page 1

he said. “If we didn’t buy it, it would be gone and no one who follows me would have it for town business.” At one time or another the old house had ties to several of the town’s fathers including the Woodruffs and Treats. Though he would have liked to preserve it, Zeoli pointed out that like other historical homes in town, the Finer house “is in the wrong location for now, in poor condition,” and prohibitively expensive to refurbish.

Through contacts from the Orange Historical Society, Oberg’s company was selected to handle removing the home. The town provides Oberg with dumpsters for debris removal but doesn’t pay any costs associated with dismantling the home. When Zeoli informed Oberg that another colonial home was days away from being demolished on the Post Road in front of Orange Fence, Oberg rushed over to salvage what he could from that home

as well. “We salvaged some lumber and chestnut boards which are in really high demand,” Oberg said.

In the Finer home, when Oberg removed the kitchen cabinets, sink and sheetrock, he found the original plank wall and doorway leading upstairs still intact. “It had the original doorway with its blacksmith-made door latch, so that was really neat,” Zeoli said. “I asked that if they find anything of historical significance they return it to the town and Mr. Oberg agreed.”

According to Oberg, there’s a significant demand for the wide planked wood floors of yesteryear and the unique architectural panels and touches in colonial homes. “Floor joyce typically ends up in either new homes or restoration projects,” Oberg said. “Flooring is a desirable part of older houses, especially chestnut and oak. It has the right patina coloring and texture that new floors don’t. The boards are generally much wider. It wasn’t an option in the 1900s to cut it into smaller pieces like today.”



Help Raise Funds for Animal Assisted Therapy

“Spring Into Action!” by joining Animal Assisted Therapy Services (AaTs) for brunch at the Milford Yacht Club, 131 Trumbull Avenue, Milford, CT.

On Sunday, May 6, 2018, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., enjoy delicious food and drinks, music, and a silent auction to help raise funds for Animal Assisted Therapy Services’ programs, emotional support and service dogs.

Tickets are \$50.00 each and may be purchased through: www.eventbrite.com

or by contacting Christine Patella at: chris.patella@aatsct.org or calling 203-804-5343.

Founded in 2009, AaTs is a non-profit organization that provides equine and canine assisted therapy for adults and children with physical, cognitive, or psycho-social disabilities. The AaTs center is located in Milford, CT. For more information on services, please contact AaTs at (203) 804-5343 or chris.patella@aatsct.org



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Youth Services

BY JOHN ULATOWSKI



Children of Orange Art Exhibit a Special Event for K-6 Artists

K-6 Artists Pose, Highlighting Their Artistic Achievement

The Children of Orange K-6 exhibit featuring the works of Orange students in grades K-6 was displayed for the month of April. The successful event has been an annual display and incorporates the Art in the Library Committee, Orange Board of Education, Youth Services, K-6 artists, and volunteer parents. The art display is one of the most popular events at Case Library. A reception was also held inviting parents and community members. Art in the

Library and Youth Services wishes to thank the following people who helped make the event a success: Superintendent of Schools Vince Scarpetti, Principals Eric Carbone, Mike Gray, and Denise Arterberry; Teachers Erin Garney, Jennifer Silva, and John Kaluzynski; Case Library Director Kathy Giotsas; Ann Marie DePetto, Administrative Assistant for Curriculum, Instruction, and Personnel; the art hanging volunteers, and the parents of all the artists.

Memorial Day Parade Program

The annual Town of Orange Memorial Day Ceremonies and Parade will be held on Sunday, May 27, 2018. The parade honorees have been announced:

THIS YEAR'S HONOREES ARE ALL WORLD WAR II COMBAT VETERANS.

Grand Marshal – Albert Rapini (98 years old) – U.S. Army 1942 – 1945 – Rank of Tech Sergeant.

Honorary Chief of Staff – Frank Tagliatela (96 years old) – U.S. Army 1942 – 1946 – Rank of Private First Class.

Honored Veteran – Robert Swirsky (98 years old) - U.S. Army 1943-1945 – rank of Tech Sergeant.

Keynote Speaker – Patrick B. O'Sullivan, III - Orange Town Clerk, Veteran's Affairs Liaison, former State Representative and former member of the Board of Selectmen.

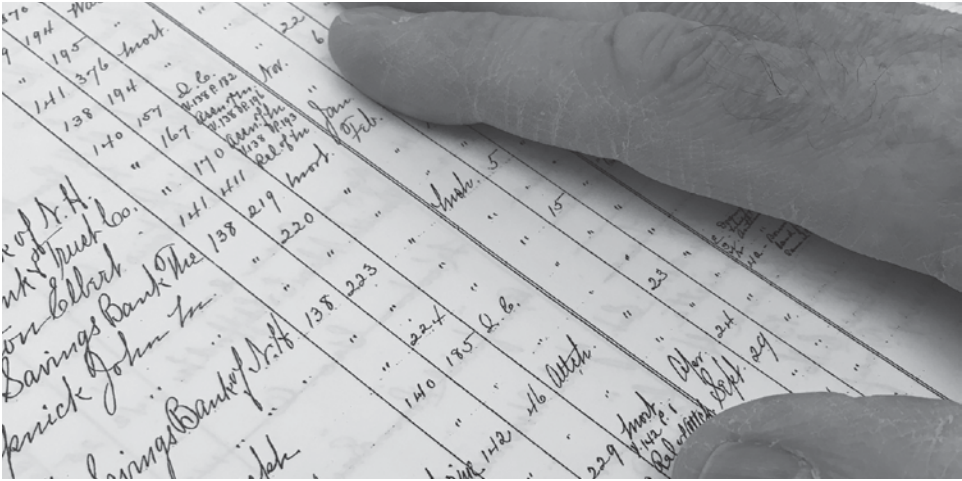
Kevin Gilbert once again will serve

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 203-795-4647. 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.orange-ct.gov. The Committee anticipates many marching bands and floats.

The Committee invites the public to join in honoring our nation's veterans.

In the event of rain, exercises will be held in the High Plains Community Center auditorium.



Town Records Preserved With Historic Grant

BY LAURA FANTARELLA
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The handwritten minutes of the town's first meetings in 1921 when the population was just 983 people are among the hundreds of volumes of town records preserved for eternity with historical grants from the state. Town Clerk Pat O'Sullivan has been applying for and receiving Historic Preservation grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$7,000 per year since 2001. This year's grant of \$4,000 brings the total grant monies received to nearly \$110,000. The grant program is part of the Community Investment Act which returns a portion of recording fees charged by town/city clerks for mortgages, deeds, judgment liens, and more, back to the town for preservation projects.

The money makes it possible for the Town Clerk's office to scan volumes of thousands of town records onto microfilm as well as onto moisture and age-resistant archival paper which will withstand the ravages of time. Minutes

from town meetings, and later Board of Selectmen, original documents of when Orange separated from West Haven in 1921 and land records are all available to access at the Town Clerk's office. Pages of town meetings from 1946 and 1959 included minutes that documented the town selling six lots in Race Brook Estates to Julia and Thomas for \$250.00 and hiring new police officers for an annual salary of \$3,900.

O'Sullivan has also been able to rebind the unwieldy original bound volumes that were 16 X 24 inches in size and weighing upwards of 25 pounds each into volumes more conducive to perusing. The work is ongoing as O'Sullivan makes his way through decades of documents from births, deaths, deeds, business certificates, land transfers and the everyday recordings of town history. O'Sullivan takes his job as the keeper of the town's history seriously. "It's my job to make sure these documents are preserved for eternity," he said.

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Orange Land Trust Annual Meeting

Nuisance Wildlife! Problems and Solutions

The Orange Land Trust would like to invite you to our Annual Meeting, to be held Tuesday, May 22nd, 2018, High Plains Community Center, Orange Center Road at 7 pm. Following a short business meeting, our program for the evening features a visit from Chris Vann, a nuisance wildlife biologist who just may have the answers to “critter issues” you may be struggling with around your home and property. Chris is a nuisance wildlife biologist with the CT DEEP Technical Assistance Program, Wildlife Division. This presentation on common wildlife, problems and solutions, will provide an interesting and informative look at what you need to know and what measures you can take yourself. We will learn about squirrels, raccoons, foxes, coyotes, deer, and other wildlife that can become a problem when they take up residence in, or just visit, populated areas. There are many other wildlife species that

may cause conflicts, but for homeowners these species are among those most frequently complained about. He will also discuss raccoon and bat rabies and rabies response guidelines. As the Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator (NWCO) Program Biologist he will provide info on this thirty-year old program and its operation. All animals require our respect. We will learn the basic precautions that could be taken to avoid or minimize what could possibly become a dangerous or tragic situation. We are anticipating an informative and educational evening for everyone. Plan to join us. This program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Remember, the Orange Land Trust is always looking for new members and volunteers. For more information, visit our website at orangedlandtrust.org or call 203-799-7622.

OVFD Holds 19th Pancake Breakfast

The Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary is holding a Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, June 2nd from 7:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. at the Post Road Fire Station, 355 Boston Post Road, Orange. Enjoy scrambled eggs, your choice of bacon or sausage, potato patties and all you can eat “Chip’s” pancakes prepared for you by the Orange Volunteer Firefighters. Orange juice, milk, coffee and tea will also be served.

Prices are: \$8.00 for Adults, Children ages 6-12: \$6.00. Age 5 and under are free with a paying adult. Save \$1.00 per person by purchasing advance tickets from any auxiliary member or at Knight’s Inc., 286 Boston Post Road, Orange. All proceeds benefit the Orange Volunteer Fire Department. For further information, contact Lynn Knight @ 203-795-5882 or email lmk415@yahoo.com, or visit our website at www.orangevfd.com.

Living Treasure Awards Ceremony

Now is the time to get your tickets for the Living Treasure Award ceremony. Each year the Orange Senior Center recognizes 3 Orange senior residents who have given so much of themselves and their time to the Orange community. This year we are honoring 3 deserving residents: Suzanne Anderson, Ann Losh, and Fred Turner. They will

be honored at the Living Treasure Award Ceremony on May 4, 2018 at Race Brook Country Club in Orange. Tickets are \$35 each and can be purchased at the Orange Senior Center in the High Plains Community Center at 525 Orange Center Road, Orange CT. Checks are to be made out to “Treasurer – Town of Orange”.

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Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of May 2018



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

1st	Economic Development Comm	5:30 pm	Town Hall
	Town Plan & Zoning Comm.....	7:00 pm	Town Hall
2nd	Conservation Comm.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
3rd	OGAT	7:30 pm	Town Hall
7th	Country Fair Cmte	7:00 pm	Exhibit Hall
	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm	Town Hall
8th	Amity Budget Referendum	6:00 am	HPCC
	Inland Wetlands Comm.....	7:30 pm	Town Hall
9th	OVNA Board of Governors	8:30 am	Clark Bldg
10th	Memorial Day Parade Cmte.....	6:30 pm	HPCC
	Community Services.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
14th	Traffic Authority	4:30 pm	Police Dept.
	Board of Police Comm.....	4:30 pm	Police Dept.
	Amity Board of Education	6:30 pm	Woodbridge
15th	Town Plan & Zoning Comm.....	7:00 pm	Town Hall
	Board of Selectmen Special Meeting.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
	Annual Town Meeting.....	:30 pm	HPCC
16th	CERT.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
	Recycling Cmte	7:00 pm	HPCC
17th	Case Memorial Library Comm	7:00 pm	Case Mem. Library
	Pension Board.....	7:00 pm	Town Hall
21st	Family Counseling	9:00 am	HPCC
	Orange Board of Education.....	7:00 pm	Mary L Tracy Bldg
	Youth Services.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
	Board of Finance.....	7:30 pm	Town Hall
	Board of Health	7:30 pm	HPCC
22nd	OVNA Professional Advisory Cmte.....	5:00 pm	Clark Bldg
23rd	Town Budget Referendum.....	12 noon	HPCC
	Safety Comm.....	9:00 am	Town Hall
	Park & Recreation Comm.....	7:30 pm	Town Hall
24th	Memorial Day Parade Cmte.....	6:30 pm	HPCC
	Bond Construction Oversight Cmte.....	7:00 pm	Town Hall
25th	Emergency Management.....	8:00 am	Police Station

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FROM THE SENIOR CENTER

BY DENNIS MARSH

Living Treasure Award Ceremony

This year Suzanne Anderson, Ann Losh, and Fred Turner will be honored at the Living Treasure Award ceremony on May 4, 2018 at Race Brook Country Club in Orange. Tickets can be purchased at the Orange Senior Center in the High Plains Community Center.

AARP Smart Driving Course

The next AARP Driver's Training course will be Thursday, May 3. The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Call the senior center to sign up.

Wellness With Shop Rite

Shop Rite of Orange's Registered Dietitian, Courtney Huggins, RD will lead a discussion with a tasty dish that she will make right before your eyes. Her recipes are a real crowd pleaser! Join us on Monday, May 7, from 12:00-1:00pm.

Back Pain And How To Manage It!

Join Orange Community Services and the OVNA in hosting a Back Pain presentation by PT Juliann Chacko of Physical Therapy & Sports Medicine on May 9 from 6-7pm in the HPCC Café. Coffee and dessert will be served. RSVP at (203) 891-4784.

Beginner iPhone/iPad Class

Join us for Beginner iPhone/iPad with Aubry Monahan from May 8 – May 11, 2018 from 3-5pm. A great opportunity to learn many of the features of an iPhone & iPad all in one week! Be sure to bring your device! Sign up soon as space fills up fast.

Classic Movie Friday

Movie of the Month has been so popular that we added, Classic Movie of the Month. Joan picks Gene Hackman as Popeye Doyle in The French Connection on May 11 at 1:00pm. Popcorn and soda to be served. Call for a seat (203) 891-4784.

Money Management

Join the Money Management group on May 15 at 9:30am as Synergy Home Care presents the "What is Home Care". All are welcome, just call to let us know you are coming at (203) 891-4784. The group meets in the Town Conference Room at the High Plains Community Center.

Movie of the Month

Friday, May 18, "The Shape of Water", 1:00pm, Won the 2018 Oscar for Best Picture. At a top-secret research facility in the 1960s, a lonely janitor forms a unique relationship with an amphibious creature that is being held in captivity. Popcorn will be served. Call for a seat (203) 891-4784.

Monday With Maplewood

Join us on May 21 when Chef Leif returns with his culinary delights for you to sample. Call (203) 891-4788.

Your taste buds are sure to be pleased! We are very fortunate to have an Assisted Living in Town so check them out.

Suzanne's Rock Painting Party

Join us on May 25 at 1:00pm for coffee & cookies as we paint rocks to replenish our Kindness Rock Garden. Let us know that you are coming at (203) 891-4784 and we'll supply the paint!

Crochet Demo

Join us for a crochet demo on June 4 at 1pm. If enough people enjoy the demonstration we could start a class the following week, on June 11—July 9 at 1pm for 2 hours. The Demonstration is FREE! You could make a bear.

Hot Lunch

The Orange Senior Center offers a lunch Monday through Friday, 11:30am – 12:00pm. A \$3.00 donation is suggested for persons 60 years and over. To register call (203) 891-4765 before 1pm, the day before.

Movie Club

Join us on a celluloid adventure! Our group will discuss a current movie playing locally. We will then meet to critique the film as we discuss the script, acting, cinematography and directing. Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month at 3pm in the town conference room at the HPCC.

Orange Swimming Pool

We received word that renovations on the town pool will begin in late August. During that time the pool will be closed. More information to come.

Trips
ICELAND'S MAGICAL NORTHERN LIGHTS, October 30-November 5, 2018

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THE EDWARD TWINS at Aqua Turf Club May 21, 2018

The world famous Edward Twins, number one impersonation act in the world! You will think you are seeing the real super stars! Cost: \$99pp, includes transportation, lunch, show, & driver gratuities. Full payment due at reservation. (Moderate Walking).

REMEMBER ME at the Newport Playhouse - no minimum trip May 24, 2018

After lunch take a stroll from the dining room to the intimate theater where you will enjoy a romantic comedy by Sam Bobrick. Mary & Brian Hanson, a middle-aged couple, have what appears to be a very comfortable marriage. They seem to have it all until Mary's old college boyfriend shows up. Cost: \$109pp, includes transportation, lunch, show, & driver gratuities. Full payment due at reservation. (Minimal Walking).

Give a Vet a Lift

Unless you're a veterans service officer with one of the veterans groups, you probably can't help a fellow veteran push through the paperwork required to file a claim.

But there's more than just that one step to seeking medical care: Sometimes what stands between a veteran and his medical treatment is a ride to the medical center.

Many veterans, especially those in ill health or who are elderly, just don't drive anymore and don't have access to transportation, often due to low income.

That's where you can help. Volunteer once or more a week to drive a veteran to medical appointments. On the way back, ask if you should make a pit stop at the grocery store or anywhere else, if your rider feels well enough. Think about it: If you don't have a car, even just bringing home groceries can be a chore. Or maybe a fast-food burger would

be welcomed by a veteran who's basically been homebound due to lack of transportation. Call the Voluntary Services office at the closest Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center to offer your help.



by Freddy Groves

The Disabled American Veterans (DAV) also has a nationwide transportation network that takes sick and disabled veterans to all of the medical facilities in the country.

If you're a veteran who needs transportation to a medical facility, the DAV has a directory that can connect you with a ride. Go to www.dav.org, click on Veterans, and scroll down the drop-down list to "Need a Ride?" Click the link to the DAV Hospital Service Coordinator Directory and look for the coordinator nearest you.

Want to offer rides or volunteer locally? Go to www.dav.org and click on Help DAV to learn more about ways you can give back to veterans.

Volunteers Age 55+ Needed

The Agency on Aging of South Central CT has volunteer opportunities for adults age 55+. Volunteers can tutor young children in reading in East Haven, Hamden & New Haven schools and afterschool programs (training provided), help frail seniors organize

their monthly bills, read with a child in a North Haven elementary school, or visit with a homebound senior or a veteran. For more information, call Cherie at 203-785-8533 x2907 or email volunteer@aoascc.org. Also, visit www.aoascc.org.





Safe Medication Use During Pregnancy

Women who are expecting are understandably cautious about what they put into their bodies. From the foods they eat to the beverages they drink, expecting mothers tend to take nothing for granted.

Expecting mothers also exercise caution about medication. Women typically have questions about medication use during pregnancy, including how current medications can affect a fetus or one's ability to conceive. Women who take prescription or over-the-counter medications for conditions like diabetes, seizures or depression may be hesitant to continue doing so while pregnant, but unsure of how to continue their treatments without medication. It's important to note that pregnancy can affect medications much in the same way that medications can affect pregnancy. The American Pregnancy Association says that when women are pregnant, their blood volume increases, and the heart and kidneys both work harder. This means that medications have the potential to pass through the body more quickly than usual, potentially affecting their efficacy.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says that about two-thirds of women in the United States take one or more prescription medications during pregnancy. Some medications have been adequately studied for their safety during pregnancy, while others have not. Therefore, it is important for women to pay careful attention to any medicine or

herbal remedy taken while pregnant, raising any questions they have with their physicians. Keep a careful eye on substances taken during the first trimester of pregnancy, a crucial time of development for the embryo and fetus, and one when medications may have the most impact.

The CDC urges women who are pregnant or thinking of becoming pregnant to speak with their doctors about medications and dietary products. Some medications should be stopped, while others may be safe to use or should be gradually declined. Doctors can help women weigh the risks and benefits of taking medications while pregnant and point out which ones have the potential to be harmful.

Physicians and pharmacists have listings of medications and their risks to the unborn fetus. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration, the Organization of Teratology Information Specialists and pharmaceutical companies collect information about the risks of taking medications during pregnancy or while breastfeeding.

No drug is 100 percent safe to use during pregnancy, but many have no known harmful effects. When in doubt, pregnant women should always address medication concerns with their obstetricians prior to taking a particular drug, herbal remedy or dietary supplement. Alternative therapies, such as chiropractic treatment, massage, acupuncture, and nerve stimulation also can be addressed during prenatal visits.



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Women Declining In Workforce

At its peak in 1999, the American workforce was dominated by female workers. At that time, 76 percent of women, including those who had children at home, worked outside of the home, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The tides have since shifted, and rates of female employment in the United States now fall well behind many European countries. Economic woes, a short supply of middle-class jobs and minimal family leave may have prompted the changes.

According to a study from researchers at Johns Hopkins University, single women without children have actually driven the turnaround. Technology and international outsourcing have removed many low-skill, well-paying jobs from the workforce. Wages for work in healthcare services, laundry and social assistance — jobs dominated by women — have remained relatively stagnant for years. Despite this, the cost of living has steadily crept up.

Other households tout the high cost of childcare and the relatively small amount of maternity leave allowed in the United States as reasons why they haven't returned to the workforce after having children. The economic analysis resource The Upshot, powered by The New York Times, reports that many

American companies give 12 weeks of maternity leave (largely unpaid), while most European countries give a year of paid leave and offer protections for part-time workers who want to return to the workforce. According to data from the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Canada, Japan, Switzerland, Australia, Germany, and France now outrank the U.S. in prime-age women's labor force participation.

The role women play as caregivers, not only for their own children or spouses, but for aging parents, also may be contributing to females dropping out of the labor force. A chronic-needs family member, such as a parent with dementia, can take away focus from employment. This can quickly result in a loss of a job.

Employers interested in keeping talented women in the workforce can change corporate policies to reflect changes in modern society, including higher divorce rates, college debt and the higher cost of living. Flexibility in schedules, modernized work environments that focus on mobile connectivity from home and lack of negative repercussions for needing family time can help keep talented female employees working.

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ORANGE ELECTION 2018

Welander Announces Run for the 114th

Orange Board of Education member Mary Welander announced today that she is running for State Representative for the 114th District. The 114th District encompasses parts of Orange, Derby and the Town of Woodbridge.

“I am running because I believe our district is not accurately reflected by our current representation in Hartford. I am deeply committed to our area and want it to be as strong as it can be now and in the future for all of our children. I believe we have a duty to stand up for what is right and speak out against what is wrong, and I am not seeing enough of either from our representative. We live in a proud, strong, diverse district; I believe that our strengths lie in our differences and Connecticut will be stronger if we embrace new ideas while still respecting our history. I would be honored to represent the voices of my neighbors in Hartford.”

In addition to serving on the Board of Education, Mary was recently re-elected as the Vice Chair of the Orange Democratic Town Committee, serves on the Board of the PTA at Race Brook School, is the statewide representative for the Sandy Hook Promise Organization, as well as other community groups throughout town.

“I first met Mary after the 2016 Presidential election. Mary began attending our DTC (Democratic Town Committee) meetings. She showed confidence and knowledge not only of the issues but also she has a keen understanding of the legislative process,” said Jody Dietch, chair of the Orange DTC. Dietch added, “Mary quickly educated herself on how accomplishments happen in Hartford. She is not someone who would have a learning curve taking on a new job. She is already schooled in that and also is



Mary Welander

well known by many in Hartford. She has the energy and more importantly, the integrity to represent not just the 114th district but all of the residents of Connecticut.”

Laurence Grotheer, Woodbridge DTC Chair, recently said, “Mary will be an outstanding representative for the 114th and Connecticut. Her commitment to a better future for Connecticut is evident in her work on the OBOE and all she has accomplished in other community service roles. We look forward to her representing us and bringing bi-partisanship back to Hartford.”

“We are very excited that Mary is running for State Representative. We need a fresh perspective in Hartford. As a mother of three young children and an active PTA parent, her commitment to the prosperity of future generations is exactly the new approach we need to problem solving in Hartford.” said Aniello Malerba, III, Chair of the Derby DTC.

Mary and her husband, Matt, live in Orange with their three children and dog, Bauer.

Kathy Kennedy to Run for State House

Kathy Kennedy has formally announced and filed her intention to seek the Republican nomination for the 119th district, which includes portions of Milford and Orange. Kennedy is seeking to succeed Incumbent State Rep. Pam Staneski, who has filed to run for the 14th State Senate District.

“This was an easy decision that came after Pam and I sat down to talk about the state of Connecticut and its future. As I have always said, ‘you can’t change policy from the sideline. It’s time to suit up and get in the game and hopefully positively change the outcome for our state. Governor Malloy’s tax hikes and job-killing policies have proven so devastating for Connecticut that people are packing up and moving out. Pam has been a reasonable voice fighting against these failed policies while offering sensible solutions. She has done an exceptional job representing the people of Orange and Milford as a voice for the 119th and fighting against Governor Malloy’s policies. I welcome the opportunity to serve with her, as she seeks to be our next Senator, and address the fiscal crisis that lands us at the bottom of every list,” said Kennedy.

“I pledge to the voters of the 119th district, that they will have a tireless advocate, and that I will make sure your voices are clearly heard at the State Capitol. The state needs to encourage greater opportunities for people and businesses to prosper and you need a representative that will support policies which will make Connecticut attractive again,” said Kennedy. “I am eager to meet the people of the 119th and hear directly from them.”

Kennedy has the full support of Representative Staneski who said, “We are at a pivotal time in this state—our ‘part-time’ legislature cannot work part-time if we are going to address our

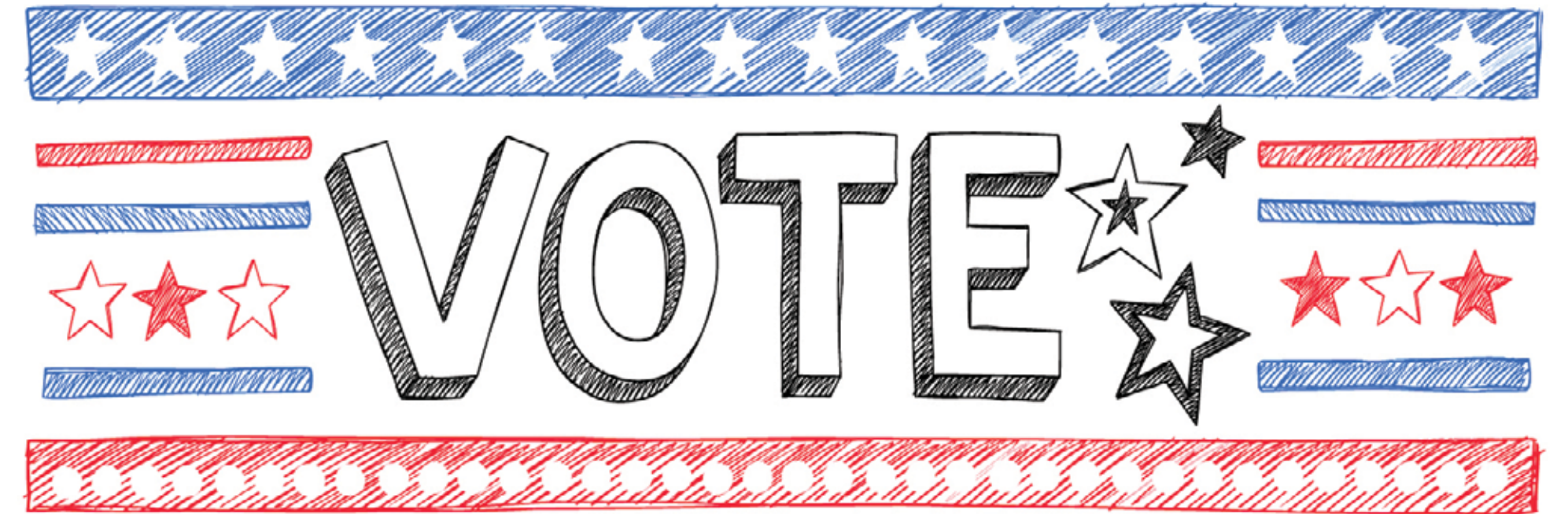


Kathy Kennedy

‘full-time’ problems and that is why Kathy Kennedy is the perfect person to step up and represent the 119th. She is not afraid to shake things up, she knows the hard work that is in front of her and understands that maintaining the status quo will not work in the future. I ask the good people of the 119th who have entrusted me to represent them for the past four years to join me in supporting Kathy as she seeks to be your voice in Hartford—you will not be sorry.”

Kennedy Issues Statement on Proposed Tolls

“There is not one person I’ve talked to, in Milford or Orange, that thinks tolls are a good idea on CT roads. People are shell-shocked at how much they are being nicked and dimed to death in this state. It’s all about priorities not revenue, we just need to prioritize our State Transportation projects. Everyday people are thinking about packing up and leaving. Why would we give residents another reason to flee for lower cost states? When is enough, enough? Stop tolls now.”



ORANGE ELECTION 2018

Pam Staneski to Run for State Senate

State Rep. Pam Staneski has announced she is throwing her hat in the ring to run for State Senate representing the 14th District, which comprises the communities of Milford and Orange and includes portions of West Haven and Woodbridge.

Staneski said it has been an honor to serve the 119th District for the last two terms. She has worked to be a 'Real Voice' for the people of the district. "I believe in representative government and when I was first elected in 2014 I made a promise to keep the people of the 119th district informed on state matters, seek their input, and be a voice for them in Hartford. I make that same promise to the people of the 14th State Senate district."

Currently serving her second term in the state House of Representatives, Staneski is a member of the legislature's budget-writing Appropriations Committee and the Public Health Committee. Pam is also the lead House Republican on the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee. Additionally, she is a member of four bi-partisan coalitions, the Manufacturing caucus, Fire/EMS caucus, Tourism caucus, and the Individuals with Developmental Disability group, which is focused on issues affecting individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

During her legislative tenure, Staneski worked with the Milford delegation to push for the first real reform to the (8-30g) affordable housing statutes in over twenty years. Most recently, she stood with Senator Slossberg and the delegation to fight the unnecessary expansion at Silver Sands Park. "Although we are from different political parties and don't always agree on every issue, Sen. Gayle Slossberg is someone who is always meticulously prepared and puts her district and its people first. I have tried to emulate those essential qualities as a State Representative and hope to continue that fighting spirit as your next Senator," said Rep. Staneski.

Pam has also advocated for changes in the inequitable Medicaid reimbursement rate for local assisted living facilities, sponsored legislation to help students with dyslexia, spoke out



Pam Staneski

against legislation that would have hurt the Boys & Girls Club of Milford's after school program and encouraged policies to promote manufacturing and our state's technical high schools.

Staneski has testified in support of our shellfish industry and stood strong for the developmentally disabled. She has been an outspoken supporter on Veterans issues, which she is intimately familiar with as the daughter of a Navy Veteran and was named the 2016 American Legion Legislator of the Year.

"Constituent service is important to me—that is my job, to work for and on behalf of the people of the 119th—and that includes continuing to fight for structural changes in the way state finances are run. In 2016, I voted against the 2nd highest tax increase in the state's history because I believe Connecticut needs to live, as you and I do, within its means. We cannot continue this roller-coaster budgeting practice—the lack of stability at the state level hurts our cities and towns. I believe long-term structural changes need to be part of any current and future budget. THIS MUST BE DONE. In 2017, I supported six budget proposals that would make structural changes in the way we run state government, ultimately some of those changes were incorporated in the bi-partisan budget. I want to continue to be a VOICE for the people of Orange, Milford, West Haven and Woodbridge. Connecticut is a beautiful state worth fighting for and I humbly ask to continue that fight as your senator," said Rep. Staneski.

Ct Afl-Cio Endorses Rep. Rosa DeLauro

DeLauro Pledges To Continue To Fight For Working Families

The Connecticut AFL-CIO, the state's largest labor federation representing over 200,000 union members, unanimously endorsed Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro during their political convention last Friday.

"I am proud to accept the endorsement of the CT AFL-CIO. I pledge to continue to be their partner in our fight for working, middle-class families," DeLauro said.

"The single biggest economic issue facing families today is that jobs do not pay enough to live on," DeLauro said. "Working families are struggling to pay rent, put food on the table and get out of debt. We need to treat workers with the respect they deserve by raising wages and providing good benefits. Doing so is not just the right thing to do, but it is good for businesses and taxpayers. It results in lower turnover and higher productivity, and saves taxpayers money because fewer workers have to rely on government assistance. It is long past time to ensure that workers have decent wages and the right to collectively bargain," DeLauro continued.

"Rosa is a tireless fighter for working families across Connecticut and the country, never letting up to get the job done," said Connecticut AFL-CIO President Lori J. Pelletier. "With the vast majority of economic gains only going to the richest 1%, we need more champions like Rosa who constantly fight so working people get their fair share."



Rosa DeLauro

That means fighting to protect American jobs from unfair trade practices, raising working people's wages, rebuilding our nation's infrastructure, establishing an earned family medical leave program, and making sure there is equal pay for equal work. Rosa has a long history of leadership on these issues, and the labor movement is proud to stand with her in her re-election efforts."

The mission of the Connecticut American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO) is to improve the lives of all working people. They are a federation of hundreds of local unions representing workers in the private sector, public sector, and building trades. Their members live and work in every city and town in Connecticut, and reflect the diversity that makes Connecticut great.

ORTC Announces Imperati as New Chairman

The Orange Republican Town Committee (ORTC) elected Pio Imperati as Town Committee Chairman at its meeting on March 21.

Pio is joined on the ORTC Executive Committee by a talented mix of veteran Republicans along with officers new to party leadership. Members include Vice Chairman Craig Stahl, Treasurer Phil Grande Sr., Recording Secretary Laurie Ruotolo, and Corresponding Secretary Anthony Scarinzi. Nancy Natri will continue to be active on the Executive Committee as Past Chairman.

"This is shaping up to be an exciting election year for Republicans here in Orange and across our state. We are fortunate to have strong leadership in our town with First Selectman Jim Zeoli heading our Republican Team. We also have strong Republicans in our State

Delegation with State Representative and House Republican Leader Themis Klarides, State Representative Charles Ferraro and State Representative Pam Staneski who is vying for the State Senate nomination in the 14th District."

"Together with our entire town committee, I look forward to working for a Republican majority in both the State House and Senate along with a Republican Governor to bring the changes to our State that we so urgently need," said Pio Imperati.

We encourage all Republicans to attend our Town committee meetings and special functions. We hope to see you come out and work for our candidates running for public office this year. For more information and to volunteer, visit orangectrepublicans.com and FaceBook @orangectrepublicans.




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Orangemen Win Championship

The 8th Grade Holy Infant Orangemen Boys Basketball Team is comprised of 8th grade boys from Orange and Woodbridge. They just completed their fifth and final season with a 52-14 record. Over the last five years

they have won 12 championships. They finished their 8th grade season by winning the Fairfield County League Championship, The Derby League Championship, and the Jr. Hoophall Classic in Springfield, MA.



Orange park and recreation 10-11 year old basketball team won the playoffs and had an undefeated season. Lead by coach Latella and coach Lombardi. Congrats to all!



Q: I've just started watching "**Orange Is the New Black**," and it got me to wondering what **Jason Biggs** is up to lately. Can you get me any info? -- Kelly K., via email

A: The "**American Pie**" star has teamed up with his wife, **Jenny Mollen**, for a new show on Lifetime called "**My Partner Knows Best**," which airs Wednesday nights at 10/9c. It's an outrageous game show where couples are pitted against other couples in physical and mental challenges to try to win \$20,000. Jason and Jenny -- a fun and outrageous Hollywood couple in their own right -- test each couple's relationship knowledge and physical acumen in 10 one-hour episodes that will have you laughing and playing along.

I spoke with the couple recently, and they had a blast filming these shows, with Jason telling me: "For me it's kind of a sadistic '**Newlywed Game**' crossed with '**Double Dare**.' I grew up with the physical-challenge aspect, so I'll take a physical challenge any day. But I think anyone who's ever been in a relationship, but most especially the married couples, will really relate to this because we're asking questions that I think any long-term couple understands. We get into the very thing that relationships are made up of and asking partners to reveal how well they know each other."

A couple that stands out for Jenny is a pastor and his wife. She revealed: "I thought they would be too conservative for this show, that it wasn't going to work. But they ended up being some of our favorite guests. They were so fun, and they were willing to go for it. They revealed so much of themselves. They just really stand out for me."

Q: I know you've been asked a lot



Jason Biggs [Photo courtesy Jason Biggs]

about reboots lately, so can you find out for me if the "**Mad About You**" rumors are true? -- Cal R., Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

A: Both **Helen Hunt** and **Paul Reiser** have signed on with Sony Pictures Television to reprise their roles of Jamie and Paul Buchman, with co-creator **Danny Jacobson** on board as well. The original run aired from 1992-99, and centered on the lives of newlyweds living in New York City: Paul, a documentary filmmaker, and Jamie, a public relations specialist. In season six, they welcomed a daughter, Mabel, and in the series finale, we got a glimpse of the future where Mabel was all grown up (and played by **Janeane Garafalo**), and Paul and Jamie had briefly separated -- but luckily the couple did get back together.

Q: Do you know when "**Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt**" will be back? -- Nina F., via email

A: The hilarious Netflix original comedy starring **Ellie Kemper**, **Tituss Burgess** and **Jane Krakowski** will drop Wednesday, May 30 -- however, this time, we'll get only half a season at a time, with six episodes premiering first, and the other six coming later in 2018.

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Fab 4 Music Festival

Celebrating “Yellow Submarine” & “The White Album”

In 1968 The Beatles produced their most whimsical work, “Yellow Submarine,” as both an album and theatrical animated film, and also recorded their most intense collection of songs, “The White Album.” In celebration of the 50th anniversary of these historic releases, Liverpool Productions has announced that this year’s “Fab 4 Music Festival” will be held in June on Saturday the 9th, to commemorate the occasion.

The event will once again “come together” at the Toyota Oakdale Theater in Wallingford, CT. There will be two stages of performances, enabling twice as many acts to perform during the festival hours. Half of the twenty groups will be performing indoors, under the Dome, while the other half will be playing outside on the patio. The hours are 1pm until 10pm. There is ample free parking.

The popular New York/New England regional Beatles-themed festival, known in past years as “Danbury Fields Forever,” is a family-friendly Music, Foods & Arts Festival featuring the music of The Beatles, their solo material and classic songs from the sixties.

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the year 1968, advance “Ticket to Ride” general admissions are only \$19.68. There are also V.I.P. tickets available. Note that admission will be

higher at the door. Advance tickets available at Ticketmaster.

Along with the great entertainment of 20 bands, there will be Beatles and music memorabilia dealers & vendors, exhibitors, kid-friendly activities, along with food trucks and other attractions. The complete band line-up and Special Guest of Honor will be announced soon.

The “Fab 4 Music Festival” on Saturday, June 9, 2018, is presented by Live Nation in association with Liverpool Productions, the same Beatles fan club that presented “NYC FAB 50: The Beatles’ 50th Anniversary Celebration” in New York City, and have produced the Connecticut Beatles Conventions since 1978. They also organize the annual fan vacations to Liverpool and London known as the “Magical History Tour.”

With a full day of fab 4 fun, 20 bands and non-stop music for all ages, as The Beatles sang, “It’s Guaranteed to Raise a Smile.” For further info, visit www.Fab4MusicFestival.com or call (203) 795-4737.

Fab 4 Music Festival, Saturday, June 9 2018, 1:00pm-10:00pm, Toyota Oakdale Theater, 95 South Turnpike Road, Wallingford, CT, \$19.68 (plus service fees). For information, visit www.Fab4MusicFestival.com, email info@Fab4MusicFestival.com, or phone (203) 795-4737.

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ARTS & LEISURE



Author & Storyteller to Visit Amity Regional High School

Connecticut author and storyteller, Matthew Dicks, visited Amity Regional High School during the week of April 9th to present two master classes in the art of storytelling. Matthew Dicks is the author of several novels including Something Missing, Unexpectedly Milo, and The Perfect Comeback of Caroline Jacobs, and the upcoming Storyworthy: Engage, Teach, Persuade, and Change Your Life through the Power of Storytelling.

His book, Memoirs of an Imaginary Friend, was nominated for a Connecticut Nutmeg Award. He has performed as a storyteller around the country and has won the Moth StorySLAM more than twenty times.

Matthew spoke to students from Amity's English Language Arts classes

involved in creative writing and literary analysis and discussed the process for creating written and oral narratives. Students who have prepared stories will have the opportunity to perform and receive feedback from this seasoned storyteller. At the end of the school day a Storytelling Slam, open to the entire student body, was held.

The event was hosted by Amity librarians, Robert Musco and Victoria Hulse, and made possible by the Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation. More information about the Foundation's mission and work can be found at jamiehulleyartsfund.org.

For more information, contact Robert Musco (robert.musco@reg5.k12.ct.us) or Victoria Hulse at (victoria.hulse@reg5.k12.ct.us).

P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann

Traditional Irish Music with Eugene Bender

Fiddler Eugene Bender will join the P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann Irish music session on Thursday, May 17 at St. Gabriel's Parish Hall, 26 Broadway, Milford. The free session starts at 7:45 pm. BYOB. Musicians, dancers, singers and guests are welcomed.

Eugene started playing traditional Irish music in the Sligo style when he was in the third grade. He was a student of fiddle maestro Brian Conway for over 13 years, and won the Mid-Atlantic Region Fleadh Cheoil



competition twice. In addition to playing in the tri-state area sessions and events, Eugene runs a weekly Irish traditional music session every Sunday at the Garth Road Inn in Scarsdale, NY.

Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann was founded in 1951 in Ireland to promote Irish traditional music, song, dance and language. Today there are 415 branches worldwide and over two million people attend Comhaltas functions each year.

For information call 203-876-9973.



Locals Take Grand Prize at Teen Band Competition!

On April 22, four Orange Teens claimed the title of best Middle School Band at the Ridgefield Playhouse 2018 Band Jam. Playing to a packed house, Christopher Carlson, Lucas Ketchian, Oliver Nappi and Declan O'Rourke in their band called "The 7's," rocked out in Connecticut's biggest band competition. The annual battle of the bands which was started by three Ridgefield boys in order to save the struggling playhouse, has raised over \$100,000 for the Playhouse since its inception in 2010. Each year local bands vie for bragging rights as BandJam champion. Bands are judged on musicianship, quality of sound, and showmanship. In this year's battle, middle school rockers, the 7's competed against 2 Minute Minors, Band2 and Sky Bandits. They were joined by high school bands,

Abby & The Roadsters, Gilbert, Orbit and Sound Beacon. BandJam 2018 celebrity judges included Broadway's Debbie Gravitte, Living Color bassist Doug Wimbish and i95fm's Ethan Carey. The 7's who love '80s and '90s rock performed Seven Nation Army by The White Stripes and Smells Like Teen Spirit by Nirvana. The judges were blown away by the "7's" performance and got quite the compliment when Doug Wimbash said, "Well done! I look forward to seeing you guys at Madison Square Garden!" This was the first year The "7's" competed and had such a positive experience that they will definitely be doing it again next year. Who knows what lies in the future for The 7's but right now they are riding the high of being crowned the best middle school band in Connecticut!

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Left to right: Lisa Stackpole, May Market Co-Chair and Dot Zolla pose with Flora the Purple Cow. [Photo by Ellie Torello]

Save The Date! It's May Market Time

The Garden Club of Orange invites you to its annual May Market & Plant Sale to be held on the Town Green, Saturday, May 12, 2018 from 8:30am - 12 noon. Special features this year will be the sale of handmade concrete stepping stones, garden gloves, terrariums and an opportunity to greet the newest garden club member Flora, the Purple Cow.

Locally grown perennials from members' gardens as well as annuals and home-baked goods make it an event not to be missed. Monies raised from the May Market are used for the beautification of Orange. The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT, NEG NEC. For membership information contact Joanne Friedrichs 203-795-4266.



Left: Creating the terrariums. Right: Lisa Stackpole with the finished product. [Photos by Brenda Zandri & Linda Bradford]

Terrariums 101

At a recent garden club workshop, members of The Garden Club of Orange learned how to build a terrarium. Indoor gardeners have long enjoyed growing these tabletop universes. Each member received a round glass bowl similar to a fish bowl. First a layer of gravel was placed, followed by layers of charcoal, moss and potting soil. A

variety of three succulents were added and 'voila' a lovely indoor landscape addition was created and ready to be placed indoors. The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT, NEG & NGC. For membership information contact Joanne Friedrich at 203-795-4266.

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“The Girl Scout Network”

Today, Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) and LinkedIn launched The Girl Scout Network on LinkedIn. Just a few days before Equal Pay Day on April 10, Girl Scouts and LinkedIn are manifesting their shared commitment to equal opportunity in an invaluable new career resource that promotes girls’ and women’s empowerment, leadership, and advancement in the world. With the World Economic Forum’s Global Gender Gap Report 2017 findings revealing that gender pay parity is still more than 200 years away, the two organizations are taking action to help tip the scales for women in the workplace.



The Girl Scout Network invites the organization’s more than 50 million Girl Scout alums to connect with one another on The Girl Scout Network to enhance their career development. Girl Scouts of Connecticut urges anyone in Connecticut who was a Daisy, Brownie, or higher in Girl Scouts to join. Millions of girls already benefit from being a part of Girl Scouts as they grow up, and this new community on LinkedIn will similarly offer support for female professionals. It will also allow alums the opportunity to share their experience with the next generation and join forces with like-minded

women to effect change. With access to LinkedIn’s rich data and insights, GSUSA will aggregate key information from the public profiles of Girl Scout alums, such as: education, career fields, and leadership positions to identify trends, deficits, and opportunities for women in the workplace. This information will help Girl Scouts create relevant and impactful programs and experiences for girls in Connecticut and beyond, to both better prepare them to lead as professionals in the workplace and move the needle on gender parity in their respective fields.

At present, stories about unequal and unethical treatment of women continue to populate headlines across the United States. The Girl Scout Network on LinkedIn will offer inspiring personal stories from girls and alums as well as ways to support and help prepare girls to lead. The page will also provide new and relevant statistics about female leadership to inform and energize female professionals in their careers to take the reins and be trailblazers in our country and the world.

Girl Scout alums in Connecticut and beyond interested in joining should visit The Girl Scout Network and click “follow.”

Celebrate the Adventure

Connecticut’s Largest Scouting Event. Scouts, Parents, Volunteers And The Community To Celebrate Scouting At The Orange Fairgrounds From May 11-13

Scouts and families from across Connecticut and beyond are preparing to celebrate the adventure of Scouting at ConnJam 2018, the largest Scouting event in Connecticut, from May 11-13 in Orange. The event, held once every three years, brings together Scouting’s commitment to adventure, service, STEM and teamwork in one action-packed weekend.

Scouting, an organization rooted in the community for more than 100 years, invites all Scouts and non-Scouts to come join the adventures on Saturday, May 12. Admission is \$20 per person (max: \$80 per family) for all activities with no admission charge for children under 4 years old.

Among the attractions available during open program are:

- › Zip lining;
- › SCUBA introductions and water log rolling;
- › Climbing Walls;
- › Ultimate Frisbee competition;
- › STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics);
- › Robotics;
- › BMX Riding;

- › Cartooning with international comics; and
- › An Arena Show with Fireworks.

Dignitaries from across the state and country are joining the Scouts, including Dr. Michael J. Manyak, an internationally known explorer and innovator, who leads the prestigious National Eagle Scout Association. Manyak will give an inside look at the world of exploration based on his experiences in the Congo, Antarctica and the North Atlantic to the Titanic wreck.

The Connecticut Yankee Council is the local council of the Boy Scouts of America, the nation’s foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training, which helps young people be “Prepared. For Life.®”. The Connecticut Yankee Council is composed of nearly 10,000 youth members between the ages of 7 and 21 and approximately 2,300 volunteers in Southwestern Connecticut. For more information on the Connecticut Yankee Council, please visit www.ctyankee.org and on the Boy Scouts of America, please visit www.scouting.org.



l-r: Janine Oliva, Nancy Du-Brule-Clemente, Club President Linda Bradford, & Liz Castiline. [Photo by Larry Huzi]

Maplewood at Orange Hosts Garden Club

The Garden Club of Orange held its April meeting at Maplewood at Orange and were welcomed by Community Relations Directors Liz Castiline and Janine Oliva. Following a luncheon buffet prepared by Chef Leif, guest speaker Nancy DuBrule-Clemente of Natureworks discussed the numerous

varieties of native plants that can be grown in the garden providing blooms and color throughout the growing season. The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT, NEG, & NEC. For membership information call Joanne Friedrichs 203-795-4266.



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HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

Women’s Guild Installation, Scholarship Dinner

The Holy Infant Church Women’s Guild is having its annual Installation/Scholarship dinner on Tuesday, May 8. It will be at 5:30 pm at the Oak Lane Country Club, 1027 Racebrook Road in Woodbridge. The cost is \$39 including gratuity. Choice of entree is Chicken Francaise, Salmon Filet, or Top Sirloin. Included with the entree are appetizers, salad, rolls, potato, vegetable, coffee, tea, soda and dessert. To make a reservation, send a check made out to the Holy Infant Women’s Guild and mail it or bring it to the Rectory at 450 Racebrook Road in Orange by or before May 1st. Indicate which entree that you



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have selected. The Guild officers will renew their commitment to their office, and two female students from the parish will be awarded a scholarship. For more information, call (203)799-2379.



Holy Infant Church in Orange held a Confirmation Retreat on Sunday, March 18th, for students preparing for their Confirmation. Father Norman Brockett is Pastor of Holy Infant Church on Racebrook Road in Orange. Over 72 students completed their requirements for this Sacrament which was held on April 11th at Holy Infant Church with The Most Reverend Peter A. Rozzazza, D.D. presiding. The students attended 9 years of study in Holy Infant Formation Classes and had accumulated over 1500 hours of church and community service.

The First Church Of Christ Hand Bell Choir Season Ends

The last performance of the season by our talented Hand Bell Choir, under the direction of Faye Chen, will be at our Sunday service on May 20th. The First Church of Christ invites all members of the community to join us at 5 Meeting House Lane in Woodbridge to hear the bells ring out one more time before their summer hiatus.

We also invite you to join us for the following weekly services and special events:

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

Church School - Sunday at 10 a.m. the second through fifth Sundays during June 10th with lessons based on the life and teaching of Jesus.

Confirmation Class for children in 7th – 9th grades will meet on Sunday May 6th and on May 20th 8:30 a.m. in the Parish House. The class will be preparing for Confirmation Sunday



The First Church of Christ

which will be held on June 3rd.

Middle School Youth Group for 5th – 8th graders - the May meeting of the youth group will be on Sunday May 6th after church. The group will be working on a project that includes painting so dress for the mess.

Weekly Bible Study - Wednesdays from 10-11 a.m., in the Parish House. We study both Old and New Testament passages based on the Lectionary. Bible study is open to the community so everyone is welcome.

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

Orange Congregational Church Weekly Services

Orange Congregational Church is an Open and Affirming Congregation, located at 205 Meeting House Lane in Orange. We invite you to come to our regular weekly Sunday Worship Services at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel and 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

Our later worship service includes a church nursery with a child-care experienced Crib Room Attendant for all birth to Pre-K children as well as Sunday School programming for school age children.

Also, at the 10 a.m. service, our Senior choir sings weekly and our Junior choir and Bell choir perform monthly. Confirmation Sunday will be on May 20th with only one worship service at 10 a.m. during which our confirmands will be received into the membership



Orange Congregational Church

of the church.

Memorial Day Sunday will be on May 27th with one service at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Afterward, our Nursery School will be having its annual bake sale: many baked goods, sweet treats, hot coffee and cold drinks will be available at its tent on the Orange Town Green during the Memorial Day parade.

Americanisms



“It does not make sense to hire smart people and then tell them what to do. We hire smart people to tell us what to do.”
—Steve Jobs



HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

Congregation Or Shalom Events

Weekly Services

Minyan Services

- › Sunday, 9:00 AM
- › Monday, 7:30 AM
- › Thursday, 7:30 AM

Healing Circle

- › Wednesday, 7:30 AM

Shabbat Services

- › Friday, 7:00 PM
- › Saturday, 9:30 AM

Zumba Gold At Or Shalom

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


23rd Annual Golf and Tennis Tournament

Congregation Or Shalom of Orange will hold its 23rd Annual Golf and Ten-



Congregation Or Shalom

nis Tournament on Monday, June 11, 2017. The event includes breakfast at 8:00 am at Orange Hills Country Club in Orange, a shot gun start at 8:30 am and lunch at 12:30 pm (Dietary Laws Observed). The cost for the day is \$150 with registration before May 23rd and \$175 after that date. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place with 50-50 Closest to the Pin. The tennis tournament will be held at the Yale Indoor Tennis Courts, one of the top venues in the United States. The cost for the day, including breakfast and lunch at Orange Hills is \$115 with registration before May 23rd and \$140 after that date. Sponsorships by businesses and individuals are available. For further information, please contact the synagogue office at 203-799-2341.



Detail of "The Three Ages of Woman"
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She opens her mouth in wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and bless her; her husband also, and he praises her, saying: "Many daughters have done nobly, but you excel them all."

PROVERBS 31:26-29

A Lively May Roster

The Church of the Good Shepherd welcomes the community to our lively roster of May activities.

First Tuesday

May 1st, 2018 6:45 p.m.

Save those returnable bottles for First Tuesday!

At our next First Tuesday gathering we will be collecting returnable bottles to raise money for the Nambale Magnet School in rural western Kenya. The Good Shepherd has helped to support Nambale for many years, a residential school for children either orphaned or rendered vulnerable by AIDS. Visit its website at www.nambalemagnet.org for full details. Saving bottles that can be turned into cash is an easy way to raise funds for the most vulnerable children on the planet. Please have your empty and rinsed bottles to the church by 6:45 pm, Tuesday, May 1st. Thanks! All are welcome!

And thank you to the men who donated over 50 pairs of pants for distribution to the needy through Loaves & Fishes at St. Paul and St. James Episcopal Church in New Haven. You have blessed many vulnerable brothers with your generosity.

Spring Rummage Sale

Friday, May 11th, 1 pm-6pm &
Saturday, May 12th, 9am-2pm

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd invites the public to visit our semi-annual Rummage Sale on Friday, May 11th from 1-6 pm and Saturday, May 12th from 9am - 2pm. Shoppers will find a wide array of men's, women's and children's clothing, along with shoes, handbags, scarves, jewelry, accessories, children's games, puzzles, toys, books, DVDs, housewares, glassware, pictures, linens, etc. "All are welcome to come by and find that Mother's Day treasure", says Elaine Swirsky, long-standing Chairperson of this fun event.

Guided Labyrinth Walks Return

Spring is upon us! Robins and budding trees and bushes have been sighted! Our guided labyrinth walks are also returning on Saturday, May 19, at 9am down by Pryde Drive. Once a month from April to November Rev.



Church of the Good Shepherd

Diana leads a guided labyrinth walk. No registration or fee required. The labyrinth is located just off Pryde Drive on the church grounds and is available anytime to anyone for walking prayer and meditation. The Good Shepherd labyrinth is listed with the World-wide Labyrinth Locator at <http://labyrinthlocator.com/>.

Vacation Bible School 2018

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2018 at The Church of the Good Shepherd starts Monday, July 9th. VBS will run this year from Monday through Friday, 9 am to Noon, July 9 - July 13. Campers ages 3 years to rising 4th graders are welcome to enroll; rising fifth graders through rising twelfth-graders are welcome to participate as counselors-in-the-making. The fee is \$50 per child, with a maximum of \$100 per family regardless of the number of children. Scholarships are available. Pre-registration is requested; walk-in registration is available. Contact the church office at 203-795-6577 or thegoodshepherd@optonline.net for more information. Registration forms are available at www.thegoodshepherdorangedt.org. Please contact VBS Director Jennifer D'Inzeo at jennandinzeo@gmail.com with questions.

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd is located on 680 Racebrook Road, Orange, Connecticut. Sunday service times include Rite II Holy Eucharist without music at 8 a.m. and Rite II Holy Eucharist with music at 10 a.m. For more information about The Church of the Good Shepherd's many other programs, please call the Parish Office @ (203) 795-6577, email us @ thegoodspheherd@optonline.net, visit our website @ www.thegoodshepherdorangedt.org, and, of course, check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/cgsorangedt for frequent postings.

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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 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. The Library will be closed Saturday, May 28 and Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day. To register for events, visit casememoriallibrary.org/events, call the Library at 203-891-2170, or visit the Library in person. Registration is required where noted and opens three weeks in advance of the program date.

Events For Adults

Books and Breakfast: Morning Discussion Group

Tuesday, May 22, 10 a.m.
Join Books & Breakfast leader Carol Davidson for a discussion of *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult. Check for copies at the Circulation Desk.

The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

Thursday, June 14, 7 p.m.
Join The Bookcase leader Toby Zabinski for a discussion of *Mudbound* by Hillary Jordan. Check for copies at the Circulation Desk.

Computer Basics

Tuesday, June 12, 10:30 a.m.
Are you a new computer user with little experience using a keyboard and mouse? If so, come to this class and learn how to left-click, right-click and use basic command keys as you prepare to enter the online world! Registration is required.

2018 Oscar Films

Lady Bird
Monday, May 7, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 9, 1 p.m.
In 2002, an artistically inclined seventeen-year-old girl comes of age in Sacramento, California. 1 hr. 34 min. R. Registration is required.

I, Tonya
Monday, May 14, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 16, 1 p.m.
Competitive ice skater Tonya Harding rises amongst the ranks at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships, but her future in the activity is thrown into doubt when her ex-husband intervenes. 2 hr. R. Registration is required.

Call Me By Your Name

Monday, May 21, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 23, 1 p.m.
In 1980s Italy, a romance blossoms between a seventeen-year-old student and the older man hired as his father's research assistant. 2 hr. 12 min. R. Registration is required.

The Post

Monday, June 4, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, June 6, 1 p.m.



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A cover-up that spanned four U.S. Presidents pushed the country's first female newspaper publisher and a hard-driving editor to join an unprecedented battle between the press and the government. 1 hr. 56 min. PG-13. Registration is required.

Mudbound

Monday, June 11, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, June 13, 1 p.m.

Two men return home from World War II to work on a farm in rural Mississippi, where they struggle to deal with racism and adjusting to life after war. 2 hr. 14 min. R. Registration is required.

Phantom Thread

Monday, June 25, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, June 27, 1 p.m.

Set in 1950s London, Reynolds Woodcock is a renowned dressmaker whose fastidious life is disrupted by a young, strong-willed woman, Alma, who becomes his muse and lover. 2 hr. 10 min. R. Registration is required.

Roman J. Israel, Esq.

Monday, July 9, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, July 11, 1 p.m.

Roman J. Israel, Esq., a driven, idealistic defense attorney, finds himself in a tumultuous series of events that lead to a crisis and the necessity for extreme action. 2 hr. 2 min. PG-13. Registration is required.

Remembering Katharine Hepburn

Celebrate Katharine Hepburn's birth month with this exciting series of events presented by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required. Katharine Hepburn Film Series:

- › *The African Queen*: Tuesday, May 1, 2 p.m.
- › *On Golden Pond*: Tuesday, May 8, 2 p.m.

- › *Woman of the Year*: Tuesday, May 15, 2 p.m.
- › *The Philadelphia Story*: Tuesday, May 22, 2 p.m.
- › *Bringing Up Baby*: Tuesday, May 29, 2 p.m.

An Afternoon with Ann Nyberg: Remembering Katharine Hepburn

Saturday, May 12, 1 p.m.
Ann Nyberg, author & WTNH-TV's anchor and reporter, will discuss and sign copies of her recently published book, *Remembering Katharine Hepburn: Stories of Wit and Wisdom about America's Leading Lady*. Presented by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required.

Events For Teens

Cooking Class

Tuesday, May 15, 3:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 7, 3:30 p.m.

For students in grades 6-12. Learn how to make tasty, healthy recipes with Courtney Huggins, Orange ShopRite's registered dietician. Please notify the Library of any food allergies at the time of registration. Registration is required.

Events For Children

Summer Reading Kickoff: Jester Jim

Saturday, June 16, 10:30 a.m.
For children of all ages. Ready for a performance unlike any other? Jester Jim will show off his amazing juggling, balancing, and beatboxing skills at this sidesplitting family comedy show. Voted "Best Family Show" by *Entertainer America*, this event is not to be missed! Registration is required.

ScienceTellers: The Mystery of the Golden Piano

Thursday, June 21, 6 p.m.
For children in grades K-5. Grab your spurs and journey with us to the Wild West, where a legendary bank-robbing outlaw is back in town, about to strike again! We'll explore the fascinating science behind chemical reactions, combustion, inertia and more through this action-packed western with "notes" of science. Registration is required.

Scratch Coding: Video Games

Saturday, June 30, 2 p.m.
For children in grades 4-6. Design a simple video game with your own sound effects or soundtrack using Scratch coding. Headphones and laptops will be provided. Registration is required.

Storytimes

3-5 Year Olds Storytime
Mondays at 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy storytelling, books, music, fingerplays and puppetry at this story time series especially for 3-5-year olds! A story-related craft is offered following each session. Please note: story time will not be held on May 28, June 11, or June 25.

Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Little ones and their caregivers are invited to this high-energy story time with Ms. Michelle! We'll practice nursery rhymes, sing and move together, plus explore touch-and-feel books.

2-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.
Audience participation is highly encouraged at this story time session just for 2s. Enjoy books, stories, music and movement, fingerplays and puppetry together.

Preschool STEM Storytime

Water Science
Saturday, May 5, 10:30 a.m.
Body Science
Saturday, June 2, 10:30 a.m.
Can a fairytale or picture book really be used to teach science? See how with Ms. Michelle! We'll read the book together as a group, learn more about the story through our re-telling, then make a scientific craft or try some hands-on experiments together. This story time is best for children ages 3-5, but older siblings are welcome. Registration is required.

Art Receptions

June: Watercolors by Mary Beltramello, Barbara Dorso, and Shari Lipton. Reception: June 7, 5-7 p.m.
July: Monoprints by Mary Mayer, Maura Galante, and Nan Adams. Reception: July 12, 5-7 p.m.



Library to Celebrate Katharine Hepburn During May

Who doesn't love oldies but goodies, especially when it comes to movies? Everybody has a list of memorable films with their favorite stars. Add to that a star that was a Connecticut native and lived here most of her life. We're talking about Katharine Hepburn, of course. The Friends of the Case Memorial Library invite you to its retrospective look at the career of our own "Kate," during the month of May.

Each Tuesday, at 2:00, one of her films will be shown, each featuring a different leading man. You'll be able to enjoy "The African Queen" with Humphrey Bogart, "On Golden Pond" with Henry Fonda, "Woman of the Year" with Spencer Tracy, "The Philadelphia Story" with Cary Grant and James Stewart and "Bringing Up Baby" with Cary Grant. Don't they bring back fond memories? Stop in the Library to pick

up a flyer and register weekly for these must see films.

Another tribute takes place on Saturday, May 12th at 1:00, Kate's actual birthday, when Ann Nyberg, Channel 8 anchor/reporter, will talk about her book, Remembering Katharine Hepburn: Stories of Wit and Wisdom About America's Leading Lady. Nyberg is on the board of trustees of the Katharine Hepburn Cultural Center in Old Saybrook, now referred to as "The Kate." The building, which was formerly the old Town Hall, was renovated into a theater and has National Landmark status.

Come and celebrate Kate's 111th birthday with one of her favorite desserts. Nyberg's book will be available for purchase and signing. All are welcome but all must register at the Library or by calling 203.891.2170.

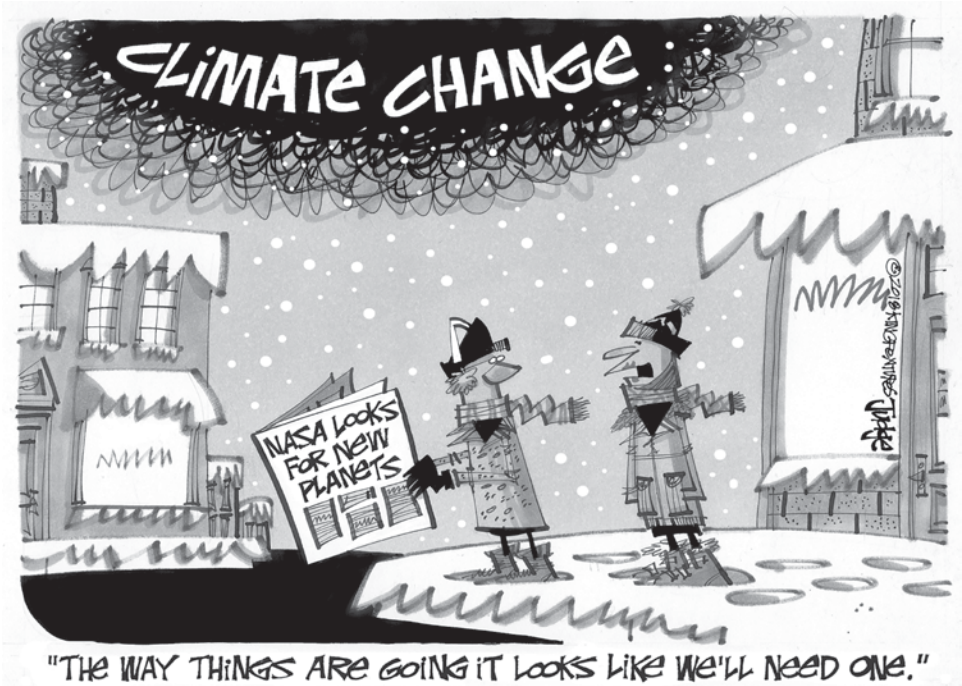
10th Annual Strawberry Festival

Mark your calendars if strawberries and family fun are your thing. The Orange Congregational Church's 10th annual Strawberry Festival is scheduled for June 9th (rain date June 10th) at the Orange Fairgrounds from 9AM to 5PM.

As always, the strawberry is king for the day with mouthwatering strawberry treats of every description. Church volunteers spend many hours preparing everything from jams and pies to everyone's favorite, strawberry shortcake. Something new has been added to the


menu to celebrate the 10th anniversary – a strawberry slushy. A pancake breakfast will start the day and hungry appetites will be satisfied with a variety of delicious Festival food served throughout the day.

Craft and home show vendors, rides, musical entertainment and the popular Red Car Show will keep the whole family busy. Admission and parking are free. For more info, call (203) 795-9749 or visit www.orangecongregationalchurch.org.



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Spring CareCard Lecture Program

Yale New Haven Hospital (YNHH) CareCard program is a free health and wellness program for adults 50 and older. The YNHH CareCard program and the Connecticut Older Adult Collaborative for Health (COACH) invite you to free health education talks and screenings

All lectures are from 6 - 7pm at Yale-New Haven Hospital, Saint Raphael Campus in the Cronin Auditorium. Free parking provided (George Street Garage). To register, call 1-888-700-6543 or visit ynhh.org/events.

Experiencing A Neck Or Back Ache..Could It Be Osteoarthritis?

Tuesday, May 22
Pain, stiffness or swelling in your neck and/or spine are symptoms of osteoarthritis. Eric Holder, MD, Yale School of Medicine (YSM) orthopaedics and rehabilitation, will provide an insightful discussion on the cause, symptoms and treatments for osteoarthritis of the neck and spine.

What is a Geriatric Assessment and Why Would I Need One?

Tuesday, May 29
YNHH geriatrician Gerard J. Kerins, MD, YSM program director, Geriatric Education, will discuss the assessment's purpose and how it can help older adults deal with age related concerns.

Promoting Kidney Health
Thursday, May 31

Nearly one in ten people every year are affected by kidney disease and many do not realize they have it. Joni Hansson, MD, nephrologist at

Metabolism Associates, will discuss how to promote better kidney health and reduce your risk of kidney failure.

Safe In The Sun
Tuesday, June 5

According to the American Cancer Society, skin cancer is by far the most common form of cancer. Kathleen Suozzi, MD, surgeon and assistant professor of dermatology at YSM, will talk about the importance of skin cancer screenings and ways to protect yourself in the sun.

Community Events
Yale New Haven Hospital (YNHH) CareCard program is a free health and wellness program for adults 50 and older. The CareCard Program will be hosting these upcoming events. To register or for more information, call 203-789-3275.

AARP Driver Safety Program
Monday, April 9 and June 11-8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Completion of this half-day driving course may entitle you to a discount of up to 15 percent on your car insurance. Cost: \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for non-members.

Ask A Lawyer
Thursday, April 19, May 17, June 21-9 Am - 12 Pm

Free consultation for simple legal questions by the New Haven County Bar Association.

Blood Pressure Screenings
CareCard offers free blood pressure screenings at community sites. For a list a locations and times, please call 203-789-3275.



Woodruff Family YMCA Offers Swim Programs

As the season turns from winter to spring, the Woodruff Family YMCA, a branch of the Central Connecticut Coast YMCA encourages children and parents in the community to explore the many benefits of swimming, while also keeping safety top of mind. In Y swim programs, participants can enjoy water sports, enhance or learn new techniques, meet new friends and develop confidence, while also learning safety skills that can save lives. "It's never too early to get children involved in swimming—it's important for safety reasons, but also a great way to keep active and healthy," said Josh Royce, Woodruff Family YMCA Executive Director. "There are so many options for parents, but the best place to start is by learning basic water safety skills that helps get kids familiar with the water that often continues with swim lessons and competitive swim programs and can even lead to a career."

As part of National Water Safety Month in May, the Woodruff Family YMCA encourages parents to take an active role in fostering a relationship between their children and swimming—beginning with water safety. Following are safety tips to practice when in and around the water:

- › Only swim when and where there is a lifeguard on duty; never swim alone;
 - › Adults should constantly and actively watch their children;
 - › Inexperienced or non-swimmers should wear a Coast Guard-approved life jacket;
 - › Parents or guardians of young children should be within an arm's reach; and
 - › Children and adults should not engage in breath holding activities.
- In addition to learning lifesaving water safety skills, swimming is a great way to increase physical activity. Swimming also motivates children to strive for self-improvement, teaches goal orientation and cultivates a positive mental attitude and high self-esteem. It also teaches life lessons of sport and sportsmanship, so that children can learn how to work well with teammates and coaches and how to deal with winning and losing.

As a leading nonprofit committed to youth development, the Y has been a leader in providing swim lessons and water safety. The Woodruff Family YMCA continues to help youth and adults experience the joy and benefits of swimming, so they can be healthy, confident and secure in the water. There are a variety of programs to choose, including lap swims, open swims, family swims and family movie nights in the pool. To ensure that everyone has an opportunity to participate, financial assistance may be available to those in need to help cover the costs.

The Y will be offering free Safety Around Water programs for community youth on May 6 and May 20 with pre-registration. To learn more about the Woodruff Family YMCA's swim programs, please visit woodruffymca.org or call 203 878 6501.



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

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

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

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No appointment necessary.

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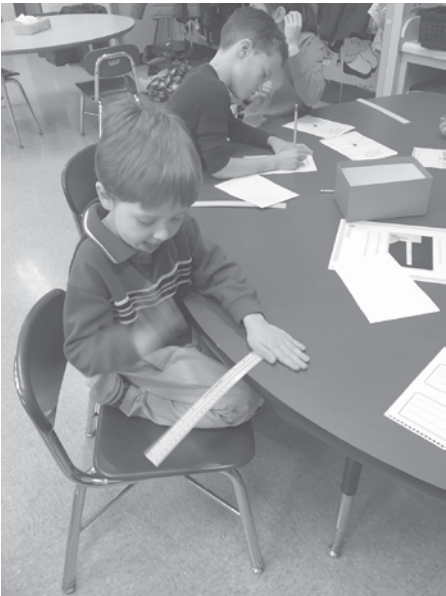
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BY GINA MALAFRONTA

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Michael Richetelli, President and Designated Broker of Colonial Properties, Inc., is pleased to announce the completion of the following lease transaction.

Kevin Weirsman, Broker & Vice President of Colonial Properties, Inc. represented the Landlord, Bull Hill Associates, LLC in the leasing of 85,000 SF at 260 Bull Hill Lane in Orange, CT. The building, formerly occupied by Builders Square and prior to that, K-Mart, was leased to Urban Air Family Adventure Parks, a national franchise operation with over 40 locations. The tenant plans to open in May or June; the location will feature trampolines, laser tag and go-karts. Urban Air was represented by Andrew Callahan of

Venture Retail Partners.

"This property had long been vacant and was another example of a growing trend of undesirable, hard to fill empty big box buildings in today's changing retail landscape. We were pleased to lease the entire building to an alternate, entertainment tenant, which has proven an effective use for large retail vacancies", said Richetelli

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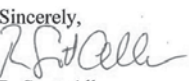
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This approval is contingent upon all requirements for soil & erosion controls as set forth in the Conn. General Statutes, and Conn. Department of Transportation, being properly installed, maintained and inspected by the Inland Wetland Enforcement Officer prior to any activity taking place, and the following list of conditions as set forth by the Wetlands Enforcement Officer.

This administrative approval will be for work that is to be performed at 346 Coachmans La. Orange, CT., for the repair of an existing sub surface sewage disposal system.

This administrative approval is valid for one (1) year and is not transferable. A notice of this approval shall be posted in a newspaper of general circulation within the community at your expense. Thank you for your cooperation.

Section 381-58 of the Inland Wetland Commission's Regulations: Any person receiving such approval from such agent shall, within ten days of the date of approval, publish, at the applicant's expense, notice of the approval in a newspaper having a general circulation in the town wherein the activity is located or will have an effect. Any person may appeal such decision of such agent to the Commission within fifteen days after the publication date of the notice and the Commission shall consider such appeal at its next regularly scheduled meeting provided such meeting is no earlier than three business days after receipt by such Commission or its agent of such appeal. Any person may appear and be heard at the meeting held by the Commission to consider the subject appeal. The Commission shall, at its discretion, sustain, alter, or reject the decision of its agent or require an application for permit in accordance with Section 7 of the regulations. Date of Notice - 3/12/18, 15 days - 3/27/18. NOTE: NO WORK IS TO TAKE PLACE UNTIL AFTER THE 15-DAY APPEAL PERIOD HAS EXPIRED.

Sincerely,

R. Scott Allen
Wetland Enforcement Officer
Encl.

DEATH NOTICES

Salwa Kaoud

Salwa Kaoud, age 71, of Woodbridge, CT passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by her loving family on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 after a courageous 27 year battle with cancer. She was the loving wife of Randy Kaoud, mother of James (Kristina) Kaoud of Woodbridge, sister of Maha Hanna (Peter) of West Hempstead, NY, and Mazin Misleh of Ramallah, Palestine. She was the cherished grandmother of Randy James (RJ), Jillian, and Joseph Kaoud. Salwa was born September 28, 1946 in Ramallah, Palestine to the late Jaser and Azizeh Misleh. She was also predeceased by her brother Musa Misleh of Houston, Texas. The family would like to thank Maria Kosciuszek for the care, friendship, and devotion towards Salwa and her family.

Salwa's passion was the love of her family, living in Woodbridge for 42 years surrounded by flowers, which was her second passion. Beside her passion for gardening, she excelled in her family business, with an eye for



Salwa Kaoud

color and design. Salwa always sided with people that were unfortunate and always helped people in need.

All funeral services were entrusted with the West Haven Funeral Home at the Green. To leave an online condolence, please visit our website at www.westhavenfuneral.com.

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Protecting Seniors From Financial Exploitation

By ROBERTA L. NESTOR

On February 5, 2018 the Financial Industry Regulatory Agency (FINRA) put into effect two rules that address the financial exploitation of seniors and vulnerable adults. These new rules are the first uniform, national standards to protect senior investors. With the aging of our U.S. population, financial exploitation has become a serious and growing problem.

Adult Protective Services (APS) programs report that the number and complexity of reports involving financial abuse of vulnerable and older adults has grown significantly over the past decade.

- › The rate of financial exploitation is extremely high, with 1 in 20 older adults indicating some form of perceived financial mistreatment occurring in the recent past.
- › Only 1 in 44 cases of financial abuse is ever reported.
- › Nearly 1 in 10 financial abuse victims will turn to Medicaid as a direct result of their own monies being stolen from them.

If you have recently met with a financial advisor, you might have been asked to provide the name and contact information for a "trusted contact person". The trusted contact person is intended to be a resource for firms and their advisors to aid in protecting assets and to respond to any possible financial exploitation. In providing this information, you are authorizing your advisor to disclose information about your account in order to address possible financial exploitation. Your trusted contact has no authority to make transactions on your account and must be over age 18.

In having this discussion with your advisor, you might also want to make them aware of who would not be a trusted contact. Is there a person or family member you would not want to know anything about your financial situation? Advisors are often contacted directly by family members when the client has a health issue or is in a long-term care situation. Unfortunately, health issues, especially those that involve nursing care are when individuals are most vulnerable to financial abuse.

Let's say, for example your advisor has been unable to contact you after

multiple attempts. With this document your advisor would then be able to get in touch with your trusted contact to inquire about your current contact information (maybe you moved, changed phone numbers or eliminated your land line). Your advisor could reach out to a trusted contact if they suspect that you may be suffering from Alzheimer's disease, dementia or other forms of diminished capacity.

The new rule allowing firms (broker/dealers) to place a temporary hold on invested assets provides them and their associated advisors with a safe harbor from certain FINRA rules. This provision will allow firms to investigate the matter and reach out to the customer, the trusted contact and, as appropriate, law enforcement or adult protective services, before disbursing funds when there is a reasonable belief of financial exploitation. It is a critical measure because of the difficulty investors' face in trying to recover funds that they have inadvertently sent to fraudsters and scam artists. Your advisor could contact a trusted contact to address possible financial exploitation of the client before placing a hold on your accounts.

More information about the FINRA rule can be found at www.finra.org. Use the search key for "trusted contacts" and you will find more detailed information. It is an important conversation to have with your financial advisor.

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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TOP 10 MOVIES

1. Rampage (PG-13)

Dwayne Johnson, Naomie Harris
2. A Quiet Place (PG-13)

Emily Blunt, John Krasinski
3. Truth or Dare (PG-13)

Lucy Hale, Tyler Posey
4. Ready Player One (PG-13)

Tye Sheridan, Olivia Cooke
5. Blockers (R)

Leslie Mann, John Cena
6. Black Panther (PG-13)

Chadwick Boseman, Michael B. Jordan
7. Isle of Dogs (PG-13)

animated
8. I Can Only Imagine (PG)

J. Michael Finley, Brody Rose
9. Acrimony (R)

Taraji P. Henson, Lyriq Bent
10. Chappaquiddick (PG-13)

Kate Mara, Clancy Brown

TOP 10 V.O.D.

1. Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle (PG-13)

Dwayne Johnson
2. Star Wars: Episode VIII: The Last Jedi (PG-13)

Daisy Ridley
3. Father Figures (R)

Owen Wilson
4. Insidious: The Last Key (PG-13)

Lin Shaye
5. Pitch Perfect 3 (PG-13)

Anna Kendrick
6. Justice League (PG-13)

Ben Affleck
7. Downsizing (R)

Matt Damon
8. I, Tonya (R)

Margot Robbie
9. Ferdinand (PG)

animated
10. Coco (PG)

animated



Scene from “Paddington 2” [Warner Bros.]

EDITOR’S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column are available in stores the week of April 23, 2018.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

“Hostiles” (R) -- It’s 1892, and an unsympathetic Army captain (Christian Bale) is ordered to trek from New Mexico to Montana to return a Cheyenne chief (Wes Studi) to his lands to die. The party includes the chief’s son (Adam Beach) and other family members. They encounter a young widow (Rosamund Pike) whose family has been slaughtered by Comanches. “Hostiles” offers an unforgiving look at settler life and Indian relations, and we are not spared the gore or strife along the way. Although it’s set on the plains, this is no cowboys and Indians Western. It’s a violent film about violent times. The characters are damaged goods, raw and shaken by the tragic consequences of war.

“Zombies” (TV-G) -- The Disney Channel continues its string of hits with the original movie “Zombies,” starring Milo Manheim as Zed, an ebullient Zombie kid, and Meg Donnelly as Addison, a cheer-leading charmer. “What could go so wrong with a girl and a Zombie?” you ask. In the post-apocalypse town of Seabrook, Zom-

bies are segregated and regulated for the safety of the suburbanite residents, but this happens to be the year that Zombies are allowed to attend the local preptastic high school. It’s one part Romeo and Juliet love story, one part celebration of triumphing over our differences, with a sprinkling of super-cute song and dance numbers that will have you bopping along.

“Paddington 2” (PG) -- Now that Paddington bear (voiced by Ben Whishaw) is comfortably installed with the Brown family (Hugh Bonneville and Sally Hawkins), he has his eye on a delightful pop-up book in a local antiques store, meant as a present for Aunt Lucy’s 100th birthday. Paddington takes a series of odd jobs in a hilarious attempt to earn money to buy the book, but it is stolen and he is framed. The cast of characters is rich: Hugh Grant as Phoenix Buchanan, an aging actor in desperate straits, for starters, plus Brendan Gleeson, Julie Walters, Jim Broadbent, Michael Gambon, Joanna Lumley and director Paul King. What you end up with is a heartwarming classic that’s as sweet as a marmalade sandwich.

“Maze Runner: Death Cure” (PG-13) -- We first met Thomas (Dylan O’Brien) in “The Maze Runner,” where he was dropped in the middle of a fortress of a maze and, along with a group of compatriots, battled to make it out. Two films later, the situation is reversed, and to save their friends, those same young men must fight to make it into the Last City, home of the evil WCKD organization that mazed them in the first place. Civilization is infected with a virus known as Flare, and their immunity to this virus makes them both targets and potential saviors. Many reprised roles in this finale film (Ki Hong Lee, Kaya Scodelario, Dexter Darden, Thomas Brodie-Sangster) will thrill fans of the series, but it’s a lot to take on for someone unfamiliar with the backstory.

1. 1. What two groups had hits with songs titled “Best of My Love”?

2. 2. Who released “Circle in the Sand,” and when?

3. 3. Which artist wrote and released “Bad Medicine”?

4. 4. Name the duo who released “There Must Be an Angel (Playing with My Heart).”

5. 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: “We had a life, we had a love, But you don’t know what you’ve got ‘til you lose it.”



1. The Eagles (1974) and The Emotions (1977). The two songs are very different, but both went to No. 1. 2. Belinda Carlisle, in 1988. The song was used on the “Grand Theft Auto 5” reissue. 3. Bon Jovi, in 1988. The song has made the rounds, from being used in “The Simpsons” to an altered-word version for a British soccer player by the name of Barry Venison. 4. The Eurythmics, in 1985. Stevie Wonder played a harmonica solo in the song. 5. “Something Happened on the Way to Heaven,” by Phil Collins, in 1990. The song is frequently misidentified by the line, “How many times can I say ‘I’m sorry?’” Legend says it was written for the film “The War of the Roses,” but was never used.

Sports Quiz

BY CHRIS RICHCREEK

1. 1. Who was the last Chicago Cubs pitcher in the modern era before Jake Arrieta (2015, ‘16) to toss more than one no-hitter?

2. 2. In what year did Rickey Henderson pass Lou Brock as baseball’s career stolen base leader?

3. 3. Adam Gase, in 2016, became the third Miami Dolphins coach to win six consecutive games. Who were the other two to do it?

4. 4. Kentucky’s men’s basketball team holds the record for most official NCAA Tournament appearances (57). Which school holds the men’s mark for the most Final Four appearances?

5. 5. Name the last rookie before Vancouver’s Brock Boeser in 2018 to win the MVP Award at the NHL All-Star Game.

6. 6. How many consecutive 400-meter hurdles races did Edwin Moses win between 1977 and 1987?

7. 7. In 2018, Bubba Watson became the third PGA golfer to win three times at Riviera Country Club in California. Name either of the other two golfers to do it.

1. Ken Holtzman, in 1969 and 1971. 2. It was 1991 when he surpassed Brock’s 938 career steals. 3. Don Shula and Nick Saban. 4. North Carolina, with 20. 5. Pittsburgh’s Mario Lemieux, in 1985. 6. He had 122 consecutive wins. 7. Ben Hogan and Lloyd Mangrum.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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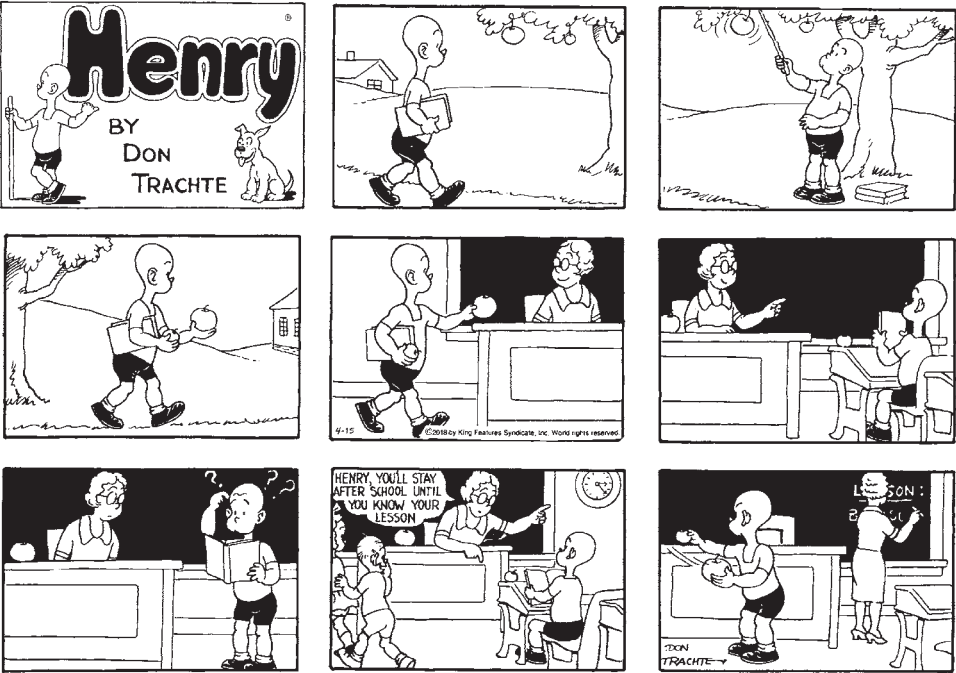
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Sudoku answers
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HOLLYWOOD

BY TONY RIZZO

When the children's book "Marlon Bundo's a Day in the Life of the Vice President," by Charlotte Pence, came out, with illustrations by Karen Pence (daughter and wife, respectively, of our current vice president), John Oliver of HBO's "Last Week Tonight, With John Oliver" premiered his own satirical version of the children's book. "A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo" is about a male bunny who falls in love with another male bunny. The proceeds are being donated to the Trevor Project and AIDS United.

The parody has been outselling the original book, and now Max Mutchnick, creator and producer of "Will and Grace," has joined the cause. He admitted, "After reading John Oliver's book, an LGBTQ-friendly parody 'A Day in the Life of Marlon Bundo', to my daughters, I decided to donate a copy to every grammar school in Indiana." Mutchnick wed lawyer Erik Hyman in 2008, and their twin daughters were born that same year via a surrogate.

An audio book is now available on Amazon, featuring the voices of Jim Parsons, Jesse Tyler Ferguson, Jeff Garland, Ellie Kemper, John Lithgow, Jack McBrayer and RuPaul.

The feud between John Cena and Dwayne Johnson has ended, and now Cena is following in Johnson's footsteps. Johnson became famous as the wrestler "The Rock," and successfully made the transition to being a huge film star. Cena, also a wrestler, rose to the top of his game, and thanks to "The Rock" paving the way, also has made the transition to films.

Johnson is the busiest executive producer and actor around and has a string of huge hits. Cena's early films



John Cena in "Blockers"
[Universal Pictures]

"The Marine" (2006), with Robert Patrick, and "12 Rounds" (2009) weren't hits, but by playing smaller roles in big films such as "Trainwreck" and "Sisters" (both in 2015), and in "The Wall" and as the voice of "Ferdinand" (both in 2017), he earned great reviews, and his current hit, "Blockers," has taken off. Cena's also completed the sci-fi "Bumblebee: The Movie," with Hailee Steinfeld (due Dec. 21) and "The Voyage of Doctor Dolittle," with Robert Downey, Jr. (due April 2019).

Meanwhile, Dwayne Johnson's "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle" (he's also executive producer) cost \$100 million and grossed \$946 million. He's currently in theaters in "Rampage," with "Skyscraper" opening July 13. Johnson will follow them with the comedy "Fighting With My Family," out Sept. 14. He's also exec producing "Shazam," starring Zachary Levi, for an April 2019 premiere.

"The Rock" and Cena resolved their feud after their WrestleMania 29 grudge match and are now the best of friends who confer often. Good thing, because Cena found being between a rock and a hard place isn't a good thing when "The Rock" IS the hard place!

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Do Your Dogs Fight?

How many of us have a sibling, whom we love, but when we were young, we used to fight with quite a bit? We were often jealous of their privileges, such as a later bedtime or staying out later. Some of our fights were bad and on occasion one of us got hurt. The fighting continued until we matured.

Dogs living together sometimes also fight, although jealousy is never the reason. Jealousy is a human emotion not a canine one.

Sibling Rivalry is one of the most serious issues people have with their dogs. This can be somewhat of a misnomer as most of the time, the dogs are not truly siblings and often they are not even the same breed, let alone the same litter. But they are dogs living together.

There can be several different reasons it happens and before working on a solution, we need to understand the cause(s):

Avoiding Pain

One common reason for sibling rivalry is that one dog, often a senior, has some health issues and a younger dog either tries to take advantage or possibly even inadvertently hurts that dog. The older dog might become defensive as a strategy to avoid further injury or pain. Dogs sometimes will take the offensive course in these situations.

No Pack Leader

Another common reason dogs living together fight is that they don't have what they perceive as any or weak leadership from the people they live with. The clear majority of dogs are born followers, not born leaders. They seek direction and guidance from those they live with, both canine and human. If they do not perceive there is any leadership, they will, to the best of their ability try to be the leader. As with people who are put into positions they are not suited to, when dogs are not suited to be leaders but inadvertently try to assert themselves, they are likely to make mistakes. If two dogs of similar temperament are both trying to assert themselves, it can lead to serious issues.

Likewise, if a subordinate dog is being favored over a dog with more

natural authority, that can also lead to problems. Dogs always establish their own rankings between themselves and under most circumstances this is done without being physical. However, if a subordinate is being elevated by the people, the dog higher in the ranking is more likely to take offense.

It is human nature for pet parents to favor an older dog that has lived with them a longer time and let them "get away" with things they don't let a younger one do. This can lead to unequal rules such as allowing one on the furniture or in the bed, but not the other. Depending on the dogs involved, this may, or may not be an issue.

Favoritism or Inconsistency

The more times that the dogs fight, the more difficult it will be to fix and sometimes, even after everyone's best efforts, the best solution for both the dogs and the people is to re-home one of the dogs.

The solutions to solving sibling rivalry issues always begin with a thorough investigation to understand the causes. All the relationships between all the people in the family and all the dogs need to be explored. Health issues, diet and even the environment can be factors. Only when the causes have been determined can a plan of action be developed. There is not a one size fits all solution.

People will often go online and read lots of articles and try different approaches that are rarely successful. The problem with this approach is that the articles are not talking about your dog, your relationships, your home environment, or your life. The articles and information is general or is based on a specific set of circumstances and have nothing to do with what is happening with anyone's specific dogs.

If your dogs are fighting with each other, don't wait, get professional help. The sooner you get expert help, the better the chance of fixing it and not having things escalate.

Vicki and Richard Horowitz, of Woodbridge, are dog behavioral therapists and trainers with Bark Busters, one of 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.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You've set a fast pace for yourself. But as you approach your goal, you might want to slow down a bit in order to take time to reassess your situation and make changes while you can.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Patience continues to be a virtue for the Divine Bovine. So as eager as you might be to get things moving, remember that time is on your side. Make good use of it.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) There's a wee bit of uncertainty in the early part of the week. But things clear up as more facts come to light. Spend quality time this weekend with family and friends.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An old friend's return could open new possibilities for both of you. But don't let yourself be rushed into anything. There could be some factors you haven't yet explored.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This week offers a challenge you're raring to take on. And while eager to get started, do so slowly so that you can focus those sharp Cat's Eyes on every detail.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Put your skepticism aside and listen to advice from colleagues who've been where you are now. What they say could be helpful as you get closer to a decision.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A family matter might again require your reassuring touch. Handle it, as always, with kindness and fairness, even if some of your kin prove to be especially difficult.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your ability to tackle even the most intricate details of a project is likely to impress some very important people. A relative shares news later this week.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The Archer's aim might be focused on the big picture this week, but don't overlook checking for those details you might have missed.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might feel awkward asking for assistance, but who would refuse the charming Goat's request? Do it, then go ahead and enjoy a musical weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Pour some cold water on that simmering misunderstanding before it boils over. The sooner things settle, the sooner you can move ahead with your plans.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're in a highly productive period, which you feel can go on forever. But you could be courting exhaustion. Take time out to relax and restore your energies.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can combine a sense of adventure with a penchant for practicality. Have you considered a travel-related field?

Plastic Surgery for Pets

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My 4-year-old pug, "Granby," is having surgery soon to correct a problem that makes it difficult for him to breathe. One of my friends said the procedure is nothing more than cosmetic surgery and that I ought to save my money. What do you think? -- Mel in New York

DEAR MEL: For pugs and other short-nosed breeds, surgery is sometimes necessary in order for them to breathe better. If their nostrils are malformed or too narrow, they can be widened to improve airflow. Or, if the soft palate (at the top of their mouth) is too long and causing breathing issues, surgery can be done to shorten the soft palate.

While these may cause slight changes in Granby's appearance, they can drastically improve his quality of life and overall health. Pets are increasingly receiving



cosmetic surgery. A CBS report said that dog owners in the U.S. spent \$62 million in 2011 on such treatments. For pugs like Granby as well as many bulldogs and Boston terriers, corrective surgeries are often necessary. Likewise for shar-peis, which may need surgery to raise their eyelids, improving vision and preventing medical issues like scratched corneas.

However, other procedures are more cosmetic -- lifting saggy skin around the face or abdomen, for example. And apparently some owners opt to give their dogs testicular implants after neutering, so they're (hopefully) less likely to notice or be bothered by the loss of their real testicles.

On the plus side, Granby's surgery appears to be medically necessary and might be covered by some pet insurance plans.

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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps

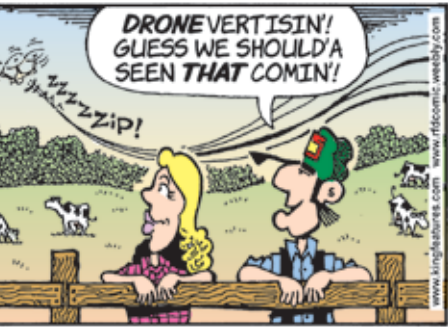
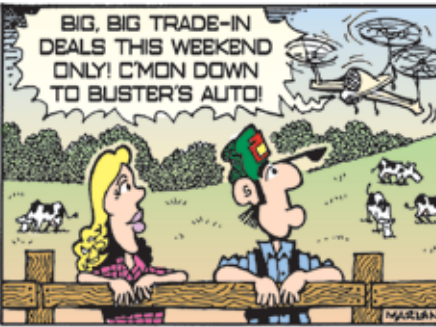


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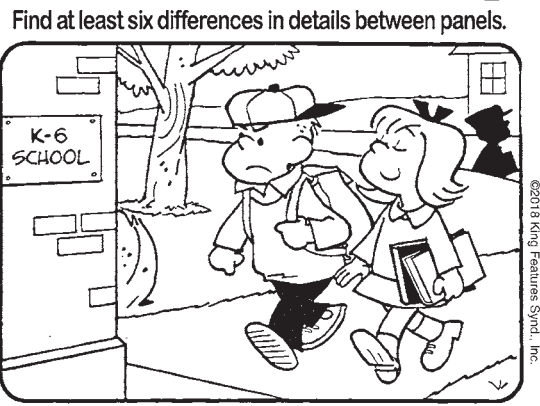
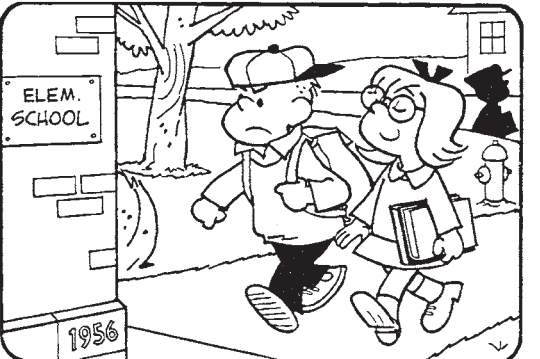
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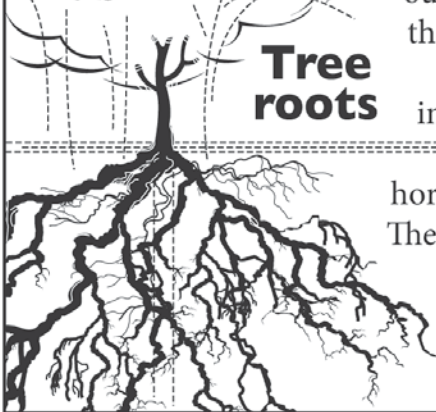
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