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ANNUAL ST. BALDRICK'S EVENT RAISES OVER \$14,000

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

On April 11, instead of the usual sounds of basketballs being bounced on the gym floor at Amity Middle School Orange, the gym was filled with the sound of buzzing shavers as dozens of children and adults banded together for one cause: to raise money to study and treat childhood cancer.

"Childhood cancer is different from adult cancer," explained teacher Karl Wilson. "Not nearly as much money is devoted to research for childhood cancer as it is to adult cancer." The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-driven charity that funds more in childhood cancer research grants than any organization except the U.S. government.

The event, in its eighth year, was kicked off with a cheer routine by Amity Pop Warner cheerleaders ranging in age from 9-14 years old. "The Spartans are here with hand in hand, striving

for a cure, together we stand," the girls

Adrian Fielosh, a sixth grader at Race Brook School was the event's top fundraiser, raising \$1,927 in donations. He was also a shavee. His TeamJoey-Honcz raised just under \$4,000. Adrian's mom Vicki, an English teacher at Amity Middle School Orange coordinated the event with Wilson. Team Amity Hairless Spartans, headed by Greg Twohill—who was a shavee for the eighth time—raised over \$1,500.

"This year we had 38 shavees, collected 14 ponytails, and had over 40 staff and student volunteers. We raised over \$16,000 this year," Vicki Fielosh said. "The purpose of this event is to raise funds and awareness to help fight childhood cancer. Students volunteer

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Happy Mother's Day



PROPOSED BUDGET GOES TO TOWN VOTE MAY 9TH

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

Orange residents will be voting 'town meeting' style on the proposed 2016-2017 budget at High Plains Community Center on May 9. The budget proposal carries a 2.55% increase over this current

year's spending plan.

With the town facing funding cuts from the state, Board of Finance Member

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Team JoeyHoncz raised over \$3600 for research for childhood cancer.



The event was kicked off with a cheer routine by Amity Pop Warner Cheerleaders.

"St. Baldrick's" continued from Page 1 to brave the shave for St. Baldrick's and collect pledges for childhood cancer research. We also collect ponytails for Pantene Beautiful Lengths to make wigs for cancer patients. Over the past seven years we have shaved over 250 heads,

collected enough ponytails to make dozens of free wigs and have raised over \$200,000 for St. Baldrick's Foundation. The best part of "Giving Hair and Hope" is that its kids helping kids."

St. Baldrick's supports more than 361 institutions that are treating kids with cancer across the U.S. and beyond.



"Budget" continued from Page 1

Jim Leahy said this has been a particularly challenging year to draft a budget. In spite of the grand list rising 1% and spending increasing by less than 2%, the proposed budget will increase the tax rate by 2.55%.

Due to tax breaks given to United Illuminating and Fieldstone Village, revenue to the town is down by over \$600,000. "That's why we're examining everything to figure out how to do more with less. We have to look at it as a long-term investment for Orange. UI could have been taxed \$1.35 million. We're only getting 30% of that. Over the next seven years, that number will gradually decline. At the eighth year out, we're collecting the full amount in taxes," Leahy explained at a budget hearing in late April.

"We made targeted cuts in the town budget. Not everyone is going to be in favor of every single one of them," he

The Board of Finance requested both the Amity and Orange Boards of Education request no more than 1.99% increase over this year's budget. "We cut as many things as we could cut, tried to influence the education budgets, bonded where we could bond, used a lot of money that could have gone into fund balance and we have a 2.55% increase," Leahy said. Money that was returned to the town from the Amity Schools will be applied to the operating budget, as opposed to depositing to the fund balance. Without applying these funds to the budget, the tax increase would be 3.8%.

Kevin Houlihan, chairman of the Board of Finance said, "It's probably a concern of everyone in this room, we were notified in February—originally the ECS (Education Cost Sharing) grant to Orange was supposed to be \$1.6 million and the governor reduced it to \$1.348 million. Since then it has been reduced an additional \$198,000. There has been no action taken by the legislature, but as of now, this is the impact the state is having on the budget."

First Selectman James Zeoli commended the board and the town's financial leaders for "working really hard to keep everything in balance."

"One of the things that we're proud of in Orange is our AAA credit rating. One of the contributing factors is our conservative fiscal policies, the town's economic development, our very solid fund balance and community involvement. The people who serve on boards and commissions in this town, along with all of the volunteers—without them, I'm not sure where we'd be," Houlihan said.

Sixty five percent of the town's budget goes to education, nine percent is town employee benefits and the remainder covers town expenses including public safety and public works. The town budget increases 1.7% and both school districts come in at under 2%. What this means to taxpayers: if you have an average home (\$355,000) the mill rate will go from .0314 to .0322. At a 70% assessment, taxes would be \$8,013, a \$199 increase over this current year.





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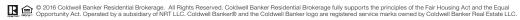




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EDUCATION



RACE BROOK SCHOOL'S CRAYOLA COLORCYCLE

The members of the Race Brook School Student Council are on an enthusiastic mission to collect and repurpose used Crayola markers by shipping them back to Crayola. The initiative of the ColorCycle program is to engage children and help them understand the importance of their role in protecting the environment. The program also

provides teachers a great opportunity to explore and spark lively discussions on eco-friendly practices with their students. The students shown in the photo are members of the Crayola ColorCycle Committee and have made many efforts collecting hundreds of markers to return to the Crayola factory. The collection will continue to the end of the school year.



Congratulations to Ryan Cohutt of Peck Place School who was awarded the South Central Area Superintendents Award. He was recognized for his academic and civic contributions to the school.



Announcements

Shoba Patel Named To Who's Who Among Students In American Universities And Colleges

Oxford College of Emory University has selected Shoba S. Patel to Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Oxford faculty and staff nominated and selected Shoba along with nineteen other students based upon academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. Students selected for Who's Who at Oxford join an elite group of students from more than 2,000 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. Shoba is a sophomore at Oxford College and daughter of Samir and Alpa Patel of Orange Connecticut.

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ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP





Pictured left to right: Caitlin Carlson, Kathleen Fuller-Cutler, and Josh Ford.

AMITY MIDDLE SCHOOL ORANGE SCASA AWARD WINNERS

On March 11, 2016 Amity Middle School in Orange honored two of its 8th graders, Caitlin Carlson and Josh Ford, at the annual SCASA (South Central Area Superintendents Association) Awards banquet at Cascade in Hamden, Connecticut. One eighth grade boy and one eighth grade girl are selected each year. The criteria for selection is based on community service and service to others, academic prowess (relative to ability), and leadership to the school community. Principal Kathleen Fuller-Cutler, Amity Region 5 Superintendent Dr. Charles Dumais, Mr. and Mrs. Carlson, and Mr. and Mrs. Ford attended the banquet with Caitlin and Josh. We are so very proud of their accomplishments.

Caitlin Carlson is an outstanding student and person who can be relied upon to show kindness and compassion for others. She is a leader and role model in her classes. Caitlin consistently maintains first honors and citizenship honors. Although Caitlin has a busy schedule with dance, she still finds the time to contribute to both her school and community. She plays in our school orchestra, offers help in our new student orientation program, and participated as a tour guide for sixth grade parent night. Caitlin is one of our finest peer tutors, and she shines as she currently helps seventh grade students improve their understanding of various subject

areas. In addition, Caitlin still volunteers to help out with programs at her elementary school. Her devotion to school and community is to be commended. Teachers describe Caitlin as an "ambassador of happiness." Her excitement about learning and eagerness to assist both teachers and students is evident in her daily attitude. Her smile and energy are contagious.

Josh Ford is an outstanding, wellrounded student in our school. He has consistently achieved both academic and citizenship honors. He also devotes his time to various extracurricular activities. Josh plays in the school's band and jazz band. He takes part in a number of school sports teams including soccer, track, and cross-country. In addition to all these activities, Josh is an active participant in the school's St. Baldrick's program, a fundraiser for childhood cancer. He shaved his head and raised money for this worthy cause. He was helpful in the Kicks for Africa drive and contributed along with his team by raising money for the Children's Center. He assists in our new student orientation program, he is a tour guide for sixth grade parent night, and he is a valued member of our Peer Tutoring team. Josh is able to lead his peers by example and is an excellent role model. His ability to lead quietly and give so much of himself are major strengths of this amazing young man.

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SACRED HEART ACADEMY SENIORS PUBLISHED IN NH MAGAZINE

New Haven Magazine selected the college essays of seniors Andrianna Ayala of Orange and Kaitlin Nealon of Trumbull for publication in their April "High School Confidential" issue.

Andrianna's essay, which details her experience encountering and overcoming cultural and ethnic stereotypes about Hispanic American women, was one of nine Connecticut high school student essays chosen to be part of the magazine's spread. Shared Andrianna, "I am honored to represent Sacred Heart Academy in New Haven Magazine... to share my own story and allow for racial stigma to be openly discussed and considered. Thank you to my incredible teachers for their support." Andrianna, the daughter of Wilfredo Ayala and

Waleska Ortiz, is a resident of Orange.

Kaitlin's essay examines her experience with spinal surgery and the power of self-advocacy and education. "I am most pleased that my essay was selected...the core of my essay isn't just about me; it's about everyone, and what we can accomplish simply by learning more. Many times in the process of helping ourselves to be self-sufficient, we inadvertently help the greater community around us. I am grateful for my time at Sacred Heart which has fostered a love of learning and a thirst for knowledge that has not only helped me excel academically, but in all areas of my life," Kaitlin offered. Kaitlin, the daughter of James and Deenna Nealon, resides in Trumbull.



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ORANGE RESIDENTS NAMED TO SACRED HEART HONOR ROLL

Sacred Heart Academy Principal Sr. Maureen Flynn, ASCJ has announced the Honor Roll for the third marking period of the 2015 – 16 academic year. The following students from Orange have been named to the Honor Roll:

HIGH HONORS: Andrianna Ayala **HONORS:** Emily Drezek

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LAURALTON HALL ANNOUNCES ITS SECOND QUARTER HONOR ROLL

Principal Cynthia Gallant of The Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall has announced the Honor Roll for the Second Quarter of the 2015

– 2016 school year.

High Honors students have achieved an average of at least 92 in all academic courses; Honors students have an average of at least 86 in all academic courses.

High Honors: Grade 11: Grace Sweeney; Grade 9: Chenrui Xia

Honors: Grade 12: Meredith Miller, Janae Staltaro; Grade 11: Amanda Slesinski; Grade 10: Catherine Brown, Alexandra Justo, Bianca Longobardi, Riana Picagli; Grade 9: Kelly Shaw

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FROM OUR READERS

Prom and Graduation Season is Upon Us

With prom and graduation season upon us, it's a natural time for us as parents to talk with our children about making smart choices, including avoiding peer pressure to drink underage. We can have a big impact on our children's decisions regarding drinking, and it all starts with a conversation.

Dichello Distributors, Inc. wants to remind parents about the Family Talk About Drinking program, a free parent guide designed to encourage open and honest communication between parents and their children to help prevent underage drinking. This year, we have created a series of short and relatable videos to be shared on social media to help spread awareness about the importance of parents having conversations with their teenagers about drinking prior to prom and graduation season. Programs like this one, paired with education, relatable content and effective law enforcement, are essential to reducing underage drinking. Please see below for a list of all of the Family Talk About Drinking online resources you can engage on your channel of choice:

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Sincerely,

Tony Lota Alcohol Awareness Coordinator Dichello Distributors, Inc.

A Jewel Among Us

A few days ago, I made my visit to the monthly art exhibit at Case Memorial Library. April featured the works of our elementary school students in Orange. I was so impressed by what I saw.

The collection demonstrated different media, techniques and styles. The subjects ranged from abstract to still life. It enabled students from all the Orange schools, grades K through 6, to show their creativity and accomplishments.

Kudos go to art teachers John Kaluzynski, Jennifer Russo and Erin Garney whose efforts brought out the talents of our youngsters, and who have exposed them to a most important aspect of our culture. It is obvious that time and effort went into teaching our youngsters about previous masters' works, and helping students accomplish their own. Learning about all the arts is essential to the total development of our children.

Thank you Case Memorial Library for exhibiting the work of local artisans, and especially our young people. Your total programming efforts in all the arts are a great contribution to our community. You are an Orange jewel.

> Elaine Klein Proud Orange Resident

Orange Historical Society Says Thank You

The Orange Historical Society would like to thank the community for its support of our spring fundraiser, Taste of the Past, which celebrated its 10th Anniversary this year. Over the years, area businesses have sponsored the event; others have donated gift baskets and gift cards. We have relied on the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Youth Services Volunteer Program to help us with set-up. The Orange Congregational Church has generously allowed us to use its Community Room. Lastly, but most importantly, we thank area residents who return each year to enjoy a homemade lunch, a Chinese Auction and a program in which

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Submit your letters for our "From Our Readers" section to: Orange Town News, P.O. Box 1126, Orange, CT 06477 or email: letters@orangetownnews.com.

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an actor impersonates a historical figure. Funds from this event have enabled the Society to collect, research, interpret and preserve the history of Orange for future generations. The Orange Histori-

cal Society encourages all residents to consider becoming a member and to take advantage of events at our three buildings, the Stone-Otis House, the Academy and the Bryan-Andrew House. Phyllis Sgueglia Gwatkin, Event Coordinator

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Annemarie Sliby

SLIBY HIRED AS OEDC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Orange resident Annemarie Sliby has been hired to replace Paul Grimmer as the new Executive Director of the Orange Economic Development Corporation. Sliby previously worked at the OEDC for nine years and was an integral member of its management team. Sliby began her position on April 25, 2016.



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ST. ANTHONY'S CHRISTIAN SHOP MOVING TO ROUTE 34

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

There's an old Christian belief that if you're looking for something, the one to seek help from is St. Anthony. This patron saint seems to have found a home for a religious store bearing his namesake on Route 34 in what was commonly known as the 'purple shop' or Enchanted Gardens and Ponds. As part of a roadwidening eminent domain situation on Route 34 in Derby, the state is taking the property where the store is currently.

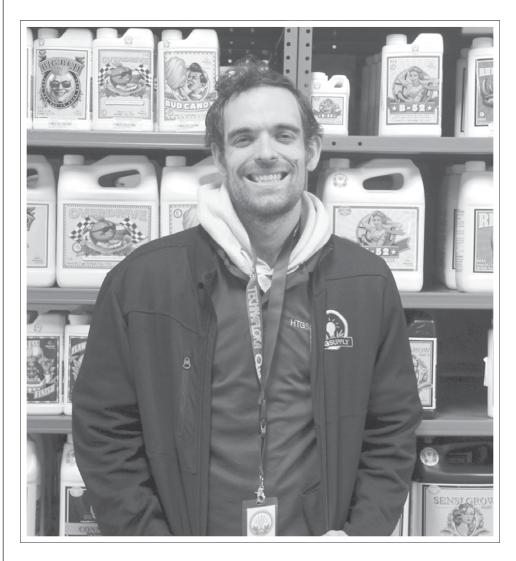
There will be no gigantic metal ladies out front, but instead a variety of books, greeting cards, indoor and outdoor statues, medals and jewelry, including fine Irish jewelry. The shop also sells wall crucifixes and crosses, prints and pictures as well as church goods, such as altar server robes, vestments, candles, communion hosts and incense. For children, St. Anthony's sells First Holy Communion Dresses, veils, rosary beads, baby baptismal outfits, personalized

gifts and bereavement gifts for the loss of loved ones, including pets. The store also offers on site printing of invitations.

Because the property is zoned as a florist, the shop will be required to sell fresh flowers at all times.

Colonial Properties Realtor Fred Messore was the selling agent. He said the 2,262 square foot property, which includes retail space and a greenhouse sold for \$110,000 to the owner of the shop. Enchanted Gardens owned the property for over a decade, according to Messore. The store closed in 2014 and has since undergone renovations such as a new roof, siding and doors.

"It was a long process to find an owner. There were a lot of interested buyers, but the zoning was an issue," Messore said. "It needed some work, but we took our time and it all got done properly. I'm happy to see this building that sat vacant is now going to be something great."



CHRISTENSEN APPOINTED NEW STORE MANAGER AT HTG SUPPLY

Cody Christensen is the new manager at HTG Supply, 367 Boston Post Road in Orange. Skilled in the gardening supply industry and an authority in organically grown plants, and nutrients.

Christensen will conduct a hands-on class in planting with organics and will introduce participants to the nutrients, fertilizers and lighting techniques for indoor propagation.

HTG Supply is one of the nation's foremost companies in nutrients, grow lights, hydroponics and organic supplies. They currently staff 16 stores nationwide.

For more information, call the Orange store at 203-672-1324 or email ctstore@ htgsupply.com

LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP

DEFEO NAMED SALES MANAGER AT COLDWELL BANKER OFFICES

Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Connecticut and Westchester County, N.Y., is pleased to announce that Aileen DeFeo has been appointed sales manager of the company's Woodbridge office. DeFeo will be responsible for the oversight of approximately 40 affiliated real estate sales professionals serving homebuyers and sellers in Woodbridge, Ansonia, Bethany, East Haven, Hamden, Naugatuck and the surrounding communities in Greater New Haven.

In addition to the Woodbridge office, DeFeo will continue to serve as manager of the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Orange office, a position she has held for the last 10 years. Under her leadership, the Orange office has continually ranked among the company's top-performing offices in Greater New Haven.

"Aileen is a widely respected real estate professional who has been able to successfully assist real estate professionals as they establish and further build their business. She has been a leader of one of the company's top-producing offices, and I am pleased she has taken on this additional role because she has the talent and skill set to grow both offices," said Joseph Valvano, president of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Connecticut and Westchester County, N.Y.

DeFeo has 27 years of sales training and management experience in the



Aileen DeFeo

real estate and mortgage industries. A resident of Orange, DeFeo serves on the town's Community Services Commission. She is also a member of the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage Cares Foundation, the company's charitable arm, and the New Haven Middlesex Realtors®. She has been an active volunteer at the Catechist Holy Infant Church in Orange.

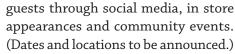
"I am very eager to work closely with the talented group of real estate professionals who are affiliated with the Woodbridge office. Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage offers all of the marketing, educational and technological resources that are critical for real estate professionals and buyers and sellers to be successful in today's real estate environment," said DeFeo.

SMOOTHIE KING PARTNERS WITH PRO BEACH VOLLEYBALLERS

SMOOTHIE

Smoothie King Franchises, Inc., the leading smoothie franchise company with more than 750 stores worldwide, today announced a new partnership with two of the top female professional beach volleyball players in the United States. Brooke Sweat and Emily Day have joined forces with Smoothie King to launch a new line of Summer Hydration

smoothies. As athletes at the top of their sport, Day and Sweat embody Smoothie King's mission to inspire a healthy and active lifestyle. The athletes will share their purpose with Smoothie King



Sweat, 30, is originally from Fort Meyers, Fla. and trains in Hermosa Beach, Calif. She placed fifth at the 2015 Beach World Championship with partner Lauren Fendrick and was twice voted the AVP Best Defensive Player in 2013 and 2014. Day, 28, grew up in Torrance, Calif. and also trains in Hermosa Beach. She finished 17th at the Beach

World Championships with partner Jennifer Kessy and won her second AVP title (with Kessy) at the New York City Open in July 2015.

"We couldn't have found two more inspiring athletes to partner with for our Summer Hydration line," said Chris Miller, Vice President of Marketing for Smoothie King. "Emily and Brooke are

both fighting for the opportunity to represent our country on the world's biggest athletic stage. We're excited to follow their journey and share it with our guests."

Smoothie King's new

Summer Hydration line will feature four new smoothies including Watermelon Hydrator, Strawberry Mango Hydrator, Passion Peach Hydrator, and Watermelon X-Treme. Naturally hydrating, all are blended with coconut water and strawberries and provide more potassium (an important electrolyte to help stay hydrated) than the leading sports drink.

For more information, visit www. SmoothieKing.com.

HOW TO FIND MORE TIME FOR FAMILY

Balancing professional responsibilities with commitments at home is challenging for many working parents, the majority of whom admit to feeling stressed about juggling work and family life. A 2013 survey from the Pew Research Center found that 56 percent of working mothers and 50 percent of working fathers find it difficult to balance their personal and professional responsibilities. While the same survey found that only 23 percent of mothers feel they spend too little time with their children, those figures doubled for fathers.

Finding more time for family can seem impossible, especially as children get older and get more involved in school and extracurricular activities. Kids growing up and getting more active in school and in their social lives tends to coincide with parents advancing in their careers and taking on more responsibilities at work. But no matter how hectic family schedules become, parents and kids can work together to find more time for one another.

Commit to nightly family dinners. Family dinners do more than just ensure kids are eating healthy meals each night. In its "The Importance of Family Dinners



VIII" report, the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University found that, compared to teens who have fewer than three family dinners per week, teens who ate dinner with their families five or more times per week were one a half times more likely to say their parents knew a great deal or a fair amount about what's really going on in their lives. The report also found teens who say their parents know very little or nothing at all about their lives were one and a half times more likely to have used marijuana and one and a half

times more likely to have used alcohol than teens who said their parents know a great deal or a fair amount about their lives. Nightly family dinners need not include elaborate meals, but parents who find time to have dinner with their children at least five nights per week may end up knowing their kids better and helping their sons and daughters avoid risky behaviors.

Inquire with your employer about telecommuting. Telecommuting can be very family-friendly, allowing parents to cut out potentially lengthy commutes and spend more time with their children as a result. George Washington University in Washington, D.C. cites encouraging a better work-life balance for its employees in support of its telecommuting policy. The university notes that employees who have a better balance between their personal and professional lives may benefit from reduced stress and stronger overall health, which benefits the university by reducing healthcare costs. Parents who want to find more time for their families should inquire about telecommuting. Even if it's just one or two days a week, the benefits can be considerable for both employee and employer.

Move closer to work. Commuting consumes a considerable amount of time. In its 2015 ThankYou Premier Commuter Index, Citi found that the average commute in the United States is 45 minutes, and that those commutes cost workers nearly \$2,600 per year. By moving closer to their offices, workers can instantly create more time for their families and potentially save themselves considerable amounts of money.

Parents need not reinvent the wheel to find more time for their family, which can greatly benefit kids and parents alike.

TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

FROM THE HIGHWAY **DEPARTMENT**



Town of Orange Road Work 2016

The Town of Orange Highway Department announces the following roads are to be paved with work to commence May 31, 2016:

- Russell Avenue
- Greenway Road
- Ridge Road
- Treat Lane (Old Tavern to Ridge)

Road work will begin May 31 and continue until complete. Please be patient as we work to improve our town. Expect minor delays and detours.

Please...slow down and obey flagmen for their safety and yours. Direct any questions to the Orange Highway Department.

TOWN OF ORANGE MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2016

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



6th	Triad	.1:00 pm	НРСС
9th	Traffic Authority	.4:30 pm .6:30 pm	Police Dept. Police Dept. Woodbridge HPCC
10th	Inland Wetlands Comm	.7:30 pm	Town Hall
11th	OVNA Board of Governors		Clark Bldg Town Hall
12th	Community Services Comm		HPCC Town Hall
16th	Family Counseling Advisory Council Board of Finance Board of Health Orange Board of Education	.7:30 pm .7:30 pm	HPCC Town Hall HPCC Mary L. Tracy School
17th	Town Plan & Zoning Comm	.7:30 pm	Town Hall
18th	CERTRecycling Cmte		HPCC HPCC
19th	OVNA Professional Advisory Cmte Case Memorial Library Comm		Clark Bldg Case Memorial Lib.
23rd	Youth Services Advisory Board	.7:30 pm	НРСС
25th	Safety Comm Park & Recreation Comm		Town Hall Town Hall
26th	Pension Board Bond Construction Oversight Cmte.		Town Hall Town Hall
27th	Emergency Management	.8:00 am	Police Station

O.V.F.D. AUXILIARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will hold their 17th annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, June 4th from 7:30 A.M. to 11 A.M. at the Fire Station, 355 Boston Post Rd. 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.

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FROM THE YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

By John Ulatowski





Some of the K-6 Artists whose work was displayed at their special reception event.

K-6 Children of Orange Art Exhibit Showcased a Special Array of Student Artistic Artwork

and Youth Services held the annual K-6 Children of Orange Art exhibit at Case Library for the month of April. The exhibit displayed the artwork of Orange Elementary Schools children K-through 6. Over one-hundred works of paintings, drawings, clay, mosaic, and acrylic were on display. A reception was held and attended by parents, relatives, and friends of the artists. Parents also assisted with the food menu items as well. Youth Services wishes to sincerely thank the following

The Art in the Library Committee for their assistance in the event: Dr. Vince Scarpetti, Superintendent of Schools; Ann Marie DePetto, Curricula Instruction and Professional Development; Marie Acampora, Administrative Assistant; Principals Denise Arterbery, Michael Gray, and Eric Carbone; art teachers Erin Garney, John Kaluzynski, and Jennifer Russo; Library Director Meryl Farber, John Bencivenga and assistants who hung the exhibit, the Youth Services High School volunteers, and all the volunteer parents.



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SECURITY FOR MOMS

By Roberta L Nestor

How many of you grew up with a mom who was impeccably dressed at the crack of dawn, white pearls and all? A mom that gently called up the stairs, "breakfast is ready, I've made all of your favorites!" And you would take your sleepy head downstairs following the smell of bacon and maple syrup just in time to see Mom in her apron pouring freshly squeezed orange juice and buttering your pancakes. It's easy to picture June Cleaver, the consequential Mom of the 1950s. How was she able to do all of those things for the boys and Ward? There was only one way and even though June was college educated, she chose motherhood as her full time career.

It probably didn't make much financial sense for a Mom to work in 1960, especially when you think about the cost to raise a child from birth to age 18 was only \$25,299 as compared to today's projected cost of \$226,290. For the household it made financial sense to have Mom stay home and provide care for the children. However, stay home Moms in the 1960s forfeited more than their careers. They also forfeited financial security for themselves. They had no unemployment insurance to tide them over after a divorce, no workers' compensation if they were injured and no Social Security benefits for the work they did, although even then, a housekeeper or nanny paid for the same work would have earned such benefits.

As a result of the high costs to raise a child most American families are now forced to have two incomes. But there were still obstacles for women who had careers and were expecting a child, there was a real risk of losing your job. In 1993 the Family and Medical Leave Act was put into law and included a provision that mandated 12 weeks of unpaid leave annually for mothers of newborn or newly adopted children. It also protects health insurance benefits while on maternity leave. In corporate America, The Medical Leave Act has expanded to include dads in the form of "family leave". Family Leave benefits vary greatly with companies, for example Walmart offers 2 weeks paid leave, versus Facebook who generously offers 16 weeks of paid leave.

When it comes to retirement assets protection for spouses is inconsistent to say the least. Today, a 401k plan is

often the largest asset that couples have. If the working spouse wants to name someone other than their spouse as the primary beneficiary, it now requires the worker to obtain a signature from their spouse. Unfortunately, this law does not apply to IRA accounts where you can have a non-spouse beneficiary without your spouse's knowledge. Pension plans now offer spousal protection to avoid the nasty surprise a widow might have when she realizes that her deceased spouse took a single life pension option, leaving her without any future income. Today, if you are married and you take any pension option other than a joint with survivorship, it requires the nonworking spouse to sign off making them aware that there will not be any future income upon the death of the working spouse.

Non-working spouses will no doubt face financial challenges in retirement and should understand spousal benefit options for social security. They should also be taking advantage of non-working spousal IRA contributions (which also apply to ROTH IRA contributions if you are within the income limits) to have some financial security for their future. Try to take a more active role when it comes to the retirement plans that the working spouse has in place as well as life insurance as a form of income replacement in the event of a premature death of the working spouse. There are very specific areas of planning when there is a stay home parent and all Moms, working or not, deserve financial security for their retirement years. Happy Mother's Day to all!

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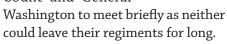
By Ginny Reinhard



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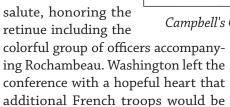
Well, not exactly here, here but here in Connecticut. It's little known that one of the heroes of the Revolutionary War visited our state. His name was the Marquis de Lafayette, a French aristocrat and military officer who came

to the colonies to help George Washington. The French saw that we were able to fight successfully and a treaty of alliance was signed n 1778. With the alliance came 4000 soldiers including several able generals among them Count De Rochambeau. Lafayette had arrived in America previously and made arrangements for the Count and General



Washington left his headquarters

in New Jersey following a route through Ridgefield, through Woodbury and Farmington to Hartford, a midway point for the conference. General Knox, commander of the artillery accompanied them and they were cheered on the journey by the crowds that gathered. There was a thirteen cannon salute, honoring the



secured. This was not the first time Washington visited Connecticut. In 1775 he reviewed a company of Yale militia on the Green spending the night with Isaac Beers whose house stood on the site of the Hotel Taft.

The Clark Tavern in Milford boasts the arrival of Washington on one of his many trips through Con-

necticut. As the story goes, General George Washington described Milford in his diary on October 17, 1789 with "In this place there is but one Church or in other words but one steeple, but there are Grist and Saw Mills and there is a handsome Cascade over the tumbling dams." On the occasion of his visit in November, 1789 President Washington asked for a bowl of milk and some bread at Andrew Clark's Inn.* The serving maid brought the order and with it a broken pewter spoon. This was not satisfactory to the distinguished guest who required a silver spoon. The president gave his host two shillings the serving maid was sent to get a silver

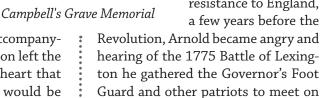
spoon from the Reverend William Lockwood who lived next door. A set of three steps are located on the property of the Milford Historical Society.

Benedict Arnold's story is one of great interest and often accompanied with expletives for the part he played in the Revolutionary War and his treasonous acts. Arnold was born in Norwich in 1741

and as a youth ran away from home to join the army. He was caught up in the French and Indian War and at its end

> returned to Norwich learning the druggist business. At the age of 21, he moved to New Haven and opened a drug store and bookstore on Water Street. He soon became a wealthy man, owning several ships bound for the West Indies becoming a progressive leader in New Haven affairs.

> Seeing the lack of resistance to England,



the New Haven Green. Asking for ammunition for his troops and being denied, Arnold marched his men to a place where General Wooster was encamped and demanded the keys to the powder house, bluntly saying if the keys were not surrendered, he would break open the doors. General Wooster pleaded for Arnold to

but his answer was in the packing of the soldiers' knapsacks and filling their

and responsible for many well-planned attacks against the British, but he was held down by General Horatio Gates and not allowed to take part in them. Arnold was disenchanted with the revolution and with the lack of being given him, he went into British territory and the rest of the story, we know.

King George III was once in Connecticut in the form of a, well shall I say, a portion. In 1770, a lead statue, made in England, was erected in the New

York colony to express loyalty and gratitude for the repeal of the Stamp Act. George atop his horse was richly gilded. With the news that the Declaration of Independence was signed, bonfires were lit and King George and his charger were pulled down and his head was cut off! For safety, most of the statue was sent, by ox-cart to the

home of General Oliver Wolcott in Litchfield where it was buried in Wolcott's orchard, under an apple tree.

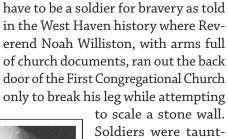
Loyalists, in New York, sent the head back to England BUT sometime later the rest of the statue was dug up and melted into bullets. A shed was built in Wolcott's orchard and his son assisted him in chopping it into fragments where the bullets were made and fired, repulsing a British invasion of Connecticut. Some 42,088 cartridges were

made as written in a memorandum by General Wolcott. A ladle, said to have been used in pouring the lead into molds, is now in the museum in Litchfield.

Benjamin Franklin was a frequent visitor to the Connecticut colony through his friendship with David Humphreys of Derby. Humphreys was a soldier and statesman and a military member of General George Washington's regiment. In 1789, he was appointed aidede-camp to Washington and through the

association, he and Franklin met at the tavern just north of the Colonel's home in Derby, now Ansonia. It is said that it was his recommendation to the General that he not wear a white uniform that off-white or beige would show less wear and less need of cleaning.

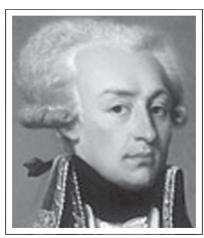
The resistance to the British was noteworthy in Connecticut with man after man joining regiment after regiment to quell the invasion. It did not



ing and threatening him when British Adjutant William Campbell, hearing the commotion, put an end to it saying, "we make war on soldiers, not civilians." He reportedly ordered the men to assist the minister back to the parsonage and Campbell summoned a regimental surgeon to set the leg.

Campbell was a career soldier and a veteran of war, first arriving in the colonies in 1776. His military background

in the most elite unit of the British army was witnessed by his being a member of the king's personal bodyguards, the Foot Guards representing the best and the brightest of his majesty's troops. War was in West Haven with the Battle of Allingtown with the colonists bearing down on the British invaders. As the fight ensued, an officer slumped to the



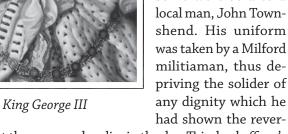
George Washington

Lafayette

ground and was carried to the nearest homestead where he lay dying.

Having endeared himself to the local family, his final wish was to have his

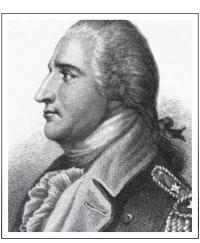
plume, sash and watch sent to his wife. His body was wrapped in a blanket and buried in a shallow grave where he had first fallen. His personal effects were stolen by his aide and some were sold to a local man, John Townshend. His uniform was taken by a Milford militiaman, thus depriving the solider of any dignity which he



end earlier in the day. This dead officer's name was William Campbell.

For his act of kindness, the main road through town was named Campbell Ave. in 1874 with a monument erected in 1891. The memorial, located on Prudden Street bears the inscription from Matthew 5:1-12 1: Blessed Are The Merciful."

*Clark's Inn was located in the area where the Parson Complex stands today.



David Humphreys

Benedict Arnold

wait for further orders powder horns. Benedict Arnold was a fine soldier

a higher rank while others succeeded

AMITY, WOODBRIDGE HISTORICAL SOCIETIES HOLD EVENTS

The Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society will host a Membership Annual Meeting with Dr. Cosimo Sgarlata as their guest speaker. What Goes Up Must Come Down! Upland Archaeology of West Rock Ridge in South-Central Connecticut is the title of the presentation. Dr. Cosimo Sgarlata, an archaeology professor at Western Connecticut State University will be giving this presentation based on his research of the West Rock Ridge right here in Woodbridge, and how archaeological studies of the ridge can fill in important details about the ways of life of ancient people living in south central Connecticut. Please join us to learn more about the history of our town. Sunday May 15th at The First Church Parish House, 5 Meetinghouse Lane Woodbridge. 2 to 4 PM. This event is free and open to the public, and refreshments will be served. In addition, the Historical Society is planning their spring Tavern Night

for June 12, 5 to 8 PM at the Historic Thomas Darling House. Guests can enjoy the atmosphere, live music, food and drink as the members of the Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society turn the Darling House into an old fashion tayern.

Prices are \$45 for members and \$60 for non members of the historical society. The event is by reservation only and can be made at info@woodbridgehistory.org. This year the AWHS will be participating in the Great Give 2016 an online giving campaign for non profits in the New Haven area. For 36 hours starting May 3rd at 8 AM until 8 PM on May 4th 2016 your donation will make us eligible for thousands of dollars in grant prizes when you give to us through the great Give.org. Please visit www.giveGreater.org during this time period and search for the Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society and click Donate Now, thank you!

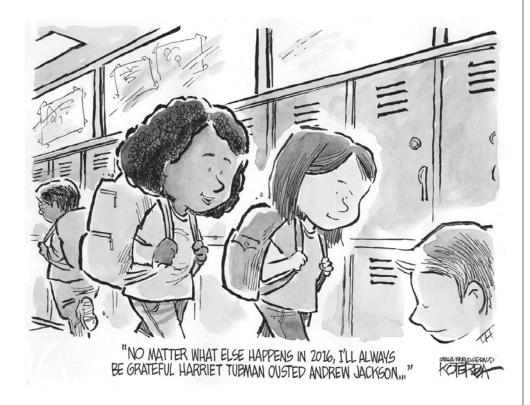
HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER

Milford Historical Society will hold its 86th Annual Dinner meeting on Wednesday, May 18 at Aldario's Restaurant, 240 Naugatuck Ave. Reservations must be made by May 4 by contacting Helen LaPlant at hwlap@aol. com or (203) 874-4120.

Cocktails at 6 p.m. (cash bar) and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Dinner choices are veal parmigiana, pan-seared salmon or

chicken marsala. The cost is \$30. Payments may be mailed to Milford Historical Society, P.O. Box 337, Milford 06460 with your choice of dinner. Be sure to write Annual Dinner on the check and envelope.

Officers and board members will be elected and annual reports will be received. For information on the society go tomilfordhistoricalsociety.org





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- 1. A Will: All moms should have a Will. A Will sets forth mom's "rules" for what happens with mom's assets and things that are important to her, possibly protecting assets for children, naming someone mom trusts to be in charge of carrying out Mom's rules (an Executor), and helps mom be sure that everyone plays nice when it comes to dividing mom's assets after mom's death.
- 2. A Durable Power of Attorney Instrument: A Durable Power of Attorney Instrument appoints someone to make financial decisions and carry out financial tasks for mom if she is alive but can't make decisions for herself or handle the finances herself. The person appointed should be someone mom trusts to step in to keep things running smoothly.
- **3. Health Care Instructions:** Health Care Instructions appoint someone to make medical decisions for mom if she is alive but can't make medical decisions for herself. Mom should chat with this person in advance to discuss her preferences for medical treatment, thoughts on medical treatment and care, and end of life decision making.
- 4. Provision to Protect Mom's children: If mom has a child (or children) younger than 18 years of age, mom should appoint a Guardian to care for her child(ren) so that mom is sure the person who will raise the child is trustworthy, responsible, and will raise the child in a way that mom will approve.

If you are interested in learning more about helping mom protect herself and what is important to her, please contact the office. We would be glad to meet with you and mom for a no hassle, no charge meeting to discuss mom's goals for her assets, family, and future.



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SENIOR CENTER

By Dennis Marsh

Orange takes on the Cape!

On May 13 & 14, 2016 Orange Community Services will take on RAGNAR a 200 mile relay race. Denise Stein and Dennis Marsh are forming a 12 member team to run the Cape Cod race to raise funds for the Community Assistance Fund (the Emergency Fuel Bank and Food Pantry), but we need your help! We need financial pledges and sponsors. You can help us run these grueling 200 miles!

Pasta Festa

Join us on Friday, May 27 from 5 to 8 for our annual Pasta Festa! We will be at a new location, the beautiful, Grassy Hill Country Club, 441 Clark Lane, Orange. The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of this year's Living Treasure Awards to Gail Nixon, Ginny Reinhard, & Pat Zeoli. Winners of the raffle will go home with some great prizes donated by individuals and local businesses. Tables of 8 to 10 are available. If you wish to be seated with particular people, payment for the group must be made at the same time. Otherwise we cannot guarantee that you will be sitting together. Please let us know if you would like to donate a prize for the raffle. Tickets go on sale Friday, April 1 at \$30 per person.

VNA Community Lectures

June 6 from 1-2pm the VNA Community Health Care will present "Beat the Heat". RSVP to (203) 891-4784. The presentation will take place in the High Plains Community Center café.

Maplewood Monday

4th Monday of the Month—May 16, 2-3pm, Chef Lief will bring his culinary delights for you to sample. Call (203) 891-4788 to rsvp. Your taste buds are sure to be pleased!

Memorial Day Cabaret

Monday, May 23, 1:30—3:00pm, Karen Wagner will be performing at our Memorial Day themed Cabaret. Call to reserve a seat at (203) 891-4784

Bocce

Come out and have some fun in this low key activity. Wednesdays at 9:00am at the High Plains Community Center. For more information call (203) 891-4784.

Learn More About Your iPhone Or iPad!

Want to demystify technology? Join instructor Aubry for a 4 week class for the beginner. It is a very informative class including lessons on the external features, basic accessibility functions, settings, shortcuts and main Apple applications of the iPhone or iPad. Technology is always changing, so you are sure to learn something, even if you have had your iPad or iPhone for years! The class will be limited to 10 people and the cost is \$20 per person for the 4 week course, so please call or visit the Senior Center office to find out when the next session

will run and to register. We hope to see you there! Aubry is also available for help at home.

Technology Assistance For Seniors!

Technology has its own language, and those around us sometimes assume everyone knows the language fluently...but not all of us do! With patient assistance from Aubry, you can gain knowledge and skills that will ease your frustration with these "smart" devices, and have fun doing it! Please call or email to ensure Aubry can help with your specific challenge, and to book your appointment. \$30/half hour; \$55/full hour. Phone: 203.444.2009, Email: aubryshelp@gmail.com.

Lunch & Fun

Thursday, May 19 11:30am, Bryant Andrew House with the Orange Historical Society. You can park at the Old Tavern Road Baseball fields and meet us at the house for a tour of the house from 12:00—1:00pm. Be sure to RSVP.

Book Club

The monthly book club will meet Monday, on May 9, from 2:00-3:30pm in room 3. This month is People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks.

Yoga Dance

Try out Yoga dance Thursdays from 10-11am. If you were ever curious about this fun class come try it out! Call the office to reserve your spot.

2016 Trips Trip Presentations:

Trip Presentation Slide Shows and discussions. Join Collette Tours for trip presentations on: October 17, 2016 at 4:00pm for Tropical Costa Rica

Alaska & Denali Discovery

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NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM & PARIS Featuring Historic Bruges

September 12-22, 2016, 11 days, 14 meals. The highlights include: Amsterdam, Hortus Botanicus, Volendam, Diner's Choice in Amsterdam, Brussels, Dinner Stroll, Bruges Choice of Bruges Walking Tour or Canal Cruise,

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Paris Seine River Cruise, Giverny. Cost: \$3,999pp double occupancy, single \$5,049. Includes group transportation to/from Airport, round trip air, air taxes and fees/surcharges, and hotel transfers. Deposit & cancellation insurance due at registration.

Canyon Country

October 20-28, 2016, 9 days, 11 meals. Delve into Native American history, behold the breathtaking views of the vast Grand Canyon, marvel at the red and white sandstone cliffs of Zion National Park, explore the amazing spires of Bryce Canyon National Park, and soak in the glitz and glamour of the Las Vegas strip. Cost: \$2,999pp double occupancy. Includes group transportation to/from Airport, round trip air, air taxes and fees/surcharges, and hotel transfers. Deposit & cancellation insurance due at registration.

The Plains Of Africa Featuring Kenya Wildlife Safari

March 9-22, 2017, 14 days, 33 meals. The highlights include: Nairobi, Shaba National Reserve, Lake Nakuru, Masai Mara, Karen Blixen Home, Mt. Kilimanjaro, and 13 Wildlife Safaris. Cost with early booking discount: \$6,899pp double occupancy, single \$8,299. Includes group transportation to/from airport, attraction taxes and fees, round trip air, air taxes and fees/surcharges, and hotel transfers. Deposit & cancellation insurance due at registration.

Tropical Costa Rica

November 6-14, 2017, 9 days, 13 meals. Highlights include: San Jose Coffee Plantation, Guanacaste, Monteverde Cloud Forest, Hanging Bridges Tour, Arenal Volcano, Lake Arenal Cruise, Cooking Demonstration, Cano Negro Refuge, and more. Cost: \$2,599pp double occupancy, single \$3,049. Includes group transportation to/from airport, round trip air, air taxes and fees/surcharges, and hotel transfers. Deposit & cancellation insurance due at registration.

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH 2016 - "BLAZE A TRAIL"

Older adults are a growing and increasingly vital part of our country. The contributions they make to our communities are varied, deeply rooted, and include influential roles in the nation's economy, politics, and the arts. From 69-year-old NASA Administrator Charles Bolden, Jr. to 84-year-old actress Rita Moreno to 83-year-old Ruth Bader Ginsberg, who took her seat as a Supreme Court Justice at age 60, older adults are blazing trails in all aspects of American life.

In 1963, we began to acknowledge the contributions of older people by using the month of May to celebrate Older Americans Month (OAM). Led by the Administration for Community Living, the annual observance offers the opportunity to learn about, support, and celebrate our nation's older citizens. This year's theme, "Blaze a Trail," emphasizes the ways older adults are reinventing themselves through new work and new passions, engaging their communities, and blazing a trail of positive impact on the lives of people of all ages.

While the Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut provides a wide range of services and resources to older adults year-round, we will use OAM 2016 to focus on how older adults in our community are leading and inspiring others, how we can support and learn from them, and how we might follow their examples to blaze trails of our own. Throughout the month, Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut will conduct activities and share information designed to highlight older adults as active and valued members of our community and fight ageist attitudes that seek to place them as an afterthought. We encourage you to get involved by attending or participating in Art of Aging on May 19th, and learning more about how you can fight ageism every day at StopAgeismNow.org.



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ORANGE JUNIOR LEGION BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Orange American Legion Post 127 is holding tryouts for its Junior Legion Baseball team on Thursday, May 26th and Friday, May 27th, 2016 at 5:30pm at the Old Tavern Baseball complex on Old Tavern Road, Orange. Players living in Orange, Woodbridge or Bethany are eligible to play.

Any players attaining the ages of 14

- 17 as of December 31, 2016 are eligible to try out. Returning players must bring last year's uniform to the tryout if they did not turn it in previously. The season, including practices, runs from June through early August. The cost is \$600.00. Call David Wirkus (203-848-9674), Robert Mirto (203-687-8299) or Joe Pisano (203-623-5620) for questions.

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Final Standings as of March 2, 2016

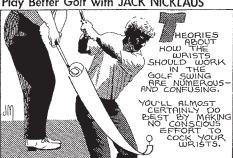
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PARK AND RECREATION MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Final Standings as of April 14, 2016

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The Sharks	9	4
Dream Team	7	4
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LOCAL SPORT







Pictured above are Cade Williams, Kadan Lottick, Tim Brown, and Coach Robert Rosa. Below are the boys giving coach Sandra Marchant their trophy.

AMITY FENCING TAKES GOLD

The Amity High School fencing team had an astonishing victory the weekend of April 23rd at the CT State High School Championships. This seventh seed foil team crushed the competition to merge triumphant and take home the gold. But wait! This isn't just a sport story! It is a sports mystery!!! The average sports savant would believe, quite rightly, that in order to win at a statewide athletics competition that a school would actually need to have a team. And Amity High School does not have a fencing

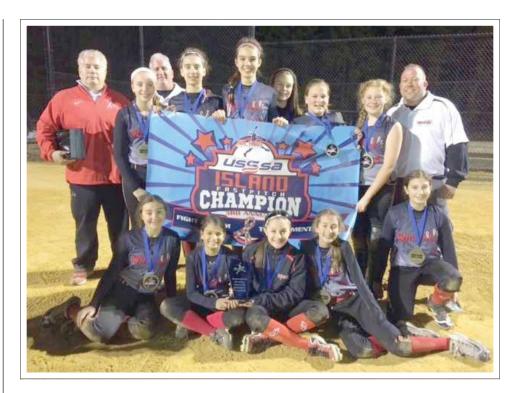
Apparently some students at Amity have the bravado to overcome obstacles that might strike the rest of us as insurmountable. The winning team consisted of seniors Kadan Lottick, Cade Williams, and Tim Brown. Kadan's sister Samantha had started the fencing club at Amity but was confronted with a bureaucratic roadblock. The Amity school staff complained that the fencing was too dangerous. This was despite presenting research data to the contrary that football, wrestling, and lacrosse are more dangerous. Fencing is one of the safest competitive sports comparable to swimming.* As a result the kids were not allowed to use fencing equipment or have the fencing club workout on school grounds. Despite these obstacles, in an ironic twist of fate, Samantha was injured in a gym class while playing the "safe sport" of dodge ball. Her ACL tear effectively crushed the hopes of the girls having a squad. Nevertheless the boys persisted. Practicing on their own at the Prospect Recreational Center and mentored by Prospect Fencing Club fencing coach Sandra Marchant, they honed their skills which they brought to the statewide high school team competition on March 12, 2016.

Unfortunately, having never engaged in team fencing competition before, they only brought three fencers with no alternates. This meant that they had to fence all of their bouts with no alternate to provide a rest. After their initial bouts they were exhausted. But after a pep talk from one of the captains, they rallied for the final bouts.

Though in theory, men's and women's foil, epee, and saber are of equal import, men's foil is often the squad that high school and college coaches use to measure their mettle. Guilford and Fairfield tends to dominate the Men's foil fencing competition. Guilford and Fairfield faced each other in the semifinal round. Fairfield managed to squeak out a victory from Guilford and looked as though it was on its way to another victory. But that was not to be! At this point the crowd rallied behind Amity as the underdogs. Even the Guilford team began to cheer for Amity in hopes of seeing their rival defeated by the underdog. Kadan Lottick successfully beat his opponent 5-4 in the last bout to bring home the victory over Fairfield.

And Amity High School brought home the gold with the team that Amity Administration did not know they had! Ironically, the team brought this good news to the Amity Athletic Director and Principal Anita Mohan who emphasized that these were individual accomplishments but not for a sanctioned sport at Amity. Therefore the team could not be recognized at the awards banquet. Kadan, Cade, and Tim hope that future Amity students will have more opportunities than they did.

For more information, visit Prospect Fencing Club at www.prospectfencingclub.com or CT High School Fencing Association at ct-highschoolfencing.org.



From Lower Left: Grace Hemstock, Samantha LaFemina, Juliet Distante, Daniel Floyd, Kelly Pritchard. From Top Right: Maddy LaValle, Kylie Lanteri, Katie Cosmos, Jordan Chamberlain, Emma Glover, Paige Hansen. Coaches: Rick Floyd, Mark Lavelle, Jack Pritchard



Kelly Pritchard of Orange was selected MVP by Tournament officials Kelly pitched a 6 inning shutout, gave up 1 hit, 1 BB and recorded 10 strikeouts.

PRITCHARD SELECTED AS MVP IN L.I. FAST PITCH TOURNAMENT

Cheshire Wildcats 12u Elite fast pitch softball team wins Long Island Tournament. The Wildcats won 5 straight games capped off with a 8-0 win in the championship game against the L.I. Gators at the Martha filed complex in Bellport LI, NY to win of the 3rd Annual Fight Autism Tournament.



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By Susan Noonan





MOTHER'S DAY 2016

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 8th this year. There are over 83 million mothers living today in the United States, according to the U.S. Census Bureau and over 2 billion mothers living worldwide. According to the National Restaurant Association, Mother's Day is now the most popular day of the year to dine out at a restaurant in the United States. The following restaurants are all family owned and operated. This group offers a wide range of cuisine along with prices to suit everyone's budget. Please note that Mother's Day reservations are highly recommended for all these well established and popular restaurants except where noted below.

ANDINI'S RESTAURANT/PIZZA-555 Boston Post Road, Orange-203-799-0200-Regular menu & specials-serving from 12p-9p. Top notch Italian cuisine & full bar.

BIAGETTI'S RESTAURANT – 77 Campbell Avenue, West Haven, CT 06516; Phone: 203-934-7700 – Offering a special Mother's Day Menu from 11:30am-5:30pm. This very popular West Haven restaurant has been going strong for over 25 years serving Italian American cuisine with unbelievable portions patterned after the "typical traditional Sunday Italian dinner".

CHINA PAVILION-185 Boston Post Road, Orange-203-795-3555-Outstanding & award winning Asian cuisine since 1982-serving its regular menu from 11:30am-10:00pm.

CONSIGLIO'S – 165 Wooster Street, New Haven-203-865-4489-This iconic Italian restaurant is celebrating 78 yearsoffering its regular dinner menu beginning at 11:00am.

COROMANDEL CUISINE OF INDIA-185 Boston Post Road, Orange203-795-9055-Award winning Indian cuisine-Grand Buffet Brunch 11:45a3:15p-offering over 30 dishes-\$24.00 per person-Regular dinner menu with Chef's specials served from 5p-10p. They now have a great outdoor patio for dining & cocktails.

COUNTRY CORNER FAMILY RES- TAURANT-756 Amity Road (Route 63), Bethany-203-393-1489-featuring homemade comfort food for breakfast, lunch & dinner serving from 6am-9pm with a flower for all moms. No reservations

GABRIELE RISTORANTE ITAL- IANO-326 Boston Post Road, Orange-203-799-2633-serving authentic Italian cuisine for 33 years-offering a pre-fix dinner menu from 12p-9p on mom's special day.

LA FAMIGLIA VINCENZO-1573 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT 06460-203-951-0585-serving brunch from 11a-2:30p at \$19.95–Regular dinner menu with special starting at 2:30pm–Complimentary cocktail for all Moms. Owner Carol Gloria offers an intimate dining with guests being her top priority.

OLA-350 Boston Post Road, Orange-203-891-0522-Award winning new world Latino cuisine & Mojito bar–offering all mothers a complimentary glass of red or white sangria. Serving its regular dinner menu & specials from 3p-10p.

POP'S FAMILY RESTAU-RANT-134 Old Gate Lane, Milford-203-876-1210-Popular family friendly restaurant serving breakfast, lunch & dinner from 5:00am-8:00pm. No reservations.

SCRIBNER'S RESTAURANT-31 Village Road, Miford-203-878-7019–serving Mother's Day specials along with its regular dinner menu from 12p-6p. Celebrating 43 years of top notch seafood with outstanding service & ambiance.

SEASONS BY JEFFREY'S-501 New Haven Avenue, Milford-203-878-1910-Fine dining at its best-offering Mother's Day specials along with its regular menu from 12p-8p. All mothers will receive a complimentary glass of champagne with dinner. In addition, talented pianist & vocalist Ray Cranshaw will be serenading all guests.

SHANGHAI GOURMET-533 Boston Post Road, Orange-203-891-8788-Exotic Asian cuisine at its best with great New York Times review. Mother's Day specials & regular menu served from 11a-10p. All moms will receive special gift compliments of owners Winnie & Steven.

SOLUN TAPAS BAR & RESTAU-RANT-245 Amity Road, Woodbridge-203-298-9741-Outstanding Spanish cuisine-offering a special Mother's Day all you can eat buffet brunch served from 10:30a-3:30pm. Bottomless Mimosas, Bellinis, or Bloody Mary's \$15.00 -Regular menu served from 4pm-9pm. Check out their every Wednesday 14oz Prime Rib special for \$19.95.

WOODBRIDGE SOCIAL-12 Selden Street, Woodbridge -203-553-9135-Brunch from 10:30a-3:00p-Regular menu served after 3:00p.

FINAL NOTES: If you are fortunate enough to have your Mother with you on this day, remember to do something special for her. A restaurant dinner, flowers, card, visit, or phone call with a kind word. Trust me, it will make her day! Happy Mother's Day to all our cherished moms. Please remember to support our local family owned businesses. If you have a favorite restaurant please e-mail: susan@orangetownnews.



by cindy elaysky

Q: Is it true that **Stana Katic** is leaving **"Castle"** after this season? If so, what will happen to the show? -- Lydia M., via email

A: The gorgeous and talented actress who plays Capt. Kate Beckett on the beloved ABC police procedural is indeed leaving at the end of this -- the show's eighth -- season. Also exiting **Tamala Jones**, who plays the smart and sassy medical examiner Lanie Parish. Not only are the fates of Katie and Lanie up in the air, but so is the fate of the show.

"Castle" was not among the list of ABC renewals announced back in March. Of course, rumors are flying, including scenarios such as "Castle" having a shortened, 13-episode season nine, or complete cancelation, or maybe it'll be business as usual, sans our favorite police captain. What this would mean for Richard and Kate's marriage is anyone's guess.

Executive producer **Alexi Hawley** told "Entertainment Weekly": "If we hear that we're not coming back, we have shot something that we can put at the end of the episode as a way to put a button on everything. ... We did it in order to try to protect the fans, because you can't end the series on a cliffhanger."

Q: I was pleasantly surprised by **Megan Fox's** guest-starring turn on "**New Girl**" while **Zooey Deschanel** was on maternity leave. She's got comedy chops! Can you tell me what else she's got going on? -- Bobby T., Atlanta

A: Megan, who is pregnant with her third child, stars in the newest bigscreen adaptation of "**Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles,**" which hits theaters June 3. This fun family film will show us yet another side of this proving-to-be-



Stana Katic [ABC/Bob D'Amico]

versatile actress. Recently Megan told "E! News": "It was a lot of fun making the movie. It's a lot of fun promoting the movie. I just have a really good time. It's a lighthearted, fun, kids summerblockbuster movie we're all lucky to be a part of."

Q: I loved **John McGinley** on **"Scrubs."** Does he have any projects in the works? -- Nick V., via email

A: IFC just announced that John has been cast as the lead in the network's original comedy-horror series "Stan Against Evil," which is set to debut this fall. So far, what we know about the series is that it follows Stanley Miller (played by John), a sour, aging bulldog of a small-town New Hampshire police sheriff, who was recently fired due to an angry outburst at his wife's funeral. When the new, strong-willed sheriff, Evie Barret (Janet Varney), opens his eyes to the plague of angry demons haunting their town, Stan begrudgingly joins an alliance with her to fight them off.

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AUTHOR, STORY-TELLER VISITS AMITY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Connecticut author and story-teller Matthew Dicks visited Amity Regional High School to present two master classes in the art of story-telling. Matthew Dicks is the author of several novels, including Something Missing, The Perfect Comeback of Caroline Jacobs, and Memoirs of an Imaginary Friend. He has performed as a story-teller around the country, and has won the Moth StorySLAM twenty times.

Matthew spoke to Amity's Language Arts students involved in creative writing and literary analysis, and discussed the process for creating written and oral narratives. Students who prepared stories had the opportunity to perform and receive feedback by this seasoned storyteller. At the end of the school day, students competed in a Story Slam which was open to the entire student body.

The event was hosted by Amity's librarians, Robert Musco and Cara McConnell, 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.

WHALEN EXHIBITING AT TOWN HALL GALLERY IN MAY, JUNE

She was born in 1968 in New Haven where Marla received her B.S. in Studio Arts/Painting from Southern CT State University. Her work focused on realistic portrayals of flora and fauna, both local and the more exotic. She was later trained in graphic design and has created business logos for several New Haven organizations, including Friends of Edgewood Park, The Grand District and the Cedar Hill Merchants Association. The latter featured in an article in the New Haven Independent. More recently, she was employed for many years as a muralist and sign artist for a specialty foods store, where she refined her style and explored new techniques in painting and design.

In 2012, a life transition prompted her to seek a new creative outlet. Always captivated with stained glass and its particular elegance when portraying natural subjects, she found instruction in New Haven. Once versed in its basic engineering, she quickly escalated the variety and complexity of her projects, and now focuses almost exclusively on work in this medium.

She has shown her glass work locally at The Whitney Center in Hamden and at the Celebration of American Crafts at Creative Arts Workshop. She has also been commissioned to create distinctive pieces for a diverse clientele. Her current work reflects the natural world and its impact through color and texture. Recently underway is a series of birds of the local wetlands. Large panels heighten the impact of the subject, while light brings them to life and adds depth.

She currently resides in East Haven, where the shoreline and wetlands continue to directly influence and inspire her work.

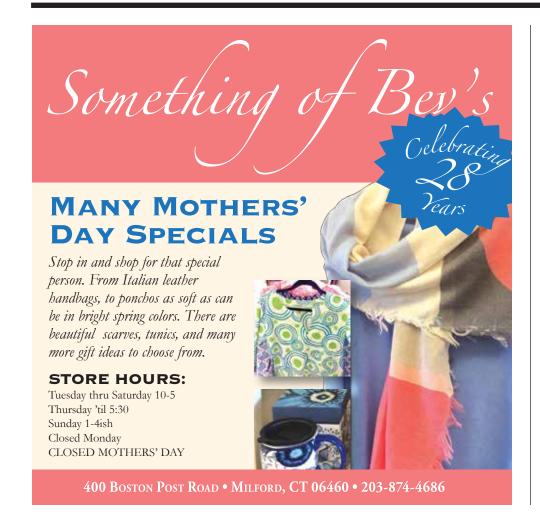
MALE AUDITIONS FOR SACRED HEART'S THE LITTLE MERMAID

Sacred Heart Academy announces open auditions for male actors for the upcoming fall production of Disney's full length musical, The Little Mermaid. Auditions will be held at the Academy—265 Benham Street in Hamden—on Saturday, May 21 from noon to 3:00 pm. Those auditioning are asked to prepare an upbeat song and be ready to learn a dance combination. You may sing something from the show. Plan on staying

the entire time. This audition is open to male actors aged 13-18 and enrolled in high school for the fall. This production will go up at the historic Shubert Theatre in November. For more information, contact the Director of the Musical, MaryLee Delaney, at mldelaney@sacredhearthamden.org.

The Little Mermaid will run in November at the historic Shubert Theatre in downtown New Haven.

 $"A good mother loves fiercely but ultimately brings up her children to thrive without her." — {\tt ERIN KELLY}, \textit{THE BURNING AIR}$







CELEBRATE WORLD RED CROSS DAY BY GIVING BLOOD

The American Red Cross encourages eligible donors to make an appointment to give blood and help save lives in honor of World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day. Each year, the local and global impact of the Red Cross mission is celebrated on May 8, the birthday of International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement founder Henry Dunant.

Currently, donors of all blood types are needed to give and help save hospital patients' lives. Every day, the Red Cross must collect approximately 14,000 blood donations to meet the needs of patients across the country. To make an appointment to give blood, download the free Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit red-crossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

On May 9, 2016 from 1 p.m. - 6:15 p.m., you may donate at St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, 480 Race Brook Road, Orange.

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some

states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood donors can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, prior to arriving at the blood drive. To get started and learn more, visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass and follow the instructions on the site.

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.



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GOP WOMEN'S CLUB HOLDS LUNCHEON

The Republican Women's Club of Orange recently held a luncheon honoring the women making a difference in our state and local government. President Marjorie Schenk greeted everyone and Dolores Nastri read a verse of inspiration before lunch was served. The keynote speaker was House Republican Leader Themis Klarides who gave an

informative talk concerning the upcoming campaign and statewide election. She also discussed some of the recent changes and happenings in the state legislature.

The catering was provided by Chefs a l'Orange and the event committee consisted of Marjorie Schenk, Beth Michael and Lynn Plaskowitz.



"PICTURE THIS" PHOTO CONTEST

Entries for the fourth annual "Picture This" photo contest sponsored by the Orange Arts and Culture Council are due June 1, 2016. All entries should be sent to OACC, P.O. Box 596, Orange, CT 06477.

The contest is open to Orange residents in grades 4-12. The contest encourages participants to photograph people, places or things in Orange. The photo entries may be black/white or color. The submitted photo must be 8"x10" in size and unframed. Each entry should include a brief description about the subject of the photo. The photographer's name, address, school and grade level should be included on the back of the photo. The photos will become the property of OACC and will not be returned. Prizes will be awarded in each age category.

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

ORANGE ROTARY TO HOLD ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE

The Orange Rotary Club will be having its annual Rose Sale fundraiser on Friday, May 6th and Saturday, May 7th (Mother's Day Weekend). The cost is \$18/dozen which includes Baby's Breath, greenery, and a care packet. There will be a variety of colors to choose from and they will make a wonderful gift for the love of your life. All proceeds from the event will go towards supporting Rotary's initiatives both in the local community and abroad.

Roses may be pre-ordered by calling the Rotary phone number (203) 516-0870 or emailing the Rose Sale

> rp09435@gmail.com or by contacting any Orange Rotarian. Roses will be available for pick-up between 11-2 on Friday, May 6th in front of High Plains Community Center and then on Saturday, May 7th from 8-12 at

Project Manager, Rich Pittala

the Orange Transfer Station and at Dip Top across from the Firelight Plaza.

ORANGE MASONS OFFER **SCHOLARSHIPS**

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

Also being offered are two "Lodge Family Scholarships" for \$1,000 each. Candidates must be a daughter, son, granddaughter, or grandson,

of a member of Ansantawae Lodge #89. Applicants must have completed a minimum of two semesters in their chosen field, and maintained a minimum GPA of 2.75. Qualified students are encouraged to apply.

Interested students should send a synopsis of their credentials and social interests within their chosen field, along with a current official school transcript. [Transcripts may be sent directly from your school.] Send to: Lodge Scholarship Committee, Mrs. Elmer F. Manley, 1014 Fernbrook Road, Orange, CT 06477-1011. All requests must be received by May 15, 2016. For further information call (203) 799-2651 or email hcbypolly@yahoo.com, Subject: Scholarship.

GARDEN CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL MAY MARKET PLANT & BAKE SALE

The Garden Club of Orange will be holding its annual May Market plant and bake sale May 7th from 8:30 AM - 12 noon on the Orange Town Green, Orange Center Road. The club will be selling beautiful green aprons, annuals and perennials grown by its members.

Planted window boxes and potting benches are perfect Mother's Day gifts. If you want to learn more about the garden club call Joanne Friedrichs 203-795-4266 or visit www.Orange-ct. ov/GardenClub. The club is a member of NGC, NER! FGCCT.

WELCOME FELLOW CROCHETERS!

The Hooked on the Sound (HOTS) Crochet Guild, a chapter of the Crochet Guild of America (CGOA), is a non-profit group of enthusiastic crocheters in the southwest area (New Haven County) of Connecticut. We meet monthly to share stitch successes, assist with pattern problems, and generally have a great time crocheting! Please visit our website

for information at: www.HotsCrochet-Guild.yolasite.com.

We meet at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange CT 06477, Conference room, 2nd floor (elevator available) on Saturdays 10am - 1pm, on these dates for 2016: May 7, June 4, July 9, August 6, September 10, October 1, November 5, December 3.



BULLETIN BOARD



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

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

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

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

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

Orange Arts & Culture Council meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month, 7:30pm, HPCC, 525 Orange

Center Road, check chalk board for meeting room. The public is invited.

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

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

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

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

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

Orange Land Trust Annual Meeting,

Our Weather, Becoming Milder But Wilder, Wednesday, May 7th, 2015, 7:00pm, High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, guest speaker meteorologist with Channel 8, WTNH New Haven Kevin Arnone's presentation on Coastal Connecticut's Weather with a portable Weather Lab to demonstrate the methods of gathering, measuring and quantifying current weather conditions to shape a forecast. This program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The Hearing Loss Association – SW CT Chapter Meeting, Tuesday, May 10, 2016, 1:30pm, featured speaker Danielle Drazen, a spokesperson from Canine Companions for Independence (a non-profit organization providing highly trained assistance dogs to people with profound hearing loss), meetings are captioned an "inductive loop" is used for improving the hearing experience. Visit www.hearez.org. or for more information ,contact Peg at 203.656-2733 or email Marcia at mzola@optonline.net.

The Senior Care Professional Council 18th Annual Health Fair "New You Resolutions", Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 9:00am-12:00pm, Thornton Wilder Auditorium, 2901 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden, Dr. Jasmine Manning from Natural Family Health speaks on how Spring is a great time

for personal change and fresh beginnings—new hobbies, activities and a healthy lifestyle and Erica Michalowski of AARP's Connecticut Fraud Watch Protection will discuss current scams affecting seniors, showcases community services available to older adults with various agencies providing information as well as health screenings such as glaucoma testing, blood pressure checks, and body fat analysis; gift bags with snacks, giveaways and raffles will be available. All are welcome to attend this FREE event. For more information, please call Suzanne Burbage or Lorrie Martindale at the Hamden Senior Center at 203-287-2547.

every first Monday of the month, meetings begin promptly at 6:00pm and end promptly at 7:30pm, BRIDGES, a community support system, 949 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford (entrance in the rear of the building), conference room on the second floor, meeting dates June 6, 2016, July 11, 2016, August 1, 2016, September 12, 2016, October 3, 2016, November 7, 2016 and December 5, 2016. They are free of charge and facilitator led. Family & Friends welcome.

Bethany Volunteer Fire Department 9th Annual Car, Truck, Bike Show & Garden Tractor Pulls, Saturday, June 25, 2016 (rain date Sunday, June 26, 2016), 11:00am-5:00pm, Bethany Airport Field, 765 Amity Road (Route 63), Bethany, \$10/parking per carload/show and \$5/entry fee garden tractor pulls. Any questions, contact Amy Cogill at 203-410-2602 or Rich Cogill at 203-954-8597.

HELP KIDS FEEL COMFORTABLE AT THE DENTIST

Routine dental examinations and cleanings are an important component of oral healthcare for both children and adults. However, many children do not visit the dentist until well after the time recommended by medical and dental professionals. Parents may be unaware of the dental health timeline, or they could be reluctant to bring their children for fear of how their kids will behave — especially if parents are harboring their own apprehensions about the dentist.

The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry recommends that a child go to the dentist by age 1, or within six months of the eruption of his or her first tooth. Yet, according to a survey commissioned by Delta Dental Plans, the average age of a child's first dental visit is 2.6 years.

Parents worried about how their kids will respond to the dentist can take the following steps to acclimate kids to dental visits to make them more comfortable during their appointments now and down the road.

Be a positive role model. Children frequently learn by example. If they see their parents being diligent about dental care, they're more likely to embrace



proper oral hygiene. Bring children to your own dental appointments so they understand the process and become familiar with the type of equipment used.

Stick to the first-tooth milestone. Take your child to the dentist on or about when his or her first tooth erupts. Early dental visits will get kids used to going to the dentist and prevent minor problems

that may lead to more complex dental issues.

Read books about the dentist and role play. Information can allay kids' fears about the dentist. Read books together about dental visits and act out possible scenarios with your kids. Give kids toy dental health tools and have them practice exams on you and vice-versa.

Be supportive and instill trust. Avoid telling your child that everything will be okay. If a procedure is needed, this could affect his or her trust in you and make the dental office an even greater source of anxiety. Simply be supportive and offer a hand to squeeze or a hug if your child needs you.

Consider using your dentist. Some parents like to take their children to a pediatric dentist, but it may not always be necessary. Many family practices cater to patients of all ages, and the familiarity of the office may help make children feel more comfortable. Speak with your dentist about the ages they see.

Steer clear of negative words. Michael J. Hanna, DMD, a national spokesperson for the AAPD, suggests using positive phrases like "clean, strong, healthy teeth" to make the visit seem fun and positive rather than scary and alarming. Let the office staff come up with their own words to describe processes that won't seem too frightening.

By employing these techniques, kids' dental visits can be more pleasant for all involved, paving the way for a lifetime of healthy teeth.

HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH HOSTS ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

Members of the Orange Congregational Church are thinking summer and are in full swing preparing for their 8th annual Strawberry Festival. The Festival is June 11 from 9AM to 5PM at the Orange Fairgrounds. The rain date is June 12. Admission and parking are free.

The volunteers are planning for all the strawberry treats that take center stage at the Festival when the strawberry is "king for the day". Shortcakes, jams, pies, chocolate dipped strawberries and sundaes will be ready for the hungry fair crowd to purchase and enjoy. These strawberry treats sell out quickly. Delicious festival food will be available throughout the day.

Many of the popular family attractions will return this June. The Red Car Show will be on the Fairgrounds from 10AM to 3PM. Red cars and trucks of all vintages are welcomed. The cost is \$10 per car and there is no cut-off date to enter. For details of the car show, contact (203)799-6748. Musical entertainment, children's games, face painting and rides are scheduled throughout the day.

Vendor applications are still being accepted. Last year the Festival had more that 70 vendor booths with displays by artists, handcrafters, local business owners, and antique dealers. Applications are available on the church website at www.orangecongregationalchurch. org. or call (203)795-9749.

Orange Congregational Church at 205 Meeting House Lane in Orange, CT (203-795-9749) also invites you to come to worship with us at our regular



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Sunday worship services taking place at 8 a.m. in the Chapel or 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

The annual Tag Sale, sponsored by the youth of the Pilgrim Fellowship, will be held on Saturday, May 7th from 10 a.m.-2:00 p.m. on the Orange Town Green. On Sunday, May 15th there will be only one worship service at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary, where we will welcome this year's Confirmation Class as members of our church community. On Wednesday May 18th, please join us for a midweek service at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary, in the Taize style which uses meditative chants and periods of silence to create an atmosphere of contemplative worship. Children's Sunday will take place on May 22nd at the 10:00 a.m. worship service, hosted by our Church School children and their leaders. On Sunday May 29th, there will be only one worship service at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. The Orange Congregational Church Nursery School will also have its annual Bake Sale. Many baked goods, sweet treats, hot coffee and cold drinks and much more will be available at their tent on the green during the Memorial Day parade.

THE ISLE OF KLEZBOS TO PERFORM AT MISHKAN ISRAEL

On Sunday, May 22 at 4:00 pm, Congregation Mishkan Israel presents a fun and appealing concert by the all-female klezmer powerhouse Isle of Klezbos. The band has been hailed as "brilliant, intense, [and] eclectic" by New York Music Daily for its "intoxicating mix of a hundred years' worth of classic and original klezmer, Latin, jazz, and film music."

This will be a special octet appearance by the genre-defying Isle of Klezbos, which usually performs as a sextet. HEEB Magazine loves the band's "sumptuous sound," and Edge New York City raves, "These ladies are damned good musicians, period." The group has toured from Vienna to Vancouver and has been seen on CBS Sunday Morning as well as CNN and PBS.

"Jewish music is a celebration of our diversity," said Cantor Arthur Giglio of

Congregation Mishkan Israel (CMI), "and what better way for CMI to celebrate our diversity than to present the Isle of Klezbos? They are not just any female klezmer band; these extraordinarily talented musicians are the musical ethos of our diversity and inclusiveness. Their music spans multiple styles and genres. They represent all that makes Reform Judaism unique."

Doors open at 3:30 pm, and the concert begins at 4:00. Audiences should arrive early to get the best seats. The concert takes place at Congregation Mishkan Israel, located at 785 Ridge Road in Hamden. This is a family-friendly event.

Tickets are \$36, with a special price of \$10 for children 6 and up and college students. Children age 5 and under are free! Tickets can be purchased online at www.cmihamden.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT TEMPLE EMANUEL

Come welcome Shabbat with Rabbi Farbman and the Temple Emanuel community at several special Kabbalat Shabbat services in the month of May:

Friday, May 6 at 6:30 pm: Family Service lead by 4th grade students from our religious school, with assistance from the TE Children's Choir and a small ensemble from the TE Band;

Friday, May 13 at 8:00 pm: Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service with members of the TE Band;

Friday, March 20 at 8:00 pm: Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Torah Service with members of the TE Band.

Safe Stance, six-part series of disscussions aimed at preventing falls, will be presented at Temple Emanuel on Thursdays from 11 am to 12 noon, beginning on May 5. This lecture series, presented by Tower One/Tower East and sponsored by Temple Emanuel and Congregation Or Shalom, is free and open to everyone in the community.

On Sunday, May 22 at 2:00 pm the TE adult study group and the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven present a screening of the documentary, Stateless. In the late 1980s, many thousands of Soviet Jews were finally allowed to leave the USSR. What they did not expect was



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that the United States no longer welcomed them with open arms. Immigration laws changed, and, unable to prove "a reasonable fear of persecution," many Soviet Jews could not file for refugee status and found themselves stranded in Italy.

The screening will be followed by a question and answer session with the director, Michael Drob, and members of the TE community who lived through the experiences depicted in the film. This event is free and open to the public, but registration is requested. To register for the film screening, and for more information about these and other events, celebrations and services at Temple Emanuel, please go to the TE website: www.templeemanuel@gnh.org, or call the temple office at 203-397-3000. Temple Emanuel is located at 150 Derby Ave. in Orange.

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Upcoming Events

Friday, May 13th at 5:30 p.m. Pot Luck Shabbat Dinner

Bring your favorite pareve or dairy dishes to share. Dinner starts at 5:30 pm; 6:30 pm Shabbat Service & Religious School Graduation

Special Services

Friday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m. A Special Mexican Shabbat Dinner (includes Margaritas!) and

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Professional and congregant musicians lead these uplifting musical Shabbat services. All are welcome to Shabbat Schmooze and Services but you must pre-register for dinner. Your payment is your reservation.

Saturday, May 21st at 9:00 a.m. Shir Hadash

A songful, prayerful, soulful service. We will be using the power of our music and the kavanah of our words and hearts to manifest God's presence.

Every Week

Bread & Torah

Every Saturday at 9:00 a.m. (Except when Shir Hadash occurs.) Come learn parshat hashavua (the weekly torah portion) over bagels and coffee in the library with Rabbi Shapiro before 9:45 a.m. services.

Mah Jong & Canasta

Every Tuesday & Wednesday. Anyone can come in and play. We will be offering coffee "and" but feel free to bring a dairy lunch. Please call to reserve a table.

Daily Minyan

As a reminder, daily minyan is at 7:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. and Sunday morning minyan is at 9:00 a.m. Friday night services are at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday at 9:45 a.m.

All programs are open to the public. RSVP required when indicated.

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HOUSINGORNING



ST. GABRIEL'S HOLDS IRISH MUSIC SESSION WITH CLAIRE EGAN

Fiddler Claire Egan will join the P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann traditional music session on Thursday, May 19, at St. Gabriel's Parish Hall, 26 Broadway, Milford, CT, 7:45 pm. Admission is free. Musicians, dancers, singers and guests are welcomed. BYOB.

Claire is said to be one of the best fiddle players in the circuit today. Hers is a unique fiddle voice with a sweet tone and skillful ingenuity. Her stunning solo debut recording, Turning Tides, released in 2015, is considered one of the top recordings of traditional Irish music, whether contemporary or historical.

Born in London and now based in County Clare, Ireland, Claire's family of musicians and artists came from the West of Ireland. She has been immersed in traditional Irish music her entire life, and was influenced and taught by many of the great musicians from Ireland living in London. Claire went on to win several competitions as well as other prizes and awards including the Young Artists Award from the Irish Youth Foundation to assist with her studies including a Masters at the Royal Academy of Music, London. Her music is regularly heard on BBC radio, RTE, RnaG, and International broadcasts. She has played on several soundtracks and appeared on various television shows and recorded with various singer/songwriters, upcoming composers, ensembles and Orchestras throughout the world.

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 more than two million people attend Comhaltas functions each year. For information on the session call Tim at 203-257-8737.

COMEDY NIGHT AT TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

Temple Beth Sholom, 1809 Whitney Avenue, Hamden presents Stand Up Comedy Night May 14th at 8:30 pm. Featured are comedian and actor Steve Scott, who has been described as a perfect mix of Jerry Seinfeld and Jim Carrey, and Joe Larson, finalist in the Johnny Carson Great American Comedy Festival. Refreshments will be served. \$36 per person in advance. \$40 at the door. Contact the Temple office at (203) 288-7748.

Temple Beth Sholom is a conservative egalitarian synagogue with over 400 member families and singles from



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the Greater New Haven community. For information about Temple Beth Sholom, contact the Temple office at (203) 288-7748 or go to www.tbshamdencom.



THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD MAY EVENTS

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd welcomes the public to our calendar of fun and spiritually enriching events for this month.

Sunday, May 15th, The Church of the Good Shepherd will celebrate the Day of Pentecost. This is the day when scripture tells us that the flame of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the followers of Christ enabling them to speak in the languages of the nations of the earth—men and women, young and old, slave and free, all equal before God and worthy of God's saving grace. Members of the congregation will speak the Easter acclamation in many languages, and all are encouraged to wear red, signifying the fire of the Holy Spirit. Please join us for this celebration of God's power, love, and grace!

Our popular Prayer Shawl Ministry is open to the public and meets on Sunday, May 15th at 11:30 am in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested in knitting or crocheting a prayer shawl for a person in need is welcome to join us. We craft all year-round and meet regularly. Our prayer shawls are blessed during a Sunday Eucharist and then distributed by our parishioners to friends, neighbors and family members in need and at area hospitals.

Imam Omer Bajwa, Coordinator of Muslim Life at Yale University, will be our guest speaker on Thursday evening, May 19th at 7pm in the Parish Hall. His topic will be "Inner and Outer Dimensions of Fasting Ramadan in Islam." The talk will present an overview of Ramadan (which begins June 6th) and how it is observed by Muslims around the world. This multi-media presentation explores fasting as an ancient spiritual practice, across religious traditions, and how fasting has relevant and contemporary lessons for everyone. The talk is free and open to the public.

The Shepherd's Table, our free lunch



Church of the Good Shepherd

and fellowship program, will be going on hiatus for the summer. The last luncheon will be Wednesday, May 25th. During the summer months recreational bingo fun will continue on Wednesday mornings in the Parish Hall from 10:30am to Noon. We look forward to seeing our Wednesday regulars this summer as well as newcomers.

On Youth Sunday, June 5th, our 9:30 service will be led by the young people of the congregation filling the roles of readers, preachers, and Eucharistic assistants. Please join us as we mark God's promise of renewal and hope through the ministry of our young people and the celebration of our new confirmands. All are welcome at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd.

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.; 9:30am Faith Formation (for Children and Families), and Rite II Holy Eucharist with music @ 9:30 a.m.

For more information about the The Church of the Good Shepherd's many other programs, such as our monthly Book Club, Prayer Shawl Ministry, and Healing Eucharist, please call the Parish Office @ (203) 795-6577, email us @ thegoodspheherd@optonline.net, visit our website @ www.thegoodshepherdorangect.org, and of course, check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/cgsorangectfor frequent postings.



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Wine Talk

With Ray Spaziani



CELEBRATE MOTHERS DAY WITH SOME ROMAN WINE

Frascati is a wine that was first grown in the town of Frascati on or about the 5th century B.C.! It has been around a long time and it is the great white wine of ancient Rome and one of the very favorites of several Popes. The town is located about 20 miles from Rome in the province of Frezinone. This is an area where many of the Italian immigrants came from who first came to Connecticut just after the first world war and into the early 1920s. This group of "central Italians" remained a social and political force in the greater New Haven area for some time. There is still a large group of these people's decedents and family and friends who attend mass and have a dinner commemorating the patron saint of the area, Sant Cataldo. I like to think this famous Italian white has a connection to our area.

The wine is made from a blend of Malvasia di Candia, Malvasia del Lazio, Bombino bianco and Trebbiano Grapes. It is a crisp easy drinking demeanor and it is relatively low in alcohol (11-13 percent). It is a great wine to sip on a hot Summer day and is not very demanding. It is crisp and clean and pleasant and a great match with light pasta dishes. The wine is made to be drunk young and does not age well. In the 1960s as Italian wine making techniques began to improve, Frascati was given a D.O.C. designation which indicates some of Italy's finest wines and the wine was restricted as to the grapes that could be used. In 2011 the wine was given a D.O.C.G. Status. These are some of finest wines made in Italy In addition

to discovering just the right blend of grapes, the wine makers started to add a little Viognier grape which gave the wine a hint of tropical fruit flavor and that is when this wine got my attention. Some wine makers add a little Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc giving the wine little bigger foot print and a more international appeal.

Cannellino di Frascati wines are subtly sweet whites made partially from botrytized grapes of Malvasia and Trebbianol grown in the Frascati viticultrual arrea in Lazio, Italy, Frascati is famous for its neutral scented dry whites, the sweet Cannellino has long been made by local vineyards. The history of Cannellino wines in Frascati is very much linked to the traditions of the festival of San Crispino on October 25 and lasted until the end of November. It is a difficult and complex harvest. It is quite similar to the production of "Ice Wine". The level of sweetness is more subtle and the wine is delicious.

This mother's day get mom some of the wine the Romans drink! Get her a bottle of Frascati you will glad you did! Happy Mother's Day!

Ray Spaziani is the Chapter Director of the New Haven Chapter of the American Wine Society. He teaches wine appreciation classes at Gateway Community College and the Milford Board of Education as well as Moltose wine and beer making suppliers, and is a member of the International Tasting Panel of Amenti Del Vino and Wine Maker Magazine. He is an award winning home wine maker. Email Ray with your wine questions and wine events at ray.spaziani@gmail.com.

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Registration is highly recommended for all Library events.

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

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

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

Events for Teens

Book Chat Café

Tuesday, May 24, 2:15 p.m. Held in the Amity Middle School Media Center for teens who love to read and share their opinions over refreshments. Please see Ms. Leibrock.

Events for Adults

Cooking with John Bencivengo

Wednesday, May 11, 7 p.m.

Chef John Bencivengo, Senior Chef at Chowder Pot III in Branford, will delight us with a demonstration of delicious spring recipes. Sample all of the recipes demonstrated and receive a copy of each recipe to take home. \$5 per person food charge must be paid upon registration. Tickets must be purchased in person at the library. Seating is limited.

2016 Oscar Films

Registration is required for all Oscar films as seating is limited. Registration opens three weeks in advance of the program date.

The Revenant

Monday, May 16, 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, 1 p.m.

A frontiersman on a fur trading expedition in the 1820s fights for survival after being mauled by a bear and left for dead by members of his own hunting team. Registration is required in person or by telephone. R. 2 hours 36 minutes.

Carol

Monday, June 6, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 8, 1 p.m.

An aspiring photographer develops an intimate relationship with an older woman. R. 1 hour 58 minutes.

Creed

Monday, June 27, 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 29, 1 p.m.

The former World Heavyweight Champion Rocky Balboa serves as a trainer and mentor to Adonis Johnson, the son of his late friend and former rival Apollo Creed. PG-13. 2 hours 13 minutes.

Joy

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

Joy is the story of the title character, who rose to become founder and matriarch of a powerful family business dynasty. PG-13. 2 hours 4 minutes.

45 Years

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

A married couple preparing to celebrate their wedding anniversary receive shattering news that promises to forever change the course of their lives. R. 1 hour 35 minutes.

Author Meet and Great & Book Discussion

Thursday, May 19, 4 p.m.

Meet Roya Hakakian, author of Journey from the Land of No: A Girlhood Caught in Revolutionary Iran.



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In this touching memoir, Roya recalls her childhood and adolescence in prerevolutionary Iran with candor and verve. The result is a beautifully written coming-of-age story about one deeply intelligent and perceptive girl's attempt to find an authentic voice of her own at a time of cultural closing and repression. Remarkably, she manages to recreate a time and place dominated by religious fanaticism, violence, and fear with an open heart and often with great humor. Moderated by Books & Breakfast discussion leader Carol Davidson. Copies are available for checkout at the Circulation Desk. Registration is required in person or by telephone.

American Heroes: Celebrating Greatness in Renowned and **Unheralded Americans**

Monday, June 13, 7 p.m.

Award-winning storyteller Carol Birch tells the story of Lou Gehrig, an American hero whose story resonates for diehard baseball fans and the uninitiated alike followed by the lesser-known story of the people of North Platte, Nebraska who, during World War II, with only their own resources and ration cards, greeted, fed, and thanked six million military personnel as they set off to serve our nation. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. This program will open with the Friends of the Library Annual Meeting including the induction of new officers and presentation of the Lucy Scillia Scholarship to an Orange graduating senior. Registration is required in person or by telephone.

The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group The Book of Unknown Americans

by Christina Henriquez

Thursday, June 23, 7 p.m.

Join Bookcase leader Toby Zabinski for a discussion of The Book of Unknown Americans by Christina Henriquez. Check the Circulation Desk for copies. Registration is required in person or by telephone.

Art in the Library

May: Oils, watercolors, and photography by Cheri Weymann and Hedi Minow-Pike. On view May 3-30. Reception: May 5, 5-7 p.m.

June: Oils, watercolors, and acrylics, by Elizabeth B. Wright. On view June 2-29. Reception: June 9, 5-7 p.m.

Friends' Semi-Annual Great! Basement Book Sale

Saturday, May 7, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Thousands of new and gently used books are available at the Friends of the Library's semi-annual book sale including hardcover and paperback fiction and non-fiction for adults, children, and teens as well as vinyl records DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks. It's the perfect place to pick up a gift for an upcoming event, add a new special book to your coffee table collection, or just grab a few great books to read. Come check it out!



DEATH NOTICES

Robert Rawlings Kidd

Robert Rawlings Kidd, 93, of Orange passed away Tuesday, April 26, 2016. Born in Virginia to John Robert Kidd

and Nannie Ashby Collins. He spent most of his youth in West Point, Virginia before going to Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1939 at the age of sixteen. After graduating with a degree in Chemical Engineering, he went to work for Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company for ten years. He spent the last four

of those years in Indonesia, where he and Marjorie Clements were married. After returning to the U.S., he started work with Armstrong Tire Company in West Haven, eventually building a house in Orange in 1959. After retiring from his position as Director of Materials

Engineering at Armstrong, Bob enjoyed volunteering as an executive consultant for the International Executive Service

Corps (IESC) in India.

Bob was an avid bridge player, and also loved reading, investing, and in his later years, completing the daily crossword puzzle and taking care of the grounds and woods around his home in Orange. His family remembers many happy hours spent with him at the Orange

Public Library throughout his lifetime.

Bob is survived by his wife, Marjorie Clements Kidd; three daughters, Kathi Kidd, Paula Greer, and Rebecca Kidd; a son, Greg Kidd; and three grandchildren, Steven, Sasha, and Ila. Funeral arrangements were private.



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SIMPLIFY FLYING WITH BABIES IN TOW

Many parents of infants resolve to avoid air travel until their tikes enter toddlerhood. But air travel is not always avoidable, as parents may need to attend family functions or other events with baby in tow.

Flying with infants can be difficult, as airplane cabins can hurt youngsters' ears and cause them to cry. In addition, parents may be nervous that something might go wrong when flying with infants, potentially making the flight less enjoyable for parents and their fellow passengers. While there is no way to guarantee infants won't shed a few tears during their next flight, the following are a handful of ways to simplify flying with kids less than two years of age.

Choose an infant-friendly flight time. Flying at a time of day or night when infants typically sleep can increase the chance that babies will sleep through much of the flight, if not the whole trip. When booking flights, keep kids' usual nap time in mind before selecting an itinerary. It also pays to familiarize yourself with the airline's policy regarding infants and carry-on bags before booking your flight.

Choose an aisle seat. You and your baby likely won't make it through the flight without having to stand up and walk to the bathroom or simply walk the aisle to calm your baby's nerves. Choose an aisle seat so you don't have to

ask your spouse or the passenger sitting next to you to stand up several times during the flight.

Feed your child and check his or her diaper before takeoff. Hunger and/or wet, dirty diapers typically make infants cry no matter where they are. If you want your baby to fall asleep the moment you board your flight, make sure he or she is well fed and has a clean diaper prior to boarding. Close the window if the sun is shining through, as that can make it difficult for kids to fall asleep.

Prepare for takeoff and initial descent. Pressure changes in airplane cabins tend to be most noticeable during the takeoff and initial descent. Such changes are when ears are most likely to pop. Many adults experience discomfort when their ears pop during cabin pressure changes, and infants are no different. Speak with flight attendants upon boarding, asking for advice about managing any pain that might result from popping ears. Some parents find that offering infants pacifiers or bottles as cabin pressure is about to change can help infants make it through such changes without crying. Keep in mind that pilots typically announce when planes are about to begin their initial descent, which may be 20 to 30 minutes before the plane is scheduled to land.

Flying with infants may be something parents prefer to avoid, but there are ways to make such travel go smoothly.

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"If I've learned anything as a mom with a daughter who's three, I've learned that you cannot judge the way another person is raising their kid. Everybody is just doing the best they can. It's hard to be a mom." — MAGGIE GYLLENHAAL

ENTERTAINMENT

TOP 10 MOVIES

1. The Jungle Book (PG) Neel Sethi

2. Barbershop: The Next Cut (PG-13)

Ice Cube, Regina Hall

3. The Boss (R) Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Bell

4. Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice (PG-13) Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill

5. Zootopia (PG)

6. Criminal (R)

Kevin Costner, Ryan Reynolds

7. My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2 (PG-13) Nia Vardalos, John Corbett

8. Miracles From Heaven (PG)

Jennifer Garner, Kylie Rogers

9. God's Not Dead 2 (PG) Melissa Joan Hart, Jesse Metcalfe

> **10. Eye in the Sky (R)** Helen Mirren, Aaron Paul

TOP 10 VOD

1. Daddy's Home (PG-13) Will Ferrell

2. The Hateful Eight (R)Samuel L. Jackson

3. The Hunger Games: Mocking jay, Part 2 (PG-13) Jennifer Lawrence

4. Concussion (PG-13) Will Smith

5. Point Break (PG-13)

Edgar Ramirez

6. Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip (PG)

animated

7. Sisters (R)Amy Poehler

8. The Big Short (R) Christian Bale

9. Brooklyn (PG-13) Saoirse Ronan

10. Creed (PG-13)

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Scene from "Deadpool"
[Twentieth Century Fox]

EDITOR'S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column are available in stores the week of May 9, 2016.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Deadpool" (R) -- The first major R-rated Marvel flick follows jokey toughguy Wade Wilson (Ryan Reynolds), who enters a shady treatment program after receiving a terminal diagnosis. Wade's torturous "treatment" awakens dormant superpowers (rapid healing and regeneration) but leaves him hideously disfigured. His new life is built around hunting down the baddies and rescuing his lady (Morena Baccarin) with the help of some second-string X-Men.

It definitely shows how Reynolds has longed to play this character, and fans aware of comic-book "Deadpool's" fourth-wall hammering humor will be pleased with his delivery. He's not morose or moralistic; it's the refreshingly cheeky antithesis to the serious superheroes glooming up the cinemas these days.

"The Boy" (PG-13) -- Down at the Spooky English Manor, a rich old couple reaches out for a nanny for their 8-yearold son. Should be an easy gig, since the boy died 20 years ago and they just need somebody to dote on the porcelain-doll they treat like a real boy. Greta (Lauren Cohan, "The Walking Dead") takes the nanny gig so she can get away from a menacing ex-boyfriend back in the States. Her relief turns to weirded-out suspicion when she finds that "Brahms" is a creepy doll she's expected to feed and tuck in at night. Naturally, once Greta is alone in the house with the doll, it starts doing things on its own and scaring the crap out of her.

You got your haunted doll, creepy estate, stranded-girl and a handful of other worn-out tropes holding this thing together. Director William Brent Bell doesn't try to add much to the genre, and so the whole affair feels destined to fade in with the crowd. There's also a heavy reliance on jump-scares and foreboding sets, which get less and less satisfying the closer we get to the credits.

"Creative Control" (R) -- In a nearfuture New York, an anxious ad agent, David (director/co-writer Benjamin Dickinson), puts himself to work promoting the next big thing in mind-altering mobile technology -- glasses that put a virtual-layer over reality. David's big plan is to entrust the technology to somebody with real creativity, so he hires comedian/musician/filmmaker Reggie Watts to make art for this new medium. Soon, David's building and falling in love with a virtual avatar of his sleazy best-bud's girlfriend, while his yoga-instructor wife (Nora Zehetner) cheats on him with another yogi. It seems like there should be some deep thoughts on the nature of love, perception and technology, but instead we end up with a twitchy rom-com with a slight sci-fi twist.

- 1. Who was Isaac in Sir Isaac and the Do-Dads?
- 2. Name the group that released "Whole Lotta Woman" in 1961. (Hint: The group's original name was The Blenders.)
- 3. Who released "But It's Alright" and when?
- 4. Mark Dinning, Dion and the Belmonts, and Donovan all released songs with the same title. What's the song?
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "The poet, the physician, the farmer, the scientist, the magician and the other so-called gods of our legends."

Atlantis" novel, an episode of "Futurama" and more.

I. Isaac Hayes, of "Shaft" fame. He got his start in the blues clubs of Memphis, Tennessee. 2. The Contours, a Motown Records group. The song never charted, even though it was the single's b-side,
"Boogaloo Baby," that got people dancing. 4. "Teen Angel." Only Dinning's version was successful, despite radio stations banning the song because it was so sad. 5. "Adantis." by Donovan in 1969. The theme is the idea that Atlantis was a pre-flood (under the ocean) civilization and think his true love might be down there waiting References to the song abound. In the film "Goodfellas," Stephen King's "Hearts in Alphini," and more

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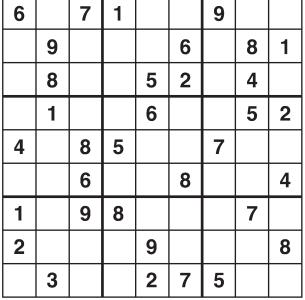
By Chris Richcreek

- 1. Who holds the major-league record for most consecutive games reaching base to start a season?
- 2. Ron Washington holds the record for most games managed by a Texas Rangers skipper (1,275). Who is No. 2?
- 3. Who holds the NFL mark for most pass attempts to start a career without a touchdown pass?
- 4. Name the last men's Division I college basketball team before Wichita State in 2014 and Kentucky in 2015 to finish the regular season unbeaten.
- 5. Entering 2016, when was the only time the Tampa Bay Lightning and Florida Panthers made the NHL playoffs in the same season?
- 6. In 2015, Timothy Peters became the third NASCAR Truck Series driver to win consecutive races at Talladega. Name either of the other two.
- 7. Roger Federer, in 2016, became the first male tennis player to win 300 Grand Slam singles matches. Who is second on the list?

1. Derek Jeter of the New York Yankees did it in 53 games in 1999. 2. Bobby Valentine, with 1,186. 3. Arizona's Ryan Lindley threw for a touchdown after 228 pass attempts. 4. St. Joseph's went 27-0 in the 2003-04 regular season. 5. It was the 1995-96 season. 6. Todd Bodine (2007, '08) and Kyle Busch ('09, '10). 7. Jimmy Connors, with 233 victories.

Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle



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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

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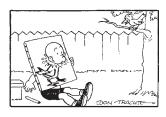
















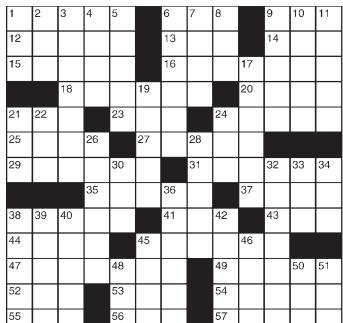




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By Tony Rizzo

Jake Gyllenhaal has only one film slated for release this year, "Nocturnal Animals," with Amy Adams and Michael Shannon. But he has five projects slated for 2017: "Okja," with Tilda Swinton (for Netflix); "Stronger" (about the Boston marathon victim who led police to the killers); the sci-fi thriller "Life," with Ryan Reynolds and Rebecca Ferguson; "The Current War," which has Jake playing George Westinghouse to Benedict Cumberbatch's Thomas Edison; and "The Man Who Made It Snow," about Max Mermelstein, an American in the inner circles of the Columbian Cartel in the 1980s. And in his spare time ...?

In the 1960s, '70s and '80s, studios had market-research companies phoning people and stopping them on the street and while exiting movie theaters to learn which actors they recognized and liked. It was called the Q (Quotient) Score. When the studios were threatened because this practice was wrong, they denied ever using it. Today we have an Internet service called IMDB and IMDB Pro. Anyone can use IMDB to find information on movies, actors and companies. IMDB Pro is for show folk who pay to subscribe to get inside info on actors, movies and production companies. It offers a list called The IMDB Starmeter that ranks actors on how many hits they get on the IMDB websites, and their popularity.

For instance, Alicia Vikander, Oscar winner this year for "The Danish Girl," is ranked No. 18, "Superman" Henry Cavill is No. 16, Jennifer Lawrence is No. 15, and Gal Gadot, the new "Wonder Woman," is No. 11. Despite his Oscar win for "The Revenant," Leonardo DiCaprio could only hit No. 10. Melissa Benoit



Jake Gyllenhaal [Depositphotos.com]

("Supergirl" and "Whiplash" star) is next, followed by Margot Robbie ("Wolf of Wall Street" and "Whiskey, Tango, Foxtrot," which bombed) and Shailene Woodley ("The Divergent" series). At No. 6 is Tom Hardy ("The Revenant" and "Mad Max: Fury Road"), followed by Robin Wright ("Princess Bride" and "House of Cards") and Mary Elizabeth Winstead ("Final Destination 3"). No. 3 is Tom Holland ("The Impossible"), No. 2 is Alexandra Daddario ("San Andreas" and the upcoming "Baywatch") and No. 1 is Alicia Witt (Cybill Shepard's daughter on "Cybill" and "The Bronx Bull" about Jake LaMotta, a film that was shot two years ago and is just being released).

No offense to Witt, Daddario, Holland or any of the others, but should they be ranked before Leonardo DiCaprio? There are sites online that claim they can help you manipulate the Starmeter, and other sites that say your Starmeter won't get you interviews. The question is, why is it there? The best actor doesn't always get the job; maybe the one with the biggest social media gets it instead. No joke this week, this is not a laughing matter.

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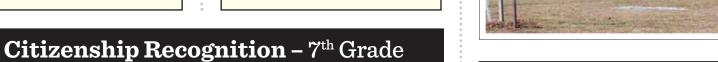
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How to Avoid Incidents with Stray Dogs

By Richard and Vicki Horowitz

Stray dogs—dogs that have been abandoned and are homeless or dogs that are running loose without an owner—are a growing problem nationwide. By some reports, more than 500,000 dogs are lost or abandoned every month across the country. Some are reunited with their owners and others are picked up by animal control authorities, but some become feral and can pose a threat to humans.

Annually, on average, about 800,000 people are injured by dogs seriously enough to require medical attention; 63 percent of dog bites occur within pet owners' homes and 43 percent of all dog bites involve children bitten by the family dog. Broad estimates indicate that about 10 to 12 percent of dog bites involve strays.

We all know it is the responsibility of dog owners to care for, train, and look after their canine companions, but we also know this does not always happen. So what should we do if we encounter a stray dog while out walking? Our attention to our surroundings and our intellect are our top defenses in avoiding an incident with a stray dog.

Never approach a stray dog. Strays are usually hungry, thirsty, sometimes injured—and almost always frightened. They could also carry disease. There are too many unknown factors with a stray dog; it's simply not worth the risk. Despite knowledge of or a love for dogs, it is best to steer clear of a stray.

Walk with awareness. Stay aware of your surroundings. Even in familiar surroundings, scan the area, near and far. This level of awareness doesn't have to take away from the joy of your walk. You may see things you've not noticed before. It's always best to know who and what is around you. Also, for a variety of safety reasons, always bring a mobile phone with you.

Seek a safe haven. If you see a stray dog approaching from a distance, look for a place that's secure. Step inside a fenced area, enter a place of business, or knock on a neighbor's door. It's always better to be safe than risk a potentially dangerous encounter.

Carry food as a distraction. Pepper spray (or some other non-lethal spray) is not an appropriate defense measure,

as this doesn't always work and can exacerbate the situation. Carrying treats or a pocket full of kibble along with you is a much better option. Because strays are almost always hungry, you can use the food to take the dog's attention off you. Throw the food farther and farther away from you so the dog focuses on the food while you retreat to a place of safety. Kibble works especially well as the dog will forage to find every morsel.

If the above is not possible or a stray approaches you by surprise, follow these guidelines to protect yourself:

- Don't try to run. Stand still. Hold your arms in front of you, clasp your hands together, and don't move. Keep your eyes focused downward and watch the stray with your peripheral vision. Don't stare at the dog. He could interpret this as a threat. Let the dog sniff you if he wants, but do not stick your hand out as this can be interpreted as a threat. When the dog leaves, do not turn your back on the dog. Back away slowly, so you can keep an eye on the dog.
- If you have been knocked down by a dog—don't try to get up and run. Roll into a ball. Cover your face and head with your arms, keep your legs together, and pull your knees up to your chest. Don't get up and don't move until the dog has gone away.

Remember: Never run from a dog. You must use your intellect to overcome your instinctual urge to flee. More than 90 percent of the times dogs exhibit aggressive behavior, it is a reaction based on fear. Your goal is to eliminate a perceived threat or remove an opportunity to attack. If you run, there is a high probability that the dog will chase and attack you. If you stand still, he will most likely sniff you, and go on his way.

After the dog has gone, call the animal control authorities in your area. By doing so, you will give the dog the best chance for survival by getting him off the streets into a safe place and hopefully, reuniting him with his owner or a new one.

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



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're the first sign in the Zodiac and like to take the lead wherever you go. But this time, you'd be wise to follow someone who has much to teach you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your adversary hasn't given up trying to undermine you. Continue to stay cool -- someone in authority knows what's happening.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Spring brings a positive aspect for relationships. Paired Twins grow closer, while the single set finds new romance -perhaps with a Leo or Libra.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Wavering aspects this week mean weighing your words carefully to avoid misunderstandings.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You could soon be on a new career path in pursuit of those long-standing goals, but don't cut any current ties until you're sure you're ready to make the change.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A former colleague wants to re-establish an old professional connection. It would be wise to make the contact, at least until you know what he or she

LIBRA (September 23 to October **22)** A relationship that survived some

is planning.

rocky moments could be facing a new challenge. Deal with the problem openly, honestly and without delay. Good luck.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November

21) A recent and much-appreciated change in the workplace inspires you to make some changes in your personal life as well. Start with a plan to travel more.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to **December 21)** A friend needs your kind and caring advice, but you need to know what he or she is hiding from you before you agree to get involved.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your circle of friends continues to widen. Expect to hear from someone in your past who hopes to reestablish your once-close relationship.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to Febru**ary 18)** Your aspects favor the arts. Indulge in whatever artistic expression you enjoy most. A workplace situation will, I'm pleased to say, continue to improve.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

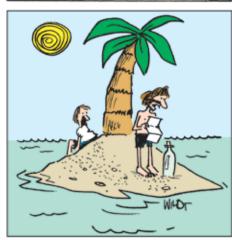
Warning! Your tendency to let things slide until the last minute could have a negative effect on a relationship that you hope can develop into something meaningful.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are both emotional and sensible. You enjoy being with people. Good career choices include teaching, performing and the clergy.





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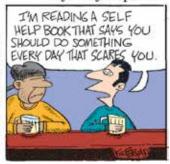
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by Gary Kopervas



SOME DOG OWNERS NEED TRAINING, TOO

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: When I'm out at the dog park, I see so many people who are ignored by their dogs. No matter how much they scream or shout, their pets just do whatever they want. I've tried to tell them that

yelling only goes so far, but they don't listen. What else can I do? -- Clarisse G., Cartersville, Georgia

DEAR CLAR-ISSE: One of the hardest subjects to broach with other owners is how to

handle their pets. Particularly with dogs, owners have relationships akin to their own child, and the results of well-intentioned advice tend to be ineffectual. Owners may even snap back at you.

However, a badly behaved dog in a public area can have a lot of repercussions. An unruly dog may be attacked by another dog, or a human may be injured by a dog bite -- events like that just add fuel to arguments against dog parks or dogs in public areas.

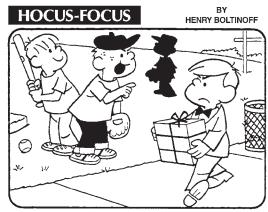
To get a dog to behave on command, two key factors can make a difference in training: A calm, confident voice when giving commands, and

consequences. If a dog won't follow a command, corrective action must be given as soon as possible -putting it back on the leash, leaving the dog park, whatever.

Not surprisingly, dog owners

who aren't controlling their dogs respond to the same factors. If a dog is disrupting the other pets' enjoyment of the park, tell its owner -- with confidence! -- that their dog has to act within the park's rules, or leave. If they don't respond, then bring the consequences: report the owner and dog to the city, or to the group -- if the dog park has an organized group of other owners.

Grape hyacinth



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Grape hyacinths start from small bulbs. Place them in groups of ten or more, with the bulbs twice as deep as they are tall and a couple of inches apart. They grow in sun or light shade. Don't plant them where it's too wet or too dry.

They spread very quickly and can be quite invasive; plant them where it is acceptable for them to spread freely. The flower spikes don't appear until mid-spring. There may be some variation in color, depending on which ones you plant, but smoky blue is the most common color. Once their leaves die off, you can cut them back.

- Brenda Weaver

Source: www.gardeningknowhow.com



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COLLEGE SAVING SUGGESTIONS THAT WON'T BREAK THE BANK

The cost of college tuition concerns parents from all walks of life. While college continues to get more expensive, it remains a worthy investment.

In its 2015-16 "College Planning Essentials" report, J.P. Morgan Asset Management dispelled the growing notion that a college education is not worth the student loan debt many young adults assume to earn their degrees. The report noted that college graduates earn 38 percent more than high school graduates, even after factoring in student loans. The report also noted that the return on investing in college is nearly \$1 million more in lifetime earnings. What's more, a 2013 report from the Georgetown University Center on Education and Workforce projected a shortage of five million college-educated workers by 2020, suggesting that college graduates will be in high demand by the start of the next decade.

While such figures highlight the importance of a college education, they may do little to ease parents' concerns about how to finance that education. While saving enough money for college may seem impossible, parents can take steps to decrease the likelihood that their kids will need to take on substantial loans to support their education.

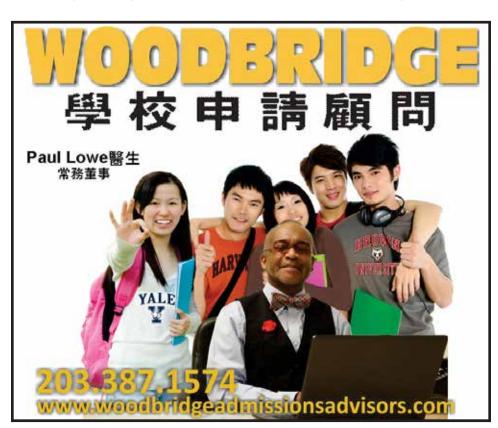
Start early. The earlier parents start saving for college, the more money their children will have to finance their education. Parents may not realize just how much college tuition is rising compared to other expenses. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Consumer Price Index, the cumulative percent price change of college tuition between

1983 and 2015 dwarfed the price changes of other expenses. For example, while the cumulative price change of housing rose 143 percent during that period, the cost of college tuition rose 722 percent over the same period. The earlier parents start saving for college, the more they can take advantage of compound interest that many college savings plans offer.

Schedule automatic monthly contributions to college savings accounts. Parents learn to expect the unexpected soon after their children are born. Unforeseen expenses may tempt parents to reduce or skip their monthly college savings account contributions. Reduced or missed contributions can add up over time, however, potentially reducing the totals in your child's account by a substantial amount. Set up automatic contributions with your bank or portfolio manager so you are not tempted to use the money you set aside each month for college to finance other expenses.

Increase contributions each year. Increasing your annual college savings contributions each year can help the accounts keep pace with the inflation rate of college tuition costs. While you might not match that rate, increasing contributions each year by as little as 5 percent won't greatly affect your overall budget but can have a considerable impact on college savings.

Saving for college can seem like a daunting task. Yet parents of young children can quell their fears about college tuition costs by making a plan now and sticking to it until kids are ready to enroll in a college or university.





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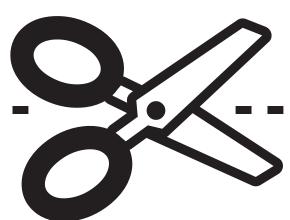
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