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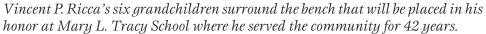
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## Vincent Ricca Honored After 42 Years of Service

By Richard Weizel - Orange Town News Correspondent

Vincent P. Ricca never sat down on the job while working as a maintenance man, custodian and courier for the Orange School system for 42 years. But if everything goes as planned, it won't be long that his relatives, friends and everyone else for that matter, will be able to sit on a wooden bench in a new courtyard at Mary L. Tracy School named in Ricca's honor.

Ricca, a life-long New Haven resident, died suddenly, a year ago at age 83, while at work in Orange. A bench in his honor which will soon include a plaque and inscription, was presented Sunday to wife Carmella Ricca and other family members at the Elks Club in Milford. Ron Gambardella, president of Local 1303-22 Custodial-Maintenance Worker's Union - AFSCME - made the presentation. "I worked with Vinny and he just never wanted to retire." said Gambardella. "Even though he officially retired years ago, he just kept on working part-time and we were glad to have him. He lived to

("Ricca" continued on page 31)







Superintendent of Schools Tim James (middle) poses with two of the six recipients of the Superintendent's Award, Himay Dharani, (left) and Juliet Melotto.

## Orange Sixth Graders Honored with Superintendent's Award

By Laura Fantarella – Orange Town News Correspondent

Orange sixth graders who manage to juggle a busy schedule of participating in extra-curricular activities and volunteering in the community while achieving high academic grades were recently presented with the South Central Area Superintendent's Award at a luncheon ceremony at Laurel View Country Club. Orange Superintendent Tim James was the featured speaker.

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#### **OTN NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Tentative Timetable Set for Hubbell Vote

A tentative date of Thursday, June 30th is planned for the Special Town Meeting regarding the possible purchase of the Hubbell property for approximately \$7.1 million. The Board of Selectmen will finalize dates at its monthly meeting on Wednesday, June 8th. A Special Meeting of the BOS will be scheduled on Wednesday, June 22 where they will formally set the date for the Town Meeting.

If the timeline proceeds, the referendum on the proposal will be sent to the voters on Wednesday, July 13th.

#### **Town Budget Passes by Nearly 4-1 Margin**

On Thursday, May 19th, Orange voters approved the 2011-2012 municipal budget by a nearly 4-1 margin. The \$56,486,995 budget represented a 1.2% increase from the previous fiscal year. In total, 259 residents voted in favor of the proposal while 74 voted against it.

#### **Orange Police Arrest Burglary Suspect**

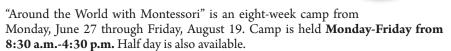
On Friday, May 20th, Orange Police issued an arrest warrant for Jason McCready of 690 Jones Hill Road, West Haven regarding a burglary on West River Road on May 11th, 2011. The homeowner allegedly interrupted the burglar and was able to provide a detailed description of the perpetrator to the police. After investigation, an arrest warrant was issued to McCready and he was charged with 3rd degree burglary, 3rd degree criminal mischief & 3rd degree larceny. McCready was held on a \$50,000 bond and the investigation is continuing.

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

### FROM OUR READERS

#### **Help Keep Our Young People Safe**

As high school seniors throughout our area begin preparing for graduation and celebrating this memorable milestone with their classmates at parties and other gatherings, it is important to remind them to do so safely and without alcohol. Dichello Distributors, Inc. and Anheuser-Busch are committed to preventing underage drinking year-round, but graduation season offers a timely reminder about the roles we all play in helping to keep our young people safe.

We're parents too, so we're aware of the challenges that accompany talking with teenagers about alcohol. But we also know parents have the greatest influence on the decisions teens make about drinking. According to the 2009 GfK Roper Youth Report, 67 percent of youth, ages 13 to 17, cite their parents as the No. 1 influence on their decisions about whether they drink alcohol or not. That's why we created materials to assist parents in talking with their teens about drinking available at www.facebook.com/Anheuser-BuschFamilyTalkAboutDrinking.

We also work closely with retailers providing tools to liquor, grocery and convenience stores to remind adults to "Prevent. Don't Provide" alcohol to teens. Through our We I.D. program, we host trainings and distribute driver's license booklets to help retailers serve and sell alcohol responsibly and post stickers and signage to alert customers they will be asked to show a valid I.D. when they purchase alcohol.

Progress is being made thanks to the involvement of parents, educators, retailers and law enforcement. In fact, the 2010 Monitoring the Future study reports record-low levels for past-month drinking among 8th, 10th and 12th graders. In addition, the U.S. Department of Transportation reports that teen drunk-driving fatalities have declined 74 percent since tracking began in 1982, to a record-low level.

Thank you for doing your part to help our teens make smart decisions when it comes to alcohol. These are our families and our children and it's our responsibility to help keep them safe.

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

#### **Base Hubbell Vote on Facts Not Wishful Thinking**

I'm not certain all the citizens of Orange are aware of the potential hardships that will be caused if the Town does not purchase the Hubbell property. The Hubbell Corporation has submitted a new proposal for a zoning change to establish an Affordable Residential Development District and it addresses the concerns the zoning board had on the first request. If passed, it will establish a precedent of allowing any land in town that is currently zoned R-1, Residence District or Office Park District with 300-400 acres to be changed to an Affordable Residential Development District. This will provide an in-

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### **OTN Letters Policy**

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.

Please limit letters to 500 words and include a daytime phone number in case we have any questions. Letters must be exclusive to the Orange Town News for publication. We reserve the right to reject any letter.

### **ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP**

## Azoti Receives Prestigious Award

Theresa Azoti, Orange resident, was one of three members to receive a state Achievement Award at the spring convention of Alpha Kappa State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. This honor, given biennially since 1989, is awarded to members who have made significant contri-

butions to chapter, state and international activities. She was also installed at the same convention as State First Vice President for 2011-2013.

A member of Zeta Chapter for seventeen years, Theresa served as chapter president from 2004-6. She currently has held the position of Alpha Kappa State Membership Chair for the past five years. She has attended international conventions and regional conferences since 2004. Theresa retired from East Haven Public Schools as a reading consultant for the special education department.



Pictured (l-r): Zeta Chapter President, Kimberly Carew, and Theresa Azoti, Alpha Kappa State Award Recipient.

Delta Kappa Gamma, founded in 1929, is an honorary society of key women educa-

tors. Connecticut has sixteen local chapters. With over 100,000 members in seventeen countries around the world, the mission of this renowned society is to promote professional and personal growth of its members and excellence in education.

## **DeMichiel Makes Dean's List**

AnnMarie DeMichiel, a freshman at the University of Connecticut, has been named to UConn's spring 2011 Dean's List. She is a Linguistics/Philosophy major in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and a member of UConn's chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta, a national academic honor society. She graduated from Amity High School in June 2010.

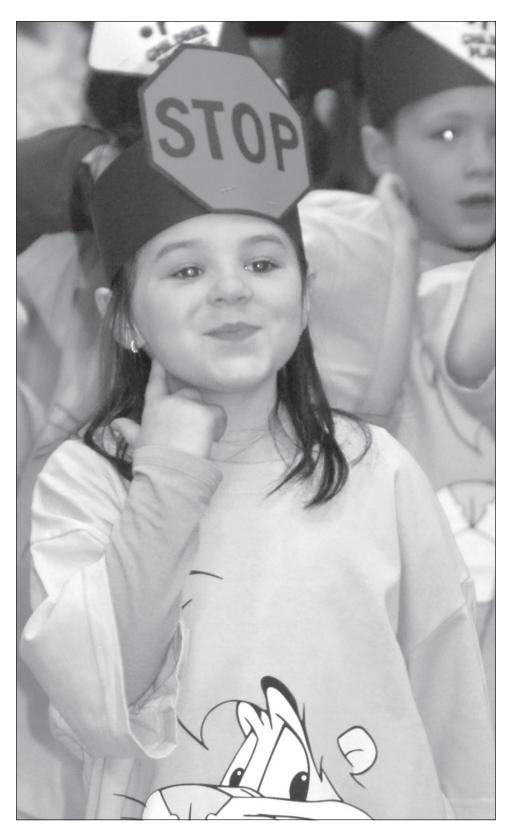
## **Schectman Earns 3.84 GPA**

Claire Schectman earned a 3.84 GPA at Bentley University, Claire is majoring in Forensic Accounting and Global Perspectives. She is also a member of Delta Sigma PI, a business fraternity. Claire did all this while working as a research assistant and a tutor in the math lab.

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## Kindergarten Students Complete DARE Program

Mary L. Tracy kindergarten students recently completed the D.A.R.E. safety program under the instruction of Orange Police Officer John Aquino. The students were recognized with a graduation ceremony and each student received a D.A.R.E. Certificate of Achievement. Pictured is a student singing to the audience about safety.



### **ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP**





## Orange Resident Travels to IDA Nationals

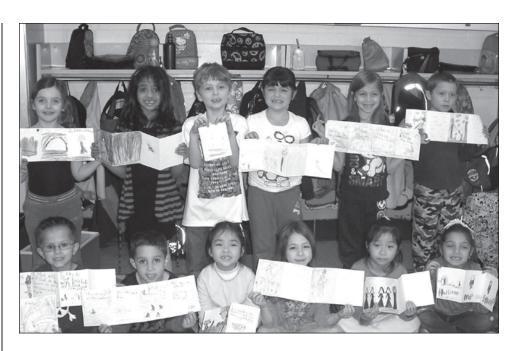
On Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1, Orange resident and Post University Dressage Coach, Jennifer Ford attended the Intercollegiate Dressage Association National Championships in Newberry, Fl. Hosted by The University of Florida, the competition included students from ten IDA regions across the United States. Riders came from as far away as University of California – Davis. However, traveling the furthest was Jennifer's Student, Post University Junior, Carlie Serif, who flew in from England where she has been studying abroad this past semester.

Carlie qualified for Regionals by placing 2nd in Region, B, which includes Mt. Holyoke College, University of Massachusetts, University of Connecticut, University of Vermont, Guelph University (of Canada), Norwich University, and Post University. Competitors in the IDA ride horses provided by the host school and are allowed a 10-minute warm-up before riding their dressage test. Information about the IDA can be found at its website: www.teamdressage.com.

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## Turkey Hill Students Meet Book Artist

The first grade students at Turkey Hill School had four sessions with the book artist Paulette Rosen this spring. The children made pop-up books, 4-paneled accordion books, and contoured 4-paneled accordion books. Paulette guided the children in generating story concepts, characters, settings and images. This project was funded by a generous grant from the Jaime Hulley Arts Foundation.

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## Syrop Wins 2nd Place in Art Competition

By Alexis Vieira

A student from Orange has received a distinguished award that will leave his artwork hanging in Congresswoman Rosa L. DeLauro's Washington, D.C. office over the next year. Jordan Syrop, 17, was awarded second place for his work entitled "Out Of It" -- the only mixed-media pieces featured in the Third District of Connecticut Congressional Art Competition this month. His work was one of a kind featuring a red ribbon scripting the word "Dream" as it weaved through a building that blends into the checkered background and windows that are filled with newspaper.

The piece was deemed "very creative [with] an architectural feel" by judges and announced to the audience by DeLauro at the show reception on May 14. Syrop's "Out of It" was one of 6 pieces selected from Cooperative Arts and Humanities High School where he is a senior visual arts student. In the fall, he will continue with the arts as he attends Purchase College, State University of New York.

Another Cooperative High School student, Emily Messinger, took home first place for her drawing "Tegan" and will have her work displayed in a hallway at the U.S. Capital Building.

Jessica Stoyer and Hannah Jamron of Amity High School won third place for their Scanned-Digital Image, "Reflective Rose" and will have their work placed in DeLauro's office in New Haven.

The thirtieth year of the competition proved to bring an increase in talent as DeLauro recognized the 32 students that had works on display for the competition and awarded four top prize winners and honorable mentions with ribbons and certificates.

Photography, paintings, drawings, prints and collages among other mediums were selected from students at 6 area high schools by their art teachers and entered into the competition. All pieces were then judged by two professional judges, Mary Kordak, an art museum consultant, and Robert Mele, owner of Robert Mele Designs, and placed on display in the Westfield Connecticut Post Mall from May 11 to 18.

For more information on the Congressional Art Competition and how to enter, please check out http://www.house.gov/content/educate/art\_competition/.



The above students earned the most profit out of all three classes.

## 4th Annual "Store Day" Held at Turkey Hill School

Fifth Grade Students at Turkey Hill School participated in a culminating store day activity. This was an application project of the skills that had been previously taught. Students worked in a cooperative group and surveyed their grade on 5 different items that they would want to sell. Next, students analyzed their data and chose an item based on the principles of supply and demand. Among other things students had to research their items in bulk, figure out unit price, and decide upon a markup price to yield a sufficient profit. On store day they also offered a discount, figured out their new price, as well as what the sales tax would be. One of the winners, based on the amount of profit earned, Clayton Fischman, explained, "We got to see what it was like to run our own business. It was a lot of fun, but it was also hard work. We had to stay at the store the whole time and handle all of the money."

At the end of the store day, students had to calculate how much profit they made, after deducting buying costs and loans from the bank. "It was hard to predict how many kabobs to bring in, in order to create a good profit. We won because there was a huge demand and enough of a supply to feed everyone," added Michael Gulia, another store day winner.

## Orange Students Compete in "Olympic Festival"

On June 2, 2011, over 150 elementary school children in the town of Orange will compete in the 5th Annual "Orange Elementary School Olympic Festival". The Festival will run for one day only from 4pm to 7pm at the High Plains Community Center. Athletes must qualify in order to compete against their peers from the three Orange elementary schools in one or more of the seven festival events. Rain date is set for June 7th.

One of the goals of the program is to give children an opportunity to display their athletic talents in a school-affiliated venue. Our hope is that many of these children will associate this positive experience with their academic experience, creating feelings of confidence and pride in their work, thus producing the foundation for the development of true student-athletes.

Bring your appetites!! Food will be available to be purchased under the pavilion during the event for spectators. An international flavor will be served with local vendors like Reno's, On The Border and Mr. George, the ice cream man!

Come support tomorrow's greatest student-athletes in your own hometown!!

## It's Time for Amity Graduation Balloons

It is time to order Amity Graduation Balloons for your favorite senior, order forms are online at Amityregion5.org or contact Linda Ferranti at linferranti@yahoo.com or (203) 671-3241 for more information. Deadline to order is June 16th and balloons will be delivered over two days June 20th and 21st.



Sixth grader at Turkey Hill School writing poetry with poet Dr. Kim Bridgford.

## Turkey Hill Students Participate in Poetry Workshops

Turkey Hill School sixth-graders in Mrs. Ginsberg's English classes recently participated in a series of poetry workshops generously funded through a grant from the Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation with poet Dr. Kim Bridgford. Nominated for the Pulitzer Prize in Poetry in 2003, Bridgford's work covers a wide range of human experiences.

As Bridgford read aloud several of her own poems to the students, she shared her source of inspiration and choice of words for each one. She facilitated a discussion about how to brainstorm ideas for writing - how we get ideas to write, like thinking of a place that you have been and bringing those ideas to an assignment. In preparation for their first assignment, they brainstormed about an animal using a range of senses that could be affiliated with this animal. On the second day of the workshop, each student engaged in a series of 2 poetry writing experiences: a poem about an animal by placing their animal in a setting and letting their words play out as in a movie and a poetic journey inspired by a picture postcard. Students practiced the techniques of using sounds, sensory details, descriptive elements, and visual imagery in their poems.

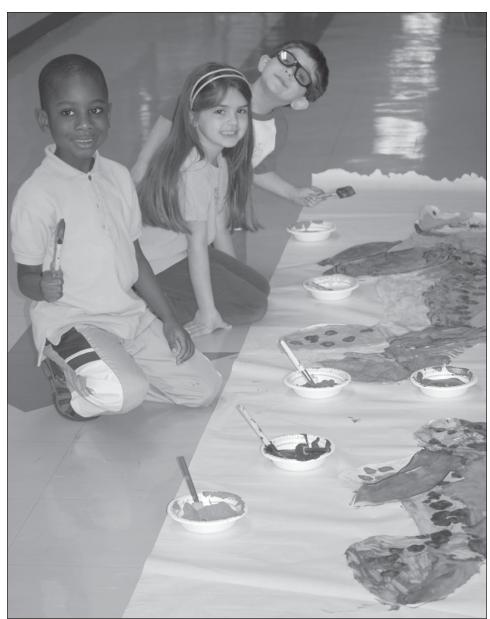
As children wrote, Dr. Bridgford offered supportive words of encouragement during the creative process. Students eagerly shared their poems with their classmates and received an invaluable critique from Dr. Bridgford. Kim Bridgford said, "I admire the earnest quality of the students and I appreciate that they have brought their best efforts to these days. They have written some terrific, thought-provoking work. It is heartening to know that they represent the future."

Mrs. Ginsberg said, "Having the opportunity to enhance our curriculum through the arts has been such a positive experience for our 6th graders. Each student was able to tap into their inner poet through their creative writing"

For more information about the foundation, visit the Web site at jamiehulleyartsfund.org.



Discovery learning at it's best! Preschoolers of Orange Community Nursery School kicked off their "Beach" learning unit with visit from the Connecticut Audubon Society. Here they are pictured holding a tortoise shell. Students experienced a hands-on investigation about the wonders that live under the sea. For more information about OCNS, please call 203-795-3869.



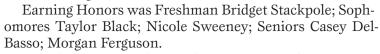
## Kindergartners Learn About Marine Life

All of the kindergartners from Mary L. Tracy School learned about marine life artist Wyland and his amazing and larger than life murals during the Art Goes to School project this month. The children had an opportunity to create a section of a mural that will come together as one large marine life mural that will line the main hallway of the school. The children have been learning about artists throughout the school year and have enjoyed creating their own works of art which will be on display during an Art Goes to School exhibit in June.

## Orange Students on Laurelton Hall Honor Roll

Several Orange students earned a spot on Lauralton Hall's third quarter honor roll.

Earning High Honors was Sophomores Lauran Lichac; Rebecca Morgan; Senior Alexa Gherlone.



Founded in 1905, the Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall, is the oldest college preparatory high school for girls in Connecticut. More than 400 students from throughout New Haven and Fairfield counties attend.



The American Legion, Post 127 will hold its' Third Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, July 25th at Orange Hills Country Club. Registration for the scramble format will begin at 7:00 am with a shotgun start at 8:30 am. Cost of \$110 includes green fees, cart, breakfast, lunch and prizes. Tee sponsorships are available for \$100. Raffle prizes and all donations are welcome.



To register or be a sponsor call Trevor Davis at 203-795-3267 or Peter MacDonald at 203-799-7357. Singles are welcome and will be paired with a foursome. Proceeds of this event will help both the American Legion and their baseball teams.

## **CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY EVENTS**

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#### **Children**

#### **Summer Story Hour:**

Sessions for age 2 will be held on Monday, June 27, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 10:30 a.m.

Session for age 3-5 will be held on Wednesday, June 29, July 6, 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 4 p.m.

#### Mother Goose is on the Loose!

Held on Thursday, July 5, 19, August 9, 23, 10:30 p.m.: Lapsit storytimes are for babies and toddlers up to 24 months and include nursery rhymes, music, and movement. Please pre-register. Space is limited.

#### Children's Summer Reading: "Blast Off to a Good Book"

The children's summer reading challenge for children entering grades K to 6 begins Monday, June 20 in the Children's Room. The program runs for 7 weeks through August 6. Pre-schoolers may register as "Read-to-me" members.t

#### Go for the Stars

Saturday, June 25, 11 a.m.: Kick off summer reading with Gary Pozzato. Lift off to learning with this hands-on multimedia presentation. Meet ROBO the friendly robot who talks, moves, and interacts with the audience. Learn about living in space, orbits, rockets, and more! For all ages.

#### 4th of July Craft

Friday, July 1, 11 a.m.: Come create a fun craft to celebrate Independence Day! Ages 4-8. Limited to 20 children.

#### Children's Film: "Despicable Me"

Saturday, July 9, 1 p.m.: Rated PG. Bring a snack; we'll provide juice.

#### **Teens**

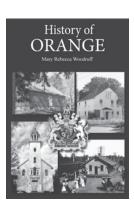
#### **Book Chat Cafe**

Tuesday, May 31, 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 Mrs. Goss.

#### **Teen Summer Reading: You Are Here!**

You are here, but that doesn't mean you can't have fun! The teen summer reading challenge "You Are Here" for teens entering grades 7 to 12 begins Monday, June 20 and runs for 7 weeks through August 6. Pick up your summer reading passport in the library and get your passport stamped by reading books, attending programs, and contributing reviews to our teen blog. Each stamp will earn you a raffle ticket for our awesome prize raffle! Every teen who reads five books during the program and turns in their passport also will receive a prize.

The Orange Historical Society is pleased to announce that it is reprinting Mary Rebecca Woodruff's History of Orange 1639-1949. Now in paperback, this unique book includes a biographical sketch of the author and photos, to be offered for sale this spring. Please make this information available to the public. Thank you.



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#### You Are Here: U.S.A. - Tie-Dye Party

Saturday, June 18, 1 p.m.: Kick off the summer with a red, white, and blue tie-dye party on the back lawn. Bring anything fabric that you want to dye. Make a yummy ice cream sundae while your tie-dye dries! Bonus: Every teen who attends this summer reading kickoff party will receive an extra stamp for their passport. Rain date: Saturday, July 30, 1 p.m. For teens entering grade 7 to 12 only.

#### You Are Here: Mexico – Fiesta!

Saturday, July 16, 1 p.m.: Come hungry to our midsummer fiesta! Learn how to make easy, tasty Mexican treats like guacamole, fresh salsa, and a special drink. Then we'll all take a swing at our piñata! For teens entering grade 7 to 12 only.

#### You Are Here: Greece - Oddball Olympics

Saturday, August 20, 1 p.m.: Go for gold at our Oddball Olympics with games a la Minute to Win It and a water balloon toss! Then stick around for our end-of-summer reading raffle and awards. For teens entering grade 7 to 12 only.

#### **Adults**

#### **Adult Summer Reading: Novel Destinations**

Where will your books take you today? The adult summer reading challenge "Novel Destinations" for adults begins Monday, June 20 and runs for 7 weeks through August 6. If you read 5 or more books throughout the summer and turn in your record you will be entered in our end-of-summer reading prize raffle!

#### **Oscar Films**

Wednesday, June 1, 7 p.m.: A screening of the Oscar-nominated film "Blue Valentine" starring Ryan Gosling and Michelle Williams. Run time: 112 minutes. R.

Wednesday, June 8, 7 p.m.: A screening of the Oscar-nominated film "True Grit" starring Jeff Bridges. Run time: 110. PG-13.

#### **Handler and Levesque Concert**

Thursday, June 2, 7 p.m.: Enjoy an energetic and entertaining program of music from around the world for guitars and mandolin. Husband and wife duo Handler and Levesque are joined by Genevieve Rose on bass for this special mix of music that blends Latin, gypsy, jazz, Brazilian, classical and folk music influences. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

#### Friends of the Library Members Book Sale

Saturday, June 11, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.: The Friends of the Library are holding a special book sale for current and new members of the Friends. Join the Friends today for a small membership fee and you can enjoy this special sale features lots of new and gently used books, movies, music and more. As an added bonus, all members of the Friends of the Library will be entered into a raffle drawing for a new Kindle!

#### **Genealogy Workshop**

Monday, June 20, 7 p.m.: Greg Thompson of the Connecticut Society of Genealogists will show you how to research your family history. This month's topic will be "Using Land Records."

Square One Theatre: Reader's Theatre Showcase

Monday, June 27, 7 p.m.: The talented performers of Square One Theatre Company: Reader's Theatre Showcase will offer a free performance of an outstanding new play.

#### **Curl Up with a Good Nook!**

The library is now lending a new Barnes and Noble Color Nook e-reader. Orange residents can try out our Nook for two weeks and choose from our great collection of free downloadable e-books. The Nook is great for travelers, gadget lovers, and people who just want to read a good e-book. It's also a great way to enjoy your favorite authors in larger print! Reservations for the Nook can be made in person at the library, by telephone, or through our online catalog.

#### Art in the Library

The works of Duff and Jorge will be on display in the Meeting Room throughout the month of June. A reception in their honor will be held on Thursday, June 9 from 5-7 p.m.

Programs at the Case Memorial Library are free (except as noted for materials charges) and open to the public. Pre-registration is requested in person or by phone. Sign up to receive notification of library happenings via the e-newsletter form available in the library or online. The library's hours are as follows: Monday - Thursday, 10-8; Friday, 10-5 and Saturday, 10-4. The library will be closed Saturday, May 28 through Monday, May 30 in observance of Memorial Day. Regular hours resume on Tuesday, May 31.

## **HAPPENINGS AT THE SENIOR CENTER**

#### By Dennis Marsh

For information or reservations on the following events call the center at (203) 891-4784.

#### **Ladies Lunch and Learn**

On Thursday, June 2, in the Senior Lounge, Robert Novak Jr. will present the Local History of Our Area. Robert Novak Jr. has specialized in presenting local history in fun, interactive formats for both general and specialized audiences for 20 years. He served over 14 years as the Executive Director of the Derby Historical Society, and is currently the City of Shelton's Municipal Historian. He has authored four books through Arcadia Publications, and for 16 years wrote a popular historical column in the weekly Huntington Herald newspaper called Hometown History. Participants bring their own brown bag lunch at 11:30 and the program begins at noon. Coffee and dessert is served. Call the center to register for this event. Men are welcome.

#### Men's Club

At the June 9, Men's Club at 10:30am, the Milford Camera Club will lecture about cameras. Established in 1955, Milford Camera Club is a photography club with members who live mostly throughout the state of Connecticut. Working in both film and digital mediums, the members represent all levels of photography expertise and are dedicated to the pursuit of the art, education and love of photography. Call the center to register for this event. Ladies are encouraged to attend!

#### **Race Brook Concert and Breakfast**

The Race Brook School Student Council cordially invites the Orange Seniors to the Annual Spring Concert and Breakfast Prelude, Thursday, June 2. Breakfast is from 8:45-9:45 a.m. in the School Cafeteria and the Spring Concert starts at 10:00 in the School Gym. Call the senior center to sign up 203-891-4784.

#### **Health Chat with the OVNA**

Join Maria Biondi, a nurse from the Orange Visiting Nurse Association, on Tuesday, June 14th at 10:30 in the senior lounge library for a Health Chat. The topic for this month's Health Chat is Caring for Someone with Alzheimer's Disease. Following the chat, Maria will be available to take blood pressures. Call to let us know you are coming.

#### **Summer Cookout**

This year's Summer Cookout under the High Plains Pavilion will be held on Tuesday, July 19 from 5 to 8 pm with a rain date of July 21. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be grilled and served with salads followed by dessert and coffee. The Frank Porto Band will play for your listening and dancing pleasure. This is always a sold out event. Tickets go on sale on June 13.

#### **Cabaret Night**

The next Cabaret will be on Thursday, June 23 from 5:30 to 7 pm for Cabaret Night. The entertainment will be Willie Nininger, who sang at the Valentine's Day Pizza Party. Coffee and dessert will be served at 5:30 and music begins at 6 pm. Tickets are \$5 pp and are available in advance at the Senior Center starting June 1.

#### **Annual Holiday Hill Senior Outing**

Seniors are invited to the Statewide Senior Outing at Holiday Hill in Prospect, CT on Monday, August 22 from 9 am to 4 pm. This is always a great day with food galore, raffle prizes, bocce, horseshoes, shuffleboard, mini golf, swimming in the heated pool, and bingo. Shuttle Service is available from the parking lot. The tickets for the day are \$28 per person and may be ordered by sending a check payable to Holiday Hill and mailed to Holiday Hill, P.O. Box 338, Cheshire, CT 06410. Include your name and address with the check and tickets will be mailed to you upon receipt of check or money order. Trans-

## Taxi Voucher Program Available to Disabled Residents

Funded through the USDOT, FTS New Freedom Program and CDOT, the voucher program will go beyond the ADA service by providing a taxi debit card at a reduced price to people defined as having a disability under the ADA definition. Metro Access can be used for taxi trips that go beyond the ADA service area and times that ADA para-transit is not available, same day service, 24/7. Data collected from use of the taxi voucher debit cards includes the name, pick-up and drop-off point of the rider. Contact Greater NH Transit District at 203-288-6282 for information about the Taxi Voucher Program.

portation from the senior center can be arranged separately in the senior center office for an additional cost of \$15 per person for those who cannot provide their own transportation and is limited to twelve passengers. Checks for transportation are made payable to the Treasurer, Town of Orange.

#### Trips

Come down to the Orange Senior Center and sign up for some great trips!

MYSTERY TRIP??? - Wednesday, August 10, 2011. Board the motorcoach for an exciting day of fun, entertainment and good food. No one knows where we are going except for us, but we know you will enjoy the day. Cost: \$78 pp which includes transportation, lunch, entertainment, and driver gratuity. Full payment at registration. Come join the fun!

Hot New Trip Just Opened: THREE DAYS IN VERMONT, INCLUD-ING THE TRAPP FAMILY LODGE- August 23 – 25. 2 nights lodging at the Commodore's Inn of Stowe including wine & cheese welcome party and dinner on first night. Day 2 includes dinner and private tour of the Trapp Family Lodge & Gardens. Day 3 enjoy a scenic ride on Amtrak's Vermont Wilderness Explorer Train with lunch at Putney Country Inn. Cost: \$459 pp. double, \$50 pp due at reservation.

## From the Elderly Outreach Worker By Denise Stein



If you have heard it once, you have heard it one thousand times. Well here it goes for the one thousandth and one time. Exercise. It's good for you emotionally, physically and spiritually.

I know you are probably thinking, I have tried it and I do not like it. I did this or I did that. How about I can't find time or I don't know how? Then there is I can't get motivated, where do I start, what can I even do to exercise?

If you have tried it and don't like, maybe what you tried did not fit in with your lifestyle or did not do for you what another exercise might. Some people are runners, some are swimmers and still others are bicyclists. If you can't find the time, how about walking up the stairs instead of the escalator or even just one lap around the block or that fantastic track that we have in town.

If you find you can't get motivated, perhaps a group situation might be better for you. Have you ever thought about trying out a group fitness class at the senior center? We have a wide variety to offer. There is Yoga, Tai Chi, Fitness, Wii, Tap Dancing Chair Exercises, Zumba Gold, Arthritis Exercise and Line Dancing.

In closing, a website you can try for specific tips and exercises is www. nia.nih.gov/Go4Life. Or you can come see me and I will help you with the website.

Visit our website at www.orangetownnews.com



## **CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

## Lions Club Announces Community Grants Awards

The Orange Lions Club has released the list of community mini-grants it is making to Orange-based organizations for 2011. The community grant program is part of the Orange Lions Club's long-standing tradition of providing monies to local organizations. Stated Orange Lions Club President Marianne Miller, "We are happy to be able to continue our

community grants program again this year. Our ability to do so is a direct result of fund-raising activity by our members and enthusiastic community support for our efforts. We are simply returning some of our fund-raising proceeds to the community for worthy causes or projects." Miller cited such fundraisers as "A Taste of Amity", a Winter Wine Tasting, "golf shootouts" at Orange Hills Country Club and refreshment sales at the gazebo summer community concerts as examples of successful fund-raisers.

Community mini-grant awards will be made to the following organizations at the Lions Club's annual Community Grants Night at Chip's Restaurant on Monday, June 13:

- American Legion Auxiliary (to send a delegate to Girls State in 2011): \$100
- Case Memorial Library (to purchase large print books, book CDs and PlayAways): \$1,000
- Community Soup Kitchen of New Haven (to provide hot meals to needy persons throughout the area): \$750
- Orange Community Services Department (add cabinetry for food storage at the Food Pantry at High Plains Community Center): \$400
- Orange Elementary School Olympics (to help purchase award medals and jackets): \$250
- Orange Historical Society (to purchase archiving materials to preserve Orange's historical documents & photos): \$350
- Orange Police D.A.R.E. program (to purchase T-shirts and workbooks as program aids for its drug-abuse prevention program): \$400
- Orange Youth Services (to help defray expenses for the picnic for incoming seventh graders in August): \$250
- Turkey Hill Fathers Club (to purchase library books and software for Turkey Hill School Library): \$250

Community Grants Committee Chair Mark DeFeo thanked the members of the grants committee for their hard work in deciding upon the recipients of the grants. Committee members included Orange Lions Ronald Capozziello, Kevin Hadlock, and Frederick Turner. DeFeo mentioned that the Orange Lions Club has allocated tens of thousands of dollars over the years toward the purchase of large print books, book audio tapes and CDs, and PlayAways at the town's library. This is in keeping with the Lions Club's goal of aiding sight preservation and providing help to the sight-impaired. He also cited the Club's long tradition of providing funds to community organizations, plus thousands of dollars in scholarship money to Amity High School graduates. Currently, the Club provides two \$1,000 scholarships annually. The Lions Club also aids the sight-impaired by collecting used eyeglasses at boxes located in the Case Memorial Library, at RaceBrook Market and the lobby of the High Plains Community Center. The Orange Lions also support other sight preservation programs through eye research and aid to the blind, such as Fidelco Guide Dogs and Camp Hemlocks.

The Orange Lions Club Community Grants Program is open to any Orange-based non-profit organization, Orange resident, or Orange government entity. "With continued community support of our fund-raising activities, we expect to be able to continue and, hopefully, expand the Community Grants program for many years to come," added Miller.

### **Love to Crochet?**

#### Join the Hooked on the Sound Crochet Guild!

The Hooked on the Sound (HOTS) Crochet Guild is a chapter of the Crochet Guild of America (CGOA). We meet monthly to share stitch successes, assist with pattern problems, and generally have a great time crocheting! Please feel free to join us at any or all of our meetings, there are no fees! Just bring along any project you are working on or one you may need help with. We meet at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, elevator is available (LIBRARY ONLY 203-891-2170) from 10:00am-1:00pm on these dates: June 4, July 9, August 6, September 10, October 1, November 5, and December 3.

Have a question? Please send an email to: HOTSCrochetGuild@mail. com or visit our Web site at: www.HOTSCrochetGuild.yolasite.com. You can follow us on Twitter, our name is: HOTS\_Crochet. Hope to see you there, happy hooking!



Pictured are Azoti and Ho holding the Vision of Beauty Calendar showing Ho's design. (Photo by Patricia Dray)

## Local Floral Designer's Work Chosen for Publication

Award winning floral designer and Garden Club of Orange member Lana Ho's design "Bright Sunshine" has been chosen for publication in the National Garden Clubs, Inc. 2012 "Vision of Beauty Calendar". The Calendar represents the work of 52 designers across the country and will be available for sale starting in September. Ho's design was photographed by Club member Theresa Azoti and was one of over 400 entries submitted for consideration by the National Garden Clubs, Inc. Her design was originally entered in The Garden Club of Orange's 2007 "It's Fall" Standard Flower Show where Ho won the Designers Choice Award.

The National Garden Clubs, Inc. is the largest gardening organization in the world with State Federations in fifty states and the District of Columbia. Its goal is to aid in the protection and conservation of our natural resources, promote civic beautification and encourage improvement of roadsides and parks. The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the National Garden Clubs, Inc. as well as The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut. If you are interested in purchasing a calendar or learning more about the Garden Club of Orange and its many projects to enrich the Town, please visit its website at http://www.orange-ct.gov/gardenclub.html or contact Teresa Evangeliste at 203-795-3195.

## Orange Photography Club Looking For Members

A membership drive is beginning for all Orange residents that are interested in Photography/Videography. The club will be meeting once a month providing technical clinics given by its members and guest speakers. The club will also provide a competition for the judging of digital images/short clips from various experience levels.

Photographers/videographers at all levels of experience are welcome. Tentative plans are to meet at the Case Memorial Library. If you are interested, please respond to Jim Boemmels, Boemmels@optimum.net for additional information.

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centive for developers to purchase large parcels of land and build multifamily apartment houses. Some people who wrote to this newspaper recently have stated that the Hubbell property is "economically unbuildable" and that the town should not purchase the land but should wait until flatland becomes available. If the town does not purchase the Hubbell property, no flatland will ever become available because it will all be combined and scooped up at high prices for the building of affordable housing. While the concerned citizens of Orange were feeling satisfied that the Planning and Zoning Board denied the last Hubbell proposal and that it would be decided by the courts, the Hubbell Corporation was spending a great deal of money addressing the concerns of the Zoning Board and developing a comprehensive plan to develop the property and build 226 cluster housing units. Hubbell is a large profitable corporation and it is not run by fools. They are very intelligent business people and they spend money wisely. They WILL develop that land and they WILL change the Town of Orange forever. Just drive anywhere in Orange and you will see houses built on land that was thought to be not "economically buildable". Orange has more than its share of rock, shale and wetlands and yet more than 5000 homes have been built with many of them straddling rock and wetlands. The difficulty of the terrain only makes the purchase price lower; it does not stop the building. There isn't anyone who, having the resources to do so, would not purchase an acre of land in Orange for \$18,000. The purchase of the Hubbell land is a bargain. It will raise taxes the least amount and the cost will go away in twenty years after the bond is paid off. If the Hubbell proposal goes through, it will change the town of Orange forever, overcrowding our school systems, requiring additional police and fire equipment and personnel, requiring a larger Public Works department and causing taxes to increase continually; forever. Educating one student in the Amity School System carries a cost of over \$16,000.00 per year; the average tax collected on a property in Orange is around \$8,000.00 per year for a minimum one acre property. Cluster housing will greatly increase the student population and not increase the tax revenue proportionally. It doesn't take a mathematical genius to see that taxes WILL increase by a large amount. We MUST vote YES to purchasing this land or suffer consequences that are beyond imagination. I urge every citizen in Orange to study the Hubbell proposal and determine for yourself what the right thing to do is.

Mike Marchitto

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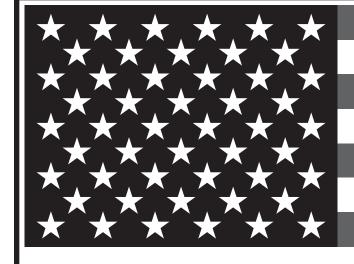
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## O.V.F.D. Auxiliary Pancake Breakfast

This year, the Orange Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary will hold its 15th annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, June 11th from 8 A.M. to 11 A.M. at the Fire Station, 355 Boston Post Road. Enjoy scrambled eggs, bacon and potato patties and all you can eat pancakes prepared for you by the Orange Volunteer Firefighters. Orange juice, milk, coffee and tea will also be served. Prices are: \$7.00 for Adults, Children ages 5-12: \$5.00; Age 5 and un-



Orange Volunteer Fire Department

der is free with a paying adult. Purchase tickets in advance and save \$1.00 per person. Advance tickets may be purchased from any Auxiliary member or at Knight's Inc., 286 Boston Post Road, Orange. All proceeds benefit the Orange Volunteer Fire Department. For further information, contact Lynn Knight @ 203-799-2592 email lmk415@yahoo.com or visit our website at www.orangevfd.com.



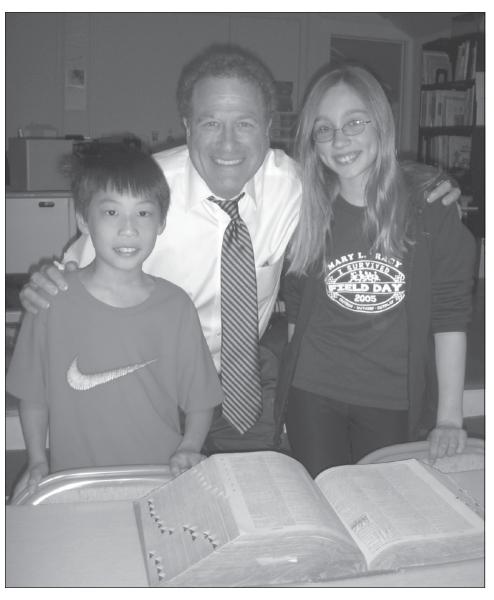
## Enjoy the Parade! Look Forward to the Fair!

The Orange Fair Committee will have a float in the Memorial Day Parade on May 29th. This year's float will again be designed by Bobby Fant –one of the finest float builders on the east coast. This year's fair is September 17th and 18th. Come enjoy the parade, remember our nation's veterans, and we'll see you at the fair in September.

## **Strawberry Festival**

Join us for a day of delicious food, live music and family fun at the third annual Strawberry Festival on the Orange town green. The Festival takes place on Saturday, June 4th from 10am until 7pm and admission is FREE! Check out crafters and fine arts, enter to win great raffle prizes, entertain the kids with children's games, face painting and hayrides, and, of course, enjoy luscious strawberry shortcake and other summer specialties. Musician Al Decant will play for the kids and the crowd-pleasing live band Furious George will be back to keep your toes tapping! Sponsored by the Orange Congregational Church. Call 203-795-9749 for more information or to inquire about limited remaining vendor spots.





Peck Place principal Al Decant (middle) poses proudly with the district's top spellers, Caleb Hu (left) and Clare Straib-Kaufman. Both are Peck Place students.

## Students Compete in Town-Wide Spelling Bee

By Laura Fantarella – Orange Town News Correspondent

Being voracious readers is what gave winners Clare Straib-Kaufman and Caleb Hu the edge against their opponents in the town's second annual town-wide spelling bee earlier this month. In a nail-biting showdown that took place at the Board of Education offices, Straib-Kaufman and Hu were among 12 other top elementary school spellers who competed to take home the top honor.

The final spelling bee face off consisted of two students from each of the town's three elementary schools who had placed first and second in preliminary spelling rounds at their respective schools. Peck Place school students earned both top spots, with Straib-Kaufman winning the fifth/sixth grade division and Hu winning the third/fourth grade division.

The room was pin-drop quiet as retired Turkey Hill School teacher and Bee master Carol Anderson quizzed students with words like, "devastated," "camouflage," "multiplication," "criticism" "extraordinary" and "harmonious." Students in the third and fourth grade division battled through 173 words for over an hour before it was down to two students. When his competition stumbled on the word "suspicious," Hu took the win. In the fifth/sixth grade fllight, nerves overtook several competitors who slipped up on "sandwich" and "straight" before "hygiene" took out the fifth competitor, giving Straib-Kaufman the last word.

Anderson told students they were all winners, having already won the spelling bees at each of their schools to qualify for the day's event. "You are all phenomenal spellers," she said. Straib-Kaufman said she prepared for the event by studying the information packet for weeks before the event. She also participates in her school's "Battle of the Books," each year, reading 100 books throughout the school year. Last year she was runner up in the fifth/sixth grade division of the spelling bee and was determined to try to win it this year. She shared her excitement over the win with good friend, Karianne Camfield who came to support her. "I can't spell to save my life," Camfield said. Hu said he is also an avid reader and studied for several weeks before the event. Like Straib-Kaufman, Hu was also the runner-up in last year's event when he was in third grade. For Hu, being a champion speller may run in the family. This year, Hu's younger brother, David, was one of his competitors.

The other participants in the third/fourth grade division included, Racebrook School: Kaylee Huber and Jason Ky; Turkey Hill School: Clare Zorena and Mounisha Anumolu; and Peck Place School: David Hu. Fifth and sixth grade contestants included, Racebrook School: Ray Tian and Jeremy Cable; Turkey Hill School: Tyler Johnston and Victoria Cristo; and Peck Place School: Cassidy Marry.

The winners received a \$25 gift card for Barnes and Noble, a bookmark and a certificate.

## **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.

**Nicotine Anonymous Meetings**, Mondays, 12:00 – 1:00pm, 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.

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

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

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

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

The Rotary Club Of Orange meets every Friday, 12:15pm at the Racebrook Country Club, 246 Derby Avenue; prospective new members may contact Dan McAllister at 203-799-9073 for information about the club or visit www.orangectrotary.org.

**Chabad of Orange** ~ **Woodbridge Weekly Puppet Show**, Saturday Mornings, 11:30am, 261 Derby Avenue, puppeteers will captivate your children's attention each week while learning about their Jewish Heritage, history & values; geared for children ages 3-8.

Annual Town of Orange Memorial Day Ceremonies and Parade, Sunday, May 29, 2011, Parade ceremonies commence promptly at 10:30am, HPCC Field, 525 Orange Center Road immediately followed by the parade. For more information or groups wishing to participate, contact Karen Goldberg at 203-891-4738 or Kevin Gilbert at 203-795-2417 or 203-795-4647.

**Strawberry Festival**, Saturday, June 4, 2011, 10:00am-4:00pm, Orange Town Green, Orange Center Road, free admission, music, entertainment, raffle prizes, children's games and more. For more information, call 203-795-9749.

**Craft Show At Strawberry Festival**, Saturday, June 4th 2011, 10:00am-4:00pm, Orange Green, Orange Center Road; showcase your product, service or creation. Contact the Orange Congregational Church office at 203-795-9749 for reserving a vendor table or more information.

**Hooked on the Sound Crochet Guild**, Saturdays, 10am-1pm, June 4, July 9, August 6, September 10, October 1, November 5, December 3, 2011, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road. Visit Web site at: www.HOTSCrochetGuild.yolasite.com.

**Public Hearing Amending the Code of the Town of Orange**, Chapter 83, Article III, Section 83-5 "Agreement for Regional Animal Control", Wednesday, June 8, 2011, 7:30 p.m., lower level meeting room of the Orange Town Hall, 617 Orange Center Road. Full text of amendment can be seen in Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall.

**OVFD Auxiliary 15th Annual Pancake Breakfast**, Saturday, June 11, 2011, 8:00-11:00am, Fire Station 355 Boston Post Road; \$7.00/adults; \$5.00/ages 5-12; free for those under 5 and accompanied by paying adult. For more information, contact Lynn Knight at 203-799-2592, lmk415@yahoo.com or visit www.orangevfd.com.

**The Davis Gallery Presents "On the Road"**, Watercolor paintings by Joan Handschumacher, June 18th - July 16th, 2011, Opening Reception: June 18th, 1:00-4:00 pm, Hours M-F 10-6 Sat 10-2, 200 Boston Post Road, 203.795.4705.

**Special Events Committee's Flag Day Ceremony**, Tuesday June 14, 2011, 5:30pm High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road.

**Summer Concert Series**, Wednesdays starting June 15, 2011, 7:00p-9:00pm (Rain dates 'next day'), Orange Fairgrounds, 525 Orange Center Road, \$5 per car parking fee for the July 1st show only. Visit www.orangespecialevents.com for more information.

## Orange Foundation to Award Plaques at 2011 Memorial Day Parade

Commemorative plaques donated by The Orange Foundation will be awarded to the following honorees at the Memorial Day Parade ceremonies to be held on Sunday, May 29, 2011: George G. Posener – Grand Marshal; Ernest C. Kirchberg, Honorary Chief of Staff; and Dominick L. "Mickey" Morazzini, Honored Veteran.



Memorial services commence at 10:30 a.m. at the Gazebo at High Plains Community Center followed by the parade with marching units, bands, and floats and closing ceremonies at the Orange Cemetery. In the event of rain, exercises will be held in the High Plains Community Center.



Representative Themis Klarides (right) is pictured with Nick Grasso (left) who serenaded guests on the accordion during the Orange Senior Center's Pasta Festa supper held on May 13th in St. Barbara's Greek Orthodox Church Hall. The event included the presentation of the Annual "Living Treasures" awards by Kevin Hadlock, Past President of the Community Services Commission and remarks from First Selectman Jim Zeoli. The award winners were Selectman Joe Blake, Severio (Bob) Federo and Nancy Nyhan. Dinner was served by Selectmen Ralph Okenquest, Mitch Goldblatt, Judy Williams as well as employees from Target.



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## **TOWN DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES**

## Orange Celebrates CT Trails Day on June 4th

By Laura Fantarella – Orange Town News Correspondent

Great horned owls, songbirds and a variety of amphibians are just some of the wildlife that could make an appearance on the June 4th walk through the Racebrook Tract in celebration of Connecticut Trails Day. The Orange and Woodbridge Conservation Commissions will sponsor the event which will highlight the streambelts, forests, wetlands, meadows, and brush that make the area so attractive to a variety of wildlife. Students from the Yale University School of Forestry will lead the one-hour guided hike which will begin at 1:30 pm. Members of the Conservation Commissions will be on hand from 10 am to 3 pm. Walkers are encouraged to bring water and refreshments will be served at the end of the hike.

The Racebrook Tract encompasses over 400 acres of open space in the towns of Woodbridge and Orange and 130 acres owned by the Regional Water Authority. "This pristine near-wilderness gives all who visit a chance to explore or just enjoy passive recreation," said Orange Conservation Commission Chair Sharon Ewen. The New Haven Water Company purchased the land in the early 1900s from two farmers. Under the direction of the Yale School of Forestry, it is one of the first professionally managed forests in the country and because periodic timber harvests were conducted by the water authority, the forest is delightfully open today.

Two relatively level and circuitous trails start in Orange and cross into Woodbridge. The longer trail is just over 2.5 miles. The trails pass through expanses of mixed hardwoods and impressive stands of 100-year-old white pines. Just off the parking lot, there is a handicap-accessible boardwalk going through some interesting wetlands.

There are 190 Trails Day events scheduled in 112 towns on over 500 miles of trails across Connecticut. There will be outdoor activities for everyone—including hiking, biking, trail maintenance, kayaking, educational walks, bird watching, geocaching, and more. These events are guided by knowledgeable volunteers from local hiking clubs, parks and recreation departments, state agencies, conservation organizations, historic groups, naturalists, educators, and land trusts.

First Selectman Jim Zeoli said he is very pleased with the town Conservation Commission's increasingly active role in the community. "They are taking their responsibility very seriously and doing a great job. I am very proud of their work and their properties," he said, referring to the nearly 500 miles of open space the Commission oversees and helps maintain. "I encourage the townspeople to come enjoy this property and see their tax dollars at work."

The Orange and Woodbridge Conservation Commissions were formed to advise their Boards of Selectmen on the preservation, development, and conservation of natural resources, including water resources, within the Towns of Orange and Woodbridge, respectively.

The Orange Conservation Commission recently rebuilt a pedestrian bridge in the Howard Brooks Conservation area off Mapledale Road, a project that had languished for nearly ten years. The completion of the new bridge opened up both sides of the trail again, enabling more people to experience one of Orange's natural wonders.

Children are encouraged and comfortable, sturdy shoes and clothing are recommended. In the event of drizzle the event will be held, but will be cancelled if there is steady rain and/or lightning. Rain date is Sunday, June 5th. Maps of the Racebrook Tract may be found and downloaded for use on the WCC's website: http://www.woodbridgect.org/content/111/4543.aspx. For further information contact: Dan Lynch, Orange Park & Recreation: 203-891-4790

## From the Department of Police Services



The Orange and Woodbridge Police Departments will be conducting joint traffic assignments and sobriety checkpoints throughout the year. On May 27, 2011 the first joint venture under the existing Amity Regional Traffic Enforcement agreement will be a sobriety checkpoint at a location in the Town of Orange. It is the hope of both Departments to start the summer off safely for the motoring public. Utilizing a grant from the Connecticut Department of Transportation both Departments will be supplementing our efforts against drunk driving. We want to stress the importance of not getting behind the wheel of your vehicle if you are under the influence. Make plans in advance for a designated driver or lodging accommodations to ensure your safe travel and that of other members and guests of the community. Motorists are asked to please drive safely and responsibly. Don't become another statistic.

#### **Volunteers Are Vital**

By Laura Fantarella – Orange Town News Correspondent

Are you an amateur or professional naturalist? Are you experienced with hand tools, painting, carpentry, or landscaping? Do you enjoy the outdoors and like a challenge? The Conservation Commission (OCC) is seeking volunteers to help maintain the town's 500 plus acres of open space, particularly those with walking trails. "We need highly motivated individuals or families who regularly use the trails and want to give back to the town," said Sharon Ewen, chairperson of the Conservation Commission. "It's a great way for active people to provide community service and trail maintenance can be very rewarding!" Training in basic trail maintenance skills is available if needed.

The OCC is especially interested in retirees, young adults looking for a challenge, students who need to fulfill community service hours for graduation, families with older children who enjoy working together in the outdoors, and property owners near town-owned land who would benefit from good stewardship practices nearby.

The Orange Conservation Commission is responsible for maintaining the Paul Ode Nature Trail at the High Plains Community Center, the Wepawaug River Trail (off Mapledale Road), Wright's Pond on Old Grassy Hill Road, the Housatonic Overlook on Cedar Grove and High Ridge Roads, the Racebrook Road Tract and Ewen Farm Preserve on the corner of Lambert and Tyler City Roads. "We're fortunate to have a core of dedicated community and commission volunteers who have been instrumental in maintaining and preserving our open spaces, but we need more residents to get involved," Ewen said. The Commission counts on the Orange Senior Center's leadership groups who help host Connecticut's annual "Trail Days" in June and help keep the town's trails in tip top shape. A second group, led by former Conservation Commissioner Fred Kendrick, keeps the trails at the Fred Wolf soccer park clean and cleared. "This area is a popular spot for families who often walk the trails while children are at soccer practice," Ewen said.

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## Dining with Susan"



#### Stockbridge's New England Bistro

I always get very excited when a successful business expands especially in this challenging economy. This new "Bistro" in Woodbridge has so much to offer. A little history on the owners and how they got started on their journey to Woodbridge. Stockbridge's Gourmet Cheesecakes emerged from the collective interests of Brian & Lisa Stockbridge. After earning his culinary degree from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York, Brian went to work for several major restaurants, hotels and other famous eateries. During this time he developed a passion for baking and reinventing classic dessert recipes. Not originally a fan of cheesecake, Brian took on the challenge of creating a cheesecake that he would enjoy. His sweet success soon became his signature item and the object of much attention in the culinary community.

Lisa's talents include impeccable cake decoration and insatiable creativity for making everyday dessert items into works of art. Plus her aptitude for running the business made an industry venture possible. Before long the winning combination gave birth to Stockbridge's Gourmet Cheesecakes and Delectables, their first location in Shelton. Today, Stockbridge's offers over 45 flavors of cheesecake, each with unique blend of tastes and flavor sensations. Their commitment to quality has established Stockbridge's cheesecakes as an award winning product and has earned the very impressive



Lisa and Brian Stockbridge

title of "Best Cheesecake in Connecticut" for the past 8 years by Connecticut Magazine. Stockbridge's also offers a wonderful array of wedding cakes. Cheesecake wedding cakes as well as traditional wedding cakes are available. Stockbridge's Gourmet Cheesecakes uses only the finest ingredients with no preservatives or artificial flavors. Their hand-made specialties also include some sugar-free and gluten-free items. Special occasions such as bridal showers, anniversaries, birthdays, fundraisers and corporate events are welcome.

Now back to this great new location in Woodbridge! The sparkling restaurant is newly constructed and very tastefully decorated throughout with artwork from local artists. Stockbridge's serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. The great thing is that you can order breakfast or lunch anytime. When I met with Brian to discuss his new venture in Woodbridge, he was very committed to offering his customers a wide range of options for dining. If someone wants an omelet, pancakes, quiche, sandwich, soup, salad, or just dessert and coffee, these items are always available. The menu offers many egg dishes, pancakes, corned beef hash and other breakfast sides, soups, salads, quiche, sandwiches, mac & cheese, chicken marsala & française, meat loaf, beef stew, pasta dishes, beef and fish choices as well; not to mention the incredible dessert choices including their award winning cheesecake. The menu will also soon include some lighter fare for the spring and summer months. The Woodbridge location also serves liquor, so you can have your favorite cocktail or glass of wine. You can purchase all dessert items in the bakery to the left when you enter the building. There are cozy bistro tables available in this area to enjoy that special treat, cup of coffee or cocktail. A drive-thru window is part of future plans in the bakery area.

Stockbridge's New England Bistro 245 Amity Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525 (only 7 miles from Orange Town Hall) Phone - 203-298-9036 Fax- 203-298-9039 Website – www.sbcheesecake.com Open Tues-Thurs - 8am-9pm - Friday & Saturday -8am-9pm -Sunday -8am-3pm – Available for private parties Sunday 3pm-7pm – closed Mondays. Reservations accepted. All major credit cards accepted - Handicapped accessible Ample parking - Catering menu available Shelton location: 509 Howe Avenue, Shelton, CT 06484 - Phone 203-924-7853

Final note: Stockbridge's New England Bistro is a great addition to the area. Your family, friends, out of town guests, business associates, etc. will be impressed with beautiful new "casual but elegant" dining spot & bakery. Brian &Lisa Stockbridge along their very accommodating & efficient staff will welcome you with open arms! Please remember to support our local family owned businesses. If you have a favorite restaurant please e-mail: susan@orangetownnews.com.



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Laura Fantarella

she's not waiting to embark on her mission to help others in need. The recent University of Connecticut graduate is waiting patiently in the nearly year-long application process for the final word from the Peace

Corps on her acceptance and where she will be placed. "Right now I am just awaiting medical clearance so barring any life-threatening illnesses I expect I'll leave next spring," she said. In the meantime, Cambria found another volunteer opportunity that will satisfy her dream of travelling the world, experiencing other cultures and working in community health in disadvantaged rural areas. She is particularly interested in putting her fluency in Spanish and skill as a translator to good use in the healthcare field. "I had hoped the Peace Corps would send me to Central America, but I expect I am going to Africa to work with HIV/AIDS prevention and education," she said. "I have about six months to wiggle with," she said. "So I plan to do what I want to do where I want to do it."

According to its website, the Peace Corps was established in 1960, when then Senator John F. Kennedy challenged students at the University of Michigan to serve their country in the cause of peace by living and working in developing countries. From that inspiration grew an agency of the federal government devoted to world peace and friendship. Volunteers most commonly provide support in the healthcare field, HIV/ AIDS prevention, business development and environmental preservation. The majority of volunteers are placed in Africa, Latin America and Eastern Europe/Central Asia.

After a brief vacation to Mexico to celebrate her graduation, Cambria will head to Panajachel, Guatemala to work with the volunteer organization, "Mayan Families". While there she expects to perfect her Spanish as she teaches CPR and first aid classes in schools and to volunteers. In October she plans to move to Quetzeltenango to work in a rural medical clinic, "Primeros Pasos", teaching women's and children's health classes. "There's a huge focus on hygiene since contaminated drinking water

and intestinal parasites are a primary cause of high infant mortality rates," she said.

The desire to work in the health field with the poor population began in college but its roots were planted as a child. The daughter of a nurse anesthetist and an orthopedic surgeon, Cambria said she "bonded with her dad while watching surgery videos." "My mom worried that the videos weren't appropriate, but I loved them. I was never squeamish around blood," Cambria said. A trained Emergency Medical Technician, Cambria taught EMS classes at Hartford Hospital and volunteered at the UCONN Health Center while in college. There was a large migrant farm population around the UCONN campus and Cambria found her Spanish came in handy when explaining medical procedures to a patient who did not understand English. "I cannot imagine how scarv and stressful it must be for someone in a medical situation who does not speak the language," she said.

A trip to Mississippi and Appalachia last summer to work with the "Remote Area Health Clinic" organization was eye opening and lifechanging. "When we arrived I could not believe that I was still in the U.S., just a short plane ride away from the Northeast. It was as though I was in a third world country. I felt like I had lived in a bubble," she said. "The Northeast is not the standard for most of the country." Minor surgeries being performed in tents, a diet of processed foods, and baby bottles filled with Mountain Dew were just a few of the cultural shocks Cambria witnessed. "In the Northeast you can't escape the constant stream of information about how to live a healthier lifestyle. The economic difference in the rural areas of the South has a huge impact on every aspect of their lives," she said.

The experience was so profound that it changed the path of Cambria's career. Planning to enroll in a nursing program when she completes her assignment with the Peace Corp, she now expects to work in community health. "I thought at one time I would be a nurse anesthetist like my mom. But now I realize how important community health is and how much the workers do", she said. "The world is a lot smaller than we think it is and I find it very interesting to see how other cultures use different ways to achieve the same end. I live a charmed life. It is my way of giving back to society."

Currently celebrating its 50 year anniversary, the Peace Corps has sponsored more than 200,000 volunteers who have served in 139 host countries.

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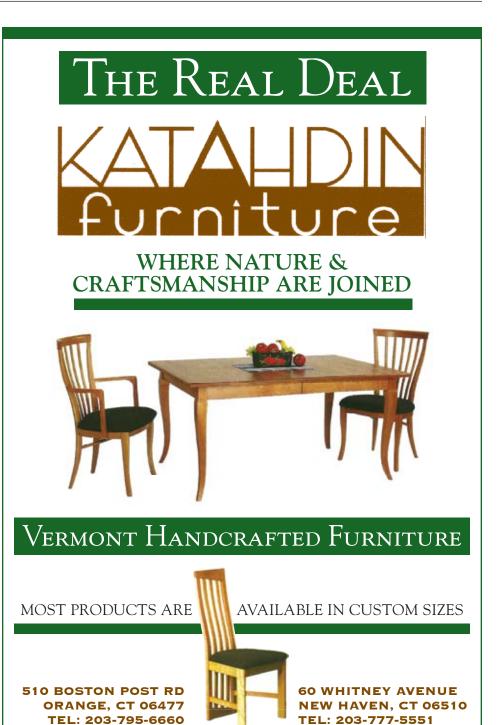
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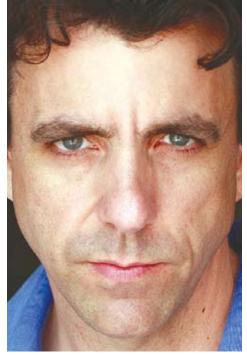
**Q:** When will one of my favorite shows, "**Drop Dead Diva**," be back for its next season? -- Gennifer T., via email

A: Well, you don't have long to wait! "Drop Dead Diva" returns to Lifetime Television for its third season on Sunday, June 19. For those who haven't seen the show, "DDD" is a one-hour comedic drama that tells the story of a shallow wannabe model who dies in a sudden accident, only to find her soul resurfacing in the body of a brilliant, plussize and recently deceased attorney. Jane. This season's guest stars include Paula Abdul, Kathy Griffin, Wanda Sykes, Clay Aiken, Lance Bass, Amanda Bearse, Tony Goldwyn, Howard Hesseman, Sharon Lawrence, Jennifer Tilly, Quinton **Aaron** and more.

**Q:** I was watching a new sitcom on ABC called "**Happy Endings**," and the actor who plays Dave looks very familiar. What else might I have seen him in? -- Jerry G., via email

A: Well, I remember Zachary Knighton best as Bryce from the shouldn't-have-been-canceled show "FlashForward." I also rewatched "The Prince and Me" recently, and realized that he plays one of Julia Stiles' brothers in that movie. He's also had guest roles on "House, M.D." and "Bones," as well as "Law and Order: SVU." Stop me when something sounds familiar ....

**Q:** I was so happy to hear that FX's "Justified" has been renewed for a third season; however, I was sad to see Joseph Lyle Taylor's character, Doyle, get killed in the second-season finale. Now that his run on "Justified" is over, where can I catch this talented actor next? -- Fanny R., Tulsa, Okla.



Joseph Lyle Taylor

A: Joseph's next role is that of Martin Chisholm in the feature film "Seven Days in Utopia," which also stars Melissa Leo, Robert Duvall and Lucas Black. Joseph told me a bit about the film: "It's really a heartfelt movie about this kid, played by Lucas Black, finding himself. I play his father. It's such a pretty script.

"My character rides his son hard to do his best in golf and makes him practice and this and that. He ends up giving him some bad advice, and his son ends up not winning the tournament, takes off and that is where he meets Robert Duvall (who plays Johnny Crawford) out in Utopia. He learns some life lessons out there, and he comes back and tries to make amends with his father. It's really touching."

**Q:** What has my favorite actress, **Meryl Streep**, been up to lately? -- David R. in Alabama

A: Meryl is busy filming "The Iron Lady," where she plays the U.K.'s first female prime minister, Margaret Thatcher. Word from the set is that her portrayal is astonishing, and her transformation is absolutely stunning. Look for "The Iron Lady" in late 2011, just in time to be considered for the Oscars.

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



## **Memorial Day 2011**

It's an old saying that if you haven't found anything worth dying for, you're not really living. On Memorial Day, we honor our men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom. They were dignified men and women, smart, full of life, valiant, healthy, with bright futures ahead. They loved and were loved by others. Yet even with all this promise of life, they were willing to lay it all down -- to die for their country to protect freedom and the ones they love. That is why we celebrate Memorial Day; to honor these heroes.

Our fallen service men and women were courageous, even in moments of great fear. They served, even when perhaps the one thing they might have wanted most was a hot bath or to hear the voice of a loved one. They fought, even when they may have felt all the odds were against them. They believed, even in the face of an enemy who stood directly opposed to freedom for all. They loved, even if it meant risking their lives.

It is said there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for another. These fallen proclaim a love of country and a love of freedom that would deafen anyone who dares to stop and listen. On this Memorial Day holiday, take a moment to stop, listen, remember, honor and to learn their stories.

I am humbled to call these esteemed men and women my fellow patriots. Some have forgotten the meaning and traditions behind Memorial Day. To many, this weekend simply marks the beginning of summer. For others, it's a day off work and a three day weekend for trips and barbeques. Still others, it's a nice excuse to get the family together and watch a parade. All of these things are wonderful parts of the American holiday tradition, but they miss the heart of why we celebrate.

Pause, consider or rediscover the meaning of honoring our fallen.

At this point, I would be remiss not to mention that there are still brave men and women who stand among us today. This breed of benevolent, valiant spirited, self-sacrificing service men and women still step forward to volunteer in the fight for freedom. They stand guard, ready to protect our right to sit down peaceably to dinner tonight, or take a weekend at the beach, or fellowship at red-white-and-blue BBQs. And that's why they do it: so we can live free.

As we honor our fallen today, take a moment this week to thank a veteran. They also made the same commitment of life, fortune and sacred honor should freedom ask it of them – the only difference is they were not required to give their life. However, just because they were allowed to keep theirs does not diminish their bravery, sacrifice, or honor. Our veterans stood shoulder to shoulder with those who died. They knew the fallen by name, saw their faces, and maybe even comforted their families when they returned home. Again, take a moment to thank a veteran.

On Memorial Day we pay tribute to our fallen American heroes. We promise them: You are not forgotten.

Rep. Klarides represents Woodbridge, Orange, and Derby in the Connecticut General Assembly.

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## **The Davis Gallery Presents**

#### **Natalie Fifer**

Natalie Fifer is a recent graduate of Paier College of Art. Her show, titled "Reverie" will be shown until June 11th. She has brought her playful and imaginative watercolor paintings to show. Her show is a family friendly event, so feel free to bring the kids.



#### Joan Handschumacher



Ioan Handschumacher will be showing her collection of watercolor paintings with us in June, her Opening Reception will be on June 18th.

You may remember a few of her pieces from the watercolor group show last year around this time. We are excited to have her and hope you will join us at the opening.

#### Steve Bollman

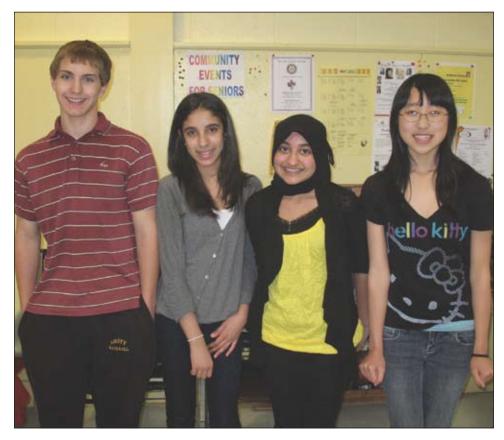
Steve Bollman's emotive black and white photography titled "Lumens" are still on display. These images focus on Barns and Clouds and the interplay of light and shadow. His work will be on display in the Past Presented space until June 11, 2011.



For more information on the artists or the gallery, call 203-795-4705 or stop in and see what's happening. The Davis Gallery is located inside the lobby of VideoLab, 200 Boston Post Road, Orange.

#### From the Youth Services Coordinator By John Ulatowsski





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## **ARTS & LEISURE**

### THEATER REVIEW

## "Sister Act" at the Broadway Theatre in New York City

by Zander Opper

"Sister Act," the new musical at the Broadway Theatre, is an alternately rousing and seriously overworked musical adaptation of the popular 1992 Whoopi Goldberg film. Using the same plotline of a nightclub singer who witnesses a murder and has to hide out in a convent, the musical's scenes of Patina Miller (in the Whoopi role) leading an unlikely choir of nuns in glorious song are truly roof-raising and a delight to watch. In between the numbers, however, something has gone very amiss, with too many scenes suffering from overkill. When making comparisons between the Broadway

show and the original film, this musical is found to be at a major disadvantage. In the dialogue scenes, there are just too many (mostly) unfunny jokes and needless plot points (often at the expense of the characters) thrown at the audience, with the overall effect being somewhat wearying. Still, as mentioned, there are all those wonderful musical numbers, so, if the Broadway "Sister Act" must be considered a mixed bag, it is still worth checking out to see all those nuns rocking the rafters.



Zander Opper

A word must immediately be said about leading lady Patina Miller. Making her Broadway debut in a starring role

so identified with Whoopi Goldberg, she has some pretty big shoes to fill. And, while she is not a natural comedienne, her glorious singing more than makes up for any shortcomings and her performance must rank as one of the most auspicious debuts Broadway has seen since Sean Hayes triumphed in "Promises, Promises" last year (and at the same theatre, no less). What's more, composer Alan Menken has supplied her with some terrific songs that she more than does justice to. Indeed, from the moment the curtain rises on her belting out "Take Me to Heaven" (my favorite song from the show), Miller is truly divine, carries the show effortlessly, and she even looks fabulous in a habit. What "Sister Act" has going for it, as well, is that the source material of the original film was a natural for a Broadway musical adaptation, as so much of it concerned singing and choir numbers, and, in this respect, "Sister Act" shines.

Unfortunately, there are still all those pesky dialogue scenes between the songs and, looking at the credits, it seems like "Sister Act" is a victim of too many cooks spoiling the soup—the original book is credited to Cheri and Bill Steinkellner, with "additional book material" from playwright Douglas Carter Beane. In addition, director Jerry Zaks was hired to "punch up" the comedy (and I mean this phrase in the worst possible sense) to the point that no moment can go by without a joke being thrown in. This is truly unfortunate, because so much of the charm of the film was in the warm relationships that grew between Whoopi and the nuns and, in particular, with the Mother Superior (played so radiantly by Maggie Smith in the film). As it happens, the estimable Victoria Clark takes on that character in the musical and she doesn't have an easy time of it: unlike in the film, Mother Superior is a major heavy in the show (almost to the point of being ludicrous) and Clark has to work very hard to win the audience over. She succeeds, but the effort shows.

What with those great musical numbers and the overcooked book scenes, "Sister Act" ultimately proves to be a mixed blessing and is actually a rarity in musical theatre: while the film is definitely superior in telling the overall story, it can also be argued that the musical improves on its source material by filling the stage with Patina Miller and her choir of nuns and by taking full advantage of the kind of rousing musical numbers and songs that only a Broadway musical can provide. On balance, "Sister Act" is to be recommended, simply because, by the conclusion, the show does reach a crescendo of great voices, sequined habits, and joy filling the theatre and, in the final analysis, that's what you're going to take home with you. One can order tickets by calling 212-239-6200 or by going to SisterActBroadway.com.



L to R Kayla Hansen, West Haven; Rebecca Liss, Woodbridge; Eliza Khkar, Trumbull, Jessica Plude, Trumbull; Ian Blanchardon, Woodbridge. Missing from photo: William Myung, Woodbridge.

## Get Ready to Cruise News By Leslie Marsh

## Do You Qualify for a Cruise Discount?

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These discounts are not always available and are not offered by all the cruise lines. So, once you've decided to go on a cruise and chosen where you want to go, how do you take advantage of these discounts? Easy, this is when you contact your travel agent and ask her to find you the best available cruise fare. Professional travel agents are trained to ask you the right questions in order to make sure you receive the best rates on your vacation!

As we head into Memorial Day and the beginning of the summer season, I'd like to take a moment to remember the heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice to ensure the freedom we enjoy here in the United States. We miss you and we're proud of your service to our country.

Leslie Marsh, ECC is the owner of Cruise Planners of Orange. You can reach her at 203-799-2367 or leslie@getreadytocruise.com.

### **OACC Presents Youth Concert**

On Sunday, May 1st, the OACC presented a concert of young artists in an eclectic program, with piano selections from Mozart, Bach, Chopin, Debussey and Utterbach ("Dr. Joes Fun Mood Blues"). The violinist played "Czardis" by Monti and the classical guitarist played two selections by Sor and Legnani. Two vocalists, accompanied by Jim Teti, sang selections from Broadway musicals and an Italian art song.

The performers included Ian Blanchardon, 12, a student of Daniel Corr, recently won an international guitar competition at Columbus State University; Kayla Hansen, 14, a student of Gary Harger, won the West Haven Idol competition for 12-16 year olds and has appeared in plays at Albertus Magnus and at Bailey Middle School; Eliza Khokar, 11, a student of Patricia Nezneck, won the Chopin International Competition in March; Rebecca Liss, a student of Andrea Drobish Kennedy and Paul Elkin, and has appeared in Beauty and Fiddler on the Roof; William Myung, a student of Fiona Murray and a finalist in the Westchester Music Competition, and Jessica Plude, 17, also a student of Patricia Nezneck, is an International member of the Guild College of Music and won the CMTA taped audition in 2007, 2008, 2010, and 2011. Jessica is also a composer and performed her composition, Hope, in the concert.

The OACC is committed to sponsoring young artists in performance, and has, as a long term goal, the creation of a dedicated performance/exhibition space in Orange in the Clark Building. The Board of Selectmen has approved the concept and the firms of Christopher Williams, AIA, and Robert McKay, PE, conducted a feasibility study and drew up plans. The OACC recently held a kick-off fund-raiser for the project featuring the Galvanized Jazz Band, which played to a sell-out audience.

## **BUSINESS ROUNDUP**



Jay Whelan (right) of The Nature Conservancy and The United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP) honored Robert Kravitz (left) founder of Go Green Fitness as the 2011 winner of Go Green Earth Day Challenge.

## Go Green Fitness Wins the "2011 Earth Day Challenge"

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## **Executive Women Hold Luncheon**

The Network of Executive Women's monthly luncheon meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 at 12:15 PM at Aldario's Restaurant in Milford. The luncheon will be the new installation of Officers.

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## **Jamba Juice Expands**

## Twenty-Fourth State with Connecticut Store Opening

**Local Entrepreneur Opens First Jamba Store in Orange** 

With the goal of bringing a healthy, active lifestyle brand to fans in his local community, David Katz, principal of Five Star Equity Partners, LLC, celebrated the opening of his first Jamba Juice store in Orange helping launch Jamba into the Company's twenty-fourth state and newest franchise outlet.

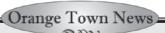
"I am excited to bring Jamba Juice, a renowned and popular specialty beverage and food destination, officially to fans here in Orange," said David Katz, owner/operator of Jamba Juice. "We started the blenders whirling officially on April 29 and now local fans and visitors are able to enjoy one of our more than 30 made-to-order whole fruit smoothies, including Jamba's latest innovation in their smoothie portfolio--Fruit and Vegetable smoothies



that provide one serving of veggies and two servings of fruit in every 16 oz serving. We also serve fresh squeezed orange and carrot juices, wheatgrass, and, of course, Jamba's highly regarded slow-cooked oatmeal made with organic steel cut oats."

Jamba Juice has been inspiring and simplifying healthy living since it opened its first California store in 1990. Jamba offers a portfolio of on-thego, better-for-you menu offerings which are made from quality ingredients, taste great, and contain 0g trans fat, no high fructose corn syrup, no artificial flavors, and no artificial preservatives. Jamba is located conveniently in the Bruegger's Bakery at 263 Boston Post Road and can be reached at 203-795-1300. The store will be open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. to enable fans coming or going a convenient option to pick up a nutritious and delicious menu offering. During hours of operation, parents will be able to enjoy their favorite Bruegger's coffee offering while the kids enjoy their favorite Jamba Juice smoothie.

This is the first Jamba Juice store for local Orange entrepreneur and franchisee, David Katz. As one of the youngest franchise operators in Jamba's system, Katz was winner of the 2011 Orange Economic Development Corporation's Business Person of the Year and is a graduate of the Center for Culinary Arts (Cromwell, Conn). He honed his chef skills in several high-end restaurant kitchens in New Haven before starting with Bruegger's in 2005 as a management trainee. In 2008, he opened a Bruegger's franchise in Orange. This is the first time Bruegger's has co-located with Jamba Juice. For Katz, the investment in Jamba Juice represents an opportunity to bring a nationally recognized health and wellness brand to his local community, friends, and family and further the mission to inspire and simplify healthy living.



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Art Gallery – Beautiful works of art will be displayed and provided by the Orange Arts & Culture Council.

Food Samplings – Enjoy food samples from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. from the following food vendors: Bruegger's Bagels, Chip's Family Restaurant, Jamba Juice, Julia's Bakery, Orange Ale House and Grille, Racebrook Market, and Reno's Pizzeria. Be sure to stop by their booths!

Anniversary Celebration – Come celebrate with us at 3:30 p.m. and enjoy a piece of anniversary cake specially prepared by Julia's Bakery.

Business After Hours - The Orange Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a Business After Hours after the Expo. The BAH will be hosted by Jim Hassenmayer at the Orange Ale House and Grille, located at 517 Boston Post Road, beginning at 4:30 p.m. Special Expo price - Chamber members and non-members pay only \$10 for this event.

Presentation – "Something's Weird in Orange" provided by Smoking Gun Research Agency (SGRA) will be held at 2 p.m. in the Yale Auditorium (at the Expo). You've seen it on TV, but now is your chance to hear about the reality of investigating the paranormal right in your own backyard. SGRA will present stories about Orange that you might have never known! Learn how the SGRA explores claims of the unexplained and find out how an investigation organization operates.

The SGRA has been at the forefront of research into the paranormal and the unexplained for over 15 years and has gained the respect and recognition of organizations and individuals in the paranormal community and also in academic and scientific fields. The aim of SGRA is to provide factual information gained through analytical research and studies and to foster the open discussion of these topics. The SGRA is an educational group that offers ways to explore the mysteries of our world through discussions, classes, and seminars at its Research Center located on 284 Racebrook Road, Orange.

Paul Grimmer said, "We wanted to add a fun and interesting element to the Expo this year and we discovered that the SGRA had opened an office in Orange. We thought this would be a great opportunity to bring a topic of interest to the Expo while helping to promote their organization. I encourage all to attend this interesting seminar."

In addition to the previously described activities, the OEDC has organized the 5th Annual Brokers Tour which is limited to commercial brokers and realtors. The Brokers Tour is designed to provide area brokers with a first-hand tour of available commercial and industrial properties within the Town of Orange.

Vendor and Marketing Opportunities Available

Booths - There are only a few booths available. If you are interested in becoming a vendor, you may register on-line at the OEDC website - orangeedc. com/expo.htm or call the OEDC office at (203) 891-1045. Fully furnished, 8 foot booths are priced at \$300.

Marketing Materials – For \$75, we will include your marketing materials in our Expo Welcome Bags which will go to the first 500 who enter the Expo. Your materials need to be sent to the OEDC office by June 1st.

Program Book – Place an ad in our Expo Program Booklet. Prices are as follows: \$75 – quarter page, \$125 – Half Page, \$200 Full Page.





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Please call the Orange Economic Development Corporation office at (203) 891-1045 if you have any questions or for more information. You can also visit the OEDC website at OrangeEDC.com/expo.htm. "Like" the Expo on Facebook at Orange Business and Community Expo. "Friend" the OEDC on Facebook at Orange EDC.

### **HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS**

### **Bake Sale Fundraiser**

On Sunday, May 29, 2011 the Orange Congregational Church Nursery School Parents' Association will hold its annual Bake Sale Fundraiser during Orange's Memorial Day Parade, from 11:00 a.m. through the end of the parade. Hot dogs, chips, baked goods, coffee, juice, soda and water will be available for sale. The bake sale tent will be located Congregational Church outside the Orange Congregational Church and on the Town Green. Your support is appreciated



## **Holy Infant Religious Education Update**

If you are a member of Holy Infant Church and have a child entering the first grade in September, 2011 please contact the Religious Education Department so we can mail you a registration packet. Currently enrolled families will automatically get a packet in the mail. To obtain a new packet please email Mrs. Connie Gustafson, DRE at infant@sbcglobal.net.



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## **Town of Orange June 2011 Meetings**

2nd	OGAT7:30pm Town Hall
6th	Country Fair Committee7:30pm Exhibit Hall Zoning Board of Appeals7:30pm Town Hall
7th	Economic Development Commission.5:30pmTown Hall Town Plan & Zoning Commission7:30pmTown Hall
8th	Board of Selectmen7:30pmTown Hall
9th	Elderly Housing Liaison Committee12noonSilverbrook Estates Community Services Commission7:30pmHPCC District Animal Control7:30pmWoodbridge
13th	Tree Committee
14th	Inland Wetlands Commission7:30pmTown Hall
15th	CERT
16th	Case Memorial Library Commission7:30pm Case Memorial Lib.
20th	Family Counseling
21st	GATA7:00pm7:wn Hall Town Plan & Zoning Commission7:30pm Town Hall
22nd	OVNA Governing Board
24th	Emergency Mgmt. Advisory Council8:00am Police Station

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## **Trinity Church Summer Sports Camps for Children**

Trinity Church, Woodbridge, will once again offer a summer sports camp for children. "Breaking Free" Sports Camp will be held July 11th - July 15th from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., for children aged five (by 1/1/12) through children entering grade six.

Camp will include music, skits, Bible lessons and quality sports instruction. Basketball, soccer and flag football for boys and girls, and cheerleading for girls will be offered. Campers must be 8 yrs. old by 7/1/11 to participate in Flag Football.

All campers receive a tee shirt and daily take home papers. Cost for those registering before June 12th is \$35.00 per child, two children \$65.00, three or more children \$90.00 in the same family. A \$10.00 late fee will apply for registrations received after June 12th.

Registration forms can be downloaded at www.trinityefc.com under special events or you may call 203-387-4711 ext 20. Space is limited.

### **Light Up the Harbor** for Beth-El!"

Beth-El Center, a 34-bed transitional housing shelter and soup kitchen in Milford, is holding its 3rd annual "Light Up the Harbor for Beth-El!" fundraiser at the Milford Yacht Club on Saturday, June 4, from 6 to 11pm. The event will support the organization's 30-year mission to provide housing, meals, and support services for homeless individuals and families, with the goal to prevent and end homelessness in the community. The soup kitchen staff and its many volunteers serve 50 to 70 hot, nutritious lunches daily, while church and community groups provide weekend meals. Beth-El Center is located at 90 New Haven Avenue in Milford and serves the surrounding area. In 2010, Beth-El served 19,595 meals and provided shelter to 267 individuals – almost a quarter of whom were women and children. For more information on the Beth-El Center: www.bethelmilford.org

In addition to dining and dancing, guests may bid on a wide range of gifts donated by local merchants during silent and live auctions. Tickets are \$75 per person. For reservations or to become an event sponsor, please contact Susan Lapine, at susanlapine@wavesofchange.com, or (203) 283-7098. Donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Enjoy this wonderful evening in support of those in need. All hands on deck!

## **Congregation Or Shalom Upcoming Events:**

All events are open to non-members.

Golf & Tennis Tournament: Wednesday, June 1: Our major fundraiser of the year will be held at the Country Club of Woodbridge and includes lunch and dinner. Call the office for more details or visit our web site at www.orshalomct.org.



Or Shalom

**Zumba Gold:** Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00 PM

- 8:00 PM: Join Zumba Gold with coach Robin Allen each week for a one hour class. Call Robin for more information at 203-314-8176.

Shavuot Holiday Services: June 7: 7:00 pm; June 8: 9:30 am & 7:00 pm, June 9: 9:30 am (Yizkor approximately 11:00 am).

Service Blessing our High School Graduates: Join us as Rabbi Wainhaus offers a blessing for the 2011 high school graduates. The Service begins at 7:00 pm.

Naming Babies: Does your Jewish child need a Hebrew name? If so, we will provide him/her with one. There is no charge and this is open to Congregation Or Shalom members and non-members. Call the Or Shalom office at 799-2341.

**Services:** Sunday mornings: 9:00 am

Monday mornings: 7:30 am

Thursday mornings: 7:30 am

Friday evenings: 7:00 pm (the first Friday of each month is our Family Service where Rabbi Wainhaus reads the children a story in lieu of a sermon. Following the Service, there will be a dairy Oneg Shabbat--refreshments.)

Saturday mornings: 9:30 am

### **Maplewood at Orange Calendar**



Maplewood at Orange, formerly Laurel Estates, is located at 245 Indian River Road. All events are free and are open to the public. Some require an RSVP. For more information on any of the events below, please contact Briana at 203-795-3117 or find our activities page on www.Facebook.com/MaplewoodAtOrange.

- Generations Stitch Club Every Tuesday from 11am-12pm Calling all knitters, crocheters, embroiderers and seamstresses
  of all ages and experience levels, join us for a gathering of good
  company and fiber fun. Come to learn, come to teach, come to
  play!
- Bible Study Every Tuesday evening at 6:30pm Reverend Rhonda Taylor of the First and Wesley United Methodist Church joins us for a non-denominational discussion exploring 'The Good Book'.
- Wellness Clinic Every Thursday afternoon from 1pm-2pm Every Thursday afternoon, Maplewood At Orange opens its doors to the public in the name of health and wellbeing. Join us for a free blood pressure screening and/or weight measurement by one of our registered nurses. One Thursday a month (usually the first), we also have a visiting doctor available to answer questions.
- Dental Dynamics: The Path to Good Oral Care Tuesday, June 7th at 3:30 Milford's own Sensitive Care will be joining us with expert advice and recommendations to keep your pearly whites authentic well into your senior years. Come learn the best practices for senior teeth, plus ask your questions about tooth extraction, dentures, insurance coverage and more! Refreshments will be served, please RSVP to 203-795-3117 as space is limited.
- Excella Balance Clinic Wednesday, June 8th from 3:30-5:00pm
   Visit one-on-one with one of Excella's experienced physical therapists as you complete tests geared at measuring your balance. Feeling a little off-kilter? Excella can give you tips and make recommendations for you to improve your balance from here out.
- Elder Trivia Game with Prizes Thursday, June 16th at 3:30pm
   Visit the beautiful community of Maplewood at Orange for some fun competition! Test those memories of yester-year and win some lovely prizes, courtesy of Milford Healthcare! Please RSVP to 203-795-3117 as space is limited.
- "Cool Jazz with Dad" Luncheon and Concert Friday, June 17th at 12:30pm In honor of Father's Day, we're inviting all our senior fathers to join us for a "jazzy" tribute to Dad. Enjoy a scrumptious meal prepared by our top chefs and relax to the swingin' songs of musician Pierce Campbell. Space is limited and seats fill up fast, so please call 203-795-3117 to reserve your spot!
- Arpie Krisie Jeweler Services Tuesday, June 23rd from 11am-2-pm Gold/Silver Buying\* Magnetic Clasp Conversions \* Watch Battery Installations \* Appraisals \* Jewelry Re-Sizing \*Cleaning \* And More! Plus, just by coming, get free jewelry cleaning services!



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work and didn't want to ever stop. The guy never sat down."

That's how, Gambardella said, he came up with an idea to keep his memory alive by creating a bench in his honor where people could sit down and think about Ricca. "He gave his life to the town and to the kids in the school system for 42 years," said Gambardella. "He always said he was too young to retire and was a remarkable guy who put a smile on everybody's face. He was such an inspiration to everybody we felt he shouldn't be forgotten. Now, he won't be."

Long-time Selectman Joseph Blake, who got to know Ricca over the past 15 years, attended the Sunday ceremony and said he "can't think of anyone more deserving of such an honor. "He was a hard worker and always a happy go lucky guy with a great sense of humor," Blake said. "He could always make everyone laugh. He liked to tell me that despite being Italian he didn't like spaghetti because he ate so much of it growing up. I always got a kick out of that." Blake said, "The kids loved him and he really loved the little ones at Mary L. Tracy in particular. He was a great family man and he always talked about how much he loved his neighborhood in New Haven."

Blake said while the placement of the honorary bench still needs town approval, including by the Board of Education, he doesn't think that will be a problem. "It's town property and I can't imagine anyone in this town being opposed to placing the bench in the new courtyard at Mary L. Tracy School," said Blake. "It's so appropriate for it to go there because that was probably where he started when he came to work for the town and he loved the kids at that school." Blake added "I wouldn't mind being the first one to sit on the bench after it is installed." But Blake will have plenty of competition.

Ricca's son-in-law, Joe Festa, who worked alongside him in the Orange school district's maintenance department for 40 years, said there is a big family waiting to sit on the bench. The family includes Ricca's wife Carmella, four daughters, six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. "He (Ricca) has a big extended family and everyone is going to want to sit on that bench as soon as it's there," said Festa. "It's a great way to sit and reflect about a guy who everyone truly loved."

Festa said working with his father-in-law for 40 years was never dull. "He was always a jack of all trades and always had a smile on his face and made people laugh, even while working" Festa said. "I learned a lot from him about the job and about how to be happy. His laugh was infectious." Festa said Ricca was born in New Haven in 1927 and started working for the Orange school district after owning a gas station in New Haven for years with his brother. He died on May 10, 2010. "He did a lot of different jobs, but once he came to Orange he found a home and never left," Festa said. "He would do anything for anyone who needed help and take the shirt off his back for you. You don't want someone like that to be forgotten," Festa said. "No matter what was going on he could always make you laugh. He showed up every single day." Festa recalls how Ricca loved buying lottery tickets. "He always said he was going to hit it big someday," Festa said. "What he didn't realize is that he had already hit it big because everyone just loved the guy."

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The following students were selected from the Orange Elementary School District: Himay Dharani and Juliet Melotto from Race Brook School; Hugh Potter and Karianne Canfield from Peck Place School; and Jacob Hollander and Kelsey Paier from Turkey Hill School.

The children have the following accomplishments: Kelsey Paier is a talented member of the Drama Club, who studies vocals, acting and dance and performs in the annual school talent show and Amity High School Theater Camp. A flag bearer and a member of the THS Safety Patrol, Kelsey has also coordinated a variety of community service projects through her roles as Student Council Vice-President and Girl Scout.

Jacob Hollander is an avid reader who also enjoys a strategic game of chess. An active member of student council and Boy Scouts, he has participated in many community service projects including fundraising events to support Shriners Hospital, a library in Honduras, and a food drive to stock the pantry at FISH. Jacob is a flag bearer, bus monitor and member of the Safety Patrol. He also broadcasts Project Wisdom daily messages at his school that encourage respect, tolerance and integrity. Jacob plays the cello and is a

Juliet Melotto is a member of student council and safety patrol, who also plays the violin in the school orchestra and sings in the choir. Her volunteer activities include, initiating pet drives and organizing food drives. Juliet is also a competitive figure skater, training every day afterschool. She has received her school's character, Spanish, and school service awards as well as several from the United States Figure Association.

Hugh Potter is an art helper who also served as library helper and as a member of the student council. He loves reading, drawing and writing and being a part of swim, lacrosse and football teams. A member of the district's First Leggo League, Hugh is also a member of the Connecticut Association for the Gifted and Talented.

Karianne Canfield is an outstanding student who loves art. She takes many extracurricular art classes and has received multiple awards, including three for best in show. She is art room helper at school as well as a member of the school orchestra, student council, yearbook committee, and sound crew. Karianne plays soccer and basketball and is an enthusiastic Girl Scout.

Himay Dharani, is a dedicated student with a passion for geography and reading. Himay plays classical guitar and participates in Indian Folk/Bollywood dancing for which he has won numerous awards. Himay plays soccer and basketball. A Boy Scout, he has earned many merit badges for his service projects and won school awards for academics, character education and the arts. He also won a merit award from the Neighborhood Music School.

SCASA members participating in the luncheon included superintendents from: ACES, Amity, Ansonia, Bethany, Branford, Cheshire, Derby, East Haven, Hamden, Meriden, Milford, Naugatuck, New Haven, North Branford, North Haven, Orange, Regional School District #16, Seymour, Wallingford, West Haven, and Woodbridge.

## **Longtime Milford Art Exposition Coming to Orange Fairgrounds**

"Meet the Artists and Artisans" premiers its award winning juried "Fine Art and Handcraft Show" on June 25th & 26th from 10 am - 6 pm at the Orange Country Fairgrounds, 525 Orange Center Road. Admission is free. Exhibitors are chosen for their unique and creative artistic expression where they have an opportunity to accompany and discuss their original work.

The town of Orange is excited with its new venture along with supportive neighbors who welcome an art show with such a legendary history. First Selectman James Zeoli, has been attending Denise Curt's Milford Green shows for years, the Orange. Carlyne LaBrecque was encouraged to add the new show in Orange to her 49th year as founder/director of MTA&A. Town Officials, the Boy Scouts and local leaders are all in agreement that offering this type of "Art & Handcraft Celebration" is beneficial for students, families, art lovers, craft aficionado's, and visitors to acquaint them with the beauty and history of Orange, and to meet national award winning artists in one of the "Best 100 Fine Art Shows" in the U.S. Do join us at the Orange Fair-

Exhibitor Information: Exhibitors with original work only. (No dealers, imports, buy sell, middle men) hosts, instrumental musicians, sponsors, helpers to greet the exhibitors, and acquaint visitors with their town please call 203-874-5672 or visit our website: www.meettheartistsandartisans.com.



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## **Town Weighing Options for District Animal Control**

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

A plan to dissolve the current regional District Animal Control (DAC) Department and appoint the Woodbridge Police Chief to head the operation has Orange officials reconsidering its plan to begin a new partnership with

Currently Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge are partners in the DAC which is run by a Commission. According to Woodbridge First Selectman Ed Sheehy, when Orange and Bethany gave notice they would withdraw from the partnership as of July 1, Woodbridge officials decided to dissolve the Commission and restructure the department. Sheehy could not give details about the new arrangement or its costs at press time but said, "Our police chief will be in charge of animal control issues and it will be a different operation than it is now."

First Selectman Jim Zeoli said he was not expecting this latest development. In discussions at its meeting earlier this month, the Orange Board of Selectmen was leaning toward joining Milford's animal control service at a savings of more than \$30,000 annually. The town currently pays the DAC about \$110,000.

At press time Zeoli could not comment on the changes in the proposal as he had not yet discussed them with the rest of the Board. "All I can say at this time is that Woodbridge has offered the possibility of adjustments and other considerations," he said. Zeoli, who chaired the DAC board for three years before resigning last summer, said the current arrangement is "no longer a good fit." He called the proposed plan with Milford "a pretty good deal," noting the town will pay less money and actually gain more services with the move. "It's a home run for everyone," he said. "Milford already has the employees, the vehicles and the facility." According to the proposed contract, Milford would enforce all laws and have jurisdiction over all matters relating to dogs and other animals within Orange and be responsible for issuing infractions and orders, including quarantine, restraining and disposal orders. It will also provide educational pet awareness and safety programs for children, investigate dog bite reports, assist state officers on cruelty cases, and offer limited patrol in Orange. "There are a few items that need clarification, but overall the meeting and the selectmen's response to Milford's plan was positive," Zeoli said.

The Milford animal control office is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Earlier this month, Milford's Board of Aldermen voted in favor of the plan to offer its services to Orange for \$75,000 a year.

The issue will be discussed at the next Board of Selectmen meeting at 7:30 p.m. June 8 at Town Hall.

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## **LOCAL SPORTS**



## **Melkus Named FCIAC Scholar Athlete**

Lauren Melkus, daughter of Carl and Gail Melkus of Orange, has been named FCIAC Scholar Athlete 2011. Lauren is a graduating senior at St. Joseph High School, Trumbull, where she is captain of the cheerleading team and editor-in-chief of Amaranth, the school literary magazine. Lauren will attend Endicott College in the fall as recipient of the Presidential Academic Scholarship and will major in Journalism.

## **Sports Quiz**

- 1. Name the last pitcher before Cincinnati's Mike Leake in 2010 to debut as a starter in the major leagues without appearing in the minors.
- 2. Entering 2011, how many times has manager Rod Gardenhire taken the Minnesota Twins to the playoffs in his nine seasons?
- Four receivers in NFL history have had three 1,000-yard seasons for two different teams. Name two of them.
- Duke (19) and North Carolina (17) have won the most ACC men's basketball conference tournaments. Which school is No. 3?
- In 2010, Brian Gionta became only the second American to be named captain of the Montreal Canadiens. Who was the first?
- When was the last time before 2011 (Trevor Bayne) that a Wood Brothers driver won the Daytona 500?
- In 2011, tennis player Ivo Karlovic broke the record for fastest serve, launching one at 156 mph. Who had held the mark?

7. Andy Roddick, at 155 mph.

6. David Pearson, in 1976.

5. Chris Chelios was a co-captain in 1989-90. 4. North Carolina State, with 10, the last in 1987.

Derrick Mason (Titans and Ravens) and Terrell Owens (49ers and Cowboys).

3. Henry Ellard (Rams and Redskins), Joey Galloway (Seahawks and Buccaneers),

1. California's Jim Abbott, in 1989.

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## **Kids Helping Kids!**

The Friends of Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital present the 3rd Annual Junior Golf & Tennis Tournament featuring golf, tennis, dinner featuring a Hummel Brothers cookout, raffles & prizes!

> Woodbridge Country Club, Woodbridge, CT Tuesday June 28, 2011 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Junior golfers & tennis players ages 8 -18 Registration cost is \$50pp.

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For more information please contact Yale New-Haven Development Office - 203-688-6437





Front row: Nicole Koshes; Second row (L to R): Jenna Thomas, Teresa Marchitto, Emily Mullins, Katie Koshes; Third row (L to R): Raeanne Geffert, Amanda Harkins, Allie Gusmano, Cassidy Kirby, Kara Kachmar, Martha Zhang; Coaching staff (L to R): Paul Mullins, Carl Marchitto, Frank Koshes, Jim Geffert, Frank Kachmar.

## **Orange Locals Bring Home Trophy**

The Connecticut Raiders 12U Blue travel softball team with girls from Orange and Seymour brought home a trophy from the Valley Fusion Spring Fling Softball tournament hosted in Prospect on 4/30. The team finished a strong 5 and 1 for the weekend defeating some of the strongest softball teams in the State of Connecticut.



Front row (L to R): Raeanne Geffert, Amanda Harkins, Martha Zhang, Kara Kachmar, Jenna Thomas. Back row (L to R): Cassidy Kirby, Katie Koshes, Teresa Marchitto, Nicole Koshes, Emily Mullins, Allie Gusmano. Coaches: (L to R): Carl Marchitto, Frank Koshes & Jim Geffert.

## **CT Raiders Return** with Trophies

The Connecticut Raiders 12U Blue travel softball team continue their winning ways coming back from the May Fly Tournament in Rhode Island on May 21st and 22nd bringing with them a trophy. The team played and defeated teams from Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and New York to claim their prize. The team is comprised of girls from Orange and Seymour.

## Orange Students Earn Science Award

On Saturday, May 14, 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls from numerous schools throughout Fairfield and New Haven Counties spent the day going for the "gold" at Lauralton Hall's annual spring Science Olympics. They competed in the following activities:

- Building a tower out of paper
- Designing a better bone
- Genetic analysis of SpongeBob Squarepants
- "Identifying who stole our afternoon snacks" a fingerprint analysis
  The girls were also entertained by Demos-R-Us, a company consisting of
  a retired University of Connecticut Physics professor, who gave a "magical"
  physics show

With the help of Lauralton faculty and students, participants "competed" in problem-solving events. Students worked in teams, with the following winners from Orange:

**In the 7th grade category:** 2nd place: The Rocket Scientists from Amity Middle School in Orange: Sage Saffran, Kimberly Liang, and Katie Whyte.

## Members Only Half Price Book Sale: Win A Kindle!

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library announce the first Half Price Book Sale at the Case Memorial Library on Saturday, June 11 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. This is open to all Friends members, including ones that join that day. In an effort to provide more 'perks' to members, The Friends will also provide a free raffle for a Kindle. All members of the Friends will be entered in this raffle, whether present or not.

To entice buyers, the Friends will lower the already extra reasonable prices by half. There are sure to be bargains galore in the basement of the Library where books are sorted and shelved or set up on tables by category. Each section is numbered and a guide to finding specific sections is posted. Each week, a dedicated core of sorters works to organize the books donated for sale. The Friends Great! Book Sales are garnering a reputation for being one of the best organized and therefore most 'user friendly' in the State.

The Friends first Great! Book Sale was in 1992 at the Senior Center. Marilyn Beatty, former Town Librarian, suggested the activity to the Friends Board. The books were sorted at that time in Doc Whitney's garage and then, in subsequent years, transported to the High Plains Cafeteria where the volunteers would set up the books the night before the sale. The present location, in the larger Case Memorial Library is spacious and permanent, allowing for much more organization of the book selections.

The proceeds from the sales contribute to the vitality of the Library, providing funds for programs and speakers for children and adults, for museum passes for families, for a piano for the meeting room, for furniture and equipment for the Library. Books for Babies-a program that delivers a book to each newborn in town and Books for the Homebound-a program that delivers books to those who cannot get to the Library-are regular projects carried out by Friends Board Members. The Friends also sponsor the annual Festival of Trees and Holiday Decorations in December.

Join the Friends in their efforts—become a member—attend the Book Sale on Saturday, June 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the basement of Case Memorial Library.

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#### Some White Wine Basics



Is white wine white? Most of the "white" wines are yellow, golden or straw-like, in color. They are made from grape varietals of great assortment. White wines are consumed with lighter meals, lunch, smaller dinners, or as an aperitif themselves. They are more refreshing, lighter in style and taste then most of their red wine counterparts making them perfect for spring and summer occasions. The old saying "white wines with white meat" still hold true, but there are several exceptions.

White wines need a different glass choice and style than red wines. Whites are best presented in narrow glasses with a sharp taper at the top of the glass. This allows for better aroma concentration in that white wines are more delicate then reds and more subtle. The optimum serving temperature for whites is between 45-50 degrees Fahrenheit.

The most common white wine varietals are Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Riesling, Gewurztramioner, Pinot Gris/Pinot Grigio, Semillon, Viognier, and Chenin Blanc. The grapes are grown in regions all over the world. From central Europe to South Africa and from Nappa to Argentina terrific whites are produced. The most common white wine flavor descriptions are as follows: citrus, apple, pear, grapefruit, lemon, lime, pineapple, melon, butter, honey, floral, herb, earthy.

Some suggested wine and Food pairings for white wines are as follows: Chardonnay-salmon, grilled chicken, white cream sauces, avoid very spicy foods; Gewurztraminer-Chinese, Swiss Cheese, pork, ginger, Foie Gras, avoid light foods; Pinot Grigio-creamy sauces, turkey, shrimp and veal, avoid tomatoes and spicy foods; Riesling (dry)-chicken, shrimp, lobster, smoked trout, and avoid sweets; Sancerre-trout, goat cheese, shellfish, sea bass and avoid sweets.

Close by us in the Hudson Valley in New York some cold weather whites are grown that are all not part of the big 8 of white wines. Some are, however. Contrary to what some people may say, the Hudson Valley does grow grapes, and a mix of Vinifera and Hybrids. There are approximately 430 acres of vineyards producing over 1000 tons of grapes. I am going to touch on grapes and their characteristics grown in the region that are not names you hear every day like Chardonnay or Merlot that are grown there.

We will begin with the white varietals such as Seyval and

Cayuga White - A hybrid cross between the Schuyler and Seyval Blanc grapes. This makes a fruity white wine. Cayuga White is winter hardy and disease resistant which makes the Hudson Valley a region for plantings.

Seyval Blanc - one of my favorite whites grown in the valley. Very similar characteristics to a Sauvignon Blanc, it has aromas of green apples, citrus and melons.

Vidal Blanc - a high acid French-American hybrid white wine grape with fruity, floral flavors and good balance. You will also find hints of pineapple, melon, hazelnuts, pears and orange blossoms. This grape also makes a nice Ice Wine with Rhine qualities. The grape is descended from the Ugni Blanc of France.

Vignoles - This grape can me made dry or sweet. Usually you will find citrus notes in the aroma. You might find tartness of green apples or flavors of apricots, pineapples, honey peaches or orange rind depending if it's dry or made sweet. Bud break on the Vignoles is usually late, so they tend to survive a late spring frost.

Traminette - another one of my favorites grown in the region. This varietal is fairly new and was released in 1996 for planting. This grape is a Gewurztraminer hybrid. You will find lychee notes similar to Gewurztraminer in this wine.

Try some of these great white wines, you will be glad you did.

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 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.

## Milford Camera Club Meeting and Final Competition

The Milford Camera Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at 7:00pm at the Margaret Egan Center, 85 Matthew Street, Milford. This program is the final competition of the year presenting the best of the best.

This event is free and open to the public. Visitors are welcome. For more information email www.milfordcameraclub.org or call Chuck Fleischman, co-president at (203) 874-2787.



### **COMMENTARY**



The Orange Town News has given our State Representatives an opportunity to share their positions on the recent Statewide Budget passed by the legislature and signed by Governor Dan Malloy earlier this month. Despite its passage, all three officials representing all or part of Orange, voted against the proposal. The Orange Town News thanks each of them for making their positions clear to Orange residents in this forum.

## Paul Davis (D) 117th District

The 2011 budget that was passed by the House and Senate and approved by the Governor offers many positives for the communities which I represent. Local towns will see slight increases



in municipal aid as well as full funding of the Education Cost Sharing grants as the State replaces federal funds which are not available this year. In addition, the budget also funds programs which impact children, seniors, persons with disabilities,

job training, and a multitude of other state services. It is a budget which fully funded all state obligations without gimmicks. For these reasons, casting a no vote was a very difficult choice, but one which I did to fulfill my commitment to represent the wishes of my constituents.

During the months preceding the vote, I received countless communications stating concerns with specific areas of the proposed budget. Using some of this information, I worked with several other representatives and submitted numerous recommendations including additional cuts of more than three hundred million dollars. Several of these suggestions were eventually included in the final proposal by working together with committee chairs, caucus members, nonpartisan staff, and leadership.

In the end, however, these improvements and changes still fell short of expectations. My constituents asked that we formulate a budget that holds the line on spending and taxes. They asked for consolidation of departments and greater efficiencies to cut costs. In spite of both numerous cuts and many consolidations, there was also spending on new programs and tax increases. Also remaining was the question of whether or not the Governor could achieve his goal of two billion in state employee concessions. The bottom line was that I could not support a budget that had too few cuts, considerable new spending, significant tax increases, and unresolved employee concessions.

In addition, during the debate, the minority offered amendments which included their alternate budget which I also could not support. This budget had extensive cuts with no explanation of how the cuts would be implemented. When asked during the debate how four hundred million dollars in cuts to Medicaid would be accomplished, the answer by the proponents was "the department would find a way". The answer was the same on questions about the proposed elimination of funds for the teacher mentoring program and skills exams, mastery testing for elementary grades, and reductions in old-age assistance and aid to the blind. While they proposed no new taxes, the two billion in concessions from state employees was still included in their budget.

As we move forward, an agreement with the employees was reached, but it fell four hundred million dollars short of his goal, so the Governor will need to propose additional cuts. In addition, several "implementer" bills must also be adopted in the coming weeks to establish statutory language to support the changes in the budget, such as agency consolidations and program changes. So, while the budget is adopted, it is not really a finished product yet and changes will be made. As always, if you would like to discuss the budget or any other topic, please email me at Paul.Davis@cga.ct.gov or call me at 203-799-PAUL (7285).

## Themis Klarides (R) 114th District

I thank you for the opportunity to take a couple of minutes to let you know that the Connecticut House of Representatives held a vote on the controversial budget drafted by Gov. Dannel



Malloy and majority party Democrats. This budget was built on questionable revenue schemes, increased government spending and heavy-handed tax hikes. The \$40 billion two-year budget was passed in a 19-17 vote by the

state Senate and was approved in the state House by an 83-67 vote. I voted "No."

Among the many tax hikes is a retroactive income tax increase for all, including middle class wage earners. It also includes a sales tax hike (6 to 6.35 percent), making goods and services with already increasing prices even more expensive, while stripping the tax-free exemptions for items under \$50. The budget taxes everything from non-prescription drugs, such as cold medicine and vitamins, to concert tickets and live music at restaurants. It also taxes specific exercise facilities and hospitals. Then there's the 40 percent reduction to the state's \$500 property tax exemption for homeowners and a reinstatement of taxes on real estate transactions.

If this wasn't enough, it also increases taxes on our job providers. At a time when Connecticut's unemployment rate is above the national average at just over 9 percent and many of our largest employers are losing or moving jobs out of state, I have to question the decision by Governor Malloy and some legislative Democrats to double the corporate tax rate from 10 percent to 20 percent. The way I see it, we shouldn't punish businesses for having jobs in Connecticut, we should encourage them to call our state home.

This tax package will impact our everyday lives, increasing the cost of living and the burden of government on each of us. Sadly, those on fixed incomes, such as Social Security or unemployment, will be the ones who hurt the most.

I joined a coalition of legislators who, with some hard work, we were able to come up with a "No Tax Increase" alternative budget. We presented this publicly and, prior to the Governor's budget vote, proposed our alternative budget for a vote from the floor of the House.

There's a big difference between zero tax hikes and nearly \$4 billion in tax increases. I was disappointed the majority was unwilling to even consider any of the concepts included in our "no tax increase" plan—including government agency consolidations, paying off high interest state debt first before low interest debt, and a cap on one of the state's two gas taxes. We missed an opportunity to fundamentally restructure state government and find efficiencies.

There are five weeks left in this legislative session, which ends June 8. I look forward to keeping you informed about what's happening in the legislature. In the meantime, feel free to contact me with your ideas, questions and concerns at 1-800-842-1423 or sign up for my email updates at www.RepThemis.com. Thanks for your time—I appreciate it and hope to hear from you.

## Gayle Slossberg (D) 3rd District

Whether politically correct or not, I have always told the truth as I see it. Sometimes that is good news; sometimes it is not so pretty. But even when the news isn't good, I know that you count on me to tell it to you anyway. Today is no exception.



To say that the last few years have been difficult is an understatement. Gas prices are soaring, friends and neighbors are out of work, families are struggling to make ends meet by doing more with less, many of our seniors are trying to survive on fixed incomes

and our state government has a massive \$3.2 billion budget deficit. I get up every morning thinking about what I can do each day as your state senator to make things better. What I have found is that sometimes, when things are most difficult, the best way I can serve you is by simply speaking out when things are not right.

Anyone who tells you we can solve our state's budget problem by only reducing spending is either ignoring the facts or being dishonest. Our budget deficit is so extreme that even if we lay off every state employee, we still would not eliminate the budget deficit. Similarly, if we tried to resolve the deficit without any new taxes, we would end up cutting state aid to towns and your property taxes would inevitably go up. Raising taxes had to be part of the solution, but it should be the last resort, only after all spending cuts could be made and certainly with no new spending.

The governor, like I, must work with the legislature on budget issues. As negotiations took place, incredibly—but predictably—millions of dollars in new spending crept into the budget. In its final version, \$620 million in new spending was included in the budget. This made my decision to vote "no" relatively straightforward—I simply could not ask the people of Milford, Orange and West Haven to pay more taxes while at the same time approve new spending on a variety of pet projects. How can I stand by spending \$300,000 for a theatre in southern Connecticut when people are out of work or about to lose their jobs? How can I vote for a budget that adds administrative positions when the same budget slashes funding for senior transportation in Milford? There may be a time for such spending, but not when we are cutting critical programs and asking citizens to shoulder \$1.5 billion in new

The budget proposed by the governor called for shared sacrifice, making certain spending cuts, raising more than a billion dollars in new taxes and seeking a billion dollars in concessions from state employees. I admire the governor for his honesty and his efforts to deal with the deficit without one-time gimmicks and borrowing to cover shortfalls. By instituting Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), he has required that government accounting reflect the true cost of our government services. I have confidence in him and believe he will ultimately get our state on the right path.

We are living through extraordinary times; we all have to make sacrifices for the greater good and I have an obligation to seek a balanced budget. But I cannot and will not ask you to pay more for our government when we do not have the discipline to stop spending on nonessential programs. Although my vote may not be popular with my own party, it was important for me to cast it because my first and only priority is to represent you. My father taught me that you cannot spend what you do not have. Our state government cannot pay for what we already have and if we can't pay for what we already have, we cannot spend more. That is unfortunately what this budget does. So, I voted no.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me.

## In Memory Of Mr. Diamond

By Roberta L. Nestor

I know when we hear the word veteran, we think of the thousands of men and women who have sacrificed their lives for our country. Memorial Day is that time to remember and to give thanks to those individuals and their families. I have also learned that there are veterans of professions that too need

## **Dollars**

recognition and I would like to dedicate this article to Robert N. Diamond, owner and founder of Tax Services of Milford who passed away very recently.

and sense all accounts he was a veteran tax preparer. Some of his office memorabilia includes framed copies of IRS forms and a collection of several adding ma-

chines from days gone by. One of the framed 1040 IRS forms is from 1944 and appears simple; there were only 9 lines to complete. Fast forward to 1976, and while the 1040 still consisted of only one page, it had 17 lines. Today the IRS 1040 has two pages and requires completion of 77 lines.

I believe in today's world, being acknowledged as a veteran in any one area of concentration will be challenging. Having a career and expertise in just one field is starting to be a rarity. It is said that the average college graduate today will have 3 to 5 different career paths. Bob never strayed from his focus and gave his expertise and reliable, professional services to families in Milford and the surrounding areas for 37 years.

There have been many heartfelt words from his tax clients, most of whom expressed how much they looked forward to their yearly visits with Bob. Can you imagine actually looking forward to having your taxes done each year? I can attest, most came out of his office with smiles.

Bob was also a veteran of Milford. He was a former member of the Milford Club, the Board of Fire Commissioners of the City of Milford, the United Way and the Milford Chamber of Conference. He will be missed by many.

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## **Milford Yacht Club to Host Annual Blessing of the Fleet**

Things are really heating up at Milford Yacht Club and we're not talking about the summer weather!! Carrying on a centuries-old tradition that originated in the coastal fishing communities of southern Europe, the Milford Yacht Club will be conducting its annual Blessing of the Fleet on Sunday June 19, 2011 at 4:00pm. This event also marks the start of the boating sea-



son for the local fishing and sailing community. Several local clergy have been invited to this annual event. Rabbi Farbman of Temple Emanuel in Orange, Father Maroney of St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church in Milford and Reverend Osmun of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Milford will bless the fleet to ensure a safe and bountiful season. The highlight of the blessing will be the colorful procession of vessels down Milford Harbor past the Yacht Club.

Founded in 1903, Milford Yacht Club is a memberowned private club that maintains the charm of an old fashioned boating club while providing modern ameni-

ties such as a full service restaurant, swimming pool, and marina. For over a hundred years, Milford Yacht Club has been a premier destination for sailors, boaters, swimmers and a summer oasis for families. Members and their guests enjoy coming in from a day of yachting, then cooling off in the pool before relaxing on the deck with drinks before dinner. Often the Club House is abuzz with the excitement of a weekend regatta or rocking with the entertainment of a Saturday night dance.

Kenneth Grahame wrote in The Wind in the Willows, "Believe me, my young friend; there is nothing - absolutely nothing - half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats." With that spirit in mind, consider coming down to Milford Yacht Club on Sunday, June 19th to view or partake in the Blessing of the Fleet and processional. This free event will feature boats of all sizes and descriptions as they pass by the club in full dress with banners and flags streaming. This will be an exciting event not to be missed. What better way to spend the day than having fun by the water? There will be music, food and dancing. Call the reservation line (203-783-0070) at Milford Yacht Club if you want to stay for our Father's Day BBQ. For boaters wishing to participate on the water, please register by contacting the MYC Fleet Captain by email (mark\_laser@yahoo.com). Please include a description of your boat including length, beam, sail or power. Instructions to mariners will be distributed closer to the date. For additional information regarding Milford Yacht Club in general, contact membership@milfordyachtclub.com.

### **Death Notices**



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## On the Road with the Ward-**Heitmann House Museum**

The Ward-Heitmann House Museum of West Haven invites you to join them on August 3, 2011 as they travel to the Blithewold Mansion and Arboretum in Bristol, Rhode Island. Blithewold, a 45 room restored mansion overlooking Narragansett Bay, is considered one of the five top garden estates in New England.

Price per person is \$87 and includes r/t bus transportation, museum entrance fee, private tour fee, all taxes and gratuities, and a boxed lunch served on the mansion's terrace overlooking Narragansett Bay. There will be free time to explore the village of Bristol. Reservation deadline is July 18, 2011. Trip is limited to 29 persons. For information and reservations, please call Kathryn Gregory, 203-933-0599 or e-mail: kathryngregory@sbcglobal.net.

## When Thunder Roars, **Go Indoors**

#### **Storm Safety Advice from Orange CERT**

If thunder roars, go indoors. Sounds easy enough, right? It is. It's the best advice for storm safety but not the only one. The Orange CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) in cooperation with FEMA, offers these tips and guidelines to protect you and your family during a thunderstorm.

Storm watch or storm warning, there is a difference. A Storm Watch means a storm is possible in your area, while a Storm Warning means a storm is expected in your area. In both cases you will need to be prepared to protect your home and loved

If you hear thunder, you are close enough to the storm to be struck by lightning, so seek shelter immediately. If you can't and are caught outside, there are some things

you can do to protect yourself. If you are in the woods, take shelter under a small tree. Tall trees or trees in an open area are natural lightning rods. If you're in an open area, be a very small target by squatting low to the ground, place hands on your knees and your head between them, making sure you are the smallest target possible. Do not lie flat on the ground because it makes you a bigger target. Avoid natural targets such as sheds, small structures, boats in water, metal things like farm equipment, motorcycles, bicycles, etc.

Get inside a home, building or hard top car (not a convertible). Even though you may be hurt if lightning strikes your car, you are still safer inside the car rather than outside. Inside your home, stay away from windows and doors. Do not lean on concrete walls or lie on concrete floors. Avoid showering or bathing as the fixtures conduct electricity. Use a corded telephone ONLY for emergencies. Cordless and cellular phones are safer to use. Unplug appliances and other electrical items like a computers and air conditioners. Power surges from lightning can cause serious damage.

If power goes out, use battery powered flashlights and lanterns. Do not use candles as they are easily forgotten and can be knocked over by children and pets. Keep up with storm updates and alerts by listening to battery powered radios. All households should have a Disaster Supply Kit assembled and readily available. This is a kit that contains food, clothing and items to sustain each person for at least three days. For a full list of kit items go to: www.fema.gov.

If your home is struck by lightning move you and your family to a safe spot and call 9-1-1 using a cordless or cell phone immediately to summon the Fire Department, even if you don't see or smell smoke or fire.

If you are told to evacuate, do you know where your local shelter is? In Orange it is the High Plains Community Center located at 525 Orange Center Road. Orange CERT is continuing to prepare the shelter and is fully capable of operating it once it is officially opened during an evacuation. Further information on the shelter such as what to bring will be available in the next CERT article. For now, please familiarize yourself with the location and be aware that pets are welcome!

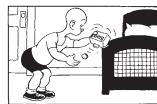
For more information on Storm safety please go to www.fema.gov . For other information on CERT, call the Fire Marshal's Office at (203) 891-4711 or visit: www.orangefiremarshal.com or www.cert-orange.com.

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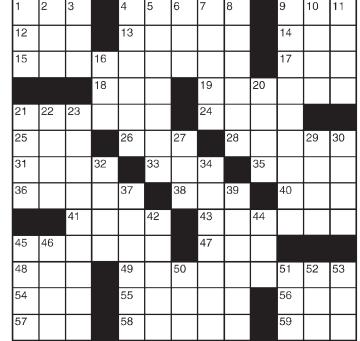
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By Tony Rizzo

Cary Grant starred with every important female in the movies, including Mae West in "She Done Him Wrong" and "I'm No Angel," Grace Kelly in "To Catch a Thief," Doris Day in "That Touch of Mink," Marlene Dietrich in "Blonde Venus," Katherine Hepburn in "Sylvia Scarlett," Audrey Hepburn in "Charade," Sophia Loren in "Houseboat" and Deborah Kerr in "An Affair to Remember." And who can forget him being chased by a plane or dangling from a cliff in Alfred Hitchcock's "North by Northwest," with Eva Marie Saint? Born Archibald Leach, he was nominated for two best actor Oscars and five Golden Globes. His only child. Jennifer Grant, born when he was 65, with actress Dyan Cannon, is remembering her famous father in her new memoir, "Good Stuff: A Reminiscence of My Father, Cary Grant."

One of my memories of Grant was when he was honored as star of the year by the Theatre Owners of America at a formal dinner in New York. Luckily, I knew how to get into the ballroom through the kitchen to bypass the heavy security. Standing at the dais, I slipped an index card in front of him to get his autograph. He looked at the index card, which was not like the slips of paper he'd been signing, and then at me. He snapped his fingers, a guard appeared and he said, "Would you escort this young man out; he obviously does not belong here." I grabbed my signed card and was escorted out.

A few minutes later, I went back through the kitchen and was in front of Grant -- this time with my camera ready. He looked at me again, snapped his fingers and out I went. On my third try he asked, "What do you want?" I looked him in the eye and said, "We can do this all night, or



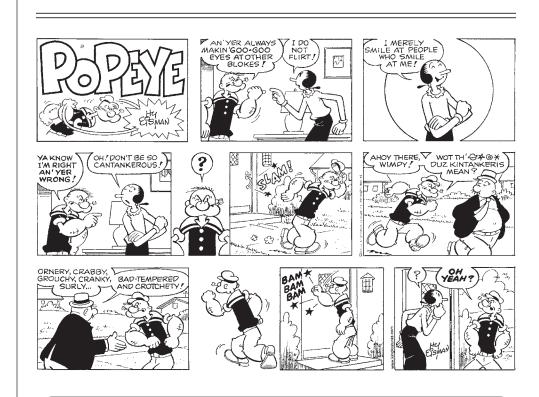
Cary Grant

you can let me get a picture and I'll be on my way." He smiled, knowing I meant it, and said, "Where would you like me to look?"

Debbie Reynolds has rarely, if ever, missed the Thalian Ball -- the charity she founded -- until this year, when she accepted a personal appearance as the grand marshal of a parade out of town. Insiders say she was not thrilled her charity was honoring Playboy's Hugh Hefner and that the ball was being held at the Playboy Mansion. Debbie has always had very strong family values.

Jennifer Aniston, who carried a torch for her ex-husband, Brad Pitt, is dating "The Hangover" star Bradley Cooper. The upside, of course, is if she screams out the wrong name in an intimate moment ... it will be the right name!!!

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LEGAL NOTICE

#### TOWN OF ORANGE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AMENDING SECTION OF CODE CHAPTER 83, ARTICLE III - REGIONAL DOG POUND

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters and those persons qualified to vote in Town meetings of the Town of Orange that in accordance with Section 3.4 of the Charter of the Town of Orange, the Board of Selectmen of said Town will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in the lower level meeting room of the Orange Town Hall, 617 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT to consider amending the code of the Town of Orange -Chapter 83 – Article III Regional Dog Pound, Section 83-5 Agreement for regional animal control.

A full copy of the ordinance with proposed agreement is available for review in the Office of the Town Clerk, Town Hall, 617 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477.

Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment of Chapter 83 of the Town of Orange Code dated at Orange, CT this 20th day of May 2011.

> **BOARD OF SELECTMEN** TOWN OF ORANGE Attest: Patrick B. O'Sullivan, II, Town Clerk

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### **ENTERTAINMENT**



1. Thor (PG-13) Chris Hemsworth, Anthony Hopkins

2. Fast Five (PG-13)

Vin Diesel, Paul Walker

3. Jumping the Broom (PG-13) Angela Bassett, Paula Patton

4. Something Borrowed (PG-13) Ginnifer Goodwin, Kate Hudson

5. Rio (PG)

animated

6. Water for Elephants (PG-13)

Reese Witherspoon, Robert Pattinson 7. Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family (PG-13)

Tyler Perry, Loretta Devine 8. Prom (PG)

Aimee Teegarden, Thomas McDonell 9. Soul Surfer (PG)

AnnaSophia Robb, Dennis Ouaid 10. Hoodwinked Too! Hood vs. Evil (PG) animated



1. Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1 (PG-13)

(Warner Bros.)

2. The King's Speech (R)

(Anchor Bay, The Weinstein Co.)

3. Tangled (PG) (Disney)

4. Bambi

(Two-Disc Diamond Edition) (G) (Disney)

5. Tron: Legacy (PG)

(Disney)

6. Gulliver's Travels (PG) (Fox)

7. Sharpay's Fabulous Adventure (G) (Disney)

8. The Chronicles of Narnia: The **Voyage of the Dawn Treader (PG)** 

(Fox) 9. Yogi Bear (PG)

(Warner Bros.)

10. Little Fockers (PG-13)

(Universal)





Nicolas Cage

EDITOR'S NOTE: New DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of May 30th, 2011.

#### PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Drive Angry" (R) -- You can always count on Nicolas Cage to bring the crazy, and in "Drive Angry," he brings it with an atomic gusto not seen since "The Wicker Man."

Cage stars as Milton, a condemned soul who escapes from Hell to avenge the death of his daughter and to save the life of his infant granddaughter, who is to be sacrificed by a bat-guano insane cult leader (Billy Burke). Aiding Milton on his mission is the spunky, conventionally attractive waitress Piper (Amber Heard).

Of course, one doesn't simply walk

out of Hell, and pursuing Milton and Piper is The Accountant (William Fichtner), a ruthless servant of Satan savagely determined to drag Milton back to the fiery abyss. Packed with blood, explosions and breasts, "Drive Angry" is ridiculous, gory, vulgar neo-grindhouse fun. I haven't enjoyed a film this much since "From Dusk Til Dawn."

"Stanley Kubrick: Limited Edition Collection" (R) -- Nine movies, 10 discs, all high-def remastered on Blu-ray, this boxed set contains the best works of one of cinema's grand masters: "Spartacus," "Lolita," "Dr. Strangelove," "2001: A Space Odyssey," "A Clockwork Orange," "Barry Lyndon," "The Shining," "Full Metal Jacket" and "Eyes Wide Shut." Also included in the set is a hardcover 40page book packed with photos and essays about the films.

"American Graffiti: Special Edition" (PG) -- George Lucas' 1973 blockbuster about a group of highschool kids raising hell on their last summer night before college is a rock 'n' roll-fueled nostalgic jovride through the early 1960s. Featuring Wolfman Jack, Richard Dreyfuss, Ron Howard, Harrison Ford and a ton of other young actors who would become big movie stars, and a soundtrack that is a pure joy to listen to, "American Graffiti" is the best film George Lucas ever made.

#### DOG OF THE WEEK

"Passion Play" (R) -- Mickey Rourke, Bill Murray, Kelly Lynch, Rhys Ifans and Megan Fox star in this horrible, direct-to-DVD mess about a jazz musician (Rourke) who falls in love with a winged sideshow attraction (Fox) and is pursued by a gangster (Murray) who must possess the enigmatic, pouty-lipped freak.

Sara

Evans

#### **Top 10 Pop Singles**

1. Katy Perry feat. **Kanye West** "E.T."

2. Adele

"Rollin In the Deep"

3. Britney Spears feat. Nicki Minaj & Ke\$ha "Til the World Ends"

4. The Black Eyed Peas "Just Can't Get Enough"

5. Bruno Mars

"The Lazy Song"

6. Rihanna "S&M"

7. Jennifer Lopez feat. Pitbull

"On the Floor" 8. Ke\$ha

"Blow" 9. Jeremih feat. 50 Cent

"Down On Me" 10. Chris Brown feat. Lil Wayne & Busta Rhymes

"Look At Me Now"

#### **Top 10 Country Singles**

1. Sara Evans

"A Little Bit Stronger"

2. Miranda Lambert "Heart Like Mine"

3. Kenny Chesney

"Live a Little"

4. Jerrod Nieman 'What Do You Want"

5. Brad Paisley feat. Alabama

"Old Alabama" 6. Rascal Flatts

"I Won't Let Go"

7. Keith Urban

"Without You" 8. Darius Rucker

"This" 9. Taylor Swift

"Mean"

10. The Band Perry

"You Lie"

- Which group first released "Alley Oop," and when?
- Which song do the films "Reservoir Dogs," "The Ice Storm" and "Practical Magic" have in common?
- Which singer released R&B hit "My Prerogative"?
- (Hint: Think Whitney Houston.)
- Who sang "If I Can't Have You"? Bonus for knowing
- who wrote the song. Michael Jackson's "Black or White" was a single from which album? Which child actor appears in the first minutes of the song's vid-

I. The Hollywood Argyles, in 1960. Amazingly, the song shot to No. 1 on the charts. The Dyno-Sores

What was Blondie's first No. 1 single?

in 1978. The song was written by the BeeGees. 5. "Dangerous," released in 1991. Macaulay Culkin played the child who was playing music too loud. 6. "Heart of Glass," in 1979. Blondie was founded by singer Debbie Harry and guitarist Chris Stein. also released the song the same year. 2. They all included the song "Coconut," by Harry Wilsson. Wilsson is best known for penning songs that ended up in films such as "Midnight Cowboy," "Forrest Gump" and "You've Got Mail." 3. Bobby Brown, in 1988. Brown is Houston's ex. 4. Yvonne Elliman,

## Weekly **SUDOKU**

#### by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

#### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★**

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging **★★★** HOO BOY!

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Sudoku answers on p



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although you would prefer to move forward at a steady pace, it might be a good idea to stop and reassess your plans. You could find a good reason to make a change at this time.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Just when you thought you had everything planned to the smallest detail, you get some news that could unsettle things. But a timely explanation helps put it all back on track.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Home and work continue to compete for your attention. But you handle it well by giving each its proper due. Someone you trust offers valuable advice. Listen to it.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Unsettling news creates a difficult but not impossible situation. Continue to follow your planned routine, but keep your mind open to a possible change down the line.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Lick your wounded pride if you like, but it's a better idea to find out why your suggestions were rejected. What you learn could help you deal with an upcoming situation.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** Feeling a bit listless? No wonder. You might be pushing too hard to finish everything on your to-do list. Cutting

it down could help get your energy levels up.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Taking time out of your busy schedule might be the best way to handle that sensitive private matter. It will help reassure everyone involved about your priorities.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Insist on full disclosure by all parties before agreeing to be part of a "great deal." What you learn should help you decide whether to go with it or not.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Your decision to protect the secret that was entrusted to you might irk some people. But it also wins you the admiration of those who value trust and loyalty.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** Creative activities take on a practical approach as you realize you might be able to market your work. Ask for advice from someone experienced in this area.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) If you're suddenly a bit unsure about your decision, ask trusted colleagues and/or friends or family members for suggestions that could help resolve your doubts.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20). A workplace situation could get stormy. But stay on course until there's a solution that meets with everyone's approval, and things can finally calm down.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You keep an open mind on most matters, making you the confidante of choice for people who need your honest counsel.

#### Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipp



MISTER BREGER By Dave Breger





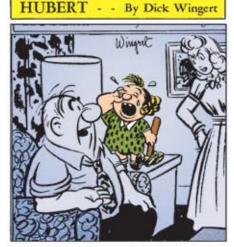
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BY BOLTINGE



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Differences: 1. Woman's hat is gone. 2. Window trim is black. 3. Salesman's boutonniere is missing, 4. Lamp is gone. 5. Man's jacket has buttons. 6. Chair's ruffle is gone.

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Source: About.com





## **Are Pets** People, Too?

A recent article in a British newspaper suggested that pet owners stop being called "owners" and start being called "parents." Why? Because pets are considered so much a part of the family that they shouldn't be considered property, the article suggested.



The trend toward treating a pet like ... well, practically another child ... isn't new, but it certainly is growing. According to Hartz Mountain Corp.'s recently released Hartz Trend Report, 47 percent of pet owners surveyed said their pet is like a child to them. Another 42 percent said their pet is comparable to a good friend.

There seem to be some real benefits to animals as this trend grows. Most prospective owners surveyed consider "personality" to be more important than a pet's pedigree. And a growing number have or are considering adopting their pet from a rescue society -- 60 percent said so in the survey.

These results don't necessarily mean that your local mall soon will be filled with "mommies" pushing their beloved Lab or Terrier around in a stroller (most self-respecting medium- to large-sized dogs wouldn't take that treatment anyway). The people surveyed considered traits like loyalty and obedience to be important qualities.

So, what do you think? Is your dog or cat a part of the family, or something even more important -- almost another child? Tell me your experience or opinion on the matter by emailing me at ask@pawscorner.com. Or, check out the informal poll on my website at www.pawscorner. com.

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