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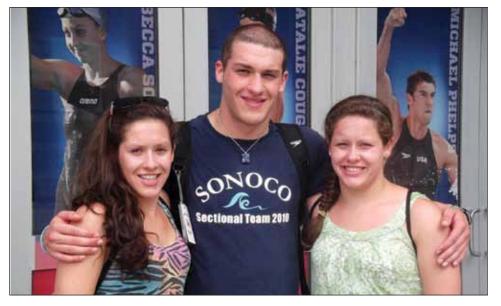
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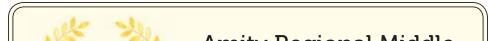
U.S. Olympic hopeful Eric Holden is pictured with his sisters, Katherine (left) and Rachel.

Holden Sets Sights on U.S. Olympic Trials

By Stephen Bailey – Orange Town News Correspondent

Most high school swimmers end their seasons with their respective state open meet as no New England or National championship competition exists, but after record-breaking performance in the 2012 Connecticut State Open, Orange's Eric Holden set his sights on the U.S. Olympic Trials. "I just can't say how much of an honor it is to swim at that level," Holden said. "Just to be a part of it is an absolutely humbling experience."

Holden, an Amity swimmer who broke his own record in the 100-meter breaststroke at opens, competed in the 100- and 200-meter break stroke competitions at the Olympic Trials in Omaha, Nebraska, during the last week of June. After qualifying for both events at a meet in Palo Alto, California last summer, Holden raced as part of the Southern/Northern Connecticut Swim Club along with fellow Orange native Dana Grindall and two others. He finished with times of 1:05.12 (106th overall) in the 100 and 2:20.55 (81st) in *("Holden" continued on page 9)*



T H LIVING O X

Talent, good looks and a little bit o' magic have helped Steven Miller parlay a passion for acting



into a career. The 30 year-old Green Circle resident has a trick or two up his sleeve – he is a trained magician and juggler – skills that come in handy when he's trying to land an acting job.

Laura Fantarella

"It's given me a niche as an actor," said Miller, whose resume includes appearances in more than 250 films, television shows, and commercials in addition to a host of performances as a magician and entertainer.

Miller began practicing magic when he was a student at Amity Senior High School after he suffered a back injury that left him unable to play sports. "I couldn't really play outside and I needed activities to keep me occupied," he said. "I remember seeing a classmate do a card trick and I thought it was really interesting. I started doing a lot of reading and realized there was a whole world of magic out there."

He started studying all the howto books and videos he could get his hands on and began spending hours practicing the craft. A trip to the famous Tannen's Magic Store in New York City eventually led to enrolling in its Magic Camp, where Miller spent four years as a camper and four more years as a counselor. By this time he was regularly delighting friends and family with his juggling performances, his mystifying card tricks and his 'now you see it, now you don't' routines with everyday items like pens, rings and sponge balls. Known locally as "The Magic



Steven Miller

Guy," Miller gets a kick out of pulling out a trick on the street or in a crowd. "Magic is universal. It's the best icebreaker you can think of. Sometimes just for fun I will do a trick and walk away," Miller said. "People are always amazed because logically things can't just change or disappear – magic breaks all those rules. I like being right in someone's face and seeing their reaction. It's fun to make someone happy."

But when he was cast as one of the male leads in Amity's summer musical productions, "Grease", Miller says he was "bitten by the acting bug" and decided to try to make a career as an actor. Now a member of the Screen Actors' Guild. Miller continues to hone his craft, "living on the train" as he heads back and forth to New York, Boston and Stamford attending auditions and working on sets. So far the bulk of his credits come from background work and small parts in television shows that include "The Good Wife," "Gossip Girl," "Law & Order," "Ugly Betty," "Blue Bloods," "The Big C," "Jimmy Kimmel Live" and "Joan of Arcadia" and movies like, "Indiana Jones 4," "Zookeeper," and "Click," as well as the upcoming Meryl Streep movie, ("LOtB" continued on page 7)

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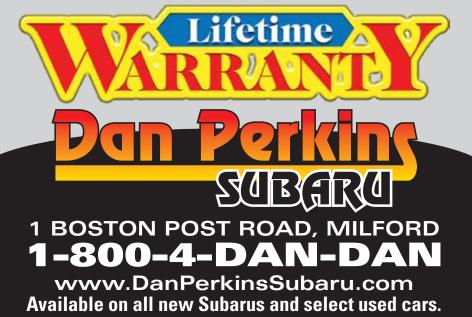


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On Wednesday, July 25th the Connecticut Army National Guard Band is performing a free concert in Orange. The concert begins at 7 pm on the fairgrounds at High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road. Admission is free and all are invited to attend.

About the band: Stationed in Rockville, the 102nd Army Band is the official musical emissary for the Connecticut Army National Guard. Beginning its deep history in 1863 as the First Regiment, Connecticut National Guard Band, the unit's musical tradition has continued through many designations and locations. The 102d Band served in World War I, World War II, and the Korean Conflict.

As "Goodwill Ambassadors" for our great state and nation, the 102d performs in a variety of concerts, ceremonies, and parades around the state and overseas. In 1995, the unit travelled to the Philippines to commemorate the 50th anniversary of General Douglas MacArthur's triumphant return. The 102d has also performed for President Reagan, Queen Elizabeth, and other notable dignitaries.

The 102d performs at many venues throughout the state including veteran's homes, town greens, and city band shells. The band has had the honor of playing for our troops returning home from Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Noble Eagle and the NATO Change of Command Ceremony in Heidelberg, Germany in 2004. Most recently, we have been honored to play for the troops as they got off the plane in Fort Bliss, Texas, as they greeted their families for the first time returning home from Iraq and Afghanistan in 2010.

Within the 102d Army Band, we have several musical groups which play a variety of music from classical, to jazz, to show tunes, as well as rock and many others. In addition to our concert band, we have a Jazz band, a rock band, a brass quintet and a Dixieland band. This allows us to perform many different types of concerts and ceremonies. As a National Guard unit, we have musicians with diverse backgrounds and careers, who practice or perform just one weekend a month, and tour two weeks a year. We constantly accept new recruits and prior service Soldiers who are skilled musicians and encourage you to contact us at 860-871-6735 x10 to schedule a time to visit the band.

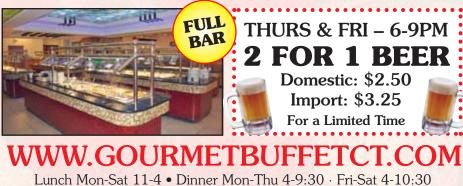
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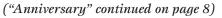
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STUDENT NEWS

Madeline DePetto to Intern at NBC Chicago

Madeline DePetto has been awarded a highly-coveted internship with NBC Chicago for the upcoming fall semester. She will be interning with the NBC Health Unit and working with Emmy-winning anchor and health editor Nesita Kwan and Medical Producer Bob Ray. As an intern, Madeline will assist with medical research, go out with Nesita and Bob to observe interviews with medical officials and physicians, help compose interview questions, write scripts, compose video packages, etc.

Madeline will be a junior at Columbia College Chicago, majoring in Broadcast Journalism. She has been named to the Dean's List for the fourth consecutive semester. Madeline is a 2010 graduate of Amity High School.

Ashley Madigan Makes Dean's List

Ashley Madigan of Orange, a 2011 graduate of Amity High School, has been named to Fairfield University's Dean's List for the spring 2012 semester. Ashley has completed her freshman year and is a Communications major. Her parents are Jill and Tom Madigan.

Rachel Hildrich Given Academic Achievement Award

Rachel Hildrich, a 2010 Amity grad, made Dean's List and received an Academic Achievement Award for being in the top 2% for her first two years at George Washington University in D.C. Rachel, a member of APO community service fraternity, spent her spring vacation building houses with Habitat for Humanity in New Orleans. She is a tutor at GW's Writing Center and enjoys singing with the Vibes, an acappella singing group there. The daughter of Andrea Nadel and Stephen Hildrich of Orange, Rachel will be studying abroad next semester in Seville, Spain.

Mark Prussin Named to Dean's List at Hofstra University

Mark Prussin of Orange, a 2010 graduate of Amity High School has been named to the Dean's List for the 2012 spring semester at Hofstra University in Hempstead, NY for the fourth consecutive semester. He has completed his sophomore year and is majoring in Journalism with a minor in English.

Mark is a member of WRHU, Radio Hofstra University. As part of the WRHU Sports Department, Mark has many roles: a play by play and side line reporter for women's basketball, softball, and men's lacrosse, an in studio producer for New York Islanders NHL broadcasts, and a co-host of a weekly sports show, The Bullpen.

Mark will begin his junior year covering the Republican National Convention in Tampa, FL for the WRHU News Department.



Middle School Registration Day

Amity Middle School in Orange will be running a registration day on Wednesday, August 15th, 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for incoming 7th and 8th graders who will be new to the Orange public school system for the 2012-13 school year. Please contact Amity Middle School at (203) 392-3200 if you would like to set up a registration appointment for you and your child.



Amity Middle School

Orange Elementary School Registration

Registration of elementary students grades K-6 new to Orange will be held on the dates and times indicated.

PLEASE NOTE: Parents are requested to bring child's birth certificate, proof of residency, physical and immunization records at the time of registration.



Mary L. Tracy School

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Grades 1 -6

Race Brook School Friday, August 10, 2012 - 12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Turkey Hill School...... Monday, August 13, 2012 - 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Peck Place School Monday, August 13, 2012 - 12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Lauralton Hall Fourth Quarter Honor Roll

Principal Ann Pratson of The Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall has announced the Honor Roll for the Fourth Quarter of the 2011 – 2012 school year. High Honors students have achieved an average of at least 92 in all academic courses; Honors students have an average of at least 86 in all academic courses.



Orange residents who have achieved High Honors are:

- Grade 11: Taylor Black, Lauren Lichac and Rebecca Morgan; and
- Grade 9: Caitlyn Black, Taylor Choe and Claire Sweeney.

Orange residents achieving Honors are:

- Grade 12: Hayley Spragg;
- Grade 11: Nicole Sweeney;
- Grade 10: Bridget Stackpole; and
- Grade 9: Amelia Justo.

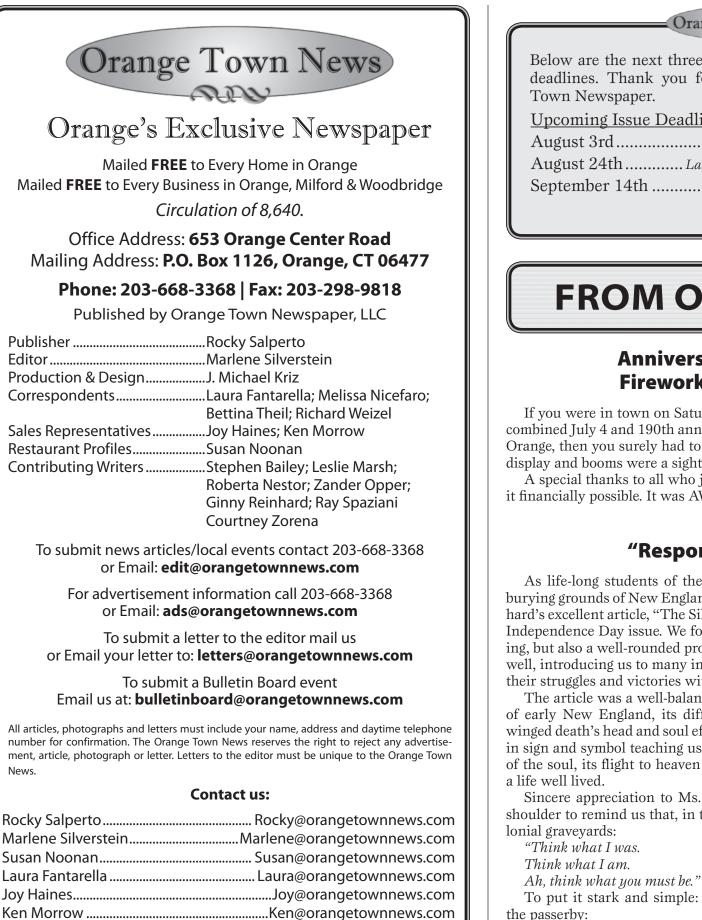
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FROM OUR READERS

Anniversary Celebration & Fireworks Were Awesome!

If vou were in town on Saturday evening, July 7, and missed going to the combined July 4 and 190th anniversary celebration produced by the Town of Orange, then you surely had to have heard it! The intensity of the fireworks display and booms were a sight to see and hear.

A special thanks to all who joined with The Orange Town News to make it financially possible. It was AWESOME!!

Diana and Daniel Duarte

"Responding To Silence"

As life-long students of the 18th century gravestone and local colonial burying grounds of New England, my wife and I happened upon Ginny Reinhard's excellent article, "The Silent City ... " in the Orange Town News special Independence Day issue. We found the article not only exceedingly interesting, but also a well-rounded profile of not only 18th century death but life as well, introducing us to many industrious historical personages documenting their struggles and victories within the fabric of their lives.

The article was a well-balanced composite of all profound considerations of early New England, its difficult life and its profound spirituality. The winged death's head and soul effigies, silent though they are, speak eloquence in sign and symbol teaching us about mortality of the body, the immortality of the soul, its flight to heaven and the crown of righteousness culminating

Sincere appreciation to Ms. Reinhard for figuratively tapping us on the shoulder to remind us that, in the words of a much cited adage found in Co-

To put it stark and simple: "Memento Mori" (remember death). And to the passerby:

"As I am now, so you must be. Prepare for death and follow me."

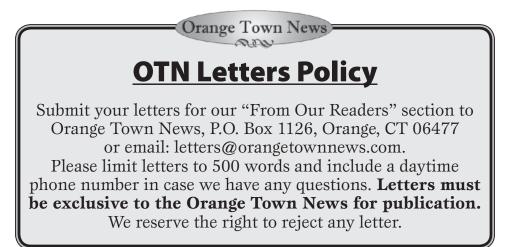
Vincent & Kathleen Lattanzi

State Not Practicing "Common Sense Finance"

If you have been paying attention lately to what is going on at the State Capitol you realize that our state does not practice common sense finance when setting budgets. I especially point to the last budget passed by Hartford and Governor Malloy. At the end of the 2011 session, the legislature worked with the Governor to approve a \$1.8 billion tax increase (the largest in history of the state) and additionally added to our public debt by inflating the state's spending by more than \$900 million over the biennium.

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What the responsible people of Connecticut did while Hartford increased borrowing and spending was to tighten their own purses. We made the hard decisions the state avoided. We had to sacrifice while the state chose to raise taxes on clothing, businesses, estates, yoga classes and pet grooming, to name a few-all resulting in less money in our pockets. I ask you-what did the government sacrifice? Even when they claimed "state employee concessions", it proved untrue as contracts entitled them to a four-year, no-layoff guarantee and empty promises to save the state money.

In 1983, the state discussed a constitutional amendment to impose new restrictions on expenditures and tax increases. If passed by the House and the Senate, it would have gone to the people of Connecticut via the 1984 ballot. The arguments supporting the amendment cited that each year taxes are increased without any checks on spending. In fact, the budget for that year ballooned by 12% while inflation was roughly 4%. Supporters of the amendment pointed out that it was the largest tax increase in the history of Connecticut...over \$315 million. Those against the amendment claimed falsely that this "huge" budget increase was an anomaly and that Connecticut did not practice "wild" spending habits.

Opponents agreed that no one liked tax increases, but that it was not prudent to have a constitutional amendment on "matters as complex as budgettax policy". However, 1992 did result in Connecticut adopting a strict constitutional spending cap that limited general budget expenditures to no more than you make and would ensure "a balanced budget".

Here we are almost 30 years later and Hartford again has passed the largest tax increase in state history followed by months of borrowing to "keep the lights on." When will common sense prevail? Only when voters elect legislators who will practice what we expect of ourselves-spend no more than we make, borrow no more than we can afford to pay back. A change in leadership surely is in order.

Respectfully, Pam Staneski Editor's note: Pam Staneski is the republican candidate for State Representative for the 119th district including part of Orange.

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"Hope Springs." He recently completed one of his biggest roles yet, the lead in a film that may become a Lifetime movie. For fun he compiled a montage of all the television and movie work where he's appeared as a juggler, called, "The Story of a Background Actor that Juggles," and posted it on YouTube. Like all struggling artists, he's patiently waiting for his "big break," supplementing his income with jobs as a waiter, delivering balloons and playing costume characters and taking most any job in the entertainment business that comes his way. He performs magic at many charity and celebrity events, not only because he appreciates a good cause, but because "you never know who is going to see you." A show at a homeless shelter once led to a performance for the mayor of New Haven.

His skills as a magician have led to several unique opportunities. He has served as a magic consultant on sets that require a magician's perspective, most recently for the ABC show "Pan Am" where he helped coach a young boy who was doing a card trick in a scene. He also appears in Tom Ogden's book, "The Complete Idiot's Guide to Street Magic." "Even when I don't have a big part it is fascinating to be on a set. I'm always learning," he said.

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Orange Historical Society's 3 sisters helped celebrate the 190th birthday of the Town of Orange in Colonial style. Frances Vadney and Jan Clarke are often seen at the society's antique shop and tag sales held at the Academy but for the celebration, sister Antoinette Horth came from Maryland to help with the society's mini historical shop at the annual fireworks sponsored by the Orange Town News. Left to right Frances Vadney, Antoinette Horth and Jan Clarke

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what the viewers had already applauded as the last blast, it used humor to send home a happy crowd.

The musical group, The Bernadettes, also was a draw that night, as was the 190th birthday cake provided by Julia's Bakery. The music was superb, Nastri thought. She said the band brought people out to dance on the grass. The group's female vocalist, Sheila Fabrizio, also displayed the beauty of her vocal range when she opened by singing the Star Spangled Banner.

First Selectman Jim Zeoli welcomed the crowd, saying the event is a commemoration of Orange gaining independence from the City of Milford back in 1822. The residents had petitioned the state for independence and it was granted in May 1822. A few years from now the town will start planning its bicentennial, Zeoli said. The residents of Orange are family-oriented and hard working, traits that have helped the town weather many a storm, Zeoli said. After this particular event, one might add descriptions such as "hardy," "not easily intimidated by dark clouds" and "enjoying a good party."

The cake was beautifully decorated with the town seal. First Selectman Jim Zeoli ceremoniously cut the first piece and got to eat it, too. "It's delicious," he declared. Jeanne Consiglio and Susan Noonan cut pieces for the rest of the residents lining up at the Hospitality Tent staffed by friends of the Orange Town News. At that point the sun was shining and seemed to keep all the clouds away.

More and more residents decided to join the revelers at the Fairgrounds as the evening wore on. Some had set up picnic tables with patriotic decorations; others sat on blankets or lawn chairs. Many of the people came in groups of family and friends. They came with pizza boxes, snacks and drink. Those who didn't bring anything had



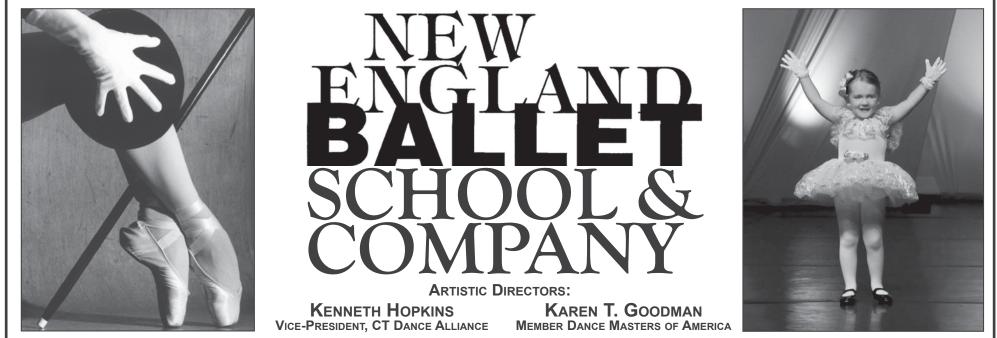
lawn chairs. Many of the people A 190th Anniversary Program Book was came in groups of family and distributed at the event, outlining 190 years friends. They came with pizza of progress in the town of Orange.

who didn't bring anything had a chance to purchase JP Kettle Corn, Rita's Ice and Timothy's Gourmet.

Karen Defur-Maxwell and her husband Bill said they hadn't missed a single one of the previous years' fireworks. This year, their grandson William Mace from Michigan joined them, helping to set up while the rest of the family was on its way.

It should be mentioned that the organizer of this extravaganza was Rocky Salperto, the publisher of the Orange Town News. The first selectman, in his opening speech, thanked Salperto and his staff for getting the celebration off the ground, booking the music, fund-raising and organizing the fireworks. "Without them, there would not have been any fireworks this year," he said.

Note: For those of you who missed the celebration, it can be seen in its entirety on Orange Government Access Television (OGAT), Cablevision channel 79. Broadcast times are 5:30 am, 1:30 pm & 9:30 pm daily. In addition, copies of the 190th Anniversary Commemorative Program Book are still available at Case Memorial Library, Orange Town Hall, the Orange Historical Society Academy Building and the Offices of the Orange Town News.



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the 200, racing at the world's highest level of competition under the Olympics themselves. "Just being privileged enough to make an Olympic Trial cut and to be able to participate in the Olympic Trials was just an absolutely incredible experience for me," Holden said. "The facilities, just everything about the entire meet was just absolutely incredible. It was just an experience that I'll never forget and such a learning experience."

One challenge Holden faced was dealing with a change in pool structure. High school competitions are held in 25-yard pools while Olympic-level competitions are held in 50-meter pools. So after a full high school season, save select races in the 50-meter pools, Holden has been swimming exclusively 25-yard lengths. "The pool that I train at is a 25-yard pool so I don't ever train in the long-course pool," Holden said. "It definitely is an adjustment. There's meets every couple of weeks or so that you can kind of get a feel for the longer pool, but not being able to train in a long-course pool, it definitely takes some adjusting to."

But he found success. Given that fact, as well as his training level at the time of Olympic Trials, Holden was happy with his performance — both times near-personal bests. Completing at Olympic Trials was another accomplishment to go with his second-straight state open title in the 100-meter breaststroke. That time — 56.29 — was just more than two-tenths of a second off the overall state record. "It was a best time for me," Holden said. "I would have liked to have broken the state record, but it was still a best time for me so you can't argue with that. And I had re-broken my own state open meet record so I was happy with that as well. It was a very good swim for me. I was very happy with it."

He will be continuing his career at the University of Virginia this fall. The Cavaliers have won 14 of the last 15 Atlantic Coast Conference championships and Holden hopes to contribute to that winning tradition in coming years. Maybe he'll even have an opportunity to compete for a national title there, but he knows that's a long way down the road. "Going to Virginia, I'm just going with an open mind and knowing that it's a very strong program, has a great coaching staff and athletes that I can train with and make myself better," Holden said. "I'm just looking forward to making myself better as an athlete and looking forward to any successes that come along with that."



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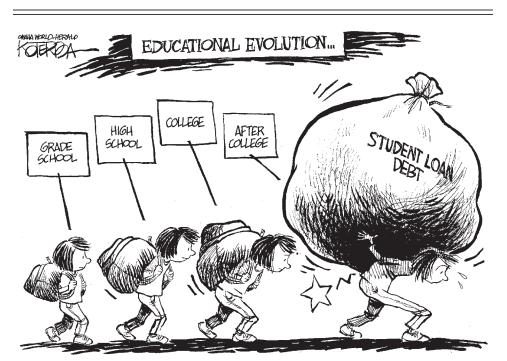
Congratulations To All The Honor Roll Students!

Rotary Club of Orange to Hold 16th Annual Lobsterfest

The Rotary Club of Orange will be having its annual Lobsterfest fundraiser on Saturday, August 11th at High Plains Community Center from 3:30-7:30pm. Tickets are \$40/person and include choice of twin lobsters or steak as well as corn on the cob, clam chowder, coleslaw, beer, wine, and soft drinks. Kids meals, including a Hot Dog or Hamburger are available for \$7. The day's festivities will also include a DJ, Moon Bounce and Raffle. All proceeds from the event will go towards supporting Ro-



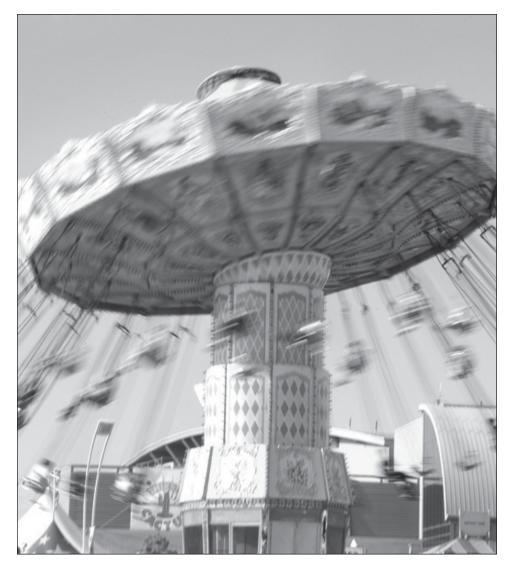
tary's initiatives both in the local community and abroad, including supporting the Orange Food Bank, the Annual Scholarship Program and Operation Warm Coats for Kids Program. Tickets should be purchased in advance and are available at Orange Insurance Center, 325 Boston Post Road, Suite 2B; Michael's Jewelers, 435 Boston Post Road; by calling (203)516-0870 or by contacting any Orange Rotarian.





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The Most Wonderful Time of the Year

By Laura Fantarella – Orange Town News Correspondent

For Orange's volunteer firemen, it's not December, but August that's "the most wonderful time of the year," as they prepare to host the town's most anticipated summer event, the annual Volunteer Fireman's Carnival.

The carnival will be held August 2 through 5 on the Orange Fairgrounds on Orange Center Road and will feature all the usual good food, thrilling rides and terrific raffle prizes, according to event organizer and Public Works Director Don Foyer. "We have one of the largest carnivals in the state and it's always a good time," he said. The carnival was first held in 1925 and has been an annual tradition in town ever since, except for two years when it was suspended during World War II and the polio epidemic. Fire Chief Charlie Gagel is one of the few remaining "old-timers" who remember when the carnival was held on the town green. When it grew too large for that venue, the carnival was moved behind Mary L. Tracey School and as it continued to grow, was moved again to its present home on the fairgrounds. "We've remained a high quality carnival and since we do not serve alcohol, we are a family-friendly event with many rides that cater to both little children and young people," Gagel said.

The carnival is more than just a fun time, it is the major fundraiser for the town's fire department, which is also self-supporting. "We are 100 percent volunteer from the chief right on down and we purchase all our own equipment," said Foyer, who is also a volunteer fireman. Foyer and the rest of the carnival organizers keep an eye on the sky and an ear tuned in to the weather forecast as Mother Nature can make or break the event. "It rained last year on Saturday night which is our biggest night," Foyer said. "It wiped us out." In the past several years revenue from the event has declined, likely due to bad weather and the downturn in the economy. This year Foyer hopes advertising the carnival via radio, television and billboards throughout the state will drive more people than ever to town. "I'm hoping more people in Connecticut have a 'stay-cation' and decide to have a good time closer to home," Foyer said. He expects more than 100,000 people will visit the fairgrounds over the four days. First Selectman Jim Zeoli urges residents to support the event. "Everyone should consider attending -- feed your family there or at least buy a raffle book," Zeoli said. "The department needs to raise as much as they can from this event and they could use a big boost, the cost of a new fire truck alone is a half million dollars. I hope the day never comes when we don't have a selfsupporting fire department and we need to raise taxes to pay for fire service." The hours for the event are: 5-11:30PM 8/2; 5PM-midnight 8/3; noon to midnight 8/4; and Noon to 5PM 8/5. This year's 13 raffle prizes are more impressive than ever and include all expense paid trips to Mexico, Disney World, Bahamas and the Eastern Caribbean, a plasma TV; iPad; and gift cards to Foxwoods and local businesses. The raffle drawing will be held at 4:30pm Sunday. Ride tickets can be purchased ahead by visiting www.orangevfd. com. "It's a fun way to contribute to the town," Foyer concluded. The volunteer firemen are on-call 24/7, dispatching from Station 1 at Orange Center Road and Station 2 at Boston Post Road. In 2011, the OVFD firefighters responded to 600 alarms with an average arrival time of less than five minutes.

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HAPPENINGS AT THE SENIOR CENTER

By Dennis Marsh

Orange Leadership Program, Class of 2013

Are you looking for an innovative, interesting program that will give you a chance to learn more about our community, the region and the state, make new friends, and increase and enhance your leadership skills? If so, the Orange Leadership Program is for you! We are now forming the 7th class since the start of the program in 2006. Fifteen Orange residents over the age of 55 will be accepted into the program this year. This popular program meets one Wednesday a month for 9 months in 2012-2013 from September to May and covers topics such as the history of the town, its economic development, education, community policing, communications and the media, the arts, town government, state government, and regional issues. Graduation is held in June. The Leadership Program offers an opportunity to interact with other persons from the town to get an insider's view of the issues that are shaping our community. The Leadership Program provides retired or semi-retired persons a chance to use their life skills while giving back to their community in a positive way. The program is funded by the Orange Senior Center and the \$100 tuition paid by each of the participants. Applications are now being accepted. Please call 891-4784 if you would like more information about the program or would like an application form.

Presentation for Upcoming Beijing City Trip in April 2013

September 25, 4:00 pm - Collette Tours and the Orange Senior Center will host a presentation in the senior lounge on an exciting Beijing City Trip we have scheduled for April 2013. See our trip section for more details. Call the senior center to let us know you are coming.

Presentation for Upcoming Ireland and Possibly Italy 2013

November 6, 4:00 pm - Collette Tours and the Orange Senior Center will host a presentation in the senior lounge on a trip to Ireland called Shades of Ireland. If you are interested in going to Italy let us know and you should attend this presentation. If we have enough interest we can offer both Ireland & Reflections of Italy trips (scheduled for September 2013). Call the senior center to let us know you are coming to the presentation.

Blood Pressure Screenings with the Parish Nurses

The Griffin Hospital Outreach and Valley Parish Nurse Van will be at the High Plains Community Center August 7 from 10:00 - 11:30 am for blood pressure screenings.

Ice Cream Social with Country and Blue Grass Music

There is no Cabaret this month due to the Summer Picnic; however on Monday, August 6, from 1:30 to 3pm Bob DiQuattro will play his guitar and sing country and blue grass songs in the café. We must limit this event to the first 80 people. To reserve your place at this free event, call the office at (203) 891-4784. Reservations will go fast and your name must appear on the list to attend.

candy and a ticket for a free future lunch. Lunch suggested donation is \$2.00. Call Ellen in the kitchen by noon the day before at (203) 891-4765 to reserve a meal. Join us to celebrate the birthdays of the month!

Trips

For day trips, please make checks payable to "Treasurer, Town of Orange". Overnight and extended stay trip checks are usually made out to the tour company. Call the Senior Center office for more information.

Also be aware that the first two rows of seats on the bus are reserved for the escort and riders with special needs. To reserve a special needs seat you must notify the Senior Center staff at sign-up. Parking is available along the fairgrounds at the Community Center except for summer trips noting departure is from Mary L. Tracy School.

A true delight! **QUEBEC CITY INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL of MILTARY BANDS** – Tuesday, August 21-24, 2012. No other city in North America reflects the charm of Europe the way Quebec does. Tour the city, shop in boutiques, enjoy a carriage ride, visit St. Anne De Deaupre, and enjoy the Quebec City Military Tattoo. Cost: \$595 double pp includes transportation, hotel accommodations, admissions, tickets to Quebec City Military Tattoo, 5 meals, driver and tour guide gratuities. A passport is required.

??? MYSTERY TRIP ??? Tickets are going fast – Wednesday, August 29, 2012. Boats, Trains, and Automobiles!?! We hope you don't get motion sickness as we whisk you around...who knows where, on this nostalgic trip of yesteryear. No passports required, but a sense of adventure is. Cost: \$81 pp includes lunch, transportation, and driver gratuity. Full payment at registration.

THE BIG 'E' FAIR – Wednesday, September 19, 2012. Connecticut Day at the Big E, "New England's Great State Fair", is the premier event each Fall. There is something for everyone at the Big E! Cost: \$47 pp. Driver gratuity is not included. Full payment at registration. This trip is open to non-members of the senior center.

THE VIENNA BOYS CHOIR AT SPRINGFIELD SYMPHONY HALL – Tuesday, December 4, 2012. The world's most beloved choir has been thrilling audiences for over 500 years. Their eagerly, anticipated tours perform before sell-out crowds nationwide. Don't miss this one-of-a-kind holiday program featuring classic and contemporary Christmas favorites. Lunch is included at the La Renaissance. Cost: \$91 pp includes transportation, entertainment, lunch and driver's gratuities. Full payment is due at registration.

2013 TRIPS

HAWAIIAN CRUISE – January 10 – 20, 2013. Only inside cabins available. 11 days with 7 shore excursions. Explore 7 Polynesian Cultural Centers, Pearl Harbor & USS Arizona Memorial, a 60-acre Maui Tropical Plantation, Volcanoes National Park, Waimea Canyon – "The Grand Canyon of the Pacific", Dole Pineapple Plantation, and more. Prices range from \$3599 to \$4099 depending on cabin chosen. A deposit of \$500 is required to confirm your space. Travel insurance is available and recommended.

BEIJING CITY STAY - April 8 - 17, 2013. 9 days, 15 meals. Experience the beauty and intrigue of one the most fascinating cities in the world. You will visit the Beijing Zoo famous for its pandas, Tianamen Square - the world's largest public square, the Forbidden City, enjoy a Peking Duck Dinner and Opera, visit the Great Wall of China, the Olympic Green, Temple of Heaven, and enjoy a Rickshaw Tour. Cost is \$2,399pp double with early booking discount of \$100 until October 8, 2012. A \$250pp deposit due at registration. Cancellation insurance is available for \$220. A passport is required. **SHADES OF IRELAND** – September 15 – 24, 2013. (10 days, 13 meals). Travel the Ring of Kerry, one the world's most beautiful coastal routes while experiencing old Ireland at its finest. You will visit Dublin, experience an Irish evening, visit Kilkenny - the home of Waterford Crystal, see Blarney Castle and kiss the Blarney Stone, enjoy a Jaunting Car Ride, Travel along the Ring of Kerry, visit a farm in Killarney and experience the customs of a traditional Irish family, in Limerick see the Cliffs of Moher, and stay overnight on the Cabra Castle grounds. A deposit is required to confirm your space. Cost with early booking discount is \$2,999pp double. Deposit due at registration. Cancellation insurance is available. A passport is required. **REFLECTIONS OF ITALY** – September 2013. 10 days, 14 meals. Revel in the magic of this famed destination as you set out on a comprehensive tour that features Rome, Venice and Florence. Explore Rome's rich history, including a guided tour of the Coliseum. Visit one of Chianti's treasured wineries complete with a stop at a Medieval Castle. Relish the charm of Venice amid its canals and architecture. Deposit due at registration. Cancellation insurance is available. A passport is required.

Wellness & Balance Screenings with Dr. Tom

Dr. Tom Gregson of Gregson Chiropractic will be here the fourth Tuesday, July 24 to offer Balance Screenings, Fall Prevention and Wellness. He will be in the Town Conference room – across from the gym, from 9:45 – 10:45 am. There is no charge and he will communicate his findings to your primary care physician.

Summer Cookout

This year's Summer Cookout under the High Plains Pavilion will be held on Tuesday, August 14 from 5 to 8 pm with a rain date of August 15. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be grilled and served with salads followed by dessert and coffee. Kickback Duo will perform 50/60's music for your listening and dancing pleasure. This is always a sold out event. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased in the senior center office. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Birthdays of the Month

We will be celebrating Senior Center members' birthdays for the month of July on July 31. Please join us in the senior café for lunch and stay for cake from 11:30 am to 12:00 pm. The birthday member will receive a gift bag with

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

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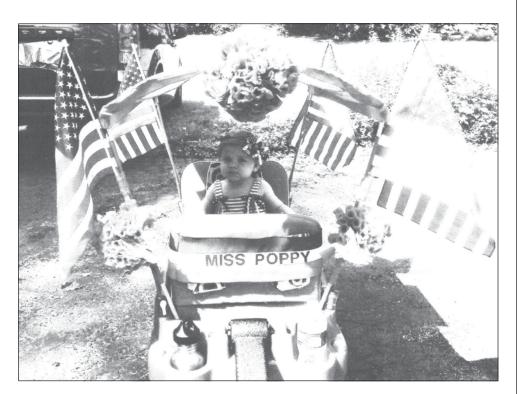


Nancy Becque (left) and Garden Club President Marion Rizzo at the Annual Meeting.

The Garden Club of Orange Honors Nancy Becque

The Garden Club of Orange honored long-term member Nancy Becque with a Life Membership in the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc. at its annual meeting on June 13, 2012. Becque has been a member of The Garden Club of Orange since 1967 and has participated in all activities of the Club and has served as Chairman of almost every Club committee. She was President of The Garden Club of Orange from 2003 – 2005 and is currently serving her third consecutive term as Civic and Conservation Chair.

Becque was also honored at the 2011 Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, Inc. awards meeting, receiving the Connecticut Tribute Award for Civic Development. Club President Marion Rizzo said, "Nancy is the first to volunteer for anything that needs to be done; always carrying out her tasks efficiently, conscientiously and willingly, and is a true asset to not only the Garden Club but the Town of Orange."



An Invitation to Join a Group of Enthusiastic Photographers!

Would you like to improve your picture taking skills? The Orange Imaging Club will pro-

vide just such an opportunity, regardless of your current experience level. If you are a professional or experienced amateur, you may have your images judged by top regional exhibitors. As an experienced photographer you will share your knowledge with beginners. If you are new to photography and want to im-



prove your skills, programs such as: Understanding Depth of Field; What is White Balance All About?, What Makes a Great Photo?, What is ISO All About? will help you achieve these goals.

You will focus on applying the above skills during a variety of local and regional field trips. We also provide our photography services to the community, covering a variety of local events. We meet monthly at the Case Memorial Library in Orange. Upcoming meetings are as follows: Thursday, July 12th and Thursday, August 9, both meetings start at 7 pm. Please join us and meet fellow photographers.

Amity Teen Center Partners with Helping Hands

The Amity Teen Center (ATC) is participating in two fundraisers this summer. Partnered with Helping Hands Thrift Store, 334 Boston Post Road in Orange, donations of furniture, household items and clothing will be accepted. All items donated by ATC supporters will be designated to the organization which will receive 18% of the sale price of these items when they are sold in the thrift store. Helping Hands will even pick up your furniture for free. This is an ongoing fundraiser, so, please think of the ATC and Helping Hands when you have furniture and other items you would like to donate.

The Macy's 7th Annual Shop for a Cause on August 25, 2012, to benefit charities nationwide, is the second fundraiser being conducted for the ATC. The ATC is selling "Shop for a Cause" savings passes for \$5.00 each. These passes will entitle the shopper to receive 25% off on regular, sale and clearance merchandise on Saturday, August 25 at Macy's, thereby enabling the ATC to raise funds through its direct sale of the \$5.00 "Shop for a Cause" savings passes.

If you would like to have more information about these two fundraisers or to purchase the Macy's "shopping passes", please call Jane at (203) 795-9351. Passes may also be purchased at the Amity Teen Center by calling Jen at (203) 668-9348. For summer hours and to check out the Teen Center's brand new website, please go to www.amityteencenter.org.

Love to Crochet?

Join the Hooked on the Sound (HOTS) Crochet Guild! We are a chapter of the Crochet Guild of America (CGOA), a non-profit group of enthusiastic crocheters in the southwest area (New Haven County) of Connecticut. We meet monthly to share stitch successes, assist with pattern problems, and generally have a great time crocheting! Please feel free to join us, 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, Orange CT, 203-891-2170 (library only), Saturdays, 10AM - 1PM, on the following dates for 2012: August 4, September 8, October 6, November 3 and December 1. Our meeting room is on the 2nd level, small meeting room. There is an elevator available (wheelchair accessible). Visit our website at http://hotscrochetguild.yolasite.com/. Have a question? Email us at HOTSCrochetGuild@ Live.com. Like us on Facebook (Hooked on the Sound) and follow us on Twitter (@HOTS_Crochet). Happy Yarning!

American Legion Welcomes Newest Member

Mary & Don Jewell's Great-Granddaughter Cameron Cascella was recently named Miss Poppy for the Memorial Day Parade. She is the daughter of Matthew & Jeanna Jewell Cascella. Her dad is serving in the US Navy and is currently deployed on the USS Enterprise.

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TOWN DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

From the Office of the Assessor



The State of Connecticut requires that each town in Connecticut revalue real property periodically to ensure that assessments are equitable. The Town of Orange has retained Vision Government Solutions, Inc. to conduct the general revaluation of the Town. Representatives of Vision Governmental Solutions Inc. will be in your area to conduct the first phase of the revaluation process which will involve collecting current information about your property.

Each Vision data collector will have both Vision Governmental Solution Inc. photo identification and Town of Orange photo identification. Please be assured that each data collector has passed a background check performed by the Orange Police Department prior to the start of the project. All Vision representatives and their vehicles are also registered with the Orange police department. Residents are encouraged to ask for this identification prior to admitting anyone into their homes. If a homeowner or tenant has questions as to the identity of a data collector, they should call the Orange Police Department (203) 891-2130 for further confirmation.

A Vision data collector will visit your property and confirm the exterior measurements of each building and document additional information such as location, topography, utilities, and quality of construction. Your home will be measured and the exterior inspected on the data collector's first visit to the home. A new photograph of the home will also be taken.

The Vision data collector will request that an interior inspection be made. The interior inspections take 10 to 15 minutes and include a tour of the house including basement and accessible attic space. The homeowner or resident will be requested to sign the data collection form at the conclusion of inspection to verify that the interior inspection took place.

Providing a signature means nothing more than the interior of the home was inspected. An interior inspection will not be conducted unless a person 21 years or older is available. If you have any questions, please contact Vision Governmental Solutions at 888-844-4300.

Thank you for your cooperation. The Assessor's Office



We Need You - Orange Volunteer Firemen's Carnival

The Orange Volunteer Firemen's Carnival will be held again this year beginning on Thursday, August 2 through Sunday, August 5. Help is again gratefully accepted and needed in the main food tent. If you are interested in giving of your time for a few hours, help is needed for these shifts:

- Thursday, beginning at 4:30 p.m.;
- Friday beginning at 4:30 p.m.;
- Saturday, beginning at 11 a.m. for the day shift, 4 p.m. for the evening shift; and
- Sunday, beginning at noontime. The carnival does not go into the evening on Sunday.

If your company would like to volunteer together, as a group, that would be great and very much appreciated. Coldwell Banker-Orange volunteers on Thursday night and Weichert Realtors Orange comes in on Friday night.

Please remember that aside from having a good time pitching in with your neighbors and friends to help, by being a volunteer fire department, it also helps keep our town taxes lower.

Call or email Denise Mirto to add your name. 203-795-1080 or denise. mirto@gmail.com.

Emergency Management

Be Prepared: Hurricane Season is from June to November, August/September is the worst time.

For preparation information please go to sites such as: www.Getreadycapitolregion.org www.redcross.org www.Ready.gov

During an Emergency such as hurricanes, power outages, etc. if you are able, please go to the following site for immediate up to date information on the status of the conditions in the Town of Orange and services available. We will keep this website up-to-date on our status.

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Please make note of these valuable resources for use in planning for and during an emergency. Bookmark it on your computer and smart phone.

Thank You, Fred Palmer Director of Emergency Management & Tino Russo Asst. Director



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Dining with Susan'



Plan "B" Burger Bar

Americans definitely have a love affair with burgers. They're fast, they're easy and next to apple pie, they're as American as you can get. Thirteen billion hamburgers are consumed each and every year. Hamburgers account for nearly 60% of all the sandwiches eaten. Which brings me to Plan B Burger Bar in Milford. Over the past few months many friends, colleagues, and acquaintances have encouraged me to visit this very popular restaurant. Plan B opened in Milford last September with little fanfare & advertising. The owners feel that "word of mouth" is the best advertising. This is a great concept if you have a good product and without a doubt owners Al Gamble & Shawn Skehan have definitely hit a home run. In addition to the Milford location, the duo has locations in Simsbury, West Hartford, & Glastonbury. These innovative entrepreneurs are opening new locations in Stamford & Springfield, MA. I have great respect for anyone that can operate a successful restaurant in this challenging economy alone, but to be able to expand is unbelievable. Founded in 2006 on the principle of great burgers & good booze, their concept is that customers deserve to eat healthy, quality food without compromising style & fun. Plan B promises:

- 1. BEEF: You deserve 100% Certified Natural with NO antibiotics, NO hormones, NO fillers, NO added colors, NO chemicals, from farms that have undergone the strictest food certification in existence today, CERTIFIED HUMANE (the first in the country).
- BURGERS: You deserve breathtaking burgers that are always fresh, never fro-2. zen, ground in-house daily from whole chucks, never preformed, simple & pure.
- BOURBON: You deserve to drink the finest selection of all natural, boutique 3. bourbons available (the menu offers "Just A Nip" or "Three Fingers").
- 4. BEER: You deserve access to weekly hand selected, top rated American craft beers served by a staff of people certified in guiding consumers through enjoyable experiences with great beer (available light to dark, gluten free, brews to two & mini kegs).

All of the Plan B restaurants feature local produce to ensure their commitment to freshness and to the surrounding communities. They actually go out and meet with the farmers. For those who do not eat meat, homemade veggie burgers are on the menu.

The Milford location is packed 7 days a week. My first visit was on a Monday evening & every table was taken (even the bar was busy). The Plan B wait staff & management team are given extensive training. This allows them the opportunity to know the menu inside & out including the impressive selections of Beers & Bourbons. (I had a "Three Finger" shot of Old Grandad in honor of my grandfather Robert McBurnie, Sr.'s favorite Bourbon.) Plan B prides itself in having the largest selection of boutique bourbons in Connecticut. I was very excited that Plan B serves a Bourbon Baked Brie Plate (one of my all time favorite appetizers & I finally found a local place that offers it). My group also ordered the Blue Cheese Burger & Pretzel Burger along with onion rings & another favorite "tator tots. All the food certainly lived up to the rave reviews. I hope to sample one of the house-made desserts on my next visit.

Plan B offers a very reasonably priced Happy Hour menu (\$3.00 specials served Monday-Friday from 3:00pm -6:00pm in the bar area. This is a great deal for anyone that enjoys dining early including seniors. The atmosphere is family friendly, but there is fun neighborhood nightlife later in the bar. (Karaoke is featured on Tuesday evenings.) Late night menu served Sunday-Thursday10pm-12am - Friday & Saturday until 1:00pm (great for late night employees looking for fresh healthy options). Full bar with many choices of mixed drinks, wine, beer, bourbon, etc.

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FINAL NOTES: I am extremely impressed with the success of this "upscale burger" restaurant group that keeps such a low profile. Plan B definitely proves that our community is happy to pay for fresh, locally grown (even the pickles), quality food and consistently professional service. Plan B Burger Bar enjoys giving back to the community so keep them in mind for local fundraisers. Make a visit to this popular location. Please remember to support our local family owned businesses. If you have a favorite restaurant e-mail susan@orangetownnews.com.



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Q: One of my favorite shows this season, **"Pan Am,"** was canceled. Is it on DVD? -- Pat S., via email

A: "Pan Am" is not yet available on DVD; however, you can own all the episodes via Amazon. The show is available for instant viewing on your PC, Mac, compatible TV or other device. Simply go to Amazon.com and search "Pan Am" to learn more.

Q: Can you tell me what one of my favorite rock stars, **Bret Michaels**, has been up to lately? -- Rhiannon G., via email

A: The **Poison** frontman has been touring with **Def Leppard** and **Lita Ford** this summer, as well as promoting his new line of pet clothes, toys and accessories. Bret Michaels' Pets Rock collection is available only through PetSmart (in stores and online at petsmart.com). As the owner of the cutest Boston terrier in the world, I couldn't wait to speak with Bret about his new line of doggiewear.

Bret explained the collaboration between himself and PetSmart: "They'd all come up to my house (in Arizona, where PetSmart is based), and I would show them a design, and I'd show them the stuff my pets were playing with. We would talk about it and we would draw some stuff up, and then they would take it back and work on it. It was very collaborative. As you know, safety is a huge factor, along with durability."

But just because Bret had a hand in designing a doggie tutu, it doesn't mean he's gone soft. He told me: "In the music business, you might get lucky for a record or two, but you're not going to survive 25, 26 years unless you know the business side of the entertainment business, which is really tough. It really gave me a thick skin. I'll say this about any musician



Bret Michaels

who's lasted more than two years: You've really gotta be on your game. It's tough to get into the business -- to get that break -- but it's way tougher to stay there."

Q: Is it true that a movie is in the works based on the **"Shattered Union"** video game? -- Vinnie P., Springfield, Ohio

A: Jerry Bruckheimer is in the very early stages of development. He has joined with Disney and screenwriter J. Michael Straczynski (creator of "Babylon 5") to bring the video game to life, perhaps sometime in 2013.

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Q: I loved **Frances Conroy** on "**Six Feet Under**" and "**American Horror Story.**" What else can I see her in? -- Deanna R., via email

A: Frances is all set to play June Carter Cash's mother, Maybelle Carter, in the Lifetime original movie "**Ring of Fire**," which is set to air later this year. The movie stars **Jewel** as June and **Matt Ross** as Johnny, and centers on June and her rise to fame, from singing with her sisters to her solo career to her third (and longest) marriage to **Johnny Cash**.

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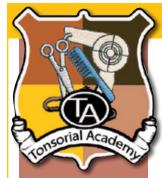
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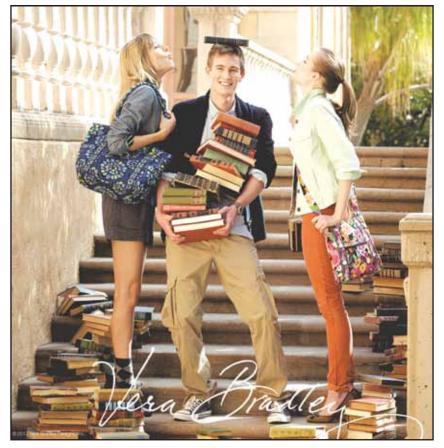






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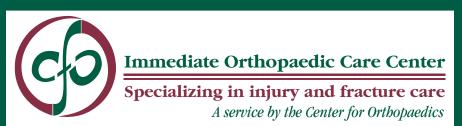
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Keating Awarded Scholarship

Mary DeVito, treasurer of the Orangewood Woman's Club is shown presenting the Orangewood award to Courtney Keating at the Orangewood Scholarship Fund ceremony.



Moore Receives Anthony Nastri Scholarship

Carla Nastri Appel and Dolores Nastri are shown with Simon Moore who received the Anthony M. Nastri Scholarship at the Orange Scholarship Fund ceremony. Simon will study Mechanical Engineering at the University of Connecticut.



Amity Travel Soccer Boys U-10 taking a break between games at the J. Conte Soccer Tournament in Cheshire June 23. Orange residents Ali & Arian Bobi, Casey Donovan, Ryan Nuzzo, Nicholas Wawrzyniak and Henry Westgard participated. The team was coached by Seth Ragaini and managed by Sabra Donovan.

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Orange Scholarship Fund Awards

Thirteen outstanding seniors from local high schools received scholarships from the Orange Scholarship Fund at its annual awards ceremony on June 16 at Case Memorial Library. Donations from the community, including four scholarships given in memory of donors' loved ones, provided a total of \$12,000. With impressive resumes of service to the community while maintaining excellent grades, the students are heading off for further education in fields that range from science and medicine to the liberal arts to business and accounting. After the awards were presented, students, parents, and friends were treated to an inspiring talk by Paya Trivedi Emery, a graduate of Amity and herself a recipient of a Fund scholarship. Describing her career path after she entered college and later, making what seemed random choices at the time, she prepared herself for her present job as a nurse practitioner in an inner city clinic, a vital, fulfilling career that evolved, she said, "by accident." So, she advised the students, allow yourself to follow your interests-you can't predict where they may take you. The celebration concluded with refreshments.

All of us in Orange should be extremely proud of these young people, who have already given so much to their community and are now preparing to add their energies and talents to the larger one. The Orange Scholarship Fund Association depends on community support to continue to provide aid to deserving students. Please join us by sending your donation, large or small, to the Orange Scholarship Fund Association, P.O. Box 1072, Orange, CT 06477. A helping hand from one's home town can be a vote of confidence for a lifetime.

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Friends of the Library Awards Scholarship

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Lucy Scilia was a retired librarian who did much to foster the love of reading in children. She participated for many years in the Peck Place Adopt-A-Reader Program, was in charge of the children's book sorting and sales for the Friends' Annual Great! Book Sale, and worked with the Children's Librarian at Case Memorial in panning programs for children at the Library.

Antoinette Giangara, Lucy Scilia's sister, was in attendance for the awarding of the scholarship. The Friends of the Library is pleased to institute this new program to benefit students seeking higher education.

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Every Laughter Club meeting includes a warm group hug.

Town Group Benefits from Laughter Club

By Laura Fantarella – Orange Town News Correspondent

Every Wednesday morning, weather permitting; a lively group of happy people meet under the gazebo at the town fairgrounds to start their day with the best workout ever – exercising their funny bones. As members of the lighthearted "Laughter Club", this group of about 20 men and women from Orange and surrounding towns find much to laugh about. Their laughter leader is former Orange resident and retired school psychologist Connie Pino who started the local group about a year ago. The program is sponsored by the town's Senior Center, although all ages are welcome to partake in the free morning get together.

Pino's group is based on the "Laughter Yoga" program started in 1995 by Dr. Madan Kataria, a medical doctor from Mumbai, India popularly known as the 'Guru of Giggling' (London Times). While researching the benefits of laughter, Kataria was amazed by the countless studies documenting the profound physiological and psychological benefits of laughter. He developed "Laughter Yoga," a unique exercise routine that combines group laughter exercises with yoga breathing which allows anyone to laugh without using jokes, humor or comedies. Started with just five people in a public park in Mumbai in 1995, it has grown into a worldwide movement of more than 6000 Laughter Yoga clubs in over 60 countries.

Pino happened upon the work of Kataria several years ago when she was searching for a way to help people bring more joy into their lives. "People walk around being way to serious, we have to lighten up a bit!" she said. So following the principles of Kataria's program, she formed her own club at her winter home in Florida which eventually grew to about 30 participants who met twice a week. When Pino told her friend in Orange about the group, her friend immediately called the Senior Center to bring the program to Orange. "Laughter Yoga is not based on jokes or humor, but instead uses laughter as an aerobic workout. It is great fun, the world's easiest exercise, and it makes you feel great," Pino said. "Try laughing for 20 minutes straight, it's exhausting!"

Light on yoga and big on laughter, the routine calls for participants to interact with each other, often performing a host of imaginary scenarios, like pretending you are playing an unfamiliar musical instrument – badly - or that you just won the lottery; or walking around giving each other the 'naughty' signal. Face to face with the others in the group, it is nearly impossible not to laugh at the antics that ensue. And Pino is quick to point out that 'fake' laughter is just as beneficial and will often lead to, 'real' laughter. At each session, participants are invited to share anything good and positive that is going on in their lives. Each incident, from "I'm expecting a new grandchild this week,' to 'I attended the Arts & Ideas Festival' is affirmed by joining hands and cheering, "Ho, ho, ho, ha, ha, ha, very good, very good, **YAY!!"** Elementary school teacher and Skyline Drive resident Betty Hadlock said the group makes her feel energized. "I even do it with my children in school, they really get a kick out of it," she said. Ridge Road resident Helen Golub enjoys the class so much she encouraged her mother Inna to try it. "It's a good way to start the day. It makes me smile more at home," Helen said. "It's what life is about." "We like to laugh!" Inna added. "Think about breathing deeply, clapping, stretching and laughing with a group of friends and you have an idea of what laughter yoga is all about," she said. She's also quick to point out its many health benefits, like releasing pain-relieving endorphins, increasing antibodies, conditioning abdominal muscles, reducing the effects of stress and helping to view life with a more positive perspective to name a few. "Since laughter is the universal language, it is the hope of Dr. Kataria that we can achieve world peace through laughter," Pino said. The group meets Wednesdays at 9 a.m. under the gazebo at the Orange Fairgrounds on Orange Center Road or inside the Community Center in inclement weather. For more information contact, Pino at cpino6@aol.com.





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In this, Mr. Reid's first individual showing, some 40-45 visitors came to see the glorious and often grandiose views of the Black hills, fabulous close-ups of wild lions, their cuddly cubs, hippos, giraffes and elephants. With over 75 pieces in all, everyone had a lot to see! Bob has it all here with framed, matted and loose 8x 10 pieces, along with "can't pass up" multi-picture folded card & envelope sets



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Which One's the Oldest?

When exchanging pleasantries while speaking to new friends and their children, the question is often posed as to which is the oldest? Not for any real reason but a general question to ease into the conversation. It might not be as

pleasant a conversation when towns and cities vie for the honor of being the oldest to have been established, especially when that honor holds such an important status. Status? If one thinks about the manner in which the earliest settlers came to Connecticut, the hardships they endured, being the first carries a good deal of "status".

Connecticut has 169 towns, albeit some are cities but many of them look just like Orange. The typical New England Green can be found in many of them and even they have a "status". Milford has the 2nd longest Green. Now who would think that to be special? Well, to the citizens of Milford it IS. If it's any consolation to Milford, their ancestors, who ventured west to establish New Milford, have the longest Green!

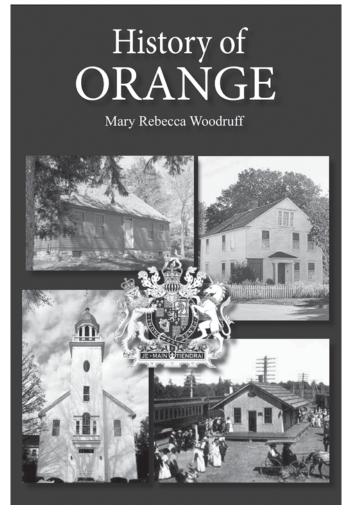
History is its own worst enemy as those who make it and those who report it are often at odds but giving a shot at the oldest Connecticut town depends on several factors, the least of which is pride in your town. Using the dates alone, the towns of Windsor, Weathersfield, yes, I know it's Wethersfield now and Hartford are considered to be the first 3 towns in our state, in that order. In fact, some think that the 3 grape vines on the State of Connecticut flag stand for the three earliest colonies. The dates of settlement for the three are 1632 to 1634 with Old Saybrook in 1635, not far behind.

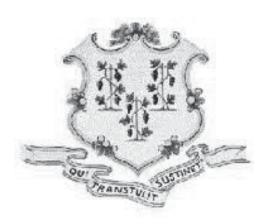
Next in the running comes New Haven with 1638 and our very own history, as begun in Milford, in 1639. If that date looks familiar it's probably because the only chronicle history we have of

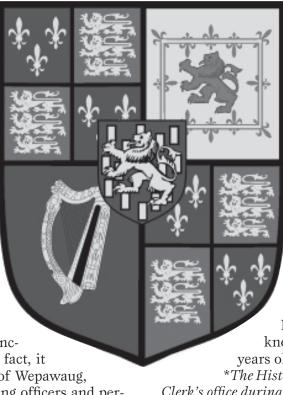
Orange is the History of Orange* by Mary R. Woodruff, the subtitle being North Milford 1639-1949. In making the determination of which town is the oldest it is necessary to ascertain which nation had the predominant citizenry. If you factor in the Dutch and the English, then the list changes. If you factor in the difference between a trading post and a settlement, then the list changes. If you factor in the difference between a charter and a constitution, yes, the list changes.

By 1639, when Peter Prudden and his company founded Milford, the colonies of Fairfield and Guilford (Guildford) followed and the race was on. Having left England in 1637, the Rev. Peter Prudden led a group from Hert-

fordshire to Boston following the leadership of John Davenport and Theophilus Easton weeks earlier. The names Buckingham, Fowler, Platt, Bryan and East were among those who are remembered as Milford colonists in addition to their leader. The new arrivals remained in the area of Boston for almost a year and were asked to stay but both Davenport and Prudden had other plans, wanting to establish their own colonies. In April of 1638, both groups ventured down to the Quinnipiac region establishing themselves and forming the New Haven Colony. The only difference was that the Prudden group had a separate allotment known as the Hertfordshire section within the nine squares that the colony had created. After preaching in Wethersfield during the summer of 1638, Rev. Prudden gathered a greater number of followers who asked that he lead them to a new colony and the names of Tapping, Tibbals, Treat, and Miles were added to the Hertfordshire group that founded Milford on February 12, 1639. From the early records, we find that there was no distinction between church and state, as we know it today. In fact, it was just the opposite. At a meeting of the new colony of Wepawaug, later Milford, it was determined that the power of electing officers and persons to divide land and manage the interests of the plantation should be in







the church only. It was further decreed that all the business of the plantation in their meetings and by their officials should be done according to the written word of God, the Bible being their code of laws. There was much discus-

sion as to whether or not voting and office holding should be confined to church members and it was decided that it should be. The leaders in the church were the leaders in civil affairs.

While the business of living and planning took place, another group of people looked on having seen such men before but in small numbers and for a short period of time. Now there were at least 100 bustling people in the area inhabited by the Paugussetts, the natives of the area. Living chiefly on shell food and wild game, these Native Americans were peaceful and welcoming. Land was purchased on several occasions, each time increasing the land owned by the settlers until what we know as Orange, Milford, part of Woodbridge and West Haven became the colony of Milford.

This sale was not an altruistic one but a hope on the part of Ansantawae, sachem of the Paugussetts, to help them against their constant foe, the Mohawks who continually made raids upon their settlement. There was, of course, what has become a traditional thought that land was bought from Native Americans for goods often referred to as coats, blankets, knives, hatchets, kettles and what is most interesting, mirrors. It wasn't until about 1665 that the Natives complained that they had sold their land and had no place to live and hunt. Upon their request for land, it was agreed to give them 100 acres on the ridge overlooking the Housatonic River, a steep hill known as Turkey Hill, its name derived from the numerous turkeys that flew across the river at Two Mile Island.

The names Alexander and Richard Bryan ap-

pear in Milford's history many times as original "planters" who were probably the first to own a considerable amount of land in the northern part of the colony, purchased from the Paugussetts. With the land extending from what is now Old Tavern Road to the Green, the area was known as Bryan's Farms and is noted on land deeds far into the 18th century as a legal "town". Although a record of the number of homes built in this area is uncertain, it would appear to have been substantial enough as money was appropriated for a school in 1750, the location of which is unknown.

In 1804, the citizens of Bryan's Farms petitioned the General Assembly for permission to establish a church, as worship services had become difficult with travel to

Milford. After some discussion and opposition a new church society was organized on March 13, 1805 in what was to be known as North Milford. By 1820, the inhabitants of an area known as West Farms or West Haven approached the Ecclesiastical Society of North Milford to unite, forming a town having been denied separation from New Haven on several occasions. After much debate, the General Assembly resolved that all the part of the town of Milford known as North Milford and that part of New Haven known as West Haven would unite as a distinct and separate town. A committee was appointed to select a name for the town. Some wanted to remain known as North Milford, others favored Milford Haven or Westford. Still others, having been aware of the benefits received by the early colonists from William, Prince of Orange in the restoration of their charter privileges, chose Orange. It was William's coat of arms that became the official Town of Orange seal. The first town meeting was held on the second Monday in June of 1822 and as is known throughout the town, The Town of Orange was 190 years old on the 11th of June 2012. *The History of Orange by Mary R. Woodruff is available at the Town Clerk's office during Town Hall hours and the Orange Historical Society, Academy Building Saturdays 10-3.



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Carlyne Labrecque Exhibits at the Town Hall Gallery

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She is also an award winning jewelry designer and has exhibited her designs at the Firehouse Gallery and the Gilded Lily in Milford and the Stony Creek Gallery.

Ms. LaBrecque was a Spanish teacher in the Amity system for several years. She is a volunteer tutor and teacher trainer for the Literacy Center in Milford and a member of the Orange Arts and Crafts Guild.

The Gallery at Town Hall was established as a joint venture between the OACC and the Town of Orange in May of this year as part of an initiative to put art in public places, making it part of everyday life. The OACC hopes to extend this program as funds and venues become available in town.







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Orange welcomed a new store, Batteries Plus, on Monday, June 18. First Selectman James Zeoli, and members of the Orange Chamber of Commerce were there for the official Ribbon Cutting at 481 Boston Post Road. Ed Cowern is the owner and Joe Cowern, store manager.

The store features the most complete line of batteries as well as light bulbs available under one roof. A broad assortment of batteries will be kept in stock in all of the major application categories: Cell/Smart phone, cordless phone, 2-way radio, laptop, camcorder, digital camera, photo, medical, emergency lighting and power back-up. Besides these you'll find batteries for wheelchairs, scooters, marine, auto and truck, motorcycle, personal watercraft, snowmobile and ATV. There will be alarm system, i-Pod®/MP3 player, rechargeable, alkaline and heavy duty batteries.

Batteries Plus of Orange will also test your car battery and the charging and starting systems of your car for FREE. If your car needs a new battery, the experts at Batteries Plus of Orange will recommend the right battery for your car or truck, and can install it while you wait for most vehicle makes/ models. Batteries Plus also sells automotive accessories like jumper cables, terminals, cleaners, and more to help ensure its customers are fully prepared to handle any battery problems caused by the heat or cold.

Besides batteries the store will carry light bulbs of all kinds: incandescent, LED, HID, CFL, fluorescent, appliance, AV/Photo, car/truck, motorcycle, plant grow, metal halide, projector, halogen and more. Another feature of Batteries Plus is a Tech Center where batteries are tested and analyzed. Most battery packs will be able to be rebuilt or batteries replaced inside items like iPod®, roomba vacs, and cordless tools. Batteries can even be designed and custom built. The staff if ready to support business operations with available inventories, drop ship and design capabilities.

The store will be open Monday through Friday 8am to 7pm, Saturday 8am to 5pm and Sunday 11am to 5pm.

PPG Properties to Develop range Offices Suites

Orange Taco Bell 'Strikes Out Cancer'

From July 11 through August 1, customers at participating Taco Bell® KFC® restaurants, and all of The Paper Store's 32 locations, will be asked to contribute \$1, \$3, or \$5 to the Jimmy Fund's "Strike Out Cancer" pin-up campaign. In return for their contributions, customers receive a baseball pinup on which they can write their name. The pin-ups will be displayed in restaurants and stores, showing customers how easy it is to make a difference in the fight against cancer. Participating restaurants and stores are located throughout New England. Locally, "Strike Out Cancer" is taking place at Taco Bell, 89 Boston Post Road, Orange.

Taco Bell has generously supported the Jimmy Fund since 1999. In 2007, KFC joined its efforts and last year The Paper Store stepped up to the plate to be a part of "Strike Out Cancer" and the program raised more than \$205,000. When customers give to the Jimmy Fund, 100 percent of the proceeds benefit pediatric and adult cancer care and research at Boston's Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. "We are so proud of our team and the continued relationship with the Jimmy Fund. It is our privilege to raise money to help conquer cancer," said Roger Lockwood, Taco Bell franchisee and trustee at Dana-Farber. "We are pleased again this year to be joining forces with participating KFC restaurants and The Paper Store to raise even more money for this important cause."

Leon Lee Joins Coldwell Banker Residential

Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Connecticut and Westchester County, N.Y. is pleased to welcome Leon Lee to the Coldwell Banker Resi-

dential Brokerage office in Orange. As a sales associate, Lee will provide residential real estate services in Orange as well as the Greater New Haven and Fairfield counties.

Commitment to clients is Lee's top priority and, for over 4 years, he always listens and puts the needs and wants of his clients first. With his honesty and integrity, professionalism, and knowledge of New Haven and Fairfield counties, Lee dedicates his personal services to his clients, who keep coming back time after time and recommending Lee to their friends and families. "We are very pleased to welcome Leon to our team. His skills and knowledge of real estate sales and marketing make him a valuable asset to



Leon Lee

this office and to his clients and customers," said Aileen DeFeo, sales manager of the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Orange. "I look forward to helping him grow his career in the coming years." Leon Lee can be reached at the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Orange at 425-829-9268.

Colonial Properties Completes 1,600SF /ledical Lease

Brian Bowser, president of PPG Properties has announced the development of Orange Offices Suites to be located at 477 Boston Post Road in Orange. The 9200 sq. ft. office space will offer modern office conveniences and amenities including newly remodeled conference and reception areas and individual office suites. Bowser stated, "This is a first of its kind in Orange and is sure to attract business professionals from the area wanting to be located in the heart of the Orange Commercial District. We have already signed lease agreements with several clients and are looking forward to a successful future."

The Antique Shop at the Academy Museum has recently received new and exciting items from local Orange residents just in time for summer entertaining and unique gifts for the hostess or newlyweds. Vintage glass, jewelry, china, glassware, vintage dolls and more. With loving care, the antiques at the Orange Historical Society shop have been affordably priced and available every Saturday from 10-3 at the museum, 605 Orange Center Road. For more information call 203-795-3106.

Bill Weirsman, of Colonial Properties, Inc. has negotiated a lease for 1,600 SF of medical office space in the Lambert Professional Center at 291 S. Lambert Road to Urology Group, PC. Weirsman represented both the Landlord - Sunny Ledge Group, LLC and the Tenant - Urology Group, PC. Urology Group, PC also has locations in Hamden, Guilford and New Haven. Additional medical/professional office suites are still available in the facility. Colonial Properties, Inc. is a full service Commercial Real Estate Brokerage firm handling all types of commercial and investment real estate transactions including the sale and leasing of retail, industrial, office and investment properties, as well as brokering land and business sales.





"Once" At The Bernard **B. Jacobs Theatre**

by Zander Opper

"Once," the newly awarded Tony-winning Best Musical of this past season, is a rich tapestry of a show that is actually a rarity on Broadway-a musical that manages to improve greatly on its source material. That source material is the popular 2006 Irish movie of the same name, which has a fervent following and won the Oscar for Best Song for its gorgeous theme, "Falling Slowly." Like the film, the musical "Once" follows the story of a guy and a girl in Dublin who develop a sort of "romance" in which they make beautiful music together. However, while the film used actual locations throughout Dublin to tell its story, all of the musical's action takes place on a basic unit set of an Irish

pub (beautifully designed by Bob Crowley).

It is here that "Once" truly demonstrates its magic: director John Tiffany uses changes in actors, set pieces and lighting to represent the various locales in the musical and the cast actually doubles as the show's "orchestra," with everyone playing a different instrument onstage. Consequently, the musical can flow smoothly from a music shop to a recording studio to a street corner, just through movement, music, and the audience's imagination. Adding to this, the actors are pretty much



Zander Opper

ideal (especially the two leads, Steve Kazee and Cristin Milioti) and, while the music is decidedly unlike anything else on Broadway (most of the songs have been retained from the film and are decidedly on the folksy side), it all works beautifully. Diehard show fans may scoff at the lack of traditional "Broadway" numbers, but everyone else should be mesmerized.

One of the greatest achievements of "Once" is that, while the story is basically the same as the film version, the musical of "Once" is not constrained by the film and actually exists as a separate and distinctly theatrical entity. As mentioned, all the actors play instruments in addition to playing characters and they stay in the periphery of the setting when not part of the specific scene taking place onstage. Instead of feeling like a conceit, the use of actors playing instruments flows naturally from the storyline and some of the most breathtaking moments of the show are in the beautifully staged scene changes, with the supporting performers providing musical accompaniment before disappearing back into the periphery. And one of the most amazing moments in the show is the Act I finale song (called "Gold" and brilliantly performed by Steve Kazee), which grows slowly in power as, one by one, the actor/musicians join Kazee in the number until the whole stage is alive with music and strikingly choreographed movement, with the overall effect being nearly overwhelming.

Before going any further, a quick word must be said about Steve Kazee and Cristin Milioti as the guy and the girl at the center of the story. They play off each other beautifully and, as in the film, one longs for the two to further their relationship beyond simply making music together; these are two lonely souls who need each other and share a whirlwind "romance" of sorts over a brief period of five days. Although "Once" rarely makes a misstep, I should mention that during the last half hour or so, some of the dialogue gets a little too didactic about the state of their relationship-what was simply left unsaid in the film is, at times, hammered out a big too strongly in the musical.

However, in the grand scheme of things, this flaw hardly matters. What makes "Once" such a beautiful and powerful show is all in the creation of music and the performing of it by this superb cast. Indeed, when this show sings, it is truly glorious. And, as a final note, try to get to "Once" early, for audience members are allowed to go onstage to buy drinks and intermingle (briefly) with the performers before the show. From that perspective, one can experience the energy of these musicians up close and it can make one appreciate their accomplishments during the show even more. For tickets, call Telecharge at 212-239-6200 or go to OnceMusical.com.

New Ideas for "Summer Reading"

By Roberta L. Nestor

I agree, just the idea of considering books to read about finance, the economy and investing sounds extremely boring to the point of ludicrous, espe-



cially with so many exciting books out there. However, if you have gotten past 50 Shades and moved on to thrillers such as Stephen King's "The Wind and sense through a Keyhole" and the entire NY Times best-seller's list, maybe, just maybe a few financial reads seller's list, maybe, just maybe a few financial reads might be a good change of pace.

While I am very sure that none of these books are on your summer reading list, perhaps you may give them some consideration.

"The Wolf of Wall Street" by Jordan **Belfort, Published in 2003**

This is a great book, especially in retrospect of the "too big to fail" and mishaps of Wall Street over recent years. It is an autobiography of Jordan Belfort, a former kingpin of the notorious investment firm Stratton Oakmont in the 1990s. "By day he made thousands of dollars a minute. By night he spent it as fast as he could, on drugs, sex and international globe-trotting. From the binge that sank a 170 foot motor yacht, crashed a Gulfstream jet, and ran up a \$700,000 hotel tab, to the wife and kids who waited for him at home and the fast-talking, hard-partying young stockbrokers who called him king and did his bidding, here, in his own inimitable words, is the story of the ill-fated genius they called ... Wolf of Wall Street." Belfort was brilliant and conniving. He led his Wall Street followers to massive offices in Long Island. He tells his story of power, greed and excess that you cannot imagine. This is an "American Tale" of a regular guy who went from selling Italian ice in the neighborhood to making hundreds of millions. Of course, this all came crashing down...!

"Reminiscences of a Stock Operator" by Edwin Lefevre , Published in 1923

Okay, on the surface, you may ask, how does a book written nearly 90 years ago still have any relevance today? On so many levels this book touches the original heart of Wall Street. The psychology of this story is when making money was about common sense and practicality and not computers. Maybe a peek at some of the chapter titles will give you some insight to the humor this book implores.

- 1. The Biggest Plunger Wall Street Ever Saw: June 10, 1922.
- 2. The Boy Trader Beats the Bucket Shops: June 17, 1922 and
- 3. I Was Dead Right-I Lost Ever Cent I Had: July 1, 1922.

Take a 14 year old boy, place him in the "bucket shops" of Wall Street and see how he made millions! This is a must read classic for all investors!

"Freakonomics: A Rogue Economist Explores the Hidden Side of Everything" by **Stephen D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner**

I will admit, when my daughter chose this book for her Senior Economics class assignment, I was skeptical. "Economics for Dummies" seemed like a safer bet. However, this book has much to offer for the young and old. It takes a common sense approach to the riddles of everyday life and puts them into an economic perspective that turns conventional wisdom on its head.

Here's what Barnes & Noble has to say, "Is this book's appeal due to its wacky revisionist title, its unsettling take on Roe v. Wade, or just its compulsively readable argument that economics does nothing more than study the incentives that drive us? Probably all of the above. What we do know is that it's the only economics book we've ever labeled a page-turner. An extraordinary work of social science explanation without oversimplification! I believe that these books can bring much more to your portfolio and thoughts on the economy than CNBC! Enjoy your summer reading! Roberta L. Nestor is a financial advisor practicing at 491 New Haven Avenue in Milford, CT offering retirement, long term care, investment and tax planning services. She also offers securities and advisory services as an Investment Adviser Representative of Commonwealth Financial Network – a member FINRA/SIPC and a Registered Investment Adviser. Tax planning and fixed insurance products and services offered through TSM Financial Services are separate and unrelated to Commonwealth. She can be reached at TSM Financial Services, 203-876-8066 or roberta@tsmfinancial.com.



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Transcendence Tree

Summer...a time for transcendence, a "going beyond," a delight of the heart to be in the joy of nature and God's creation. The Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church in Orange, CT recently hosted a week long Summer Camp with over 250 participants, including 166 campers and counselors ranging in age from 4 - 18 and staff from ages 19 - 90! The beautiful bounty of staff and session leaders, all volunteers, provided the atmosphere for generating the large group gathering to be a place of learning, fun, and growing in God.

Parents also attended, participating in various parts of the program such as the closing ceremonies and the final Olympic team events. This Summer designated the 16th year that the Saint Barbara Summer Camp program has taken place on the beautiful grounds of the Saint Barbara parish and community center.

This year, the camp celebrated the theme "Transcendence" with the planting of a Camp Tree, a Magnolia Galaxy that is unique in its form and flower among the magnolia trees. The 'Galaxy' is a single-stemmed, treeformed magnolia with ascending branches and unlike many magnolias, it grows narrow and upright. In spring, the tree blooms with dark red-purple, goblet-shaped flowers that appear and have a sweet candy-scent.

Campers learned about bravery, courage, continuity, resilience and energy in a faith based environment that was filled with daily prayer service, learning, athletics, arts & crafts, music, campfire songs, skits, and the partaking of a delicious home-made lunch served daily. Truly it was an extraordinary camp.

Just as the branches of the trees reach out and reach up, so do the hands of all who participated reach beyond and transcend what the eye sees in this world. The overall camp experience broadcast seeds of faith that will reach far beyond the borders of Orange, Connecticut, as campers take the principles they learned and reach out to all the world!

For more information, contact Rev. Peter Orfanakos by phone (203) 795-1347 or e-mail at church@saintbarbara.org.

The Godfather's **Meshuggener Wedding**

The Church of the Good Shepherd at 680 Racebrook Road in Orange, changes lives through mission, ministry and outreach. Its active outreach program depends upon the generosity and support of dedicated volunteers and donations. On Saturday, October 6th, the Church of the Good Shepherd will host an enormously entertaining interactive din-



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Holy Infant Religious Education Update

It is time to register your child for religious education. If you have a child entering the first grade in September and belong to Holy Infant Church, please contact Mrs. Connie Gustafson, DRE at infant@sbcglobal so we can send you a registration packet.



Holy Infant Church

Congregation Or Shalom Upcoming Events:

Religious School Registration

Registration for our Sunday school and Hebrew school is now in progress. If you are interested in registering your child, please contact the office. For 2012-2013, your first year membership is free when you enroll your child in our religious school (new members only). Please call the office for more information.



Or Shalom

Annual Or Shalom Tag Sale, Thursday, July 26, Friday, July 27, Sunday July 29

Thursday, July 26, from 6:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M. Shop before the crowds on Friday. Admission is \$5.00 for Thursday's advanced sale. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC Friday & Sunday, 10:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

Blood Drive: Wednesday, July 25

Our Annual Blood Drive is Wednesday, July 25 from 1:00 pm – 6:30 pm. Please help us help others. To sign up to donate blood, please call the Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

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.

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

All events are open to non-members.

ner theater, "The Godfather's Meshuggener Wedding" to help support the continuation of its many

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community services, which include a weekly hot meal to seniors, brown bag lunches to the homeless, Shelter Suppers, food pantry, Rector's Discretionary Fund, emergency assistance with rent, fuel, clothing, furniture, as well as food and gas cards, as need arises.

There are three ways you can help – First, please consider making a donation to the Live or Silent Auction. Second, please sponsor a table and bring your friends. Third, please place an advertisement in our program booklet.

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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.

Bulletin Board

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

Trumbull Stitch 'n Bitch, Tuesdays, 9:30-11:00am, Panera Bread, Westfield Shopping Park. Spend a pleasant time with fellow knitters and crocheters. All levels of experienced knitters and crocheters are welcome. For more information, call Sylvia at 203-268-6570.

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

St. Vincent's Medical Center Breast Cancer Survivor Support Group, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, 5:30-7:00pm, Level 4, Elizabeth Pfriem SWIM Center for Cancer Care, St. Vincent's Medical Center, 280 Main Street, Bridgeport, no reservations required, free parking w/validated ticket, Facilitators are Maureen Pellletier, RN, OCN, Nannette Persico, RN, OCN, and Joyce Flynn, Network of Strength Volunteer. For more information, call 203-576-6158 or email tmclaugh@stvincent.org.

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 Diane Eger at 203-530-4526 or visit www.orangectrotary.org for information about the club.

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.

Milford Parks and Recreation Aqua Zumba with Renay, beginning Saturday July 7, 2012 to August 25, 2012, 11:00 to 12:00 p.m., 10-15 years old, McCann Natatorium (old Milford Academy), 34 Park Circle -McCann Pool, Milford, CT, \$40 Residents/\$45 Non-Residents - no class July 14th, pre-registration required, no swimming skills required. Aqua Zumba uses Latin and International music to create an easy and fun aquatic dance exercise program. For more information, call 203-783-3281 or recdeck@ci.milford.ct.us or contact Renay at 203-522-2616, zumbarenay@gmail.com. Bring bottled water and water shoes to class. 2nd level (elevator available); share stitch successes, assist with pattern problems and have a great time crocheting, no fee. For more information, Visit http://hotscrochetguild.yolasite.com/, Email HOTSCrochetGuild@Live. com.

Hulley Arts Foundation Tenth Anniversary Gala Benefit Featuring The Broadway Boys, Saturday, September 8, 2012, Quick Center at Fairfield University, silent auction preview & reception begins at 6 pm; the performance begins at 7:30 pm, Tickets \$40/advance or \$45/at the door. For tickets, call the Quick Center Box Office 203-254-4010. For information, contact the foundation at 203-891-8869 or jamieart@snet.net.

Milford Knights of Columbus Lancaster Show Trip, October 2-4, 2012 includes 2 nights lodging, 4 meals, Jonah Show at the Millennium Theatre, Guided Tour of Lancaster including Amiish Country, visit to Kitchen Kettle Village, Landis Valley Museum & Village, Harley Davidson Factory; cost \$315.00. For reservations or more information, call John Bernard at 203-877-2737.

Holy Infant Women's Guild Bus Trip, Thursday, November 29, 2012, Westchester Broadway Theatre's presentation of the Christmas musical, "Miracle on 34th Street". \$90/pp includes transportation, gratuity, lunch, and a matinee performance of the play. For more information and to make a reservation, call Elizabeth at (203) 799-2379.



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Make sure to take close-up photos and check to be sure they're clear and readable. Here's a list of seven important documents to include:

1. Identification: Your passport gives you proof of citizenship as well as supplying a photo ID. In lieu of a passport, save a picture of your driver's license and birth certificate. Make sure identification numbers and details are readable.

First Congregational Church Used Book Sale, Saturday July 21, 2012, 9:00am-2:00pm, 464 Campbell Avenue (on the Green), large selection of books available and donations accepted, also on hand is a large selection of children's books.

Milford Chamber of Commerce "Summer Nights by Harbor Lights" Concert Series, Fridays, 7:00pm, Fowler Field Rotary Pavilion (behind the Milford Library) on the following dates: July 20, 2012 - The Rumrunners, Pop Music; July 27, 2012 - Gunsmoke, Country & Western; August 3, 2012 - The Bernadettes, Rock, Soul Music; August 10, 2012 - Flashback, Rock & Oldies.

Hooked on the Sound Crochet Guild, Saturdays, August 4, 2012, September 8, 2012, October 6, 2012, November 3, 2012, December 1, 2012, 10am-1pm, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, small meeting room on

- 2. Prescription Medication: Save a picture of each pharmacy bottle showing the name and dosage of your medication.
- 3. Travel reservations: If you don't have your e-document emails saved to your phone, keep a photo of your airline e-ticket, hotel reservation and cruise line boarding pass.
- 4. Insurance Policy: Save a picture of the front page of your travel insurance policy, showing the name of the insured, the policy number and the insurance company's contact phone number.
- 5. Valuables: If you're travelling with valuable items like jewelry, camera equipment or a laptop computer, store photos of them on your smartphone. If any of these items are available for sale at your destination, you should include photos of receipts in the event you're questioned by local customs officials when you return home.
- 6. Parking Lot: This isn't a document, but there's nothing worse than getting home from vacation and forgetting where the car is parked! If you've parked at the airport or cruise port, take a picture of the locator sign near your car.
- 7. My business card: so you're sure to have my contact info in the event you have questions or need assistance with anything.

Smartphones are truly versatile devices with many uses above and beyond making phone calls and sending text messages. Keeping copies of travel documents on your smartphone will definitely provide you with some added peace of mind while you're travelling.





1. Ted (R) Mark Wahlberg, Mila Kunis 2. Magic Mike (R) Channing Tatum, Alex Pettyfer 3. Brave (PG) animated 4. Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection (PG-13) Tyler Perry, Eugene Levy 5. Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (PG) animated 6. Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter (R) Benjamin Walker, Rufus Sewell 7. Prometheus (R) Noomi Rapace, Michael Fassbender 8. Moonrise Kingdom (PG-13) Bruce Willis, Edward Norton 9. Snow White and the Huntsman (PG-13) Kristen Stewart, Chris Hemsworth 10. People Like Us (PG-13) Chris Pine, Elizabeth Banks



1. Safe House (R) **Denzel Washington** 2. Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows (PG-13) Robert Downey, Jr. 3. Ghost Rider: Spirit of Vengeance (PG-13) Nicolas Cage 4. Wanderlust (R) Paul Rudd 5. Hungry Rabbit Jumps (R) Nicolas Cage 6. Project X (R) **Oliver** Cooper 7. Big Miracle (PG) Drew Barrymore 8. Man on a Ledge (PG-13) Sam Worthington 9. This Means War (PG-13) **Reese Witherspoon** 10. John Carter (PG-13) **Taylor Kitsch**





Elizabeth Olsen in "Silent House"

terror and suspense can rent a room down at Silent House, where you can't scream or the bad people will find you.

"The Deep Blue Sea" (R) -- This tragic and romantic film tells the story of Hester (Rachel Weisz), a woman trapped in a loveless marriage and powerless to stop her passionate romance with another man. All beautifully shot in the rich tones of post-war London, the movie hands Weisz a serious role, and she hands back a serious performance.

Hester's husband is a stuffy, wealthy old judge who supplies her with a life in the upper-crust, and not much else. Hester's other man is Freddie (Tom Hiddleston, Loki from "The Avengers"), a veteran pilot from the war now looking for work. You may not like Hester, but you will feel something for her as she swims in a sea of passion and conflict.

"Jiro Dreams of Sushi" (PG) -- You don't have to be a fan of sushi to get the appeal of this unique documentary. Jiro Ono is revered as the best sushi chef in the world, and a national treasure to the Japanese. He also works in a tiny restaurant in a subway station where people make reservations months in advance to see the master at work. The film is an engaging portrait of a modern ascetic, somebody who's dedicated to a singular craft. It also shows the complicated relationship between the 85-year-old Jiro and his oldest son, Yoshikazu, who is expected to fill his father's shoes one day.



Top 10 Pop Singles

1. Carly Rae Jepsen "Call Me Maybe" 2. Maroon 3 feat. Wiz Khalifa "Payphone" 3. Gotye feat. Kimbra "Somebody That I Used to Know" 4. Katy Perry "Wide Awake" 5. Rihanna "Where Have You Been" 6. Ellie Goulding "Lights" 7. fun feat. Janelle Monae "We Are Young" 8. Nicki Minaj "Starships" 9. One Direction "What Makes You Beautiful" 10. Usher "Scream"

Top 10 Country Singles

1. Luke Bryan "Drunk On You" 2. Eli Young Band "Even If It Breaks Your Heart" 3. Brantley Gilbert "You Don't Know Her Like I Do" 4. Eric Church "Springsteen" 5. Dierks Bentley "5-1-5-0" 6. Kenny Chesney "Come Over" 7. Gloriana "(Kissed You) Good Night" 8. Toby Keith "Beers Ago" 9. Tim McGraw "Better Than I Used to Be" **10. The Band Perry** "Postcard From Paris"

- 1. Name the five members of the 1960s Rat Pack.
- 2. Which all-girl group originally recorded "You Keep Me Hangin' On"?
- 3. Name the group that released "Gimme Some Lovin" and "I'm a Man."
- 4. Which early rock 'n' roller wrote and released "Rumble," and when?
- 5. What was the only No. 1 R&B hit recorded by Bootsy's Rubber Band?
- 6. When did Billboard Magazine first begin tracking music?

I. Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis, Jr., Joey Bishop and Peter Lawford. All were singers and actors, appearing in films and entertaining in Las Vegas. 2. The Supremes, in 1966 on the Motown label. The song topped the charts for two weeks. 3. Spencer Davis, Croup, in 1956 and 1967. They originally called themselves the Rhythm and Blues Quartette. 4. "Link" Wray, in 1956. Wray was one of the first musicians to get new sounds out of electric guitars, including distortion and reverb 5. "Booxalla" in 1978. "The Princechio Theory, at No. 6, was the only other Top 10 song for the band, an offshoot act of Parliament-Funkadelic. 6. Billboard at No. 6, was the only other Top 10 song for the band, an offshoot act of Parliament-Funkadelic. 6. Billboard was first published in 1894, but didn't begin to chart music until the 1930s, when jukeboxes became popular.

Usher



EDITOR'S NOTE: New DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of July 23, 2012.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Silent House" (**R**) -- What could be a more boring, safe, non-terrorizing experience than cleaning out an old lake house? How about a lake house that hasn't been used in years, and has had every possible entry and exit nailed shut? This remake of a lowbudget flick from Argentina puts Sarah (the ascending Elizabeth Olsen) in just such a creaky old home, trapped, in the dark, all alone except for the shadowy figures lurking just out of sight.

The whole movie is in real-time, seemingly done in a single shot that follows Sarah. No convenient intermissions, no scene transitions or alternate locations, just the audience trapped along with the victim. Those aching for "My Way" (R) -- This war epic from Korea follows two young men from their rivalry as marathon runners to the battlefields of Mongolia and all the way to beaches of Normandy. One is a native-born Korean, the other is part of the Japanese occupation. When World War II swallows them both, they seem bound together as they go from soldiers, to prisoners to conscripts.

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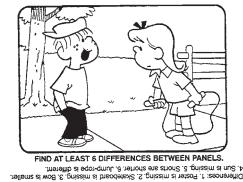


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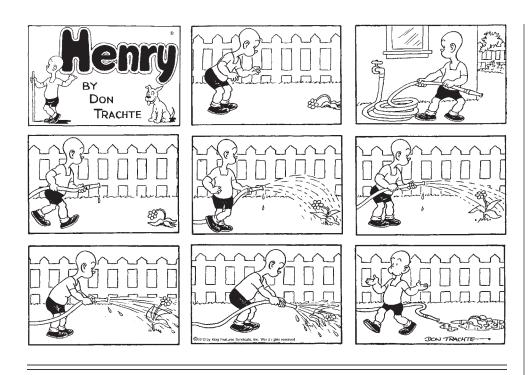


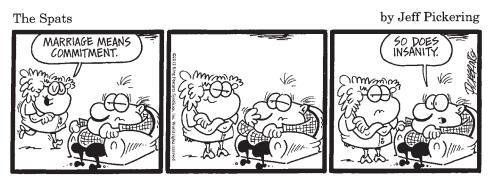
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By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- When "All My Children" was canceled, we reported that its biggest star. Susan Lucci, was headed for "Desperate Housewives," but we were proven wrong ... sort of. Producer Marc Cherry had other plans for Lucci. Now we know what they were. Lucci will topline the new Lifetime series "Devious Maids," originally made as a pilot for ABC, about five maids who work for rich Beverly Hills families. The Lifetime Network said it would be interested if ABC wasn't.

If only we could've been a fly on the wall when Lucci was told, "You know how you had to relocate to Los Angeles when "All My Children" moved from New York to Hollywood ... well, now you've got to relocate to Atlanta for this one!" ABC would have paid top dollar for the show, which Cherry is producing with "Desperate Housewives" star Eva Longoria, but Lifetime is a cable network and the show had to scale down and shoot in Georgia to cut costs. Former "Melrose Place" hunk Grant Show also is on board. "Devious Maids" will debut sometime in 2013. A primetime show, even on cable, is a step up for Lucci -- if she can keep her career from going south! ***

Cheyenne Jackson, who had a recurring role on "30 Rock," has joined Michael Douglas and Matt Damon in the HBO Liberace biopic "Behind the Candelabra," which starts filming this month. The "out" actor, who married his physicist partner of 10 years, recently admitted, "I'm not allowed to say who I'm playing, but it's pretty exciting." Gee, let's see ... I don't know, could he be one of Liberace's former boyfriends? ***

A source close to Dennis Wilson and the biopic "Drummer" tells me Beverly Hills, CA 90211.

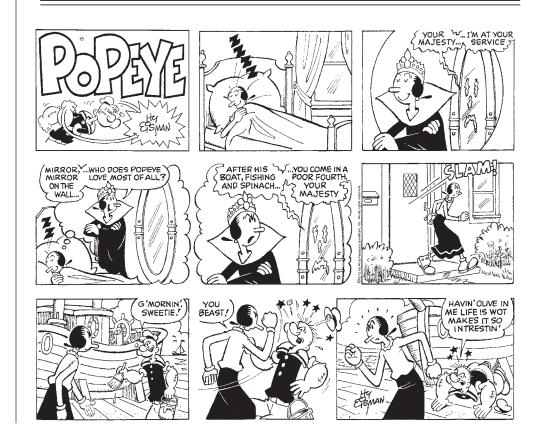


Susan Lucci

that Aaron Eckhart has bowed out of playing the late Beach Boy. Eckhart suddenly decided to do "Olympus Has Fallen," in which he plays the president of the United States as the White House is under attack from terrorists. Gerard Butler plays his head of security; Angela Bassett and Ron Livingston also star. And, here we go again ... "White House Down," with almost the same plot, is shooting with Oscar-winner Jamie Foxx as the president and Channing Tatum as his head of security.

Eckhart already has filmed "The Expatriate," playing an ex-CIA agent on the run with his daughter as his employers mark them both for termination, and has the title role in "I, Frankenstein." He plays the monster, now named Adam, who's revived in the future to stop a war between two immortal clans. "The Expatriate" will be released in September, with "I, Frankenstein" due out in 2013. Guess playing the most famous movie monster and the president of the United States makes playing a Beach Boy pale by comparison!

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Orange Little League's Eastern League Champions : The Hooks

The Hooks won the 2012 championship under the leadership of Manager Mike Formica and Coaches Dave DiBenedetto and Mike Young. A special thank you also goes to Dunkin Donuts who sponsored the Hooks this season. The players had a strong season and a lot of fun playing the game of baseball!!! Congratulations to all of the players!!!



Left to right: Ruby Ciskowski, Alyssa Mencucci, coach Linda Mullin, Lexi Ronan, Gianna Iannotti, Kira Chandra and Abby Chamberlain. On May 20, 2012, 6 gymnasts from Cartwheels, Etc. competed at the USA Gymnastics Level 6 States Meet. The girls performed on Bars, Balance Beam, Vault and Floor Exercise. In order to qualify to compete at this meet, each girl had to achieve an All-Around score of 32 or better during a regular season meet.





Mangano to Play Professionally in Turkey

Orange native and Yale graduate Greg Mangano signed a contract to play professionally in Turkey. The 6-foot-10, 240-pound forward will play for Antalya of the Beko Turkish League after going undrafted in the 2012 NBA Draft. Mangano is completing his career at Yale as a two-time first team all-Ivy Leaguer and the Bulldogs' all-time leading shot-blocker. Before that he was twice an all-state selection at Notre Dame West Haven High School.

Mangano finished his collegiate career with 213 blocked shots as well as 735 career rebounds (sixth in Yale history) and 1,213 career points (13th). He averaged 18.2 points, 9.7 rebounds and 2.2 blocks per game his senior year and hoped to be selected in the late second round of the NBA Draft this June after working out for a number of teams. But after going undrafted, he will continue his career in Antalya, a city on the Mediterranean coast of southwestern Turkey. Mangano joins fellow American and former Seton Hall guard Jordan Theodore. Antalya finished 13th in the 16-team Beko Turkish League last season.

Post 127 Fighting for Top Spot in Zone 2

Orange Post 127 won its last four games and holds a half-game advantage in American Legion's Zone 2 as of July 11. With the victories, Post 127 has qualified for the postseason tournament. The hot streak started July 6 when Mike Concato led Orange past North Haven 5-0 behind a brilliant pitching performance. Concato allowed just four hits, did not walk a batter and threw 51 of his 71 pitches for strikes, while keeping Post 76 off the scoreboard.

Mark Boland put Orange in the lead with a solo home run in the first inning. Adam Kyasky later started a third-inning rally after he was hit by a pitch. A Boland double sent him to third before Nick Baviello and Ted Ballou back-to-back singles extended the Post 127 lead to 3-0.

Grayson Amoroso hit a two-out double to score. Niall Dammando in the sixth inning and Boland singled home Amorose to finish off the scoring.

Loftus Named Finalist for Under Armour 'What's Beautiful' Competition

Kaitlin Loftus began as one of 9,000 entrants in Under Armour's 'What's Beautiful' competition, an event oriented to redefining the female athlete. Each entrant set fitness-based goals and the top three would be picked as the new faces of Under Armour. Now Loftus is one of 10 finalists in the contest.

A teacher at Edgewood Elementary School in Baltimore for the last seven years, Loftus works with female students to complete a series of exercises culminating in a one-mile run. The former Amity graduate experienced an exceptional tennis career at Loyola University which included two NCAA Championship appearances. But now, 30 years old with kids, she focuses on motivating the future generation of collegiate athletes. Loftus worked with a group of over 40 girls in grades 3-5, five days a week for 45 minutes each day. In two months all of the girls were able to complete the gauntlet of events. And this area on the west side of Baltimore in which Loftus trained the girls is known for being particularly dangerous. Factors including the children only having a gym period twice per month and limited resources as well as parental support only make Loftus' accomplishment more impressive. The winner will be announced June 18.

Pictured with their tournament champion shirts are: Haley Arruda (Ansonia), Nicole Bisesi (Monroe), Elise Cobb (Wallingford), Shira Elinav (Woodbridge), Ellie Fried (Monroe), Emma Gehr (Orange), Brianna MacDonald (Newtown), Monika Metro (Monroe), Maya Neuhoff (Newtown), Haley Ornstein (Bethany), acquelyn Smith (Woodbridge), Kiley Stackpole (Orange), Madison Thielman (Oxford), Emma Henning (Shelton), Maggie McKay (New Milford), Coach Omer Doron (Woodbridge) Team members not pictured; Emily Criscuolo (Woodbridge), Audrey Grotheer (Woodbridge), Kim Liang (Bethany)

Team Wins Tournament

The New England Comets U13 Girls Premier soccer team won the Nordic Cup Tournament in Burlington, VT on June 16 - 17. For the tournament the Comets record was 4-0-1, scoring 10 goals and conceding only 2 in 5 matches in the Premier division, with wins over teams from NY, CT and the VT State Cup champions. The team had a strong finish to the Spring season competing in the CT Girls U13 Division 1 Premier bracket.

Ferraro Selected for U-15 CONNY All-Star Team

Orange's Isabella Ferraro was chosen to play in the U-15 Connecticut New York Youth Lacrosse Association's girls' all-star game on June 17 at Yale's Reese Stadium. Ferraro is an eighth-grade student at Amity Middle School in Orange and played for the Milford Mustangs girls' lacrosse team for three years.

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GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) That new person in your life seems trustworthy, but don't turn him or her into a confidant just yet. Remember: The secret you don't reveal is the one you won't lose sleep over.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your kindness makes a difference in someone's life. But by week's end, a touch of Cancerian envy could create a problem with a colleague. Take care to keep it under control.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A new spurt of energy sends you roaring back into that challenging work situation. But be careful not to overdo it, or your sizzle could fizzle before your task is completed.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your practical sense helps you see the logic of being a bit more flexible with a workplace colleague. But you still have a ways to go before there's a true meeting of the minds.

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SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) That decision you made might still have its detractors, but your supporters are growing. Meanwhile, your personal life takes on some welcome new developments.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Matters of the mind intrigue the sage Sagittarian through week's end. By then, you should feel more than ready to make room for pursuits of the heart.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The canny Capricorn can offer good counsel to others. But how about taking some advice yourself from a close friend or family member who is able and ready to help?

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new workplace opportunity offers a variety of challenges that you might find intriguing. Best advice: Take things one step at a time so that you don't feel overwhelmed.

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DEAR GLADYS: Canine influenza, or dog flu, is a new illness that was first documented in 2004. Since then, it has been found in dogs in 38 states, with more than 100 cases recorded in Texas.

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clude runny nose, coughing and a fever. Just as in humans, the illness can become very serious because dogs can get dehydrated, or can develop a secondary infection like pneumonia -- conditions that can be deadly.

Furthermore, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, canine influenza is highly contagious and can be easily transmitted between dogs. (It can't be transmitted to humans.) An information release from Jefferson Animal Hospital in Baton Rouge, La. says that many infected dogs appear healthy at first, meaning it's more likely that an ill dog will spread influenza to other dogs at meeting places like dog parks, doggie daycare, and grooming and boarding facilities. The really depressing fact about this flu is that almost every dog exposed to it will become ill unless they're vaccinated, because it's such a new virus that dogs have no immunity to it.

The best way to prevent the spread of canine influenza is to get your dog vaccinated. Contact your veterinarian about the availability and cost of this vaccination. Learn more about this illness at http://www. doginfluenza.com.

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