



Amity Schools Relax Pandemic Rules

Students Expected to Mask When Symptomatic

By Bettina Thiel Orange Town News correspondent

When students return to school next week, pandemic mitigation practices will no longer be required for healthy individuals. Following the State Department of Education's most recent guidance, masking will be by and large a choice, except for those who just suffered a bout of Covid infection or display even mild symptoms of respiratory disease. "Mitigation strategies will continue where 2021-22 ended," said Amity Supt. Dr. Jennifer Byars when she updated the district's

possible. At the high school, students can have lunch on the patio adjacent to the cafeteria. They also continue to offer four lunch waves rather than two.

The state adopted a "Test-Mask-Go" strategy, whereby students who exhibit mild respiratory disease symptoms but are fever-free are expected to test every day for Coronavirus and mask up during the symptomatic period.

Students who test positive or are running a fever of 100° or higher are required to stay home until they are fever-free for 24 hours without medication. Those who test positive are



Amity: What To Do With the Surplus?

By Bettina Thiel ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

When residents voted down the Amity School District budget twice this spring, the fact that the District has been carrying vast surpluses seemed to rub many people the wrong way, even if long-standing practice was to return some 80% of the surplus to the three member towns.

Last year, for instance, after the auditors closed the books on the 2020-21 school year, Amity returned about \$1.2 million to Orange; \$786K to Woodbridge and \$450K to Bethany. The money was transferred in January of this year. The five-year average of unspent funds was \$3.5 million, according to the March 14 budget narrative, out of a budget of some \$51 million. The return of surplus funds to the towns may have been a useful tool to keep the peace, but it does not align with state statute, as Amity board

member Paul Davis found out when he checked what the Legislature prescribed for regional school districts' surpluses. According to Section 10-51c, "the board shall use any budget appropriation which has not been expended by the end of the fiscal year to reduce the net expenses of the district for the following fiscal year. "When reading the passage, Davis emphasized the "shall," leaving no room for interpretation. "It can't go anywhere else," he said. (Except limited funds to a capital and non-recurring fund.)

Returning funds to the towns is not permissible according to state statute. It was an arrangement the towns had made with previous school administrations, as a way to prevent the district from rushing into a spending spree at the end of the school year. The whole process was carefully watched over

Board of Education at its regular meeting on August 15.

The district will make sure that air filtration and HVAC systems are serviced and performing at recommended levels; and that the schools provide access to outdoor spaces as much as

required to stay home for at least 5 days, with the day they tested positive being counted as Day Zero.

"We have to trust our families to do the right thing – and to report it to us,

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even as we get to the winter months," Dr. Byars said. During the winter and spring, other respiratory diseases and allergies can easily be mis-identified as potential Covid culprits.

School nurses will be reporting positive cases to a state database, but there will be no contact-tracing. Instead, they will be looking for cluster outbreaks, such as on athletic or debate teams, maybe a classroom cluster. Those have never happened at Amity, Byars said. However, should they have reason to believe that such a cluster occurred, the school will pass that information on to the health departments for input.

In the past, clusters occurred primarily outside of school, often as a result of overnight trips or parties.

Vaccination clinic: The best mitigation strategy at this point is to be vaccinated, Dr. Byars said. Therefore, the district will be partnering with Griffin Hospital and hosting a vaccination clinic on Thursday, September 22, at the high school, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The clinic is open to staff, students and accompanying family members. Both adult and child vaccinations will be provided. Dr. Byars does not expect large numbers of people to show up, and if they do, the district can always schedule subsequent clinics, she said.

Covid info: Conversation ensued at the Amity board meeting of whether or not the district should continue posting the Friday Covid numbers on the district homepage. Dr. Byars said Covid updates will be embedded under the District News tab, and link to the statistics provided by the state. "Covid is now part of our normal operation," she said. "We are trying to move past the [crisis] mode."



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by the Amity Finance Committee – a committee with representation of the three boards of Finance and the Board of Education.

As recently as this spring's budget narrative spelled out that the practice to apply surplus funds to the next budget "was discontinued six years ago...We have not carried forward any funds in the past five fiscal years."

The question for the administration of School Supt. Dr. Jennifer Byars is how to handle the surplus of the 2021-22 Fiscal Year, since the towns have every reason to expect that income. Should the district hold on to the surplus from the 2021-22 school year and apply it to this year? Apply it to '23-24? The Amity Board at its August 15 meeting decided to have the superintendent consult with the auditors, who are about to start their work.

Orange, for example, allocated an anticipated \$700,000 from Amity in the current town budget. Should the district follow the letter of the law and not return the left-over funds, it would leave Orange \$700,000 in the hole.

Orange Finance Director John Cifarelli kept his cool. He said so far, he had not been informed that the district will not return the surplus, and he was not going to comment on rumors. The Orange Board of Finance has not met, and when it does, it will determine a course of action.

Due to the fact that town residents on May 18 approved a budget which included the original Amity budget request, while the third Amity referendum on June 20 approved a lower number, that provides the town with \$200,000 in savings right there, he said. If need be, the town can take the money out of its own fund balance to cover the shortfall.

Woodbridge Finance Director Anthony Genovese said the town does not allocate the income from Amity until it has received a check. That means the town does not allocate the Amity surplus funds until the following fiscal year.

This year, for example the town included \$611K in its budget. These were funds from the 2020-21 school year that the town received in January of 2022. He said he tries to encourage town officials not to use the Amity money for ongoing expenditures, rather than for one-time expenditures. "Eventually, it will stop," he said of the Amity payments. The members of the Amity Finance Committee (AFC) were not amused when they heard from the superintendent that the district may not return the funds. The AFC typically meets immediately preceding the regular board

meeting and is informed of the financial decisions at hand. Its decisions are recommendations to the regular Board of Education.

"I was not happy," said Woodbridge Board of Finance Chairman, Matthew Giglietti, after the meeting. He said if the district stops returning surplus funds there was no need for an AFC. "It makes Amity autonomous," he said. "Why would I want to stay."

Paul Davis does not agree. If the school district uses the surplus to offset the budget of the following fiscal year, as the law says it should, it will actually help lower the budget requests going forward, he said. The practice will benefit the taxpayers in a much more direct way.

In addition to Giglietti, the AFC consists of Joe Nuzzo, a member of the Orange finance board; Sharon Huxley of Bethany; and Board of Education members Christopher Browe (Orange), Andrea Hubbard (Bethany) and Dr. K. Sudhir, (Woodbridge).

In addition to the question of whether or not to return funds to the town, School Supt. Jennifer Byars asked the AFC to increase the percentage the district can put into a capital account. So far, the district board had voted to cap it at 1% of the operating budget. However, the law allows regional districts to put away as much as 2% for capital items. The money will reduce the amount of bonding they would have to do, at a much higher price, she said. But the AFC voted no, 5:1.

When the question came up during the regular board meeting, board member Carol Oladele cautioned not to send a message of easy spending. "I don't want to be tone-deaf to the community," she said. "We want to maintain good will with our community. Consider what just happened," she said, referring to the failed referenda.

Dr. Sudhir, a member of the AFC, said he voted to keep the capital reserve at 1% for exactly that reason, to be respectful to the community. However, it later became clearer to him which projects would need to be cut, namely the roof projects.

If there is not enough money in the capital reserve, the district will have to



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(203) 903-1529 www.wileylegal.com • allison@wileylegal.com bond to fix the roofs at the two middle schools, which are leaking in places. Bonding costs can be very, very large, he said. That is why he was changing his vote from no to yes.

In the end, the board voted to appropriate \$929,000 from Capital Non-Recurring to pay for roof repairs; for the replacement of musical instruments, which are 50 years old; and for renovations to the Lecture Hall at Amity High School. This time, the vote was unanimous.

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Letter of Thanks To Jim Zeoli and Rocky Salperto

Where there are probably hundreds of folks to acknowledge, today I am writing to you both.

I have lived in town for 39 years. I have attended numerous town events at HPCC throughout that time over and over. This past weekend's celebration of our town's 200 years on the map was fantastic. In particular, the fireworks which come in a close second to a Disney display, I can't even fathom what that cost but whatever it is, was well worth it. People in attendance will talk about that display for years to come. You should all be very proud of how that party for thousands played out.

It was a great time, enjoyed by all, good food, great band, no issues, a lot of smiling faces. So very refreshing to see in our present-day society. Well. It's Orange after all! Mark Blydenburg

Thank You Tax Collector

Thank you, Thomas P. Hurley, for sending our tax bills so early this year! Never before did we receive them before the last day of June/first day of July! It was a nice surprise to have the bills in our hands already by the middle of June 2022.

Edith Evangeliste

Orange Residents Sent A Message

Residents of Orange heard our message and we thank you for voting NO in rounds 1, 2 & 3. Our town leaders need to do a better job of vetting candidates for the Amity Board of Education to

- > The 2022-2023 budget proposed and unanimously passed by the bipartisan Orange Board of Finance fully supported the Amity program;
- > There were no cuts to teachers or programs in the proposed budget;

Unfortunately, many people bought into the fear and smear campaign and maligned our group of concerned parents, grandparents and other taxpayers accusing us of being anti-education and other nonsense.

So, a YES vote resulted in the following:

- Mediocrity at a higher price;
- > Lack of accountability to parents;
- > An administration that allows students to dress as animals at school;
- > A dramatic drop in school rank passed off as nothing to be concerned about;
- Continuation of steering the focus away from academic excellence;
- Dozens of books in the library rated inappropriate for children under 18;
- Doubling down on failed policies. The enrollment is steadily dropping.

Why are there 7.2 new positions in the Amity budget? More parents are taking their kids out of the school system to escape the madness. The drastic change since I left the ABOE is mind boggling and very alarming and disappointing. There is much work to be done. Passing the budget was a step in the wrong direction. We aim to right the ship. Karen Kerames

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ensure that the candidates share our values, strive for academic excellence and make Amity great again.

To clear up some misconceptions: Funding would have continued based on the current budget if the referendum was voted down as in the past when the budget was vetoed 18 times;

I attended the presentation of "Grave Matters, Early Voices" at the Orange Cemetery. It highlighted the interesting events in the lives of a few of the early settlers of the town.

Kudos to Pat Miller and Trish O'Leary Treat for writing the script,

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ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP

Paul Davis Elected Amity Board Chairman

By Bettina Thiel Orange Town News Correspondent

The Amity Board of Education, at its regular meeting on August 15, unanimously chose Paul Davis of Orange as its chairman after the resignation of former chairman John Belfonti earlier in July. The only abstaining vote was that of Davis himself.

Davis is well known throughout the district, having coached the swim team at Amity High School as well as being founder and head coach of the Orange program when the town pool opened. He taught science at the middle- and high-school levels in West Haven for many years. He represented those living in the 117th House District in the State Legislature, and later joined the Orange Board of Selectmen before being elected to the Amity Board of Education in 2019.

Davis thanked his fellow board members for their support, saying this is the most "close-working group of people in support of education." Along with a number of other board members, he recognized his predecessor for leading the district during a particularly difficult time in public education.

"I knew John when he was a very young man," Davis said of Belfonti. "He was always a real gentleman."

As for Davis's own leadership, he pledged to always put the interest of the students in the district front and center. He also pledged to strive for transparency in the work of the board.



Liliana Restrepo received the Lucy Scillia Memorial Scholarship from the Friends of the Case Memorial Library. Pictured are Phyllis Gwatkin, incoming President, and Mary Janeczek, outgoing President.

Amity Region 5 School District Names New Principal

On June 27, 2022 the Amity Region 5 Board of Education appointed Mr. Andre E. Hauser as the new Principal of Amity Regional High School. Mr. Hauser assumed his new leadership role effective July 14, 2022.

Mr. Hauser has dedicated his entire teaching and administrative career to high school students. He began his educational career as an English Teacher in Massachusetts before moving to Connecticut in 2000. Mr. Hauser then served as English Department Chair in the Enfield Public Schools before accepting his first administrative position as Assistant Principal of Coginchaug High School in Region 13. He served as Assistant Principal for seven years, earning recognition during that time as the Connecticut Assistant Principal of the Year, until his promotion to Principal. In 2013 Mr. Hauser became the Principal of Waterford High School, where he has dedicated his service for the past nine years. His commitment to education is further exhibited by the distinction of serving as President of the Connecticut Association of Schools (CAS), earning the CAS Citation in 2022. He also serves as the State Coordinator for the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) and is a member of the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC) Board of Control.

Mr. Hauser holds a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and English from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He earned a Master of Arts in Education from Sacred Heart University and a 6th Year Certificate in Educational Administration from the University of Connecticut. With over 20 years of experience in school administration, particularly dedicated to the high school level, Mr. Hauser brings a strong foundation of school leadership and will be a tremendous asset for continued growth of our educational community and the District as a whole. We welcome Mr. Hauser to the Amity Region 5 School District and wish him abundant success in his new role as Principal of Amity Regional High School.

Orange Public School Free and Reduced Lunch

The **Orange Public School District** announced today its policy for determining eligibility of children who may receive free or reduced-price meals served under the National School Lunch Program (NSLP).

Local school officials have adopted the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) for family size and income criteria for determining eligibility. The following income guidelines will be used in Connecticut from **July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023,** for determining eligibility of participants for free and reduced-price meals and free milk in the Child Nutrition Programs.

| Free meals | | | | | Reduced-price meals | | | | | | |
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| Household size | Annual gross income | Monthly gross income | Twice per month | Every two weeks gross income | Weekly gross income | Household Size | Annual gross income | Monthly gross income | Twice per month | Every two weeks gross income | Weekly gross income |
| 1 | 17,667 | 1,473 | 737 | 680 | 340 | 1 | 25,142 | 2,096 | 1,048 | 967 | 484 |
| 2 | 23,803 | 1,984 | 992 | 916 | 458 | 2 | 33,874 | 2,823 | 1,412 | 1,303 | 652 |
| 3 | 29,939 | 2,495 | 1,248 | 1,152 | 576 | 3 | 42,606 | 3,551 | 1,776 | 1,639 | 820 |
| 4 | 36,075 | 3,007 | 1,504 | 1,388 | 694 | 4 | 51,338 | 4,279 | 2,140 | 1,975 | 988 |
| 5 | 42,211 | 3,518 | 1,759 | 1,624 | 812 | 5 | 60,070 | 5,006 | 2,503 | 2,331 | 1,156 |
| 6 | 48,347 | 4,029 | 2,015 | 1,860 | 930 | 6 | 68,802 | 5,734 | 2,867 | 2,647 | 1,324 |
| 7 | 54,483 | 4,541 | 2,271 | 2,096 | 1,048 | 7 | 77,534 | 6,462 | 3,231 | 2,983 | 1,492 |
| 8 | 60,619 | 5,052 | 2,526 | 2,332 | 1,166 | 8 | 86,266 | 7,189 | 3,595 | 3,318 | 1,659 |
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Achievements Western New England University

Springfield, MA - Colin Hughes of Orange, CT was inducted into Chi Alpha Sigma National Honor Society in a ceremony on May 6. Colin Hughes (Men's Lacrosse) is working toward a BSBA in Finance.

One of the signature events on the Western New England athletics calendar each year, the Chi Alpha Sigma Honor Society recognizes college students that are significant contributors to their team and display leadership while maintaining a 3.4 or higher grade point average through their junior and/or senior years. Additionally, candidates must have an endorsement from their head coach and be of good moral character. Chi Alpha Sigma is a nonprofit organization which is established to recognize college student-athletes who excel both on and off the field of competition. The organization was founded in 1996 by then DePauw University head football coach, Nick Mourouzis. The honor society is the first and only academic fraternity that specifically recognizes four-year collegiate student-athletes for their athletic and academic successes.

William Smith College

The William Smith College ice hockey team had a league-high 22 student-athletes named to the New England Hockey Conference All-Academic team. This is the second straight year the Herons have had 20-plus honorees. To be eligible for NEHC All-Academic recognition, a student-athlete must carry a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average and have completed one full year at her institution (first-years and first-year transfers are not eligible). Emily Martino from Orange, CT, an economics and media & society was named to the New England Hockey Conference All-Academic team.

Dean's List Bryant University a member of the Class of 2022.

Fairfield University

Fairfield, CT - The following Fairfield University students from Orange received Deans List Honors for the Spring 2022 semester: Katie L. Barretta. Mary L. Foley, Michael A. Holloway, Payton H. Rahn, Christina C. Skerritt, Jared Smith, and Miles C. Turner. In order to be placed on the Dean's List, students must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours in a semester, have no outstanding or incomplete grades for that semester, and have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better.

McDaniel College

Westminster, MD - Charles Csejka of Orange has been recognized for outstanding academic achievement by being named to the McDaniel College Spring 2022 Dean's List with High Honors. Highest honors are earned for a semester grade point average of 3.90 or higher, high honors for a grade point average of 3.70-3.89, and honors for a 3.50-3.69 grade point average.

Quinnipiac University

Hamden, CT - The following Orange students were named to the dean's list for the Spring 2022 semester at Quinnipiac University: Ariba Chaudhry; Gianna Cooper; Colby Darden; Jeremy Gustafson; Saliba Kaoud; Mia Kiska; Taylor Martin; and Caroline Rafferty. To qualify for the dean's list, students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 with no grade lower than C. Full-time students must complete at least 14 credits in a semester, with at least 12 credits that have been graded on a letter grade basis to be eligible. Part-time students must complete at least six credits during a semester.

Roger Williams University

Bristol, RI - Select students have been named to the Spring 2022 Dean's List at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I. Full-time students who complete 12 or more credits per semester and earn a GPA of 3.4 or higher are placed on the Dean's List that semester. Those from Orange placed on the Dean's List are: Joe Bierowski and Giana Guerra. dent must have a minimum semester grade average of 3.500 for the term.

State University of New York New Paltz

New Paltz, NY -- SUNY New Paltz is proud to congratulate Halle Syrop of Orange, CT, for being named to the Dean's List for the spring 2022 semester. Well done! Dean's List designation is reserved for students who excel academically and earn at least a 3.3 grade-point average in a semester with a full-time course load.

Tufts University

Medford, MA - Tufts University recently announced the dean's list for the Spring 2022 semester. Among students from Orange earning dean's list honors are: Robert Jaques, class of 2023; Ameya Menta, class of 2024; Armaan Patel, class of 2025; and Nickolas Wawrzyniak, class of 2024. Dean's list honors at Tufts University requires a semester grade point average of 3.4 or greater.

University of Maine

The University of Maine recognized 2,951 students for achieving Dean's List honors in the spring 2022 semester. Of the students who made the Dean's List, Riley Palazzo of Orange was one of the students named to the Dean's List. To be eligible for the Fulltime Dean's List, a student must have completed 12 or more calculable credits in the semester and have earned a 3.50 or higher semester GPA. Students who have part-time status during both the fall and spring semesters of a given academic year are eligible for Part-time Dean's List. They must have completed 12 or more calculable credits over both terms and have earned a combined GPA in those terms of 3.50 or higher.

University of New Hampshire

Durham, NH - The following Orange students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the spring 2022 semester: Jillian Gusciora earning High Honors, and Veronica Pisano earning Highest Honors. Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors. named to the President's Honors List and the Dean's List for Spring 2022: Richard Fagan and Meghan Smith.

University of Tampa

Tampa, FL - Talia Barry, of Orange, earned dean's list honors at The University of Tampa for the Spring 2022 semester. Barry was a Senior majoring in Marine Science-Biology BS. Students must maintain a GPA of 3.75 or higher to be eligible for the dean's list.

Washington University in St. Louis

St. Louis, MO - Monish Kumar of Orange, CT was named to the dean's list for the spring 2022 semester at Washington University in St. Louis. Kumar is enrolled in the university's College of Arts & Sciences. To qualify for the Dean's List in the College of Arts & Sciences, students must earn a semester grade point average of 3.6 or above and be enrolled in at least 14 graded units.

Western New England University

Springfield, MA - Orange, CT resident, Colin Hughes, has been named to Western New England University's Dean's List for the Spring 2022 semester. Hughes, who is working toward a BSBA in Finance, is one of over 730 students who achieved this mark of academic excellence. Students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.

Graduations *Baylor University*

Waco, TX – More than 3,000 Baylor University graduates – including nearly 90 graduates who completed their degree requirements in 2020 and 2021 – received their degrees during four commencement ceremonies May 13-14 in the Ferrell Center. Caroline Torro, of Orange, received a Master of Science, Communication Sciences and Disorders, Graduate School.

Smithfield, RI - Bryant University is pleased to recognize the students who have demonstrated an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and achievement. To earn a place on the Deans' List students must have a GPA of 3.4 or better for at least 12 semester hours of work. Congratulations to the following Orange students on this outstanding achievement: Andrew Forchetti, class of 2022, and Alex Palermo, class of 2024.

Emerson College

Boston, MA - Jaden Esse of Orange, CT earned Dean's List honors for the Spring 2022 semester at Emerson College. The requirement to make Dean's List is a grade point average of 3.7 or higher for that semester. Esse is majoring in Media Arts Production and is

Springfield College

Springfield College has named Lauren Ronai from Orange, CT to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2022 spring semester. Ronai has a primary major of Health Science/ Pre-physician Assistant. The criteria for selection to the Dean's List are as follows: The student must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded coursework for the term, exclusive of "P" grades. The student must not have any incompletes or missing grades in the designated term. The stu-

University of Hartford

West Hartford, CT - The University of Hartford is pleased to announce the Orange students who have been

Clarkson University

Potsdam, NY - Robert W. Lyngdal of Orange, CT, received a bachelor of science with distinction in mechanical engineering, sustain energy sys eng minor, from Clarkson University in May 2022.

Eastern Connecticut State University

Willimantic, CT - Hundreds of students graduated from Eastern Connecticut State University at the conclusion of the spring 2022 semester. The University's annual Commencement Exercises occurred May 17 at the XL Center in Hartford, CT. The graduate-level ceremony occurred May

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14 on Eastern's campus. Brooke Matyasovsky of Orange graduated Magna Cum Laude with Bachelor of Science degrees in Business Administration and Communication.

Emerson College

Boston, MA - Emerson College, the nation's premier institution for the arts, communication, and the liberal arts, awarded more than 1,000 undergraduate degrees during its 142nd Commencement at Agganis Arena in Boston, MA on Sunday, May 8, 2022. Jaden Esse from Orange, CT received a BFA in Media Arts Production.

Fairfield University

Fairfield, CT - The following Fairfield University students from Orange graduated from Fairfield University, May 2022: Cassandra Bishop, Chris Cimmino, Patrick Geer, Michael Holloway, and Christina Skerritt. At the time of graduation, a student must have earned a minimum of 120 credits and completed at least 38 three- or four-credit courses, depending on the course of study, and have an overall grade point average of 2.0 or better at the conclusion of the senior year.

Furman University

Greenville, SC - Furman University President Elizabeth Davis presided over the class of 2022 commencement exercises, which took place Saturday, May 7, at Paladin Stadium on campus.

Nearly 630 students graduated in the class of 2022. Roberta Buccilli of Orange, CT, graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in Biology: Biomedical Sciences and a minor in Medicine, Health, and Culture. Buccilli's parents and/or guardians are Mrs. Yueh-Ying Lee and Mr. Dennis Buccilli.

Ithaca College

ITHACA, NY - Kayla Abreu from Orange graduated Cum Laude from Ithaca College with a BS in Occupational Therapy.

Quinnipiac University

Hamden, CT - The following Orange students received degrees from mencement ceremonies held in May: Robert Cross, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering; Colby Darden, Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems; Jessica Ferraiolo, Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurship/Small Business; Jeremy Gustafson, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science; Jeremy Gustafson, Bachelor of Science in Economics; Taylor Martin, Bachelor of Science in Health Science/Occupational Therapy; Caroline Rafferty, Bachelor of Science in Nursing; Jenna Saleh, Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science; and Kaitlin Thomas, Juris Doctor.

Rochester Institute of Technology

Rochester, NY - Sakinah Abdul-Khaliq of Orange graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology with a BS in biotechnology and molecular bioscience.

Roger Williams University

Bristol, RI - The following Orange students received their degrees in May as part of the Class of 2022: Tyler Breuler graduated with a B.S. in Cybersecurity & Networking and Sean Farrell graduated with a B.S. in Architecture.

University of Alabama

Hannah Hutchison, daughter of Tom and Jacki Hutchison of Orange graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree in Finance from Auburn University in Alabama.

University of Hartford

West Hartford, CT - Congratulations to the University of Hartford Class of 2022! Olivia Livoti, MS in Neuroscience.

The University of Tampa

Tampa, FL - The University of Tampa hosted a commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 7 to honor the 1,713 degree-seeking candidates at the University's 154th commencement. The following Orange students graduated from The University of Tampa: Hannah Hipona graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Cybersecurity BS and Jenna Goldwitz graduated with a Bachelor of

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Orange Conservation Commission Asking for Photos

The Orange Conservation Commission invites all who enjoy our Open Spaces to share a picture of someone being a proper steward of our town trails. Take a picture of yourself, your family, your friends, or your pets hiking our trails. Show how you help to keep the trails welcoming for all who visit them.

We will display the pictures at our booth in the Civic Tent at the 2022 Orange Country Fair – showcasing our favorites for all to see. Send pictures to orangeconscomm@gmail.com by September 10th, then come by to see us at the Fair, September 17-18.

Students: Register To Vote, Complete Absentee Applications

By Mary Shaw Orange Town Clerk

Mary Shaw, Orange Town Clerk, is urging all students to register to vote prior to leaving for school or college and to complete an application for an absentee ballot. "One of the greatest ways we can demonstrate our commitment to our democracy is to exercise our right to a free and secret vote," Shaw stated, "when you look at other countries you immediately recognize it is not something we should take for granted."

Any U.S. citizen, 17 years of age,

by pre-registering and will become an elector on the day of their 18th birthday. The voter registration application and all related details can be found on the Town of Orange website: www.orange-ct.gov. Once on the website, visit the Registrar of Voters page.

Voters can download and print the absentee ballot application from the Town of Orange website: www. orange-ct.gov. Visit the Town Clerk's page and click the link for voting and election information. Applications for November 8, 2022 Election are current-

Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of September 2022



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| 6th | Economic Development Comm5:30 pm Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm | Town Hall Town Hall |
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| 7th | Board of Selectmen7:00 pm Conservation Comm7:00 pm Country Fair Cmte7:30 pm | Town Hall HPCC Exhibit Hall |
| 8th | Community Services7:00 pm OGAT7:30 pm | HPCC Town Hall |
| 12th | Traffic Authority4:30 pm Board of Police Comm4:30 pm Amity Board of Education6:30 pm Board of Health7:00 pm Zoning Board of Appeals7:00 pm | Police Dept. Police Dept. Woodbridge HPCC Town Hall |
| 13th | Inland Wetlands Comm7:30 pm | Town Hall |
| 14th | Recycling Comte7:00 pm | HPCC |
| 15th | Library Comm7:00 pm | Case Mem Library |
| 19th | Family Counseling Advisory Council9:00 am Board of Finance7:00 pm Orange Board of Education7:00 pm | HPCC Town Hall Mary L. Tracy |
| 20th | Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm | Town Hall |
| 21st | Safety & Health Cmte10:00 am | TBD |
| 26th | Youth Services7:30 pm | HPCC |
| 28th | Park & Recreation Comm7:30 pm | Town Hall |



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Orange Youth Services Scholarship

Three Orange high school seniors have been chosen to receive the Orange Youth Services Scholarship of \$1,000 each. These students were chosen based on their academic achievement, extracurricular activities, volunteer involvement and future endeavors. (From left to right) Madison Marcus will be attending Fordham University to pursue an undergraduate/graduate degree for Education, Emma Quaranta will be attending the University of Vermont to pursue her bachelor's degree in Nursing, and Katelyn Losty will be attending Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences where she will be part of a six-year physician assistant program. Congratulations and good luck to all the recipients!



Strategies That Can Improve Reading Comprehension

Strong reading comprehension skills are one of the foundations of a successful academic career. According to the Institute of Reading Development, students with strong reading comprehension skills get a big boost in all subjects, including math and science.

Though the benefits of reading comprehension are well documented, many students are struggling in this area of their academics. Officials with the National Center for Education Statistics note that, over the last decade, students have made no progress in reading performance. That likely comes as no surprise to seasoned educators, as data indicates students are reading less outside of school than they have in years past. Data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress indicates the percentage of public school students who said they read 30 minutes or more a day declined by 4 percent between 2017 and 2019, dipping below 50 percent overall in the latter year.

There's likely a multitude of reasons why students now read less than they used to. Parents concerned about their children's reading comprehension can out. The more practice kids get with reading, the more their comprehension skills develop.

Read aloud to children. Various studies have found that reading aloud to children significantly benefits literacy development. One study from the National Association for the Education of Young Children found that listening to others read helps children develop key understanding and skills, including how stories are written. In addition, the Reading Rockets project, which aspires to bring reading research to life in the hopes of helping young children develop into strong, confident readers, notes that children can listen on a higher language level than they can read. That makes complex ideas more accessible.

Ask questions when reading to children. When reading to children, parents can compound the benefits of this activity by asking youngsters questions about the book. Asking what, when, where, why, and how can encourage children to look for answers to these questions while they're being read to. As students advance and then read more on their own, parents can encourage them to ask these questions of themselves (if they're not already doing so on their own). Asking and answering these questions is a great way to strengthen reading comprehension skills.

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Relearning "Economics 101"

By Roberta L. Nestor

This summer revisited economic phrases we haven't heard in over ten years and other terms not mentioned since the 1980s. Recession, inverted yield curves, inflation, GDP and CPI. These words and acronyms are somewhat familiar, but perhaps only because they have represented headline news for several months now. What do these words mean, and how do they impact our day-to-day lives?

Life was tough for anyone who lived through the late 1970s and early 1980s inflation era. Mortgage rates in 1980 reached 16.63%, and while today's mortgage rates are approaching 6%, there is no comparison. Ask anyone who purchased a home in the early 80s. And yet, a 6% mortgage rate seems unbearable - nearly double what they were just a few short years ago. The Federal Reserve intends to begin the process of lowering interest rates once inflation is considerably reduced, from our 9% plus levels to below 4% levels. The Federal Reserve seeks to control inflation by influencing interest rates. When inflation is too high, the Federal Reserve typically raises interest rates to slow the economy and bring inflation down.

Are we in a recession? It depends on who you ask! There is the technical definition of a recession and the current notion that even though we have reached that technical definition, we are still not in a recession. The technical definition is when the US economy shows negative growth (a.k.a., GDP or Gross Domestic Product) in back-toback calendar quarters. Just like we did in the 1st two quarters of 2022 – the US economy has experienced negative growth for two consecutive calendar quarters. GDP measures the monetary value of final goods and services—that is, those that the final user buys—pro2-year Treasury yield was 3.25% versus the 10-year Treasury yield of 2.85%, and the 20-year is at 3.12%. Historically, protracted inversions of the yield curve have preceded recessions in the U.S. An inverted yield curve reflects investors' expectations for a decline in longer-term interest rates due to deteriorating economic performance.

Not all facets of today's economic data signal a recession. Historically, recessions are met with high unemployment. In July, our unemployment rate edged out at a very low 3.50%. The unemployment rate varied from as low as 1% during World War I to as high as 25% during the Great Depression. More recently, it reached notable highs of over 10% in November of 1982 and 14.70% at the on-start of COVID in April 2020. Unemployment tends to rise during recessions and falls during expansions.

What does this mean to investors? Economic data looks backwards, whereas the markets are always forward-looking. Also, remember that no two bear markets are exactly alike. That said, over half of the bear markets since World War II have preceded a recession, but those that did not lead to an economic downturn tended to last for a shorter time, on average. Stay the course! This is likely not your first bear market, nor your first recession. Both of which are a normal part of our economic cycle.

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try these strategies to bolster this highly valuable skill.

Let kids read what they like. The tutoring professionals at Oxford Learning® report that 73 percent of students indicate they would read more if they found books they liked. Parents can address this issue by taking children to their local libraries and letting them choose which books to check

Strong reading comprehension skills can help students reach their academic potential. Parents can employ various strategies to help children bolster those skills. duced in a country in a given period (say a quarter or a year). It counts the total output generated within a country's borders.

Another sign of a recession is when we experience an "inverted yield curve". An inverted yield curve is when shortterm rates (i.e., 2-year Treasuries) are yielding higher than long-term rates. For example, as of this writing, the

"It's one of my favorite seasons of the year: Back to School. As a kid, I loved fresh school supplies, new outfits, the change of seasons, and the chance to crack open a new textbook." — DANA PERINO



Where Did They Shop?

By Ginny Reinhard

When the early settlers came to Milford in 1639, they didn't bring much food with them on those tiny ships and no anticipation of finding shops as in England for sustenance. But Peter Prudden brought his people from Herfordshire, England aboard the ship Martin in 1637 with the hopes of finding a paradise, a haven from the tyranny in England at the time. Names like James Prudden, Edmund Tapp, the Buckinghams, William East and others accompanied him but they did not settle in the Milford colony initially.

They remained in Boston for a spell and were urged to make it their permanent home but both John Davenport (Davenport Ave. in New Haven) and Prudden had other ideas, wanting to establish a colony of their own. They went down to the Quinnipiac River area, Davenport settling into the New Haven area while Prudden wanted to move west.

Before the Prudden group settled Milford, they stayed in New Haven in one of the nine squares on the western corner of what is now the New Haven Green. There they planted crops and built houses. At one point, Rev. Prudden went to the town of Wethersfield to preach and being a forceful man, who won the devotion of his listeners, agreed to seek new lands for a settlement and by February 12, 1639, a small group of men, Alexander Bryan being one of them, purchased land from the sachem of the Paugussetts, Ansantawae. You have read this part before, folks.

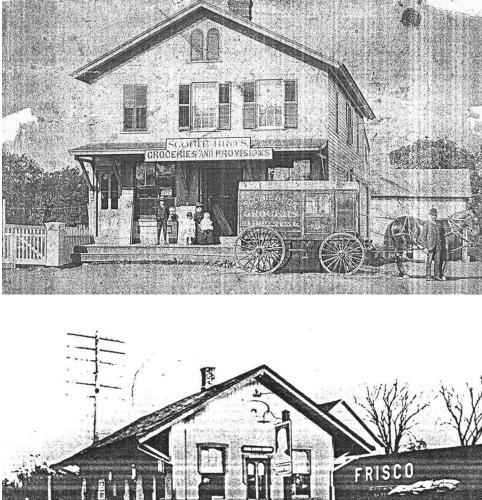
The real story of the relationship between the Paugussetts and the colonist is a bit of an exaggeration as there were problems and Rev. Erastus Scranton, who is given credit for part of our Green, writes in his 1830 statistical account of various and sundry altercations within the two groups.

The stockade, which helps to solidify the two, only came in 1700 when the Mohawks, hidden in the swamp, descended on the Paugussetts. stealing their winter supplies, their "store" if you will. There is no evidence that these colonists ever suffered for the want of food nor water, as many springs were located within the town.

The resources of the land were many in the trees alone, providing for food, shelter and domestic use. Not long after the settlement there emerged manufacturing with 11 stores of groceries and dry goods popping up throughout the colony in addition to the leather tanners, blacksmiths, wheelwrights, hatters, chandlers * and coopers.**

They had a store in North Milford too as this colony was beginning to burst at the seams by 1750. John Bryan opened a store on the west side of the Green, our first store but in 1838, he lost it through bankruptcy and it was ultimately auctioned to Samuel Johnson, who in 1841 sold it to the North Milford Ecclesiastical Society, the Congregational Church of today.

The store was located in the area, or street if you will, in front of the parson's house today. The road west went



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through the town green running on the south side of the shop. Of course, Meeting House Lane does not cut through the Green but runs north of it.

The 2nd store was that of Dennis Stone, just across the street on the corner of what is now Tyler City Road and

> Orange Center or North Main as it was then. He divided his Greek Revival house into two halves with the left being the general store. With the continuation of blacksmiths, shoemakers and the like, Mr. Stone carried household items and foodstuff that could be preserved in barrels. "See" the two doors at the Stone-Otis House? The one on the left is a barrel door, wide enough to roll in the barrels of dry goods and the like. Now to the 3rd and last general store in our town, the Scobie store, still standing, is opposite the small shopping center on Orange Center Road. By 1880, it was a flurry of activity with the post office located there and are you ready for this?.... the first telegraph station with three customers connected to Scobie using the dots and dashes of Morse code.

single, private and party line from the Scobie store, to 3 customers then 4 and by 1908 when the number hit 44, the system became the Southern New England Telephone Company. For many years the Scobie store served not only the town but those folks who rode the train from New Haven to Derby and back, as the train station was just across the street. Can you imagine the different visitors that shopped at this general store, the last, historic, commercial building in our town?

We will never know a who's who for Elbert, George and William Scobie's customers and only by history of other general stores can we assume what he sold but suffice it to say, the Scobies made their mark in Orange and through continued ownership as a residence, it stands as a reminder of how the town grew, step by step, landing into 2022. Elbert, like other entrepreneurs sought to offer copies of parts of the town through postcards, printed in Germany. These postcards are collectors' items and most cannot be found any longer in the open market as collectors have held onto them and their value has soared.



By 1895, the first telephone system was inaugurated as a

Not only do we have the store as a reminder of its history but the postcards as well...thanks Elbert!

*chandler made candles. **cooper make barrels



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Kyle Branday

to fix the underlying reason why the pain and inflammation are happening in the first place.

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Kyle Branday, MSPT, C-PS, is a licensed Physical Therapist and is the supervisor of the Woodbridge office. He is a graduate of Quinnipiac University where he earned his Master's degree in Physical Therapy. In addition, Kyle is Level 2 Certified by the Institute of Advanced Musculoskeletal Treatment for Dry Needling. Kyle enjoys treating patients with a wide range of orthopedic and neurological conditions. Kyle has extensive training in the diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic orthopedic and sports injuries, neurological rehabilitation, manual therapy, sports specific training, Selective Functional Movement Assessment (SFMA) and works with patients ranging from pediatrics to geriatrics. Recently, he has completed course work to earn designation as a Champion Performance Specialist (C-PS) to enhance his work with elite athletes and weekend warriors alike. Kyle is an avid sports fan and works with our patients in our Sports Performance Programs.

APT Adds Fitness Division to Milford Practice

Michael Dow MSPT & CEO has just added a cutting-edge fitness center to his existing physical therapy facility in Milford. When Dow founded his practice 18 years ago, he was determined to develop physical therapy holistically so it would include diagnostics, treatment, healings, fitness, and extending his services to include health and wellness, even nutritional programs.

Today with five area offices, Amity Physical Therapy has raised the bar in this profession. The Milford office is now staffed with licensed clinicians and fitness trainers schooled in both

disciplines.

Dow stated, "Adding fitness programs to physical therapy has bridged an important gap in the diagnosis and treatment of injuries. Patients can now get both personal care for injuries while, in the same facility, they can move from the healing process to benefit from professional fitness trainers and help prevent future injuries. It's the best of both worlds."

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Michael Dow MSPT at 203-389-4593, or Peter Geloso DPT in Milford at 203-693-2350, or visit amitypt.com.

HAPPY 106th!! Help Helen Koziel Celebrate Her 106th Birthday!

Helen Koziel of Orange will begin her 106th Birthday Celebration with a CAR PARADE on August 28 in front of High Plains Community Center. Weather permitting, it will be held from 1:00 to 2:00 pm.

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Helen very much enjoys reading novels and playing games on her computer. She considers herself very fortunate to witness the invention and advancement of computers, as she often states, for business, education and entertainment. She loves that she can ZOOM with friends and family to

easily keep in touch with them.

Helen belongs to the Orange Senior Center and to the Milford/Orange YMCA - although COVID precautions have limited her current group activities to outdoor lunches and parties and walking with friends.

Helen especially loves her family and, from picnics to watching school sports to holiday gatherings, cherishes every moment spent with them. Helen always credits her healthy and happy life to her FAITH, her FAMILY and to her FRIENDS.

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How the Arts Benefit Academic Performance

The cost of products and services continues to rise and organizations everywhere have increasingly been feeling the pressure to reevaluate budgets. It's no different in school districts nationwide, with school boards making difficult decisions about which programs to keep and which will have to go in order to save money.

Music and arts programs often are the first to be cut when school budgets are tightened. The organization Save the Music says that, during the Great Recession in 2008 and 2009, per-pupil spending in public schools decreased by approximately 7 percent across the country. This led to a trickle-down effect that resulted in the cancellation of art and music programs. Since then, many districts have continued to cut arts programs due to budget limitations. COVID-19 also did little to help the situation.

Art program cutbacks are rarely met with open arms, and that resistance has a lot to do with the positive effects such offerings have on students' academic performance.

Better test performance

Numerous studies have found a correlation between early introduction to music education and a number of benefits for children. Music education can help develop communication skills, brain plasticity, language, and motor skills. A study conducted by the University of California, Los Angeles used a database of more than 25,000 middle and high school students. The researchers found that students involved in arts performed better on standardized achievement tests than students with lower arts involvement. Furthermore, data from 2015 from The College Board, which produces the SAT, found students who took four years of arts and music classes while in high school scored an average of 92 points higher on their SATs than students who only took one-half year or less.

Improved emotional states

In addition to better performance on tests, a review in Frontiers in Psychology examined several studies linking arts and aesthetic experiences with "broad improvements" in people's emotional states. Those improvements included greater psychological and physical well-being.

Community involvement

Participation and even appreciation of the arts can have an impact as well. Researchers from the Department of Public Administration at the University of Illinois Chicago found that being an art curator or audience member leads to high levels of civic engagement and social tolerance.

The support and therapy company Evolve Treatment Centers reports that involvement in music and arts leads to overall higher GPAs, higher scores in math and reading and a reduced risk of



How Learning a Foreign Language Benefits Students

Adults undoubtedly recall their school days when schedules included a class devoted to foreign languages. Some students embrace foreign language classes, while others may question their value. Those in the latter camp may be surprised to learn just how much they benefit from studying a foreign language.

Foreign languages and long-term cognitive health

Dementia might not be foremost on the minds of school-aged youngsters, but their foreign language class could be delaying its onset by a significant margin. A 2010 study published in the peer-reviewed journal Neurology found that bilingual patients with probable Alzheimer's disease reported the onset of symptoms 5.1 years later than monolingual patients. Authors of the study concluded that lifelong bilingualism confers protection against the onset of Alzheimer's disease, which underscores the value of learning a foreign language as a young person and maintaining that knowledge throughout adulthood.

Foreign languages and attention span

A recent study from Microsoft

suggest the prevalence of screens, particularly the use of multiple screens at once, has led to that decline. But bilingual individuals may be able to buck that trend. Researchers at the School of Psychology at the University of Birmingham suggest that bilingualism could lead to better sustained attention and attentional monitoring, thus improving students' ability to remain focused and block out distractions.

Foreign languages and multi-tasking

Most adults likely need no reminder that the current world is one that requires an ability to multi-task. Learning a foreign language can make it easier to navigate that world. A 2012 study funded by the National Institutes of Health found that bilingual children had a greater ability to multi-task than monolingual children. The NIH study utilized a switching task to gauge monolingual and bilingual children's ability to pay attention, plan, organize, and strategize. Bilingual children were faster at switching than their monolingual counterparts, which could set them up to be more successful in a world that has increasingly valued the ability to multi-task.

Foreign language courses do more than teach kids how to speak

behavioral problems and suspensions.

Music and arts education are important to students' development. Keeping these programs alive in schools can benefit students in many ways. found that the average attention span is now eight seconds, which marks a significant decline since 2000, when the average attention span was 12 seconds. Researchers behind the report a non-native tongue. The benefits of such courses on students' brains is well-documented and can produce some immediate and long-lasting results.







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Art-Based Extracurricular Activities

Students looking to expand their extracurricular horizons need look no further than the arts. Art-related extracurricular activities can enhance lessons learned in the classroom and provide a way to explore creative pursuits to help relieve stress and improve focus.

Art-based extracurricular activities are easy to find. Consider these ideas to get started.

Visit an art museum

Those lucky enough to live close to an art museum can wander through the past or get artists' interpretations of the future. Many museums sponsor extracurricular activities for young artists, but even periodic visits using a student pass can provide all the inspiration creative young people need. Museums showcase everything from paintings to sculptures to historical artifacts, so it's possible to find a specially curated collection that appeals to any artist's interests.

Enroll in an art course

Students who enjoy art can improve their skills by taking art classes and courses that extend lessons learned during the school day. Perhaps a student wants to hone his or her skills in a particular medium? An art class can do that and even expand on

lessons learned in the classroom.

Attend artsrelated camps

Summer camps come in all shapes and sizes, including ones geared around artistic endeavors. When school lets out for the summer or other breaks during the year, students can hang around with like-minded peers in specialty art camps.

Try other artistic activities

The arts include everything from music instruction to acting in a play or musical to participating in a choral ensemble. Some children like to experience art through culinary endeavors. Students should not limit themselves to one activity. Dabbling in all sorts of activities may inspire students to pursue new interests.

Find art in daily life

One does not need to be enrolled in a regimented program to enjoy art. Children can engage in art-related hobbies on their own at home or in the community. Find art in collecting leaves and flowers, building sand castles, taking photographs, or just about any other creative endeavor.

Arts-related extracurricular activities can be the perfect way to pass time outside the classroom.

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ARTS & LEISURE

A Musical Tribute to Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons

"OH WHAT A NIGHT! A Musical Tribute to Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons" — a dynamic musical revue of hit songs — headlines the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation's 20th Anniversary Gala Evening for the Arts

benefit on Saturday, September 10, 2022, at Fairfield University's Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts.

The performance begins at 7 p.m. and is preceded by an Evening for the Arts reception at 6 p.m., which includes complimentary beverages, dessert bar and silent auc-

tion preview. Tickets are available through the Quick Center

Box Office: (203) 254-4010 and online at quickcenter.fairfield.edu. Tickets are \$45 in advance or \$50 at the door.

"OH WHAT A NIGHT!" is an exhilarating, family friendly musical revue conceived and directed by award-winning Broadway producer and director Michael Chapman, and written by Motown producer George Solomon. The show features all the original Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons hits, as well as many Top 10 releases not found in the Tony award-winning Broadway musical.

"This is a top Las Vegas act—the country's #1 Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons tribute show. They have played to sold-out crowds all over the world! We are very fortunate to have them as the headliners of our 20th anniversary celebration," said Judy Primavera, foundation co-founder and board of directors president. "It's a fun night out for a good cause with something for everyone!"

A MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO FRANKIE VALLI & THE FOUR SEASONS

gala also showcases the talents of performers involved in the foundation's programs at Square Foot Theatre in Wallingford, Conn., Amity High School's Creative Theatre, Broadway Method Academy in Fairfield, Conn.,

and Center Stage Theatre

in Shelton, Conn. The event benefits the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to the educational enrichment and professional development of young artists and early career professionals. It was founded

to celebrate the life of Jamie Alaine Hulley. All proceeds from the gala are dedicated to scholarships, educational programs, and community project sponsorships throughout Connecticut, especially in the greater New Haven and Fairfield counties. Since the foundation's creation in 2002, over \$1 million has been awarded, impacting the lives of thousands of area youth each year. For information on the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation, visit www.jamiehulleyartsfund.org, call (203) 891-8869, or email jamieart@snet.net.

Fairfield University is a modern, Jesuit Catholic University, rooted in one of the world's oldest intellectual and spiritual traditions. More than 5,000 undergraduate and graduate students from 36 states, 47 foreign countries, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico are enrolled in the University's five schools. In the spirit of rigorous and sympathetic inquiry into all dimensions of human experience, Fairfield welcomes students from diverse backgrounds to share ideas and engage in open conversations. The University is located in the heart of a region where the future takes shape, on a stunning campus on the Connecticut coast just an hour from New York City.



Audrey Mae Plays Bluegrass

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library will present an afternoon of Bluegrass melodies by the Audrey Mae Quartet on Saturday, September 24 at 2:00pm in the Library.

The quartet features the harmonic duets of Peter Winne and Joe Delillo, accompanied by Joe Lemeris on banjo and Sam McDougle on fiddle/ mandolin. The Band is named Audrey Mae, after Delillo's mother, an Alabama belle. Their moody bluegrass renditions describe laments about lost loves and hard-scrabble living in rural areas of America The Band will also showcase songs by Bob Dylan and The Beatles.

Reservations are required and may be made online at www.casememorallibrary.org or by calling 203-891-2170. Please take care to observe current mask and social distancing mandates.

Area Lifelong Learning Group Offers Virtual Tour of N.Y. MoMA

Institute for Learning in Retirement Plans Free Zoom Event Highlighting Museum

New Haven area residents may take a free virtual tour of the Museum of Modern Art at 11 a.m., October 24. Sponsored by the Institute for Learning in Retirement (ILR), the tour will be conducted via Zoom and led by

researching contemporary indigenous artwork to support an upcoming Yale art acquisition. In July 2020, Julie launched smARTee to promote arts engagement and emotional well-being.

Although free, seating for the tour is limited and registration is required. ILR members can register beginning just after midnight on September 12. Non-members may register on September 19. Register by visiting the ILR website, https://www.ilralbertus.org/, and completing the RSVP form. The Zoom link is provided after the registration is confirmed.

OH WHAT A NIGHT thrills its audiences with great choreography, boundless energy, humor, and instantly recognizable classic hits such as Big Girls Don't Cry, Walk Like A Man, Can't Take My Eyes Off You, Let's Hang On, Who Loves You, and many more. The



Julie Averbach a recent Yale University graduate.

The tour will explore works by Andy Warhol, Pablo Picasso, Claude Monet and more. What inspired Vincent Van Gogh to paint The Starry Night? Which sculpture fascinated Albert Einstein when he visited the MoMA in the 1930s? We will delve into these stories and others, as we tour one of New York's beloved museums and consider its most iconic works.

Julie Averbach recently graduated as a History of Art and Psychology double major at Yale University. Her interests encompass areas as diverse as Russian and Soviet protest art, Indian graphic novels, and decorative arts of the Belle Epoque. Julie enjoys serving as Founder and Chair of the University's Franklin Fine Arts Committee, and is currently The Institute for Learning in Retirement is a non-profit, community-based group of adults who share a love of learning. Members enjoy college-level classes from the arts and baking to writing and zoology, often taught by active or retired professors or professionals. Classes are held during the day and usually during the week. More information is available at https://www.ilralbertus.org or by calling (203) 747-9675.





All That Jazz

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library will present the Shoreline Jazz Quartet (SJQ) in the Meeting Room on Saturday, August 27 at 2:00pm. Masks are recommended.

The SJQ features Adam Anderson on bass, Mike Bimonte on drums, Deepak Cyril D'Souza on saxophone and Steve Roane on guitar. The program will include a wide palette of jazz standards and contemporary arrangements.

Registration is required. Go to www.casememoriallibrary.org or call 203.891-2170 to register for this musical treat.



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Pack 922 News

Pack 922 would like to thank everyone who helped make its car wash a big success. Special thanks to the Orange Volunteer Fire Department for hosting the event and Town Fair Tire for donating supplies. Scouts washed nearly 100 cars and, according to at least one customer, provided the "best carwash" they ever had.

The pack also hosted a picnic where

scouts ate hot dogs, spent time with their friends, and played frisbee golf. For those interested in joining, be

on the lookout for a recruitment event when school starts up in September.

Any questions? Contact our Cubmaster at cubmaster@orangecubscouts.com or visit our Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/ CubScoutPack922.

Orange Lions Host Comedy Night

2022 Orange Bicentennial Commemorative Crock

Don't miss out on the 2022 Commemorative Crock, a timeless keepsake, hand-crafted to recognize our bicentennial. Offered by Orange Community Women (OCW), all proceeds from the sale of these crocks will help fund the various projects the group supports within and surrounding our community. These include Food2Kids, scholarships for Amity seniors, Days for Girls, food basket donations and social gatherings with the Tracy Bunch and residents of the Silverbrook Senior Center.

Each 1-quart stoneware crock stands 6" high and is hand-made in the USA. They are oven, microwave, dishwasher and freezer safe and only \$35.00 each.

The Crocks are available for immediate delivery within the Town of Orange. To order, call Michelle at (203) 605-



4383, or email Orangecommunityw@ gmail.com.

They will also be available at the OCW booth in the Civic Tent at the Country Fair while supplies last.

Federated Garden Clubs of CT Present Environmental Course

Join us and learn from experts in the field of Environmental Science. In this overview of earth science, we will learn about the four major components of Earth's life support system: air, soil, water and living things. Environmental School courses are recognized for their superb presenters. This year the course will feature the following:

- Oswald Schmitz, PhD., Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies;
- Susan Quincy, CT DEEP Environmental Educator;
- Greg Bugbee, Connecticut Agricultural Experient Station;

wide range of topics. There are 8 onehour modules, plus a 2-hour virtual fieldtrip, covering environmental science, the value of Biodiversity, Earth stewardship, Sustainability and the impact of humans on the planet.

Learn how to make personal changes to benefit the Earth and how to work effectively with organizations and institutions to create beneficial policies. Make connections! Share ideas with fellow garden club members from Connecticut and around the United States during this lively 2 day offering.

Environmental School courses are designed to teach participants environmental literacy and an appreciation of

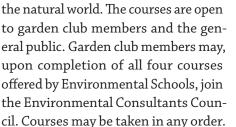
The Orange Lions Club announces it is again hosting its annual comedy fundraising event "Comedy Under the Stars", set for Saturday August 27, 2022 at the big picnic pavilion outside High Plains Community Center. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the show is scheduled to start at 8 p.m.

This event features at least three professional stand-up comedians' routines and is suitable for mature audiences. It is a Bring-your-own beverage and bring-your-own snacks affair. Picnic table seating will be provided, but audience members may bring their own folding chairs if desired. There will also be several prize raffle baskets for lucky winners. Tickets for this charity fundraising event are only \$25 per person available for purchase from

any Orange Lions Club member, or by calling Lions Ken or Marianne at 203-795-3906.

The Orange Lions Club supports many local charitable causes, including senior and youth programs, the food pantry, fuel bank, children's eye-screenings, diabetes screenings, and college scholarships for Amity High School graduates. The Club also supports several foundations in Connecticut, the Nation and Worldwide that aid in preventing blindness, services to the blind and sight-impaired, children's cancer research, improving the environment and disaster relief. Lions Clubs International is the World's largest non-profit service organization with over 1.4 million members in over 200 countries.

- Robert LaFrance, Audubon Connecticut;
- Carrie Szwed, Education Director, White Memorial Conservation Center;
- Margery Winters, Environmental Scientist;
- Paul Tanner, Hydrogeologist, > Environmental Professional;
- Tessa Getchis, Sea Grant. During this 2-day course, these academics, environmentalists and industry leaders will guide you through a



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By Dennis Marsh

Senior Center Check-in Center

Orange Community Services installed a computer kiosk to check in for events and activities. Be sure to come by office and for a key tag to use to swipe in. You will use the key card to sign in for classes, activities and volunteering and other activities.

Health & Safety Fair

Join us September 23 for the 19th Annual Health & Safety Fair at High Plains Community Center from 9:30am—12:00 noon. Meet local vendors, enjoy the raffle, and receive a free boxed lunch for the first 150 people.

Hiking Group

Marianne and Judy will lead us in a 2 mile-ish, 1 hour walk every Thursday at 9am from July-September or 10am from October-December. Meet at the location of the hike.

- September 1: Ewen Farm Preserve, 648 St. John Dr., Orange;
- September 8: Fitzgerald Tract, 112-126 Beecher Rd, Woodbridge;
- September 15: Shelton Lakes Recreation Path,125 Shelton Avenue (Rt. 108), Shelton; Pine Lake Parking Area;
- September 22: Turkey Hill
 Preserve, 700 Derby Milford
 Road, Orange;
- September 29: Solomon Woods, 810 West River Street, Milford.

American Music Cities Presentation

Join us September 13, 2022, at 3:00pm for a trip presentation on Collette's trip "Music Cities". The trip departs October 7, 2023. We have 10 people signed up.

Arts & Crafts with Suzanne

Join us for a fun-filled class project with Suzanne as she leads Arts & Crafts on Monday September 19 at 12:30pm. Pre-registration is required. Call 203-891-4784 to sign up.

Book Club

The book club meets the last Friday of the month at 2:00pm. The next meeting will be in the senior lounge on September 30. September's book is Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison.

Movie of the Month

September 9, 1:00pm, Ondine. An Irish fisherman discovers a woman in his fishing net whom his precocious daughter believes to be a selkie. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Call 203-891-4784 to register.

Lunch & Fun – American Heroines

Join us on September 12 when Patty Caver returns with "American Heroines". American Heroines is a one-woman tour de force musical presentation where four noted women of American History are portrayed. Conceived of and written by Patty Carver. Call to reserve a seat. Coffee and dessert at 12:30pm, Patty from 1-2:00pm.

Stories of the Rich & Famous

Join us on October 17 at 2:30 when former Limousine driver, Rob Palermo tells us his experiences while driving the rich & famous. Call to reserve a seat 203-891-4784.

Introduction to Computers

Join us for Introduction to Computers on Wednesdays at 5:00pm in the computer room with Josh starting October 5. \$20 for a 4-week class. Stop by the office to sign up.

Beginner Pickleball with Mary

Join us for Beginner Pickleball with Mary on Fridays, in the HPCC Tennis Courts from 8:00am. Bring a chair as there are no benches.

Hot Lunch Program

Lunch is offered Monday through Friday, 11:30am – 12:00pm. No meals on Saturday, or Sunday. A \$3.00 donation is accepted for persons 60+. Call Ellen at (203) 891-4765 to register.

Legal Clinic

The Law office of Floman DePaola has merged with Wiley, Etter, & Doyon, but they are still available the first Wednesday of each month for a free legal clinic. Some things they will be able to help you with, while others may require an office visit and fee. To schedule an appointment, call 203-891-4784.

Griffin Hospital/ Parish Nurses Blood Pressure Check

Maggie from Griffin Hospital will be here the last Friday of the month from 10:30-12:00pm to take your blood pressure. Be sure to stop by for this free clinic.

Trips

September 21: BIG E: CT Day. Leaving CT around 9:30am and be there until 6:00pm. Tickets will be distributed on the bus for you to explore the Big E and enjoy your day. Cost is \$81pp with transportation (extensive walking).

October 2: HUDSON VALLEY "GARLIC FESTIVAL & HUDSON RIVER FOLIAGE CRUISE". Located between the picturesque Catskill Mountains and the mighty Hudson River in historic Saugerties, New York. Enjoy everything garlic! Cost is \$139pp with transportation (some walking).

October 13: OKTOBERFEST @ KRUCKER'S. Enjoy a full day of entertainment, food, fun, music, and dancing. This lovely resort features the genuine spirit of an Oktoberfest. Welcome reception of coffee, tea, buttermilk scones, pancakes & apple cider. Lunch: barley soup, applesauce, choice of sauerbraten with red cabbage or sliced pork loin with sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, brussels sprouts, carrots, apple strudel & vanilla ice cream. At 4:00pm, enjoy a bratwurst sandwich & cucumber salad. Cost is \$126pp with transportation (some walking).

What are Advanced Placement Classes?

In recent years, many school districts have diversified their course offerings for high school students. In addition to core education classes in key subjects required of most high schoolers, students now have electives that may rival college course offerings as well as classes that set

gram entails.

The College Board, which oversees the Advanced Placement Program as well as the SAT, defines AP courses as "rigorous, college-level classes in a variety of subjects that give students the opportunity to earn college credit while in high school." Students who enroll in AP classes are not guaranteed those credits, however. Rather, after taking the courses, they must then pass an AP exam in each subject for which they have taken an AP class and score at least a three out of five on that exam. That passing grade may entitle them to earn college credits, although some schools have limits on which AP exams they will accept. The AP program began in the 1950s as a way to teach introductory level

courses in high school. By taking such courses, students can experience the rigor of potential college classes and challenge themselves beyond standard and honor courses. AP classes were not initially widespread, and there were only 11 subjects in the pilot program. However, today there are nearly 40 AP students during the application process. Many colleges consider AP classes in their decisions to award scholarships as well.

The College Board reports that, as of 2019, about 2.8 million students take AP exams every year. It's quite common for high schoolers to take

interested students on career paths after high school. Indeed, it's not uncommon for high schoolers to enroll in classes in business administration, teacher/education or STEM.

In addition to these newer class options, many high school students have access to more advanced classes. Despite the prevalence of the Advanced Placement program, some students and their parents may be largely unfamiliar with what the procourses available, though not every high school offers every course.

Students eager to land coveted spots at top colleges and universities often take AP classes to provide that extra edge against the competition. Most academic advisors now recommend that students take these types of courses, not only as a way to later save money by eliminating the need to pay for certain college classes, but also to set themselves apart from other multiple AP classes during their time in high school.

It is possible to take an AP exam without having taken the coordinating class prior, but it is strongly recommended that students take the corresponding class to prepare for the test.

Students and their families can learn about the Advanced Placement program by visiting https://ap.collegeboard.org/ or speaking with a high school guidance counselor.

"Labor Day is devoted to no man, living or dead, to no sect, race or nation." — SAMUEL GOMPERS

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Visit our website casememoriallibrary.org and sign up for our weekly email newsletter for updates on events at the library

Hours: The Library's hours are as follows:

- Monday, Thursday: 10

 a.m.-8 p.m.;
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Holiday Closings: The Library will be closed on Saturday, September 3 and Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day and on Monday, October 10 in observance of Columbus Day.

Program Fees: Programs at the Case Memorial Library are free, except as noted for materials charges, and open to the public.

Registration: Registration is required for all library programs, unless otherwise noted. Register for events at casememoriallibrary.org/events.

All Ages Programs Connected Cooking: Take & Make Challah Kit

Pickup dates: September 19-24 Live Demonstration: Thursday, September 22, 1 p.m.

Make your own challah with this tasty food kit and demonstration by Orange resident Karen Fenichel in celebration of Rosh Hashanah. Karen will demonstrate how to make a braided challah, rectangular as well as round, which is the traditional shape for Rosh Hashanah. Registration is required. Connected Cooking is a series created by the Case Memorial Library to foster community connection and share diverse cultures through food.

Hocus Pocus Interactive Movie Kit

Pickup dates: September 26 – October 31

Are you looking for a fun family activity this spooky season? Watch the original Hocus Pocus movie with our interactive movie kit before the sequel debuts on September 30! Each kit contains a script for each person with



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for 2s. Enjoy books, stories, music and movement, fingerplays and puppetry together. Registration is required.

3-5 Year Olds Storytime

Bi-weekly on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m., beginning September 1

Enjoy storytelling, books, music, fingerplays, and a craft at this story time series especially for 3-5-year olds! Registration is required.

Children's Take & Make: Fall Tree Craft Pickup dates: September 12-17

For children ages 2-5

Get ready for fall with a simple tree craft! Put the tree together, then use tissue paper to change it from a green summer tree into a colorful autumn tree. Registration is required.

Children's Take & Make: DIY Bouncy Balls

Pickup dates: September 19-24 For children ages 5-11 Make your very own bouncy ball! Registration is required.

Tween 3-D

Printing Workshop Tuesday, September 20 and Wednesday, September 21 at 3:30 p.m. For tweens in grades 4-6

Learn to print on a 3D printer! This in-person, two-day workshop will

Jazz Quartet

Saturday, August 27, 2 p.m.

Join us for a jazz concert with the Shoreline Jazz Quartet, which plays standards and more at venues along the shoreline and New Haven. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required.

Book Boxes

September pickup dates: September 19-24 October pickup dates: October 17-22 For adults and rising 7th to 12th graders

Our free monthly book box service! Each month that you register you will pick up a box containing two books selected by our librarians based on your reading preferences for you to borrow as well as some treats and others surprises for you to keep. Space is limited. Registration is required and begins on the first of the month for each box.

The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

Thursday, September 22, 7 p.m. Join Bookcase leader Toby Zabinski for a Zoom discussion of Her Hidden Genius by Marie Benedict. This program will be held via Zoom. Registration is required.

Bluegrass Concert: Audrey Mae

Saturday, September 24, 2 p.m.

Take & Make Craft Kit: Morse Code Bracelets Pickup dates: October 3-8 For adults and teens in grades 7-12

Use Morse code to personalize a beaded bracelet with a name, inspirational word, or secret code! Registration is required.

Cricut Class: Haunted House Lanterns

Wednesday, October 5, 3 p.m. For adults and teens in grades 7-12

The library has a new Cricut machine! Learn to use our Cricut Maker 3 and complete your own haunted house lantern to take home. Space is limited. Registration is required.

Mystery Book Discussion Group

Thursday, October 13, 1 p.m.

Join librarian Samantha Jasulavic for a discussion of The Maid by Jean Nina Prose. This program will be held in the Meeting Room at the Library. Registration is required.

Take & Make Kit: Halloween Treat Bags Pickup dates: October 11-17

Pickup dates: October 11–17 Create a Halloween tote ba

Create a Halloween tote bag for the child in your life. Choose your design and pick up your kit to make your project at home or book an appointment to use the Library's new Cricut Easy Press to complete your iron-on transfer. Please note this craft is intended to be completed by an adult for a child. Registration is required.

Murder Mystery Kit

Pickup dates: October 17-22 For adults and teens in grades 9-12

It's the library's 100-year celebration and everyone is having fun and enjoying each other's company until a scream echoes throughout the building. A death has just occurred. Can you discern which suspects are telling the truth and which are hiding something? And is that something murder?! Take home this murder mystery kit and find out! Registration is required.

instructions explaining which actions to do during which parts of the movie as well as props and treats to add to your interactive experience.

Events For Children Lapsit Storytime

Bi-weekly on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., beginning August 30

Little ones and their caregivers are invited to this high-energy story time with Ms. Angela! We'll practice nursery rhymes, sing and move together, and explore touch-and-feel books. Registration is required.

2-3-Year-Old Storytime

Bi-weekly on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m., beginning August 31

Audience participation is highly encouraged at this story time session just

show you how to design a simple object, make a blueprint, and print it out! This event is led by Aditi Bhattamishra, a junior finalist in the Future Engineers 2018 Two for the Crew Challenge and junior at Amity Regional High School. Registration is required.

Toddler Take & Make: Feed the Monster

Pickup dates: October 3-8 For toddlers and their grownups

Create a fun toy for your toddler that will entertain them while they practice fine motor skills! Turn an oatmeal cannister into a feedable monster with a mouth and a see-through stomach. Registration is required.

Events For Teens & Adults Jazz Concert: Shoreline Audrey Mae features the duet harmonies of bluegrass veterans Peter Winne and Joe Delillo accompanied by the tasteful stylings of banjo player Joe Lemeris. Despite being a generation apart, Winne and Delillo evoke brother harmony groups such as The Stanley Brothers, The Blue Sky Boys, The Everly Brothers, and yes, even The Beatles. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required.

Oscar Film: The Eyes of Tammy Faye Monday, September 26, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 28, 1 p.m.

An intimate look at the extraordinary rise, fall and redemption of televangelist Tammy Faye Bakker. 2 hr. 6 min. PG-13. Registration is required.

Teen Halloween Treasure Hunt

Saturday, October 22, 2 p.m. For teens in grades 7-12

Teams will solve riddles that lead to the next clue in our Halloween-themed library treasure hunt for teens. Solve spooky puzzles that will lead to our Halloween candy bar! If you don't have a team don't worry - we will pair you up! Registration is required.

Oscar Film: King Richard Monday, October 24, 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 26, 1 p.m.

A look at how tennis superstars Venus and Serena Williams became who they are after the coaching from their

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Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Woodbridge will begin the process of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults on Wednesday evening, September 14^{th} on ZOOM from 7:00 – 8:30 pm. If you are baptized Catholic but have never completed the sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation), OR are not baptized in any faith OR are of another faith but do not practice—you are invited to join us, to come and see what this journey has to offer you.

Seeking Crafters!

The Ladies Guild of Our Lady of the Assumption Church (81 Center

Road) in Woodbridge announces its Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2022. The Event is from 9am-3pm. Over 30 tables of crafters and vendors will be able to attend. A homemade Bake Sale, Santa appearance, Christmas Train Display (running all day), Raffle Baskets, free Children's Craft Room, White Elephant Sale, and Selection of Breakfast and Lunch items will be available. Our Bazaar attracts over 500 people each year. Crafters may get a contract form

from oloaguild@gmail.com. For more information/to register,

contact Sr. Carolyn at 203-387-7119/ carsev2000@yahoo.com.

Holy Infant Church Women's Guild

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild meeting will be on Tuesday, 9/13. The meeting starts at 6:45 pm in the Guild Hall. Our guest speaker will be Laura Vega, who will be talking about the once-a-month volunteering at the Beth El Center in Milford. Refreshments will be served.

Looking ahead, the Guild's Membership Tea will be on Sunday, September 25 from 2 - 4 pm in the Guild Hall. We are looking for people to bake. If you would like to bake, please contact Kathy Barrett at (203)799-2240. There is a 45-person capacity in the Guild Hall. Membership dues for the upcoming year is \$10. Membership packets are available at all of the church entrances.

Another event is going to be Family Pizza night on Sunday, October 16 from 4-6 pm. Amici's Pizza Truck will be catering. \$25 for adults, \$15 for children 6-12, children under 6 are free. It includes all you can eat pizza, salad, stuffed breads, pasta, cherry and lemon ice, Foxon Park soda, water. Tickets will available at the Rectory after 9/13. There will be no tickets sold at the door.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Congregations of Orange Collaborative

Congregations of Orange Collaborative (COC) is a new collaboration of eight Houses of Worship in Orange. We came together in June 2021 to help the community and to learn about the religious diversity around us. Our mission is Together Helping Others. Our vision is grounded in the spirit of repairing the world by encouraging our participating congregations in Social Action projects. We are committed to improving the quality of life of people in need, strengthening relationships with our fellow congregants, and creating opportunities for our congregations to work together on mutual community service projects. Our congregations are Church of the Good Shepard, Congregation Or Shalom, Holy Infant Roman Catholic Church, Orange Congregational Church, St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, St Joseph of Arimathea ANC Church, Temple Emanuel, and Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

We have a very exciting event planned for October 29, 2022. It is called Tour De Faith. We will invite the community to visit two Orange Houses of Worship to learn about them. It is a way for Orange residents to gain a greater understanding of the diversity in our community and to learn about other faiths. The Houses of Worship featured will be Congregation Or Shalom (tour 12-1PM), and St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church (1-2PM). Registration is required. To register for Congregation Or Shalom, call 203-799-2341 and to register for St. Barbara, call 203-795-1347. If this event is successful, we will continue with two other Houses of Worship in the spring.

In addition, we were very successful in the two projects we completed since we began. We ran an Orange Food-2Kids no touch pop-the -trunk food collection December 5, 2021. It was a huge success. This collection was the second most food collected for this program. We also had a campaign this winter for residents to donate to the Orange Fuel Bank. Because of our efforts, donations increased by 50%.

One reason we have been so successful thus far and likely will be in the future is that we work together. In our group, we support and promote each other's our social action projects. For example, COC had a table at the Strawberry Festival this year and we promoted the Orange Fuel Bank. If you are interested in joining our group and being part of making the Orange community better for everyone, please contact nancykline@gmail.com.

Congregations of Orange Collaborative is a new collaboration of eight houses of worship in Orange to "Help Others Together." Our aim is to improve the quality of life in our town by participating together in social action projects.

Congregations of Orange Collaborative invites you to



Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church is a local and traditional Missouri-Synod Lutheran congregation in Orange.

Founded in 1883, we've been gathering as a congregation, singing hymns, preaching Jesus Christ's saving work on the cross, and administering the sacraments for 138 years. We're the type of place where lifelong friendships are formed around eternal truths. We're the type of place where you'll never go unnoticed. We're the type of place that you'll not leave without hearing about what Jesus has done for you.

If you find yourself in Orange on a Sunday morning, we would love to meet you. Divine Service is at 10:00 a.m.

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Send us your organizations events listings and items of interest. We will publish them for free.

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Congregation Or Shalom Tour: Saturday 10/29

12-1 pm

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church Tour: Saturday, 10/29 1:15-2:15 pm

Tour one or two houses of worship in Orange and learn from our clergy about the different faiths in our community. In the future, we plan on touring more Orange houses of worship.

> Please register for each tour by 10/27. Congregation Or Shalom - Call 203-799-2341 Saint Barbara - Call 203-795-1347



Odyssey: A Greek Festival

PRESENTED BY SAINT BARBARA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

40th Annual Labor Day Weekend Festival to Feature All Things Greek Including Greek Cuisine, Live Music, Greek Dancing and More

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church announced details regarding the long-anticipated return of ODYS-SEY: A Greek Festival after a 2-year hiatus due to the pandemic. This 40th annual festival, to be held September 2-5, is a 4-day party featuring all things Greek, including mouthwatering cuisine, live music, dancing, and a bustling Hellenic agora (marketplace). Set on the grounds of the beautiful Byzantine-style Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, ODYSSEY 2022 offers something for everyone.

ODYSSEY 2022 includes:

- Classic Greek cuisine appetizers (meze), Greek pastries (glyka), lamb on the spit (souvla), moussaka, gyro, spanakopita (spinach pie) and pastitisio (Greek style lasagna);
- Live Greek cooking demonstrations – learn to prepare some classic Greek foods;
- Greek marketplace Gourmet
 Greek grocery, t-shirts, jewelry,
 arts & crafts, bookstore;
- Presentations on Greek culture and religion, including tours of Saint Barbara Church, and performances of liturgical music by the Saint Barbara Choir;
- Greek dance performances by the ODYSSEY Dancers –Tradi-

tional folk dances performed by St. Barbara's youth;

- Greek dance lessons taught by the ODYSSEY Dancers (8:45 pm, Saturday and Sunday);
- Nightly dancing to ODYSSEY's live Greek band, "The Hellenic Company";
- Raffle Have a chance at winning the grand prize of \$10,000 cash, or 4 other cash prizes!

For 39 years ODYSSEY has delighted the senses with a feast of Greek cuisine, the thrill of Greek dance, the sounds of the bouzouki, and the ethnic flavor of the Agora (Marketplace). We are thrilled for the return of Saint Barbara's ODYSSEY. Be sure to stop by Connecticut's greatest "Greek Party," a rain-or-shine Labor Day tradition!

HOURS: 12 noon to 10 PM on Friday, Saturday, Sunday 9/2, 9/3, 9/4; 12 noon to 6 PM on Monday 9/5. FREE ADMISSION and FREE PARKING (on-site and next door at Holy Infant Church). CONTINUOUS FREE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE BETWEEN GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH (680 Racebrook Road) and ODYSSEY FES-TIVAL (480 Racebrook Road) - 1 MILE AWAY. INFO: www.saintbarbara.org or 203-795-1347

Upcoming Events at B'nai Jacob

Weekly services & Classes

Daily Minyan Services

- Monday Friday: 7:45am
 Sunday Thursday: 6:00pm (on
- ZOOM only)
- > Sunday: 9:00am
- National Holidays: Times vary

Weekly Shabbat Services Friday

- Shabbat Schmooze: 6:00pm
- Services: 6:30pm **Saturday**
- Bread & Torah: 9:00am
- > Services: 9:45am

Bread & Torah

Saturday Mornings 9:00am-9:45am Meet in the B'nai Jacob Library to explore the weekly Torah portion and the way in which its story relates to our own. Be prepared for a lively discussion over bagels and coffee. No experience necessary. Taught by Rabbi Rona Shapiro.

YAHAD

YAHAD, the combined religious school for Congregation B'nai Jacob and Congregation Or Shalom, is gearing up for a vibrant year of education. For students in grades K-7, (membership required). The first day of school is Sunday, September 11th and kicks off with a fun shofar making workshop.

Gan Hayeled Sundays

Open to all Jewish 3-years old and 4-years old in the community!



Congregation B'nai Jacob

Play-based Jewish curriculum, offered Sunday mornings, provides a warm, caring environment in which children can develop social skills while also learning about Jewish holidays, traditions, and values.

For more information about any of the listed events, programs, or inquiries about becoming a member of B'nai Jacob: Call 203-389-2111, Email: office@bnaijacob.org, Visit our website, bnaijacob.org.

Congregation B'nai Jacob is a conservative synagogue located at 75 Rimmon Road, Woodbridge, CT. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Shabbaque

Welcome the fall season with friends & family! Friday, September 9 at 5:30pm in our Courtyard

Cookout will be followed by an outdoor Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 6:30pm, Casual dress. Prospective members welcome. Please call us at 203-389-2111 if interested in learning more.

Holy Infant Faith Formation Registration For 2022-2023

CLASS SCHEDULE

Race Brook/Monday – 3:20 to 4:20 p.m.;
Peck Place/Tuesday – 3:20 to 4:20 p.m.;
Turkey Hill/Wednesday – 3:20 to 4:20 p.m.;
Monday Evening – 7 to 8 p.m. Grade 9;
Tuesday Evening – 7 to 8 p.m. Grades 7 & 8;
Wednesday Evening – 5 to 6 p.m. Grade 7, 8 and 9.

Orange~Woodbridge

Chabad of

Chabad of Orange~Woodbridge would like to invite you to join us in the following celebrations:

Rosh Hashana Community Lunch

Monday, September 26 Following service (approx. 1:30pm) Suggested donation \$18.00 www.chabadow.org/rhlunch

Family Apple Picking

Sunday October 2, 10 am - 12pm @ Norton Brother Farm 466 Academy Road, Cheshire, CT 06410 \$5.00 per person/\$20 max per family Hay ride! Apple picking! Picnic lunch! www.chabadow.org/apple

Deli on Derby Pop Up & Sukkot Family Festival!

Thursday, October 13, 5 pm @ Chabad Life size inflatables! Live Music! Sukkah! Free entry. Food for sale www.chabadow.org/deli

Simchat Torah with Chabad Monday, October 17

Services 7:00 followed by Lavish Kiddush & Hakafot

261 Derby Avenue (Southern Connecticut Hebrew Academy), Orange, CT 06477 Registration Forms are found on the website for Holy Infant www. holyinfantorangect.com. Registration is due by August 15th. Any questions please call the Parish Office 203-799-2379.



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Congregation Beth El - Keser Israel Events

Courtyard Concert

Elm City Winds will perform in the BEKI Courtyard on Sunday, August 28. There is no charge for admission, but donations will be accepted for the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice. In case of rain, the concert will move inside. Light refreshments will follow. For more information, email office@beki.org or call the office at 203.389.2108 x114.

High Holy Days

Tickets for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services can be purchased for \$150 from the BEKI office; email office@beki.org or call (203) 389-2108 x114. Active-duty military, police personnel, and full-time students may enter for free with valid official ID; however, advance arrangements are required.

Children's Programs

On September 2, and every First Friday of the month, BEKI's Kabbalat Shabbat service is kid-friendly, though not specifically a children's service. Children's Havura, K-2 Kehila, and Junior Congregation meet in person each Saturday morning. BEKI's K-6 religious school, now called BINA, is accepting registrations from member and non-member families through the BEKI office, 203.389.2108 x114 or office@beki.org. School starts September 18.

In Person and Online

BEKI offers in-person services twice daily, led by Rabbi Eric Woodward and congregants. Details at beki.org. Weekday services also are on Zoom. To request the Zoom link, email office@beki.org.

Elul Learning



Congregation Beth-El Keser Israel

Sunday, September 11 at Edgewood Park. Binoculars are welcome.

River Cleanup

BEKI's tradition of "Riverse Tashlich" will also be held on Sunday, September 11. It's reverse because interested teens and adults will remove debris, unlike the symbolic casting of sins into the water later in the month, and it's riverse since the cleanup is at the West River. Wear a hat, sturdy shoes, gloves, and sunscreen; bring a water bottle. Tools and clean-up bags will be provided. Consult www.beki.org for details.

Healing Service

Rabbi Woodward will lead a Kabbalat Shabbat healing service on Friday, September 16, and on the third Friday of each month.

New Year Meditation

Robin Goldberg, a certified instructor of Heart Rhythm Meditation, will offer a guided meditation on Saturday, September 17. The intention of the session is to help participants grow the skills to be more of what they want to become in the New Year. No special clothing or equipment is required. Consult www.beki.org for details.

Selichot Service

BEKI's traditional Selichot Service will be Saturday, September 17 in-per-

Congregation Or Shalom Happenings

Join Us For Weekly Services Morning Minyan

- Sunday 9:00 AM In person and Zoom'd
- Monday 8:30 AM Zoom'd
- Thursday 8:30 AM Zoom'd

Shabbat Services

- Friday 7:30 PM In person and Zoom'd
- Saturday 9:30 AM In person and Zoom'd

Please call the synagogue office at 203-799-2341 or email coshalom@ sbcglobal.net for more information).

Virtual Learning This Month JOIN A NEW BOOK GROUP IN 2022!

Thursday September 15th at 7:00 pm Old New York by Edith Wharton Discussion led by Rachel Ranis

Four Books in One! A new, beautifully laid-out edition of Edith Wharton's classic 1924 tetralogy of novellas, revolving around upper-class New York society in the 1840s, 1850s, 1860s, and 1870s, and published under one title: Old New York. This collection includes all four Old New York novellas: False Dawn, The Old Maid, The Spark, and New Year's Day. Edith Wharton (1862-1937) was an American novelist and short story writer. An insider to New York's upper-class aristocracy, Wharton drew upon her first-hand experience to become to foremost chronicler and most insightful critics of the lives and morals of America's Gilded Age. In 1921, she became the first woman to win the Pulitzer Prize for her novel, The Age of Innocence. A prolific author of full-length novels, as well as novellas and short-stories, among her other well-known works



Congregation Or Shalom

school, a joint project of Congregations Or Shalom and B'nai Jacob in Woodbridge. At Yahad, meaning "together," students form their Jewish identities through amazing experiential programming, while building foundational skills in prayer, Hebrew, Bible and much more. Together, as students, parents, teachers, and as a community, we will create our Jewish future! Please call Rachel @ Or Shalom if you are interested 203.799.2341.

High Holidays

We welcome non-members to the following services. Please call our office in order to attend.

- Erev Rosh Hashanah, September
 25th @ 7:30 pm
- $\,\,$ $\,$ Kol Nidre, October $4^{\rm th}$ @ 6:30 pm.

Community Yizkor

Congregation Or Shalom, the only Conservative synagogue in Orange, is offering all non-members an opportunity to come to a free community-wide Yizkor Memorial Service on Yom Kippur Day (October 5, 2022) at 4:00 PM. We will also offer this service over Zoom. Please call the office. This service, which will last under an hour, is open to the public without any membership obligation. The Service will be led by the synagogue's President, Robert Spaulding and his wife Tova Clayman.

On Saturday, September 10 Steven Fraade, Mark Taper Professor of the History of Judaism at Yale University, will lead an in-person discussion on the topic "Moses, Deuteronomy, and the Fragile Condition of Our Torah and Lives."

Nature Hike

Bruce Spierer, Public Education Manager at the Jewish environmental organization Hazon, will lead a Rosh Hashanah nature walk for all ages on son and on Zoom.

Current Exhibitions

A retrospective of artwork by Israeli artist Mordecai Avniel (1900-1989) is on display in the upstairs gallery until mid-September. An exhibition of paintings by New Haven artist Belle Kogan Greenberg (1931-2022) is in the downstairs gallery.

Located at 85 Harrison Street (corner of Whalley Avenue - Route 63 - in Westville)

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Special Services

Friday, September 2, 7:00pm: Join us as we hold our annual outdoor Shabbat Service under the Gazebo at High Plains Community Center. (525 Orange Center Road, Orange) The Rabbi will bring his guitar and lead us in a joyful "sing-along" service. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on. Feel free to bring dinner to eat before the service. An Oneg will follow the service.

YAHAD HEBREW SCHOOL

Yahad is a community Hebrew

Blood Drive

Save the date, October 13th, 9:00 am-2:00pm Register at:

> www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/ donation-time

Pull Tabs

Our Social Action Committee collects pull tabs from soda cans for the Ronald McDonald House in New Haven. The house hosts families of children who are being cared for at Yale New Haven Hospital and allows families to stay close to their children during hospitalization. The pull tabs can come from cans of soda, beer, cat or dog food, sardines, soup, beans, fruit, etc. - any size tabs, any color, any metal. You

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HOUSES OF WORSHIP

Celebrate Sabbath at the Gazebo with Or Shalom

Congregation Or Shalom, an open-minded, welcoming, progressive synagogue invites members and nonmembers to its annual outdoor Shabbat (Sabbath) at the Gazebo on Friday, September 2, 2022, beginning at 7:00 PM, High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT. Spiritual leader Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus said, "Bring yourselves, relatives and friends for some prayer. I'll bring my guitar for a festive singalong. Who knows, maybe dancing will break out as we celebrate!"

Shabbat at the Gazebo follows the synagogue's Shabbat at the Beach in Milford attended by a record crowd of over 100 adults and children. Syn-

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can drop them to the Synagogue M-Th from 10-4 and Friday 10-3. Collect them from family and friends, too!

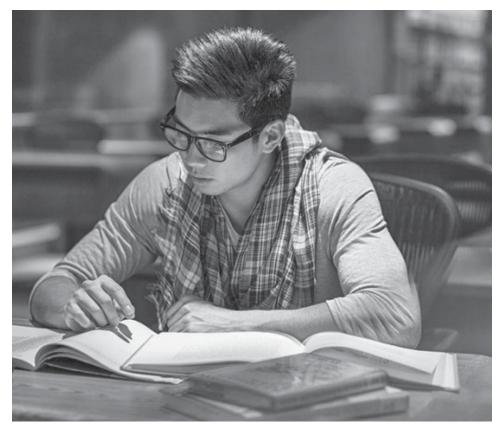
Congregations of Orange Collaborative/ COC

Congregations of Orange Collaborative consists of members from SAC and other social action groups from eight Houses of Worship in Orange. Our mission is Together Helping Others. Our vision is grounded in the spirit of repairing the world by encouraging our agogue president Bob Spaulding said, "We hope to have an even greater crowd at this event." He added, "Bring a chair or blanket to sit on. Come early with dinner or snacks before the service." An Oneg (festive gathering) with light refreshments will follow as part of the celebration. And, he stated, "Dogs on leashes and cats are welcome!"

Shabbat at the Gazebo is a continuation of Or Shalom's yearlong celebration and reintroduction of its commitment to provide Jews and non-Jews with spiritual, social and educational experiences. If you are not a synagogue member, please let us know you are coming to Shabbat at the Gazebo by calling the office: 203-799-2341.

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7 Study Tips for High School Students

Assessments such as quizzes and exams help educators recognize areas where students are excelling and where they might need a little extra help. In addition to tests in the classroom, high schoolers generally take standardized testing for state or provincial assessment purposes,.

Testing may come easier to some students than others, but having solid study techniques can improve students' performance on a wide range of exams. In fact, research by Stanford scholars, whose data was published in Psychological Science, found that applying a strategic approach to studying helped college students improve their exam scores by an average of one-third of a letter grade.

The testing preparation resource PrepScholar says it is important to build and maintain strong study habits to help students avoid undue stress and last-minute cramming. The following are seven techniques that may help foster good study skills.

1. Find value in the lessons.

Many students lament that what

fixed habit of studying each day or week — whatever is best for him or her. Over time, studying will become routine.

4. Establish dedicated study spots.

Students should locate places that work best for them as study and homework stations. Certain individuals may need the quiet of a library or a bookstore. Others may do best with the hum of conversation around them or in a group. There's no right or wrong study spot. Maintaining consistency will help the mind associate a place with studying.

5. Use grades as benchmarks and motivators.

Blaming a teacher for a poor grade won't get a student anywhere. Rather, grades should indicate how well one is learning the material, and in turn, the effectiveness of students' studying habits. Students can tweak their habits if they find their grades are not where they want them to be.

6. Rephrase material.

they learn in school just isn't relevant in daily life. That can make the subject matter feel less important and uninteresting. Finding value in what one is learning and seeing how it can be applied outside of the classroom may make a student more inclined to learn and retain information.

2. Avoid distractions.

Study time is time to take a break from social media, video games and any other distractions that can pull a student away from studying. Constantly checking notifications can interrupt thoughts and make it hard to learn the material.

3. Establish a study schedule.

Develop a system and a schedule for studying. Students should establish a

Textbook language can be dry and unappealing. Students can try putting the material into their own words or rephrase passages to make them easier to remember and recall. Similarly, teaching or sharing the material with another person also may improve retention.

7. Make a formula sheet.

Depending on the subject, having a sheet with shortcuts, formulas or diagrams can put the material into smaller bursts of information that are easier to digest. Along this same vein, writing information down can help improve recall.

These are a few study tips that high schoolers can utilize to improve their grades so they can be more successful in school.



Roberta Asprelli

Roberta Asprelli, of Orange passed away peacefully July 12, 2022 in Yale



New Haven Hospital. Born in New Haven on July 1, 1962, Roberta is the beloved daughter of Isabella Malerba Asprelli and the late Robert M. Asprelli. She

was a lifelong resident of Orange where she attended primary school before graduating from Celentano School in New Haven. She was a long-time participant in the programs offered at West Haven Community House as well as High Plains Community Center. She enjoyed music, dancing and mostly spending time with her family and friends with whom she shared a sweet sense of humor. She touched so many people in her life and we are grateful to all who knew her and celebrated her loving and joyful presence.

Besides her dedicated mother, Roberta is survived by her sisters Dr. Janet Crino and Patricia (Andrew) Tosswill, her loving nieces and nephews: Jennifer Crino, Dr. Steven Crino, Elizabeth Crino, Amanda Tosswill (Shaun Cote, fiancee) and Robert Tosswill, and many relatives and friends.

Funeral arrangements were in the capable hands of the Iovanne Funeral Home, Inc., 11 Wooster Place in New Haven. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in Holy Infant Church, 450 Racebrook Road in Orange. Entombment followed in St. Lawrence Mausoleum. Share a memory and sign Roberta's guest book online at www. iovanne.com.

Jeffrey D. Caldwell, Sr.

Jeffrey D. Caldwell, Sr. age 74 of Orange entered into rest on Friday,



March 4, 2022 at his home with his loving family by his side. He

characters from the Arlo Guthrie song "Alice's Restaurant". Stockbridge is also home to Mohawk Lake, where Jeff got to play hockey with several characters from the movie Slap Shot. Jeff then moved to Orange, CT where he graduated from Amity Sr. High, then enlisted in the USAF. It was in the Air Force where Jeff had the opportunity to travel the country, world, and even shake the hand of President Johnson. After his brave service to his country, Jeff had the chance to see Queen Elizabeth in New Haven in 1976, the day after having his vasectomy, stating the whole thing was a pain in his...

He proudly served with the US Air Force as a Flight Line Mechanic from 1966 - 1970. Jeff worked for United Technologies for many years until his retirement. He was a car enthusiast and a longtime member of the Shoreline Street Rods Club. Jeff was also an avid billiard player, played hockey, enjoyed horror movies, trips to Mohegan Sun Casino and visiting local dog parks. Jeff was a die-hard fan of the New York Rangers, New York Giants and the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Other enjoyments of Jeff's life were many swap meets to find parts for the engines he rebuilt, several fun camping adventures in his boyhood town of Stockbridge with family and friends. Later years included his daily ride to the baseball fields to watch the games and check out the Ospreys. Winter would bring him to Wright's Pond to watch the skaters, some in figure skates but was most interested in hockey, once asking the players to ask a lone skater with his stick and puck to join them. At times he would bring hot chocolate and hand warmers for the skaters.

He was the beloved father of Tiffany Beesley (William) and Jeffrey Caldwell, Jr. (Melanie), loving grandfather of William and Sarah Beesley, and Kyle and Kadin Caldwell and brother-inlaw of Lorraine Caldwell. Jeff is also survived by several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his brother of the late John C. and Elizabeth (Davis) Potkay.

After graduation from Annhurst College with a degree in English, she began her teaching career at St. Christopher School in East Hartford where she met her husband to be, Peter. She later spent 10 years teaching nursery school. Betty and Peter lived in East Hartford for many years before moving to Orange later in life to be near their daughter.

Always one to appreciate nature, Betty enjoyed yardwork, caring for pets, and gardening, as she loved to grace her home with bouquets of fresh cut flowers. Reading was a daily pleasure. Yearly beach gatherings with family and friends were always eagerly anticipated and created wonderful memories. In her later years, her grandchildren were her pride and joy and she loved attending their school concerts and soccer games. Betty was very dedicated to her family. She also enjoyed having stimulating conversations with her many friends at Maplewood Assisted Living in Orange.

In addition to her husband, Betty is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth (Paul) Stoltenberg; her grandchildren, Ian and Kate; her sisters, Barbara Rommelfanger and Joan (E.J. Jennings) Potkay, as well as many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews. Betty was predeceased by her brothers-in-law, John Rommelfanger, Charlie Keen, Gerard Keen, and Father Robert Keen.

Betty will be dearly missed by all who knew her over the years.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on August 13 at Holy Infant Church located at 450 Racebrook Road, Orange, CT. Burial was private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Elizabeth's name to the Connecticut Audubon Society Coastal Center at Milford Point at ctaudubon.org. To leave online condolences, please visit www. codywhitefuneralservice.com.

George Kober

George Kober, 58, of Orange, CT, passed away on Monday, July 18, 2022, at Connecticut Hospice in Branford, CT.

George was born in New Haven on November 6, 1963, to the late Francis Kober and Mary Zambrano Kober. He grew up in the Morris Cove section of New Haven at a time when kids left home in the morning and didn't come back until the streetlights turned on. George graduated from Richard C. Lee High School in 1982 where he excelled in both hockey and baseball.

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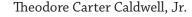
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was the devoted husband of almost 50 years to Candice (Smith) Caldwell. Jeff was born in New

Haven on March 6, 1947, son of the late Theodore Carter Caldwell, Sr. and Helen (Taylor) Caldwell and was an Orange resident for most of his life.

Jeff was a kind and gentle man who lived a full life that some would compare to Forest Gump. As a child, he grew up in Stockbridge, MA, home of Norman Rockwell. He and his friends would find Norman's dog wandering around the town, return him, where Mr. Rockwell would give them \$5 which he and his friends would use to buy candy. As he grew up in Stockbridge, he got to know all the real-life



The family requests, in lieu of flowers, that memorial contributions may be made to American Lung Association, www.lung.org or American Cancer Society, donate3.cancer.org.

Friends may leave condolences at www.adzimafh.com.

Elizabeth P. Keen

Elizabeth (Betty) P. Keen, 79, of Orange, beloved wife of 55 years to Lawrence Peter



Keen, passed away peacefully on Friday, August 5, 2022. Born on March 5, 1943 in New London, CT, she was the daughter The Maresca Family tradition of dignified and compassionate funeral service has continued over four generations, currently under the direction of great-grandson Neil R. Rapuano. The Governor's mansion, conveniently located in beautiful Historic Wooster Square, with its large wing and modern covered entrance, provides a warmly decorated and furnished facility. Ample and attended off street parking is provided for the comfort and safety of all visitors.

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A carpenter at New England Stair Company for 22 years, he was an avid fisherman, golfer, and instigator of many spontaneous wiffle ball games in the Kober backyard over the years. He enjoyed sharing these activities with friends and family, and he never met a stranger, at least not for long.

George is survived by his wife of 32 years Sheryl Pirolo Kober and his children Haley Elizabeth Kober (fiancé Frank Norosky) of Mystic, CT, and Evan James Kober of Orange, CT, whom he left with his love of sports and the Boston Red Sox and the many happy memories from their family adventures together. He also leaves his sisters Caroline Davis (Alan) of North Haven, Frances Ghidini of Wallingford, Virginia Haynes (Jeffrey) of Branford and Elizabeth Ghidini (Robert) of East Haven to tell their uncontested versions of stories about their much-loved brother and his childhood shenanigans.

George will be remembered by his mother-in-law Margery Pirolo and brother-in-law Joseph Pirolo Jr. (Lisa) both of West Haven as well as many nieces and nephews who enjoyed fun times and laughter with Uncle George. He will also be missed by Zuri, his best friend and dog.

He is predeceased by both his parents, his brother-in-law Frederick Ghidini and father-in-law Joseph Pirolo, Sr.

A graveside service was held on July 23 at Orange Center Cemetery, on Orange Center Road in Orange, CT.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made, even by Yankees fans, to The Jimmy Fund https://www.jimmyfund.org.

John O'Hare

John O'Hare, 95, of Orange, beloved husband of Rita Firth O'Hare,



passed away on July 24, 2022. Born on October 28, 1926 in Philadelphia, PA to the late Thomas and Katheryn Basquil O'Hare, he was the oldest O'Hare of Hamden, Thomas Roche of PA, and Jerard O'Hare of Middletown; great grandchildren, Josephine and Henry Stephan. John is also survived by his extended family, Alan and Marie Firth of VA; Jonathan and Susan Firth of NJ and their children, Simon and Otis. John was predeceased by his son, David and brothers, Thomas and William.

Arrangements were in the capable hands of the Cody-White Funeral Home, 107 Broad Street, Milford, CT 06460. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on July 28, 2022 at Holy Infant Church, 450 Racebrook Road, Orange, CT. Interment followed at Orange Center Cemetery, Orange Center Road, Orange. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hamden Retiree Fire Association, PO Box 185605, Hamden, CT 06518. To leave online condolences, please visit www.codywhitefuneralservice.com.

David P. Serfilippi

David Paul Serfilippi, 75, of Orange, beloved husband of Cheryl (Grieb) Serfilippi, passed



away on July 26, 2022. Born on December 22, 1946 in New Haven, CT, he was the son of the late Primo and Enis (Paul) Serfilippi.

David taught special needs children at May V. Carrigan Intermediate School in West Haven for 33 years and was instrumental in founding Tall Oaks Camp for special needs kids. David was a "foodie" who loved to cook, eat and exchange recipes. He was also an avid baseball fan who played from childhood until the Twilight League. He enjoyed rooting for the Mets. In memory of David, follow his advice and "take a child to a game".

In addition to his wife, David is survived by his sister-in-law, Leona Heckendorf; niece and nephew, Robert Heckendorf and Dana (Bill Butler) Kalina; great niece and nephews, Ty (Ruth) and Mike Heckendorf, and Sara Kalina; and great-great nephew, Henry Heckendorf. David was predeceased by



How to Help Student Athletes Navigate Social Media

Scholastic sports participation benefits student athletes in myriad ways. Competitive sports teaches students how to cope with the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat, while providing firsthand experience that emphasizes the value of working with others in pursuit of a common goal. Student athletes often apply these lessons long after their playing days have ended, benefitting from their experiences in competitive sports throughout their lives.

Athletes of all ages can relate to some of the common experiences of competitive sports. At one point or another, all competitive athletes must learn to handle losing. But modern student athletes have a relatively recent phenomenon to contend with that was not around when their parents played sports: social media. Social media can connect people in ways that were previously unimaginable, but it also poses unique challenges to modern student athletes. Parents and coaches can help student athletes navigate social media so it does not adversely affect their scholastic sports experiences.

Consider shuttering accounts during the season. In recent years, numerous professional athletes have bravely acknowledged their mental health struggles. For example, NBA All-Star Kevin Love has shared tales of his struggles with anxiety and depression. These issues confound many athletes and can be exacerbated by negative comments on social media, particularly after a loss. Student athletes can avoid the negative aspects of social media by avoiding it during the season. social media a minefield for young athletes. Student athletes' own negative comments can have some lasting and unfortunate effects as well. A 2017 survey from the American Association of Collegiate Registrars found that 11 percent of respondents indicated they had denied admissions to an applicant based on social media content. Furthermore, an additional 7 percent acknowledged rescinding offers due to social media content. Fair or unfair, these decisions highlight the very real effects that comments made on social media can have on young people's futures. Sports often generates highly emotional responses, and parents and coaches can urge student athletes to avoid voicing negative or knee-jerk reactions about opponents, officials or even games they're not involved in via social media. Such commentary could have unforeseen consequences that adversely affect student athletes for years to come.

Highlight how student athletes can use social media to their benefit. Social media can be a minefield, but it also presents opportunities for student athletes to showcase themselves in a positive light. Parents and coaches can emphasize how student athletes can use social media to show good sportsmanship. Win or lose, urge athletes to praise their teammates and opponents after a big game. Positive commentary on social media can be just as beneficial to student athletes as negative commentary can be harmful. Student athletes who showcase their maturity and sportsmanship on social media can improve their standing among college coaches and admissions officers. Student athletes who learn to successfully navigate social media can reap the rewards of those efforts for years to come.

of four children.

John grew up in Hamden and attended local schools. In 1953, John joined the Hamden Fire Department and served until his retirement in 1991 when he became a member of the Hamden Firefighters Retirement Association. John was a past member of Oak Lane and New Haven Country Clubs. He enjoyed antique cars. When he drove his beautiful blue 1975 Chrysler Cordoba around town, he was the envy of all of his friends.

Besides his wife of 30 years, John is survived by his daughter, Joan Roche and her husband Thomas of Branford; a son, and his wife Judy of Middletown; brother, Arthur and his wife Kay of VT; beloved grandchildren, Jamie Stephan and her husband David of NC, Jacqueline O'Hare of PA, Jennifer his cousin, Ronald Nardini.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the staff at West River Healthcare and all of David's friends at Starbucks for their care and compassion.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated August 4, 2022 at Holy Infant Church, 450 Racebrook Road, Orange, CT. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Bridgeport Hospital Foundation, 267 Grant Sttree, Bridgeport, CT 06610. To leave online condolences, please visit www.codywhitefuneralservice.com.



Emphasize the potential effects of athletes' own comments on social media. It's not just negative thoughts from disgruntled spectators that can make



DEATH NOTICES

The Orange Town News will publish Death Notices for Orange families free of charge as a service to our readers. Family members please email notice (limit 250 words, please) to: edit@orangetownnews.com

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father Richard Williams. 2 hr. 24 min. PG-13. Registration is required.

Tiny Art Show Kits

For teens in grades 7-12 Create your own masterpiece with a

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to the Orange Players for their performance, and to those individuals and organizations that provided the research material. The audience was captivated by it all, including the period dress.

Thank you to everyone. Phyllis Sgueglia Gwatkin

Bicentennial Family Dinner Thank You

We want to express our appreciation and gratitude to all the organizations and individuals who generously donated their services and time to help make the Bicentennial Family dinner on June 25th such a success. There were 704 attendees who enjoyed the delicious and beautifully presented dinner catered by Mission BarBQ, the bicentennial cake and desserts created by Julia's Bakery, and the famous Dip Top ice cream saucers.

Many thanks to the Orange Rotary Club for underwriting the cost of the ice cream and providing volunteers to work the ice cream station; to Ron Emerthal and Jessie Simone for delivering the 750 ice cream saucers; to the Orange Lion's Club for its volunteers at both the ice cream and dessert stations and elsewhere; to Jeff Chandler for setting up the dessert tables; to the Orange Garden Club for wrapping and preparing the orange marigold centerpieces donated by Jim Zeoli and Shamrock Farm; and to all the members of the Orange Community Women and the Orange Community

tiny art kit. Choose from acrylic, brush tip pen, watercolors, or oil pastel. Visit the teen department in the Case Memorial Library to see our Teen Tiny Art Show where original works created by local teens will be on display for viewing. Register online or stop by the Library to pick up a kit.

Women Juniorettes for volunteering in multiple areas. Special thanks to Jessie Simone and Orange Youth Services for underwriting and scheduling Painted You, the professional face painters.

A huge shout out to Jim and Susan Ronai who organized and ran the children's sack races, 3-legged races, egg and spoon races, and relay races. (Thank you Christian Mortali and Rachel Holden at Townline Farm for lending us the sacks!)

Thank you to the Amity students and individual residents who volunteered. Students- David Ke, Ahmit Patel, Jennifer Liu, Jessie Zheng, Griffin Welander, and Evelyn Welander. Residents and Friends- Deb Estok, Anna May Geipel-Pieger, Bob Sigler, Dee Chamberlain, Marianne Miller, Ken Lenz, Mary & Jim Winkel, Donna Wesolowski, Matt Welander, Linda Bespuda, Pat & Bob McCorkle, Michelle Bailey, Patti Hollander, Cheri McNabola, Al & Patti Post, Freeman Demirjian, Miranda Demirjian, Jon Demirjian, Dean Proestakes, Peter Proestakes, John Proestakes, Kore Proestakes, Betty Hadlock, George Lesko, Jody Dietch, Mary & John Hudson, Karen Kriss, Pat & Ken Ziman.

Special thanks to Marsha Oliver and Lynn Plaskowitz for setting up and creating the photo booth area and props!

Of course, without Ann Denny, Lynn Plaskowitz, and Pat O'Sullivan, none of this would have been possible.

See you at the 225th!! Polly Demirjian and Ginni Proestakes, Co-Chairs Bicentennial Family Dinner

Orange Soccer Association (OSA) In-house Program FALL 2022 REGISTER ON WEBSITE ONLY OrangeSoccerCT.org

Orange Soccer is a weekly program designed to allow young players to develop their soccer skill in a fun and relaxed environment.

Fall Season Information

The Fall 2022 season will run September 25th through November 13th.

Please help us spread the word and share with those families especially with children entering Pre-K and Kindergarten.

Every Sunday during the season, teams of approx. 6-8 players are led through ~15 minutes of skill building exercises, followed by 45-60 minutes of game time depending on the age group. Teams are coached by parent volunteers and officiated by experienced referees.

Cancellations

Soccer is an all-weather sport and will be played in light rain conditions. Any cancellations will be communicated via group e-mail and on our Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/OrangesoccerassociationCT

Game Day Attire

T-Shirts will be supplied on the first day of play.

All players are required to bring Own Water, Hand Sanitizer, Mask, Own Ball with your child's name on it, Shin Guards, Gloves (winter gloves are fine) in case opportunity to play goalie. Players must wear sneakers (soccer cleats are optional).

Team Divisions, Game Time and Location

Teams are made up mostly by the Grade the child will be entering in the fall. We do it this way so that players potentially know each other from the classroom. Should you have a cohort of friends that you want your child to play with, please make a list of those players on the Special Requests "NOTES" Section of the registration page.

Children must be 4 years old by Septembe 30st, 2022.

Practice Clinics

In addition to the Sunday program, we offer free clinics at Fred Wolfe Park (300 Hollow Rd, Orange CT) to all In-house enrolled players. These sessions are organized by Sterling Smith, an Amity Travel Soccer tenured coach and run by him and his staff. Players must wear shin guards and sneakers (soccer cleats are optional) and bring water.

| | Tuesday | Thursday |
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| Girls | 4:30-5:30 | 5:30-6:30 |
| Boys | 5:30-6:30 | 4:30-5:30 |

Fees

The fee for the Fall 2022 season is \$100 when paid by September 5th \$110 if paid between September 6th through September 25th \$125 if paid after September 25th

Register and Pay early to avoid the late fees!!

Special for Amity Travel Soccer Players

Amity Travel Soccer Players may participate in OSA free of charge. Contact amitysoccerclub@gmail.com for your individual discount code.

Volunteers Needed

DID YOU KNOW?

A growing emphasis on STEM has emerged within the educational sector

over the last decade or more. Schools and students have put forth extraordinary effort into fostering science, technology, engineering, and mathematics in curriculums and through personal pursuits. Although there are many proponents of STEM classes and careers, many people feel that creative endeavors, namely arts education, have been largely pushed aside in favor of STEM. But as evidence that arts-based learning has a positive effect on all aspects of education continues to mount - including improving students' test scores on the SAT as well as in math and science - many educators are reintroducing art in schools. For example, prior to 2017, Mann Elementary School in Detroit had not offered art classes in 20 years. By 2017, some art and music classes had been restored. Students in Lebanon, Penn. also are learning the importance of the arts through the STEAM concept. First implemented by the Rhode Island School of Design, the "A" in STEAM stands for "Arts." STEAM encourages students to think not only analytically but creatively, essentially blending the best of math and science with the arts. A recent study from PayScale.com even notes that graduates obtaining art degrees from certain schools can expect healthy returns on their educational investments. This furthers the push for a reintroduction of arts education, as it indicates that a career in the arts can be a potentially lucrative pursuit.

Orange Soccer is most successful due to all the great volunteers we have. Please consider coaching your child's team. Pre-season training is available for first time coaches. In order to coach, please register your child and also yourself. If you are a first time volunteer you will need to enter your birthdates and Social Security Number, so that the Connecticut Junior Soccer Association may run a free background check.

Sponsorship Opportunity

Orange Soccer also greatly appreciates all of our sponsors and offers two levels of sponsorship:

- Basic: 1 season \$100
- Deluxe: 3 seasons \$200

You can sign up to sponsor your child's team by indicating so on the registration page and supplying a logo in solid black or solid white to orangesoccerct@gmail.com.

Questions

If you need additional information please email us at orangesoccerct@ gmail.com.

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Applicants must be able to drive a minivan and twelve passenger service buses, operate a wheelchair lift and tie down. Applicants must have the ability to work effectively and pleasantly with the elderly, disabled and the general public. Candidates must have the ability and willingness to be flexible.

> Interested applicants can contact: Jennifer Hudson Transportation Coordinator 203-891-4786 jhudson@orange-ct.gov M-F 8:30am to 4:30 pm



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ANNUAL ELECTION

Orange Little League, Inc., a non profit organization providing baseball and softball to Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge youth, will be holding an election for the positions listed below. Interested candidates may apply to be nominated as officers/directors of the organization. The election will take place 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 26 at the Plazkowitz Snack Stand – 116 Old Tavern Road, Orange, CT. In order to be eligible, the deadline to enter your name for a position is September 28. The terms of office are one year. Candidates must submit to and pass a criminal background check.

If you are interested in running for any position, please contact BOTH Chris Wetmore, Nominating Committee Chairman at wetmore52@gmail.com AND Eric Jadach, President at orangectlipres@outlook.com. Subject Line: OLL Elections

Interested candidates should review the Orange Little League Constitution which will provide additional information and procedures and can be found on our website: www.orangectlittleleague.com.

The positions are:

President

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- Treasurer
- Secretary
- **Facilities Director** Safety Officer
- IT Officer
- Snack Bar Supervisor Executive VP Counsel
- Communications Director
- VP Hardball
- Player Agent Hardball
- Fundraising Hardball
 - Umpire in Chief Hardball
- Director of Equipment

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- Coaching Coordinator VP Softball
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- Softball
 - VP Challenger Division







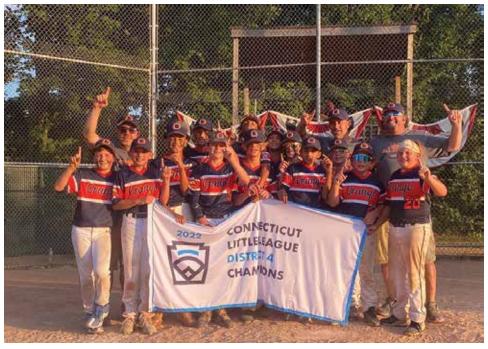
Left to right: Ryan Windsor, Coach Dave Audie, David Burtis, Sam Stenzi, Logan Jadach, Christopher Zeoli, Cole Bataille, Coach John Wyskiel, Cooper Winzer, Nate Ramos, Pavan Kapoor, Jack Higgins, Matthew DeMaio, Manager Eric Jadach, Mark Audie, Nick Wyskiel, Silas Hill, and Coach Jim Windsor; Coaches: David Audie and Jim Windsor, assisted by Ajoy Kapoor and John Wyskiel

District 4 11U Champs!

The Orange 11U District team, managed by Eric Jadach, went 3 and 1 during pool play of their District 4 tournament. On July 8th, it was a pitcher's duel when Orange faced Milford (their only loss) at Max Sinoway Field in North Haven for the District 4 Championship.

into the top of the 6th inning when Mark Audie scored the lone run of the game on a sacrifice fly by Pavan Kapoor. With his defense behind him, Nate Ramos pitched a phenomenal game for Orange, pitching a complete shut out, striking out 10 batters and only allowing 3 hits. Orange defeated Milford 1-0 to win the championship!

Both teams were scoreless going







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District 12U Champs!

In a championship game rematch, Orange faced off against Cheshire for the District 4 Little League Title at Max Sinoway Field on Wednesday, July 13th. The final score was 11-1 with strong performances at the plate and on the field. Ty Kinston started things

off with a two-run homer in the first inning and then had two doubles. On the mound, Chase Durso struck out six batters. It was a great team effort. With the win, this is Orange's eighth District 2 title since 1957 and the first since 2013.



CAL BUSINESS ROUND

Jimmy John's Sandwich Shop Opens in Orange

A new Jimmy John's sandwich shop located at 550 Boston Post Road is now open and ready to serve gourmet sandwiches to the people of Orange. "As Connecticut locals, and the franchisee team that brought the first Jimmy John's to Connecticut earlier this year, we're thrilled to be opening a second Connecticut store here in Orange. We can't wait to spread the Jimmy John's love to the Orange community" said owner William Roth. "Jimmy John's is a brand that is adored across the country and our team is excited to serve fresh, fast and tasty sandwiches to a new set of customers in the area, whether it's in our new store, through contactless delivery or ordered through our Freaky Fast Rewards[®] loyalty program – our team is ready to serve even more guests on their terms in a way that only Jimmy

John's can deliver."

Roth says he plans to hire around 30 employees. Anyone interested in applying can email the store at Orange. jjct@gmail.com.

Founded in 1983., Jimmy John's has built its reputation on serving up fast and fresh sandwiches in communities across the country and is one of the fastest growing franchises in the U.S. with over 2,700 Jimmy John's locations across 44 states.

The new Jimmy John's in Orange is open daily 10:30 am – 9:00 pm daily and will deliver sandwiches right to your door if you are inside the delivery area. Jimmy John's offers convenient catering for any occasion too. Customers can stop by the new location, call the store at 203-298-9824, or order online at online.jimmyjohns.com or through the Jimmy John's mobile app.

Tudino Ranked Among Top 129

Coldwell Banker's Sharon Tudino, an award-winning Realtor affiliated with the company's Orange office, once again ranked among the nation's top real estate professionals out of hundreds of thousands of agents across the country. With over \$22 million in sales volume in 2021, Tudino was ranked No. 129 in the United States by REAL Trends "The Thousand" report, as advertised in The Wall Street Journal.

"Sharon again established herself as the premier real estate professional locally, regionally and nationally. Her drive and dedication are incomparable" said Aileen Defeo, Branch VP for the Orange and Woodbridge offices.

Earlier this year, Tudino was recognized with the International President's Elite Award. This prestigious honor is awarded to the top 3% of Coldwell Banker agents worldwide presented by NRT LLC, the parent company of Coldwell Banker Realty and the nation's largest residential real estate brokerage company. With more than 20 years of experience, Tudino has been successfully meeting the needs of homebuyers and sellers in Greater New Haven and Fairfield counties, including the towns of Orange, Woodbridge, Milford, Stratford, Bethany, Hamden, Wallingford, West Haven, Shelton and all of New Haven and Fairfield Counties.

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Sharon Tudino



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Tudino has also received the awards for the Top 1,000 real estate agent nationally by Realogy Brokerage Group for each quarter of 2021, the Haven Middlesex Board of Realtors this year and the CT Magazine Five Star Realtor Award for the past seven years. Sharon Tudino can be reached at (203) 257-9601 or by email at sharon. tudino@cbmoves.com.

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