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Orange Man Named Senior Vice Commander of State's American Legion

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

Alling Road resident Bob Murray is passionate about helping his fellow veterans through his work with the Connecticut American Legion and he's honored to be named to the state's second top spot in the organization. Earlier this month Murray was elected Senior Vice Commander of the state's American Legion, the world's largest war veterans' organization which represents Connecticut's 350,000 vets. Murray said he is "privileged" to serve in the position and is looking forward to his new responsibilities which include recruiting and retaining members in Connecticut's 155 posts and representing the state's American Legion at various functions and ceremonies. Murray would like to help change the public's perception about the American Legion and educate them about the many programs the organization sponsors. "A lot of people have the mistaken impression that the American Legion is just a bunch of guys sitting around at the bar," Murray said. "But the Legion does wonderful things for the troops and their families." Among its long list of programs for veterans, the Legion offers many programs to mentor youths, like baseball, scouting and shooting sports; as well as providing family support; scholarships; lobbying Congress and more. Typically veterans join the organization about 10 to 12 years after they served. "When a soldier is discharged, they want to put the military behind them - get a job, raise a family, get on with life," he said.



Senior Vice Commander Bob Murray

Murray, 62, enlisted in the Navy in 1971 after graduating from Wake Forest University. He served for six years during the Vietnam War continuing his family's long and distinguished military tradition that began with his great-grandfather who served in the Civil War. Murray's father was a Marine in World War II, his grandfather served in World War I and several uncles fought in Korea and World War II. Growing up on the beach in Woodmont and his love of the ocean influenced his decision to join the Navy. "If I'd grown up in Oklahoma, I might have picked the Army," he said. When troops were deployed for Operation Desert Storm in 1990, Murray even tried to re-enlist, but to his disappointment, he missed the maximum age cut-off date by two months. "I regret not staying and pursuing a military career," he said.

A retired distribution center manager at ANH Refractories of Orange for 32 years, today Murray is busier than ever, travelling the country and tending to his volunteer duties with the Legion. He got involved in the American Legion 26 years ago and gradually became more and more involved in the organization. He has held numerous positions on the post, district and state levels, as well as National Vice Chairman of the Distinguished Guests Committee. When he's not visiting different posts around the state, he is often at national headquarters in Indianapolis. "I enjoy going above and beyond and I like the feeling of camaraderie among the veterans and being able to help support military families," he said. "We were all there."

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October 5th.....	October 12th
October 26th.....	Election Issue November 2nd

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

FROM OUR READERS

Dear Editor:

The upcoming school year brings new classes, activities and often new social opportunities that may include peer pressure to experiment with underage drinking. Though resistance can be difficult for teens; as a parent, your involvement has a significant impact on your child's decisions. According to the 2008 GfK Roper Youth Report, 74 percent of 8-17-year-olds cite their parents as the No. 1 influence on whether they drink alcohol.

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We must continue to guide and influence youth to ensure the progress persists. For a free parent guide, go to familytalkonline.com.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely,

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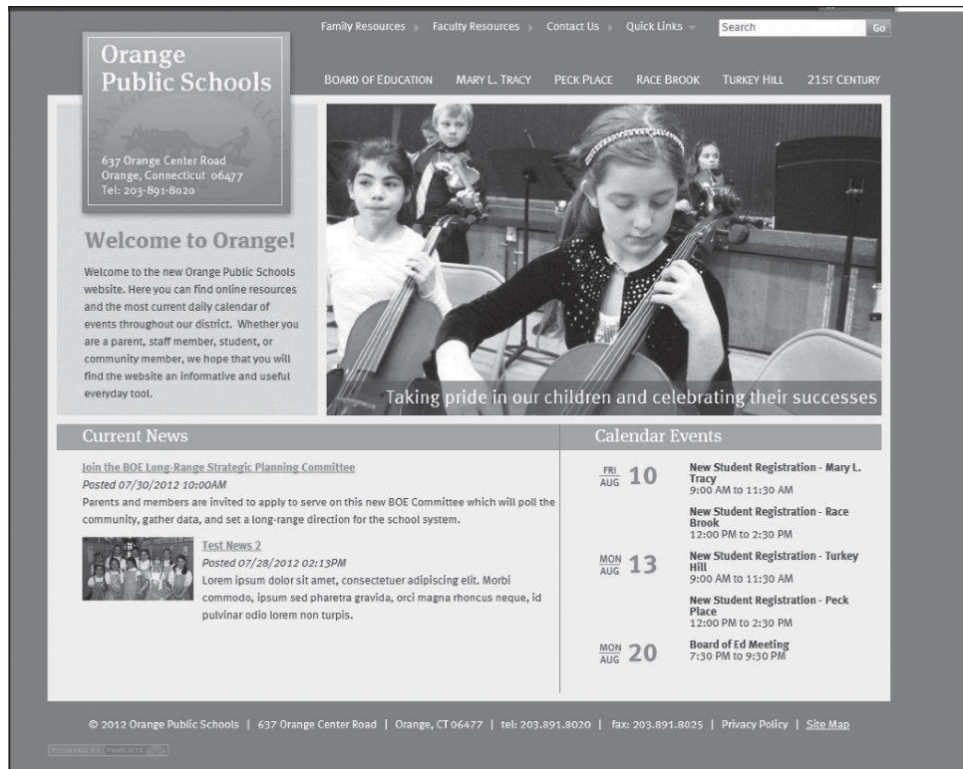
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Orange School District Unveils New Webpage

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In addition to its new aesthetics, the website has several key features. From the Calendar page on their school’s site, parents will be able to sign up for ‘alerts’ so that anytime the school makes a change in the calendar, they’ll be notified. There will be RRS-feeds on the news pages. From any page, a user can forward that page to others, print, or zoom in or out as they choose. As soon as school begins, the hope is that the new webpage will come alive with pictures and student work samples. In their opening day packet of information, parents will be asked to consider allowing the website to include their child in candid pictures of classrooms and events. Policy will forbid the use of names with pictures.

To keep pace with the new website’s usefulness, district personnel have designed an online “Student and Parent Handbook” with easy navigation. There will also be student-friendly policies for the responsible use of technology, recognizing sexual harassment, and recognizing and stopping bullying. At its July meeting, the Board of Education voted to rejoin the Connecticut Association of Boards of Education and to take advantage of CABE’s policy services; so within a short-time, parents and community members will find the policy manual much easier to navigate.

Visit the BOE Website at www.oess.org.

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From the School Nurse’s Office

By Amy Wargo, BSRN Administrative School Nurse Supervisor

Welcome back to school! I hope that your summer was healthy and restful. Please help your child, teachers and staff by reviewing the following health information. If you are new to our school system, please make sure that the school has a copy of your child’s immunization record prior to the start of school. If your child is in kindergarten, a physical assessment completed by your health care provider must also be submitted. These are state board and district requirements so that your child can attend school.

Please make sure that the school and your child’s teacher have current emergency phone contact numbers and important health information. We need to know how to reach you in the event that your child becomes sick or injured while at school. It is vital that we are able to reach you if an emergency occurs. If your child has a chronic health condition, please contact me so we can discuss how I can help your child.

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- Medication that is taken on a routine basis, either daily or as needed for such conditions as allergies, hyperactivity, seizures, migraines, diabetes, asthma, etc. must have a medication form signed by both a health care provider and parent/guardian.
- Non-routine medicines, even those sold without a prescription and are over the counter, such as acetaminophen and ibuprofen require the signature of both a health care provider and parent/guardian.
- Health Action Plans are required for any student who requires medication for an emergency health condition such as severe allergies, asthma, seizures, diabetes, etc.

School board policy states “students with a temperature of 100 degrees F. (oral) or over” are to remain at home until symptom -free for 24 hours. Symptom-free for 24 hours means without medication to bring the fever down.

It is fairly common for there to be outbreaks of head lice when children return to school. If they are discovered in your child’s classroom, a letter of general information will be sent to everyone. If your child has live lice, he/she needs to remain at home until no lice are found. If they are at school and live lice are found, your child will need to go home. If you find them or have questions, call the school. We can keep down the spread of this pest only if parents are open and will follow up with the proper treatments.

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Orange Board of Education Child Nutrition Programs

Orange Public Schools today announced its policy for determining eligibility of children who may receive free or reduced price meals served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs or free milk served under the Special Milk Program.

Local school officials have adopted the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Income Eligibility Guidelines following family size and income criteria for determining eligibility. The following income guidelines will be used in Connecticut from July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 for determining eligibility of participants for free and reduced price meals and free milk in the Child Nutrition Programs.

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4	29,965	2,498	1,153	577	4	42,643	3,554	1,641	821
5	35,113	2,927	1,351	676	5	49,969	4,165	1,922	961
6	40,261	3,356	1,549	775	6	57,295	4,775	2,204	1,102
7	45,409	3,785	1,747	874	7	64,621	5,386	2,486	1,243
8	50,557	4,214	1,945	973	8	71,947	5,996	2,768	1,384
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Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals or free milk. Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents. To apply for free or reduced price meals or free milk, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office at each school. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purposes of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

Application forms for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Family Assistance (TFA) households require name of the person in the household receiving the SNAP or TFA benefits and their case number. The signature of an adult household member is also required. Households receiving assistance under the SNAP/TFA programs will be notified of their eligibility and their children will be provided free benefits unless the household notifies the school that it chooses to decline benefits. Households receiving SNAP benefits or TFA for their children should only submit an application if they are not notified of their eligibility by September Sept 1, 2012. Additionally, households receiving SNAP benefits or TFA for their children may receive a direct certification letter from the Department of Social Services. These letters will automatically qualify a child for free meals or milk and may be submitted instead of an application to the school. Application forms for all other households require a statement of total household income, household size, and names of all household members. The last four digits of the social security number of an adult household member must be included or a statement that the household member does not have one. The adult household member must also sign the application certifying that the

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During the summer, Orange Public Schools renovated the upstairs Board of Education room in the Mary L. Tracy School. The room was formerly being used as a library, storage area, and the math coordinator's office. While the architecture of the room was magnificent, and a gorgeous wood floor was hiding below the carpeting, the room did not look cared for. It deserved better.

The Mary L. Tracy building has seen a lot of history and pride under its roof, but it hadn't been cared for very well. So the idea to refurbish the space was born, though it needed to be accomplished with very little money. Truly, an example of 'design on a dime!'

Under the guidance of Facilities Director Mike Luzzi, the room was painted and the old carpeting removed. The original floors were restored to their natural glory for an amazingly small investment. Through the hard work of the custodians and Central Office staff, the stage was cleared of its clutter and the meeting space was created with refurbished conference furniture we had stored in the basement.

The gallery is a collection of photographs of Orange's historic homes which had originally been framed and donated by William Conway. Additional old pictures were framed and placed throughout the space, along with pieces of furniture from MLT's past.



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Orange's elementary students take Spanish (Latin America) beginning in Grade 1, but research is also showing that English Language Learners, our ELL students, benefit from selecting 'English' when they log-on. Mandarin Chinese, French, Arabic, Italian, and Japanese are among the 25 languages offered in five progressive levels of achievement. Only one language can be selected per subscription.

If you would like to subscribe to Rosetta Stone, please visit the Orange Public Schools website at www.oess.org. Click on any of the four schools, and in the 'Virtual Backpack,' click on 'School,' and then 'Rosetta Stone Enrollment Form.' The deadline for enrollment in September 21, and subscriptions will run October 1st - September 30, 2013.

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STUDENT NEWS



Local Student Awarded \$1,000 Scholarship

Amity Regional High School graduate and resident Emma Feldmann was awarded \$1,000 as one of Wepawaug-Flagg Federal Credit Union's general scholarship winners. Feldmann, 17, of Orange, was one of five students who received scholarships, where applicants were asked "How has your education contributed to who you are today?"

Feldmann plans to attend the University of Vermont in the fall. She was given the award and certificate at a ceremony held on July 21.

Wepawaug-Flagg Federal Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial cooperative and has been serving members since 1936. WFFCU is a SEG-based (select employee group) credit union located in the greater Hamden/New Haven area and serves nearly 10,000 members. Those members come from our various SEGs and their relatives who are eligible to join.

Scholarships were open to all high school seniors, who will be full-time, degree seeking students enrolled at a U.S. accredited college or university or a current college freshman, sophomore or junior. Applicants had to either be a current member of the credit union or have at least one parent who was a member.

Dunleavy Named to Dean's List

Jack Dunleavy of Orange, a 2011 graduate of Amity High School, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall and spring semesters at Roger Williams University in Bristol R.I. Jack was honored as the recipient of the Outstanding Freshman Award in English Literature. He is majoring in English Literature with a minor in East Asian Studies. He is also a member of the cross country and track teams.

Orange Student Wins BIC Scholarship

Jessica F. Evarts, of Orange, is the recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship from BIC Corporation. The scholarships are awarded annually to the children of BIC employees and are based on the students' scholastic achievements.

This year, BIC awarded a total of \$120,000 in scholarships to 88 students, including Miss Evarts, who is attending Marist College. She is the daughter of Joan and Kenneth Evarts.

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To Rollover or Not to Rollover: That is the Question

Provided by Richard J. Zorena, CFP®

If you are lucky enough to work for a company that offers a pension, you may be faced with a major decision at retirement: to roll over or not to roll over. In other words, should you take a lump sum distribution at retirement or receive a monthly check during retirement? The choice you make can affect how you live in retirement, and what you can leave your heirs.

While pension plans, or defined-benefit plans, are meant to provide a certain amount of security in the form of monthly cash distributions, because retirees have no say in how pension plan money is invested, they have no opportunity to increase their monthly cash distribution.

One way to exercise more control and perhaps increase the value of your pension plan distribution is to take a lump sum distribution at retirement and roll it into an IRA. An IRA offers you greater flexibility for accessing and investing the money. Assets in a rollover IRA may be invested in mutual funds, individual stocks and bonds, and other investments that align with your financial, wealth transfer and retirement goals and your investment risk tolerance. Because IRAs are tax-deferred, taxes are only paid when you take a distribution from the IRA, which allows investment earnings to grow free of tax until you take a distribution.

Before rolling over your pension to an IRA, the following should be considered: 1. IRAs are not guaranteed, if you invest aggressively or inappropriately or the market fails to perform as you expect it to, you run the risk of reducing the value of your pension or perhaps outliving your assets, and 2. a rollover to an IRA from a qualified plan is protected from the claims of creditors in bankruptcy.

Here are some additional factors to consider:

Your company's future

If you stay in your company's pension and select the lifetime income option, the maximum annual benefit insured by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation in the event your company goes bankrupt is \$55,840.

Your health

Pensions are meant to provide retirees with income for the rest of their lives. However, if the pension holder passes away, depending on the annuity option chosen, the surviving spouse typically receives a reduced benefit of at least half of the amount the plan holder would have received. Once the surviving spouse dies, any remaining pension benefit remains with the pension plan. With an IRA, you can elect a beneficiary to receive the IRA upon your death, such as another family member or a charity, assuming there are still assets left in the account.

Minimum distributions

If you were to roll your pension into an IRA, you would be required to take minimum distributions from your account, and pay taxes on them, once you reach age 70½. Such requirements might not be an issue if you planned to begin withdrawing assets before you reach 70. But if you retire later in life and want to begin drawing down your funds after 70½, the requirement may cause you to incur tax on distributions before you want to.

Inflation

Typically, fixed monthly pension payouts will not keep pace with inflation. Some pension benefits have a cost of living adjustment built in, but most do not. So if you're concerned about the declining value of your assets due to inflation, the lump sum option might be more suitable for you.

So is an IRA rollover right for you?

The most important thing is to review your pension options in the context of your overall financial picture. Do you have other substantial sources of retirement income? Are they enough to fund your lifestyle, or will you need the pension income to do so? How important is leaving assets to your heirs or charity?

A qualified financial professional can help you identify your objectives, determine the costs associated with them, and decide whether a monthly check or rollover IRA is more appropriate given your circumstances.



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New Screening Process in Place at Orange Schools

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

This summer, Orange Elementary Schools' program that identifies students for extra help received a major overhaul. The result, according to administrators, should mean more students will receive extra help as needed in math and reading and fewer students would be referred for special education. The new screening and intervention program will not only identify students who need help in math and reading, it also identifies those who are achieving above grade level. Led by Colleen Murray, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, the Administrative Team, Language Arts Consultants, and Math Consultants, a new Scientific Research-Based Intervention plan was drafted. Superintendent of Schools Lynn McMullin calls it a 'suite of interventions' for students who are struggling with either reading or math, or both. The program includes a student progress report to ensure consistent data. The SRBI plan includes a district-wide system for screening students' grade-level abilities in Reading and Math and monitoring their academic achievement against clearly-defined benchmarks.

In a letter to parents, McMullin explains, "When a student is experiencing academic difficulties, the district must turn to its protocols, which include: how to inform the parents of the problem, how to select the appropriate academic supports, and how to monitor and communicate the child's progress. The law clearly states that the supports must be scientifically research-based and cannot be 'more of the same'; in other words, the support cannot mimic the instruction the child already received in the classroom." Administrators believe that one advantage of SRBI is that frequently when children are supported with focused interventions, their progress reduces the likelihood they will be referred to special education. SRBI is a regular education initiative based on universal screenings of all students.

McMullin's letter further explains, "The purposes of SRBI are to promote better instructional practices, identify struggling students, and prevent them from falling behind. SRBI bridges the gap between special education and regular education and bases the identification of special education students in a rigorous, data-based, targeted intervention process."

Murray says she's relying on the classroom teachers to have open lines of communication with parents who can find a four-page family guide online at www.oess.org. The letter from McMullin has also gone out to parents and can be found on the district web site. "It gives parents a bit of an idea of, 'What is this SRBI? Why is my child getting extra help and does this mean they're Special Ed?' No, they just need extra help," Murray says.

Teachers are administering those universal screening tools in the first month or so of school and will be identifying those students who will meet grade-level instruction at Tier One, which Murray describes as 'good, quality instruction in the classroom by the teacher.' Those universal screening tools will also identify students who might not meet year-end goals. "We start right off the bat providing them a little extra help in what's called a Tier Two," Murray says.

The SRBI system places all students in one of three tiers. Approximately 80% of the students are expected to be identified as Tier 1 students, meaning they are successful with excellent classroom instruction. Tier 2 students are expected to comprise about 15% of the population. After identified through screening, they will receive direct, systematic instruction in small groups and in the regular classroom setting, for about 20 minutes three times a week. Tier 3 students, which administrators anticipate will make up about 5% of the population, will receive more intensive interventions, 20-30 minutes, four times a week, either individually or in very small groups. This intensive level of support, with more frequent progress monitoring, is required because the student has not progressed with previous interventions.

The screening process involves a five to seven-minute assessment at a computer. "The program is very intuitive," Murray explains. As a question is

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answered correctly, it bumps them up in level and complexity of questions. When a child answers incorrectly, the program indicates that is where the child stands at that point and time at their reading level. That gives a teacher a very good idea of where a student is coming in and helps them differentiate instruction.” Murray says. Not only does the suite of interventions help to identify students who need extra help, it alerts teachers to students who have capabilities above grade level.


The common assessments will be given to every child in the fall, winter and spring. “There’s no chance that in May we find out that someone’s not making the mark. We’re watching and monitoring progress all throughout the year,” Murray says.

The new program does not take the place of existing screening processes, it compliments them. “The interventions are the piece that we were missing in Orange. We had the data from universal screening tools, we had our data teams, and teachers were making instructional decisions based on that data, whether a child needed more or less help,” Murray explains. “But what we were missing was, ‘Okay, what if the child is not learning? What do we do next? These intervention tools are scientifically research based, they monitor progress, and they give you the data as you go along. That’s what we had been looking for—that was the piece that was missing for us.”

Administrators do not anticipate many more students will be identified for extra help than typically are. The SRBI program will make sure that while all children are receiving a high-quality curriculum instruction in the general education classroom at Tier 1, and with the academic rigor of the new Common Core Standards, intervention will be heightened. “The Common Core requirements have really stepped it up a notch, while incorporating those 21st Century skills” says Murray. “I know people, when they hear about 21st Century skills think we must be talking about technology, but we’re not. It’s the collaboration skills, the problem-solving skills. As we improve our Tier 1 instruction, that high quality instruction for all kids in the classroom, the goal is that we don’t need Tier 2 and Tier 3. We’re very fortunate that the caliber of student we have in Orange is quality. They come from good homes and parents who support education, so we’re looking at the other side and saying, ‘what do we do to take those kids who are at goal and get them to advance even further?’” Murray says.

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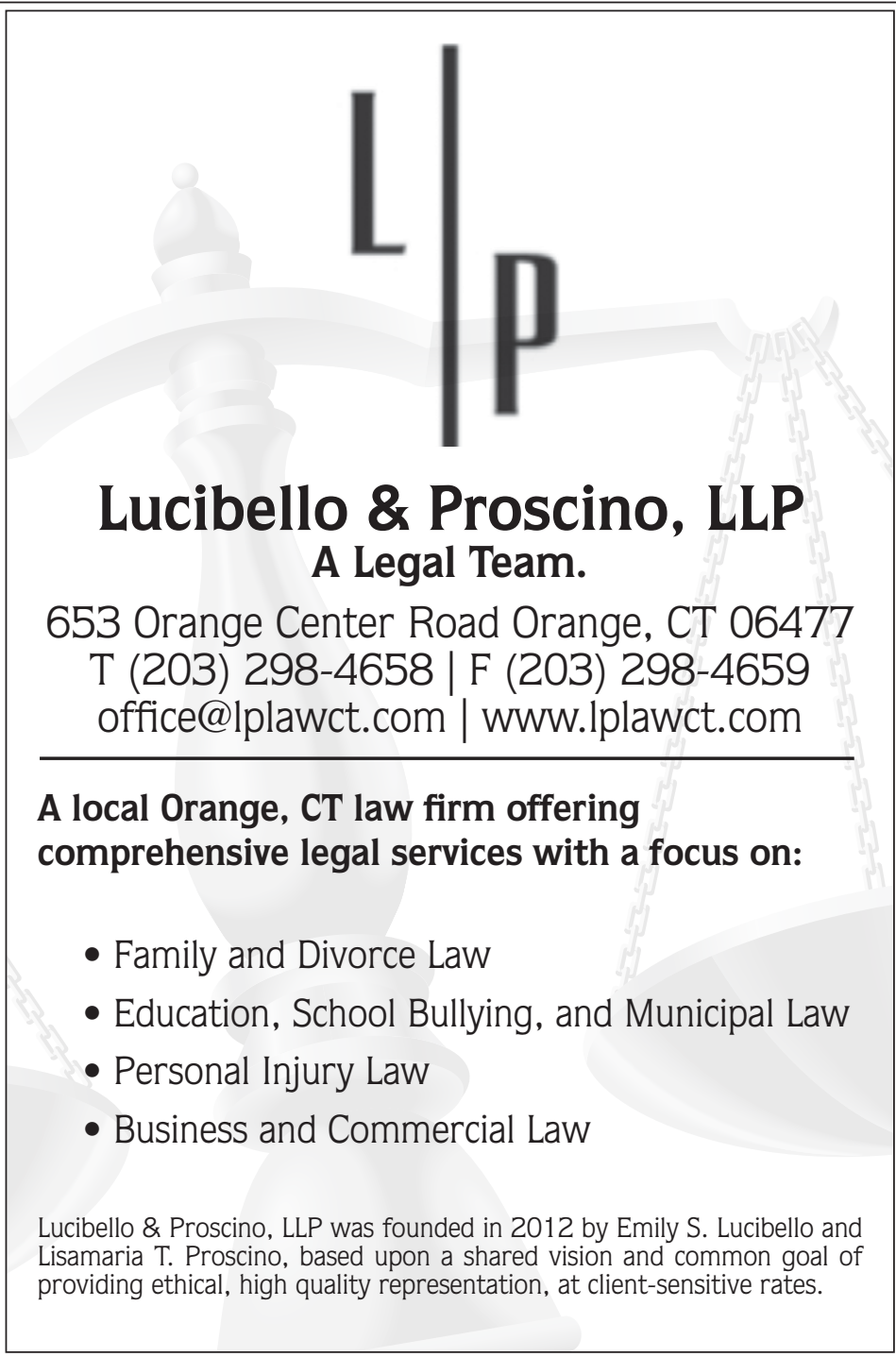
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Amity Teen Center News

On Saturday, September 1 volunteers from the Amity Teen Center have been asked by Orange's First Selectman, Jim Zeoli, to coordinate the parking for Orange's last outdoor concert of the season. The "British Invasion Tribute Band" will be performing from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. They are a well-known band in the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut area. However, this will be their first outdoor performance in the state. Come out for an evening of great music and fun at the High Plains Community Center fairgrounds, 525 Orange Center Road in Orange. The rain date is September 2nd.

If you are a Connecticut corporation you can help the Amity Teen Center become energy efficient while receiving a 100% state tax credit for your contribution. The Amity Teen Center is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization established in 1987 to provide a safe environment for teenagers in the Amity area after school and on weekends.

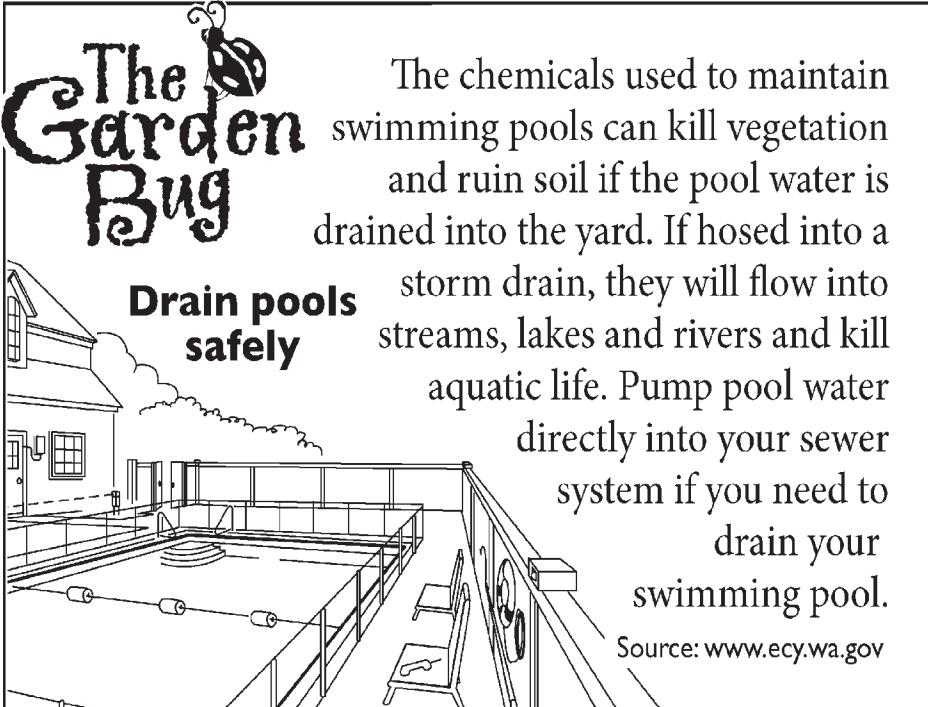
We purchased and renovated a building at 10 Selden Street in Woodbridge, which opened in 2006. The Amity Teen Center has applied for funding under the Neighborhood Assistance Act for its Energy Conservation Program. We are seeking sponsors to help fund a new solar energy system, an energy efficient roof and energy efficient lighting. Between September 15 and October 1 corporations that pay Connecticut income tax can receive a 100% state tax credit for donations for these purposes. In effect, every dollar donated is offset by the Neighborhood Assistance Act credit. You are helping the Teen Center at no cost to your company as well as improving the environment. For more information call Linda Cohen at (203) 980-3409 or Barry Vine at (203) 982-3414.

Watch for the next issue of the Woodbridge Town News for information about activities and programs that we will be running once the school year has begun. Also, we will let everyone know more details about a big celebration we are having on Saturday, September 29 to honor the Teen Center's 25th birthday. You can also learn more about the Amity Teen Center on our website, www.amityteencenter.org.



Garden Club of Orange September Meeting

The Garden Club of Orange will meet on September 11 at the Case Memorial Library, Orange, CT. Club President Marion Rizzo will be introducing a video from The National Garden Club, Inc. entitled "Growing Our World, Greening Our Communities." She will present information about The National Garden Club Inc.'s member services, educational opportunities, and tell us about the National Garden Club President's policies and theme. Club Member Gail Nixon will also demonstrate how to create a hanging design. The program begins at 1 PM. If you would like to learn more about the Garden Club, please visit its website at www.orange-ct.gov/gardenclub.html or call membership Chairperson Nettie Bartocetti at 203-795-3692.



The Garden Bug

The chemicals used to maintain swimming pools can kill vegetation and ruin soil if the pool water is drained into the yard. If hosed into a storm drain, they will flow into streams, lakes and rivers and kill aquatic life. Pump pool water directly into your sewer system if you need to drain your swimming pool.

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Twins Start Youth Running Club

While most teenagers are sleeping late on Saturday mornings, Brian and Connor Dunleavy can be found at the High Plains Community Center Outdoor Track sharing their love of running with 4th through 8th graders. They started the running club, which they call MOTION, this summer to encourage the kids to stay fit and enjoy being outdoors. The club was free to all as the boys volunteered their time and expertise.

Each week fun was had by all. On the last day, the twins awarded everyone with a medal as everyone's running improved.

The boys now shift gears as they get ready for their senior Cross Country season at Amity High School. They would love it if some of the children from the club follow in their footsteps and run for Amity High School in the future.

Penny Vaughn to Exhibit at "The Gallery at Town Hall"

The Orange Arts and Culture Council (OACC) and the Town of Orange announce the September/October exhibitor, local artist Penny Vaughn. The exhibit will run from September 4th to October 31st. There will be an artist's reception on Wednesday, September 12th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Originally from Pennsylvania, Penny Vaughn is a long time Connecticut resident. She studied art history, painting and drawing at Mount Holyoke College and later attended the Columbus School of Fine Art in Ohio, The Silvermine Guild and Southern Connecticut State University.

Local artist Hilda Levy was her inspiration for developing her interest in watercolor painting and she continued to attend a number of workshops taught by nationally known artists such as Edgar Whitney, Charles Reid and Barbara Nechis. Ms. Vaughn's work has been exhibited at The Paint and Clay Club, the Brush and Palette Club, the Milford Fine Arts Council, the Hamden Art League, the New Haven Lawn Club, Whitney Center, the Eli Whitney Barn, the Case Memorial Library as well as many other venues.

She has long been actively involved in community arts programs. She was involved in the formation of the Orange Arts and Crafts Guild and the "Art Goes to School" program for the Orange Elementary Schools in which she was a lecturer and visiting artist. Ms. Vaughn has taught watercolor privately and in the Hamden Adult Education Program.

The exhibit promises to be one of exceptional quality. The OACC is proud to join with the Town of Orange to provide exhibitions of outstanding local artists, part of the initiative to bring art to public spaces.

ARAC Hold Tryouts

The Amity Regional Aquatic Club (ARAC) will be beginning its full Fall/Winter schedule with tryouts on September 11th, 12th, and 13th from 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at the High Plains Community Center pool. Tryouts are free of charge. Anyone interested in joining a competitive swim team in a fun, learning environment is encouraged to come out and join our team that boasts over 200 years of coaching expertise! Online registration will follow when our season begins on September 17th. Registration and more information is available online at www.aracswimteam.com.

Calling All Senior Tap Dancers

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The Blossom Tappers, a 12 member senior tap dance ensemble, is currently recruiting new dancers aged 60 and over. Some prior tap dance experience is recommended. Anyone interested is welcome to observe the Tappers practice Tuesdays at 10AM at the Italian-American Club in West Haven. Formal lessons, where a new routine will be taught, will begin in September at the Gloria Jean Studio in West Haven. For more information, please call 203-878-0504 or 203-933-1351.

TOWN DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

From the Desk of the Municipal Agent *By Denise Stein*



I recently received my electronic newsletter from the National Council on Aging and one of the issues being discussed was hearing loss. The article went on to discuss how hearing aids are not covered by Medicare. This means that there are people out there who need this medical equipment but forego it due to the high cost involved.

There is now a program available for those who qualify to assist them with purchasing a hearing aid. Audient is a nationwide Non-Profit Program that will help young or old with the cost of needed hearing aids.

I urge anyone who needs help paying for a hearing aid to contact Epic Hearing Healthcare to find out if you qualify. The phone number to call for an application is toll free 1.866.956.5400.

Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of September 2012

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

4th	Economic Development Comm..... 5:30 pm Town Plan & Zoning Commission..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
5th	Board of Selectmen 7:30 pm Country Fair Committee..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall Exhibit Hall
6th	OGAT 7:30 pm	Town Hall
10th	Tree Committee 4:30 pm Traffic Authority..... 4:30 pm Board of Police Commissioners..... 4:30 pm Orange Board of Education 7:30 pm Board of Health 7:30 pm Amity Board of Education..... 6:30 pm Conservation Commission..... 7:00 pm Zoning Board of Appeals 7:00 pm	Case Memorial Library Police Dept Police Dept Peck Place School Clark Bldg Woodbridge Town Hall Town Hall
11th	GATA..... 7:00 pm Inland Wetlands Commission..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
12th	OVNA Governing Board..... 8:30 am	Clark Bldg
13th	Community Services 7:30 pm	HPCC
17th	Family Counseling 9:00 am Board of Finance 7:30 pm	HPCC Town Hall
18th	Safety & Health Committee..... 9:00 am	HPCC
19th	Safety Commission..... 9:00 am Recycling Committee 7:00 pm CERT 7:00 pm Park & Recreation Commission 7:30 p Town Plan & Zoning Commission..... 7:30 pm	Town Hall HPCC HPCC HPCC Town Hall
20th	WPCA 7:00 pm Case Memorial Library Commission..... 7:30 pm	HPCC Case Memorial Library
24th	Board of Assessment Appeals 5:30 pm Youth Services 7:30 pm	Town Hall HPCC
28th	Emergency Mgmt Advisory Council..... 8:00 am	Police Station

August 14, 2012 US Primary Results:

For US Senate:

Republican
 Linda L. McMahon (Party endorsed) 396
 Christopher Shays 127
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Democratic
 Christopher S. Murphy (Party endorsed) 218
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(“Koether” continued from page 1)

he had started only a few months prior, fresh out of the New Haven Police Academy. Working in Orange was a lot more personal than in a bigger department such as New Haven’s. “Typically, one officer [in Orange] will stay with a case and see it through,” he said. In bigger departments, cases get handed off and the public will have to deal with multiple officers. “It’s a lot more personal,” he said of the local department.

A few years after he started here, the department acquired Deacon, a shepherd who became Koether’s “partner”. Koether attended K9 training and Deacon served for four years at his side. When Koether was assigned to the evening shift, Deacon had to stay home. Deacon eventually retired from police work, but became a family member in the Koether household.

In 1987, he was promoted to the rank of sergeant. In 1989 he took over the department’s DUI enforcement and training program and became involved with Mothers Against Drunk Driving, raising money each year for that group. He was an interim commander of the Investigative Services Unit, and returned to the unit in a supervisory function from 2004-06.

The year 2006 was a watershed year for Koether. First, his mother passed in March of that year; then former Chief Joseph Dooley retired, and Robert Gagne was made chief. Koether applied for, and was appointed, assistant chief in June. He and Chief Gagne have been a good team, Koether said. They started in Orange at about the same time and have been working side-by-side for many years before they became chief and assistant, respectively. “You develop a friendship, you get to know each other, Koether said. As for Gagne, he said he will miss Koether’s professional experience. “He has been a very good assistant chief and his experience will be missed,” he said.

First Selectman Jim Zeoli, who attended a fare-well gathering Monday in the department, said Koether “served the department well in many capacities over the years. “It’s time for a new chapter in his and his family’s life,” Zeoli said. “I wish him well, and look forward to seeing him around town.”

But for now the sign on his door will read “Gone fishin”. Plans for the future are in the making, but were not fully hashed out when this reporter spoke to him. The department said good-bye Monday afternoon, August 20 with coffee and cake. A more formal event in Koether’s honor is planned in September at Costa Azzurra Restaurant in Milford.

Police Commission to Choose New Assistant Chief

The Orange Police Commission is in the process of determining who should fill the position of assistant chief following the recent retirement of Ed Koether who has served in that position since 2006. Commission Chairman Don Lewis said the commission will fill the position from within the department. “We have some wonderful, wonderful people on board that would do a fine job as assistant chief,” he said.

Lewis said the commission wants to take its time to do the search correctly. All of the five commission members will be involved in the interviews. The chief will be part of the process, but the commission makes the final determination.



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CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY EVENTS

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Children

Mother Goose is on the Loose!

Sessions for babies and toddlers up to 24 months will be held on Tuesday, September 4, 11, 18, and 25 at 10:30 a.m. Includes nursery rhymes, music, and movement. Please pre-register.

Summer Story Hour

Sessions for age 2 will be held on Thursday, September 6, 13, 20, and 27 at 10:30 a.m. Please pre-register.

Sessions for age 3-5 will be held on Monday, September 10, 17, and 24 at 4 p.m. This storytime session includes a craft. Please pre-register.

Teens

Gift Cards Are Here!

If you read 5 books or more over the summer there's still time to pick up your summer reading prize. Come to the library with your reading record showing that you've read 5 or more books and you'll get a Barnes and Noble gift card.

Adults

Show Your Card!

September 1-30: Your library card can save you money on more than just books and DVDs! Get great deals at local restaurants, stores, and more when you show your Case Memorial Library card at participating businesses from September 1-30, 2012. The Library has made agreements with 35 local businesses to bring you discounts, free merchandise, and free services just for showing your up-to-date Case Memorial Library card. Brochures with a complete list of discounts are available at the Library and on the Library's website: www.casememoriallibrary.org. If you don't have a library card, there's no better time to get one - September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month. They are free and available to all Orange residents so get your card today and start saving!

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Genealogy Workshop

Monday, September 17, 7 p.m.: Greg Thompson of the Connecticut Society of Genealogists will teach you how to research your family history. A new topic is covered each month. Please pre-register.

Friends of the Library Members Only Great! Basement Book Sale

Saturday, September 22, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.: If you're not a "Friend" of the Library now is the time to join! As a Friend of the Library you will receive first access to this giant sale of new and gently used books, magazines, DVDs, music, and more. The Friends of the Library welcome new members at any time and membership dues are only \$5 for an individual and \$10 for a family for the year!

Monday Night Movies

Monday, September 24, 7 p.m.: The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel. British retirees travel to India to take up residence in what they believe is a newly restored hotel. Less luxurious than its advertisements, the Marigold Hotel nevertheless slowly begins to charm in unexpected ways. PG-13. 124 minutes. Please pre-register.

Monday, October 29, 7 p.m.: Hysteria. Hysteria, a mischievously inspired romantic comedy set in the late 19th century, is based on the surprising truth of how Mortimer Granville came up with the world's first electromechanical vibra-

Food for Thought: Cookbook Club

Monday, September 10, 6:30 p.m.: There's a new book club at the library for cookbook lovers and food enthusiasts. Instead of picking a book to read and discuss, we'll pick a cooking theme then cook recipes from cookbooks that fit the theme. For our first meeting, we will cook from and discuss the cookbooks of Ina Garten, the "Barefoot Contessa." All attendees must bring a dish to share with the group to participate. The dish should be prepared from one of Ina Garten's cookbooks.

To participate:

- Pick one of Ina Garten's cookbooks and select a recipe to test.
- Call or stop by the library and tell us what type of dish you'll be bringing.
- Prepare your chosen recipe at home and bring it to the meeting along with a copy of your recipe.
- Come ready to share your food, recipes, and experiences!

Show Your Library Card and Save!

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

This month using your Case Memorial library card will get you more than a good book or movie - it will bring discounts, offers and even complimentary gifts from Orange businesses and professional services. In celebration of the American Library Association's annual library card sign up month, the Case Memorial Library collaborated with 35 Orange businesses and the Economic Development Commission to kick off the first of what is hoped to be an annual "Show Your Card" promotion throughout the month of September. Residents can show a current library card at a host of businesses, including Julia's Bakery, Timothy's Gourmet, Chip's Family Restaurant, Jesse's Toys, Framer's Edge, Mai Thai Restaurant, Material Girls, Donald F. Oliver Home Improvement, Orange Town News, Orange Gown Restoration, and more to receive special discounts and complimentary offers. There are discounts of up to 50% percent off merchandise and services; and free offers that include gutter cleaning, legal consultation and registration at local childcare centers.

"I am really excited about this," said Library Director Meryl Farber. "This is a win-win event that encourages residents to take advantage of all of the wonderful free materials the library has to offer while promoting the great businesses in Orange." Farber is hopeful the promotion may inspire a few more people to join the more than 6,000 that currently hold library cards. "It would be great if every resident had a library card," Farber said. "The library has something for everybody."

To add to the month-long savings, the \$1 fee will also be waived throughout September if a card has been misplaced and a new one is issued. Rebecca Harlow, head of Reference and Adult Services, points out that the library card is already something that saves people a lot of money. "We offer free programs, museum passes, books, DVDs, computer services, and this promotion will piggyback that with additional offers to save money," she said.

Merle's Record Rack owner Michael Papa is happy to be included in the program. "It's nice to be part of the community and nothing is more a part of the community than the library - it's right in the center of town," he said. Papa, who offers 50% off any used CD or LP and audio and video transfer services said, "I think that people who are into reading are often into music and preserving their memories."

Perhaps the library's slogan sums it up best, "Saving isn't hard when you have a library card!"

For information on participating businesses, stop in the library for a brochure or visit their website at <http://www.orange.lioninc.org/>.

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Monday, November 26, 7 p.m.: Moonrise Kingdom. Set on an island off the coast of New England in the 1960s, Moonrise Kingdom follows a young boy and girl falling in love. When they are moved to run away together, various factions of the town mobilize to search for them and the town is turned upside down - which might not be such a bad thing. PG-14. 94 minutes. Please pre-register.

Banned Books Week Book Discussion: The Grapes of Wrath

Thursday, September 27, 7:30 p.m.: John Steinbeck's 1939 classic, The Grapes of Wrath, which chronicles an Oklahoma family's hapless migration westward, was an immediate bestseller around the country, but it was also banned and burned in a number of places, including Kern County - the endpoint of the Joad family's migration. Discussion led by Toby Zabinski. Please pre-register.

Places of Rest: Photography with Poetry Show

Monday, October 1, 7 p.m.: John Ulatowski presents "Places of Rest," a collection of photographs of sea, nature, and people with complementary poems that display its subjects in moments of particular dignity, grace, and beauty. Poems read by special guest readers Carol Nardini and Mindy Leventhal. Please pre-register.

Art in the Library

Mixed media, assemblage, and collage by David Katz and Stephanie Wain will be on display in the meeting room through the month of September. A reception will be held in their honor on Thursday, September 6 from 5-7 p.m.

Programs at the Case Memorial Library are free (except as noted for materials charges) and open to the public. Pre-registration is required for library programs. Library hours are as follows: Monday and Thursday 10-8; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10-5; Saturday 10-4. The library will be closed from Saturday, September 1 through Monday, September 3 in observance of Labor Day. Regular hours resume on Tuesday, September 4.

Show Your
Card



Joe Koziel, accompanied by his wife Helen, celebrated his 100th birthday at the Orange Senior Center Café hosted by his daughter, son and daughter-in-law. First Selectman Jim Zeoli as well as the children from the summer camp program, came by to wish him a happy birthday along with many of his friends.

Happy 100th Birthday Joseph Koziel

Born in Northford, CT on August 20, 1912, Joseph has been married for 72 years to Helen Len Koziel. Communicants of St. Stanislaus Church in New Haven, they resided in New Haven before moving to Orange in 1983. Joseph retired from American Steel and Wire (a division of U.S. Steel) after 40 years of service. The couple has two children: Joseph (and Joan) Koziel of Rockledge, FL and Barbara (and Vincent) Schmidt of Orange. Joseph and Helen also have four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren and Joseph enjoys family gatherings, gardening, and vacationing in Florida where he and Helen visit relatives including his older brother Stephen Koziel. Joe also enjoys swimming at the Orange Town Pool at the High Plains Community Center, is an avid reader and frequent visitor of the Case Memorial Library.

Celebrations for Joe's 100th Birthday included a Birthday Cake Party with his Orange Senior Center friends and his swimming buddies. A family celebration was also held in Joseph's honor at Biagetti's Restaurant in West Haven.



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Silverbrook Estates Treated to Piano Concert

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

Silverbrook Estates' staff and residents were treated to a preview of a Carnegie Hall performance recently when 16-year-old Saiyara Fahmi presented a concert of classical piano music.

It was a dress rehearsal of sorts for Fahmi, who was invited to perform at Carnegie Hall next month for winning the American Fine Arts Festival's competition. Friends and residents thoroughly enjoyed the musical afternoon, which featured a few of Fahmi's favorite pieces, including the score she will play at Carnegie Hall, Franz Liszt's Concert Etude No.3 in D flat major, "un sospiro." Fahmi was accompanied by her 9-year-old sister, Sameera, who charmed the audience by opening the program by playing three classical piano pieces of her own.

Throughout the girls' performances, residents could be heard murmuring accolades like "beautiful!" "wonderful," and "they are so young and they sound like professionals!" Resident Dot Victor, 86, who attended the concert with her husband, Albert, 96, said she was completely "mesmerized." "I absolutely loved it! It was the most wonderful afternoon I've ever had here!" she said.



Silverbrook residents Dot and Albert Victor were delighted to attend an afternoon piano recital.

Silverbrook Estates Director Jane Crossman planned the event with Saiyara's and Sameera's mother, Dr. Nasiha Fahmi, a local internist who has many patients who are residents of Silverbrook Estates. "She asked if Saiyara could perform so she could get more experience playing before an audience and we were delighted to have her and her sister," Crossman said. To prepare for the concert, Crossman made sure Saiyara played on their stand up piano before the recital. "It isn't a baby grand and I wasn't even sure if it was tuned. But when I heard Saiyara playing I said, 'That's our piano??' I guess it really depends on the pianist!" she said.

It was a proud moment for Dr. Fahmi and her husband, Azim who live on Royal Drive. "I am grateful to God they have this talent," Nasiha said and her husband added, "At the end of the day we just want them to be happy and content."

Maplewood Fundraiser/Support for Alzheimer's Families

Family Fun Day for Alzheimer's

Maplewood at Orange Senior Living Community is proud to present a "Family Fun Day" Fundraiser to benefit the CT Alzheimer's Association on Saturday, September 8th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The event will feature a Touch-A-Truck, Rock-A-Thon, Face Painting, Vendors, complimentary Rita's Ice and more! Children and adults alike are invited to explore a truck or two, play carnival style games and enjoy the fun and music we have to offer! Hot dogs and hamburgers will be available for purchase. Miss Connecticut and Connecticut's Outstanding Teen will also be at the event! Admission is by donation: \$5 per person or \$10 per Family or \$3 for Seniors. Event is located at Maplewood at Orange Senior Living located at 245 Indian River Road, Orange. Please look for the signs to park across the street. Our bus will shuttle to and from the event. For more information, please contact Amber Braman, Currents Program Director at 203-795-3117 or abraman@maplewoodsl.com. We hope you will join us for this very special event for a great cause!

A Support Group for Families Living with Alzheimer's

Maplewood at Orange Senior Living Community offers an ongoing support group for families and friends of people affected by Alzheimer's. Join us in this safe and caring space where people touched by Alzheimer's and related dementia can learn more about the disease, share concerns and ideas, express their feelings, and hear about advances in research and advocacy. Our group is facilitated by individuals experienced with dementia and everyone is welcome...especially family members and caregivers.

Respite care is available during support group meetings for families needing assistance with their loved one. Please call 203.795.3117 for advanced reservations. Maplewood's Support Group meets regularly on the 3rd Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:00 pm. The next meeting will take place on September 19th. Our October 17th Support Group will feature a "Keeping Connected" presentation focused on communication tips from Maria Tomassetti from the CT Alzheimer's Association.

For more information contact Amber Braman, Currents Program Director at 203-795-3117 or abraman@maplewoodsl.com.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2012

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- 8:30 a.m. Garden Tractor Pull
- 10:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies
- 11:00 a.m. Two Person Hand Saw Contest
- Homing Pigeon Release
- 11:00 a.m. Oxen Draw
- Musical Entertainment
- 1:00 p.m. Women's Skillet Toss
- Homing Pigeon Release
- 2:00 p.m. Children's Entertainment
- 3:00 p.m. Doodlebug Contest
- Homing Pigeon Release
- 3:30 p.m. Musical Entertainment
- 7:00 p.m. Fair Closes

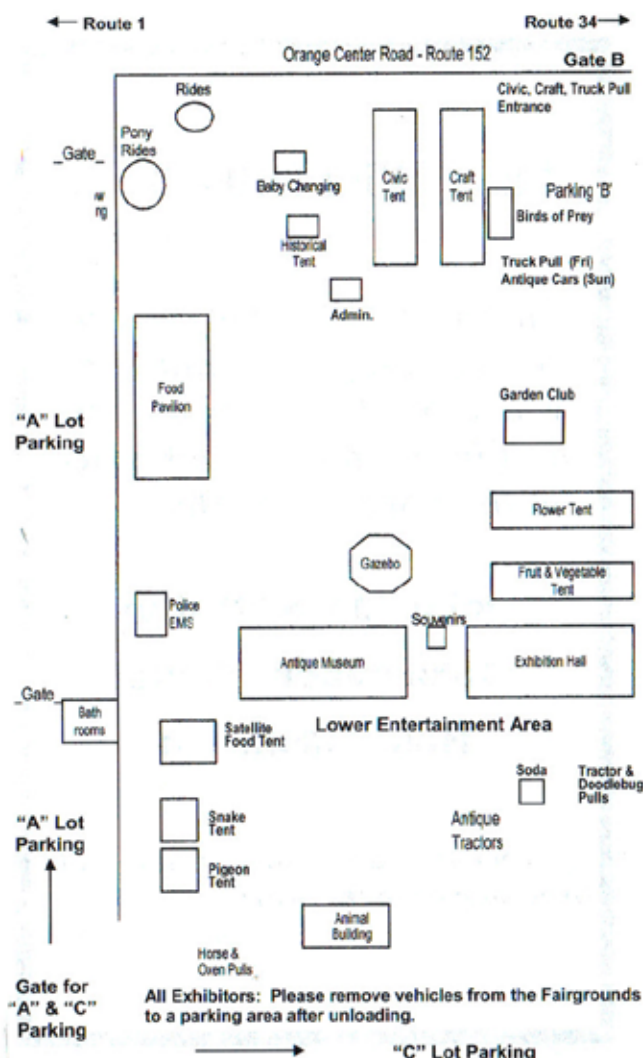
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2012

- 8:00 a.m. Chip's famous Pancake Breakfast - Main Food Pavilion
- 9:00 a.m. Antique Tractor Pull
- 10:00 a.m. Antique Car Show
- 11:00 a.m. Horse Draw
- Homing Pigeon Release
- 11:30 a.m. Pedal Tractor Pull
- 1:00 p.m. Men's Hay Bale Toss (16 years & older)
- Homing Pigeon Release
- 2:00 p.m. Musical Entertainment
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a New England flair,” Rosamaria said. “It will be American style but with an Italian flavor.” A neighbor already gave Pietro a photograph of what the windmill used to look like. Pietro, who began clearing trees to make room for his vines shortly after closing on the property, even found pieces of the original windmill in the woods on the property that hopefully can be used in its restoration. He is also saving the trunks of several of the large trees he’s taken down to make handmade tables to put around the property. He is planning to clear about six acres to plant grapes. The remaining 15 acres of land on The Preserve are owned by Racebrook Estates LLC. and is managed by ERA Property World property manager Rob Benedetto.

Parents Antonietta and Pietro Landino and daughters Sara, Alexa and Rosamaria Ponte Landino, couldn’t be more excited about their new project. Accustomed to working together at the elegant Cascade banquet facility they own and operate in Hamden, everything they do is as a family. “We talk everything over among ourselves, everyone is involved in decisions,” Antonietta said. They hope to import many of the grape vines from Italy and specialize in champagne. It takes about four years for the vines to mature to be used for winemaking. At some point the Landinos expect to add a tasting room to the property. “We’re not in a rush, this is going to happen over the next ten years,” Rosamaria said.

The family began looking for land for their vineyard a few years ago after daughter Sara returned from a trip to Napa Valley. “She fell in love with it and told us, ‘this is what we need to relax!’” Rosamaria said. They all agreed and began looking around the state at different properties. They found the Orange property two years ago and fell in love with it, but not the \$1.6 million price tag. They continued to search all over Connecticut, including the shoreline and in Woodbridge, but nothing grabbed them like the land in The Preserve. Though different buyers came close to purchasing the property, including a local mosque, it remained on the market and Landino’s offer of \$800,000 was accepted. “Honestly it was the windmill. We fell in love with it,” said Rosamaria. For Antonietta, the property reminded her of her native Caserta in the Campagna region where her family owned a peach tree farm. “I always remember harvest time when the workers would come in for about three weeks and pick the peaches,” she said. And Pietro liked the hills on the property where he envisions rows and rows of grape vines. This fall the Landino’s good friend, Father Diaro Diaz will come by to bless the property.

Town officials are supportive of the proposed vineyard. Orange Economic Development Corporation Executive Director Paul Grimmer and First Selectman Jim Zeoli think it is a unique use of the property. “There is nothing like this in Orange and it sounds wonderful,” Grimmer said. “It’s a beautiful piece of property and I’m thrilled that they will be restoring it to its former glory.”

In the meantime the Landinos are boning up on winemaking, visiting local vineyards and tasting local wines. “I have a relative in Italy who is an agricultural engineer and a sommelier and I’m hoping he will come here to give us some advice,” Antonietta said.

It’s Not Too Early to Think About the Orange Country Fair

The Orange Country Fair, held at the Orange Fairgrounds, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT is one of the most popular agricultural fairs in the state, attracting guests from New York, Connecticut and other New England states. The 2012 Fair will be held on Saturday, September 15 from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, September 16 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Along with the usual exhibits: the Civic Tent; plants and vegetables; arts; collections and photography; livestock; and farm museum, Country Fair crowd pleasers like the tractor pull; women’s skillet toss; doodlebug contest; antique tractor pull; children’s pedal tractor pull; antique car show and hay bale toss all will be back.

To add to the excitement, fairgoers can watch the pig races with host Bobby Fantarella and marvel at the skills of Orange Police Dog Maximus and several other area police K9s. Entertainment: “Flashback” will perform on Saturday; Phil Rosenthol will perform traditional Blue Grass music with Banjo and Madolin. and “The Navels” also will grace the stage. Last year’s thriller Juggler/Unicyclist Bruce Sarafin will perform a 30-minute stage show then entertain around the fairgrounds all day on both Saturday and Sunday.

For the first time ever, there will be a truck pull on Friday night at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults; \$5 for seniors; children 15 and under free. Parking is free and free shuttle service is provided from locations to be announced. Volunteers are needed for the food tent and other locations around the fairgrounds. High School students who need to make their community service requirements and adults who are willing to help should contact Lynn at lplaskowit@aol.com.

Free Family Photos Offered at the Orange Country Fair

We are happy to announce the tradition will continue at the Orange Country Fair to have your family photo taken for free. Donald Oliver Home Improvement will sponsor the special event this year. As always the photo is free. Your family picture will have the country fair sign with the year displayed for your lasting memories. A gift from the Oliver family to you. Look for the photo tent and see you at the fair.



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Commemorative Poster Celebrating the Orange Country Fair

On August 6, 2012 at 11 a.m., the Rotary Club of Orange presented the Town of Orange and First Selectman, James Zeoli, the first numbered print of a Commemorative Poster celebrating the Orange Country Fair. The work was painted by respected Orange artist, Jamie Hulley and it depicts the many events and activities of our unique Fair and the culture of Orange. Orange Rotarian Baxter Walsh says, “This is a great way to collect a bit of Orange history, honor the Jamie A. Hulley Foundation and support your local Rotary Club. We are very excited about this project.” The Fair has been a highlight in Orange for 40 years. The Jamie A. Hulley Foundation generously offered this painting for the first commemorative edition. Each year, beginning in 2012, a different Orange artist will create a work focusing on the Orange Country Fair. A limited edition of numbered prints will be made. The 2012 edition will feature 100 numbered prints. The prints will be professionally matted and backed and they will be available for sale at the Orange Country Fair on September 15 and 16, 2012, at the Civic Tent, and Rotary booth for \$40 each. This year’s limited edition is expected to be a sold out early to collectors.

The proceeds of the Poster sale go to the Rotary Club of Orange, which, for 40 years, has supported local community projects and worldwide health needs. Mr. Zeoli was gracious in his acceptance of the framed print and it will hang in the Town Hall for all to see.

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HAPPENINGS AT THE SENIOR CENTER

By Dennis Marsh

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

11th Annual Health and Safety Fair

The 11th Annual Health and Safety Fair will be held on Friday, September 28 from 9:30 am to 12 noon. Vendors representing health and social services, housing options, insurance companies, banking services, emergency response systems, wellness programs, adult day care, and municipal services will be on hand to give information about products and services that benefit older adults. The Parish Nurses of Griffin Hospital will do osteoporosis screenings, breast wellness, and medication management, the Orange VNA will do blood pressure screenings, and the Orange Lions Club has arranged for vision screenings. Free lunches will be given to the first 200 people to register that day. There will be raffle prizes and refreshments. Sponsored by the Law Offices of Cohen & Wolf, Lend-A-Hand, Coldwell Bankers, Orange Visiting Nurses Association, and Orange Community Services.

Orange Leadership Program Informational and Reunion Party

All graduates and people interested in learning more about the Orange Senior Leadership program are encouraged to attend the Thursday, September 13 informational reunion with wine and cheese social. We will meet in the Senior Café at 4:30 pm. Call the office at (203) 891-4784 to RSVP.

Orange Leadership Program, Class of 2014

Are you looking for an innovative, interesting program that will give you a chance to learn more about our community, the region and the state, make new friends, along with your leadership skills? If so, the Orange Leadership Program is for you! We are now forming the 7th class since the start of the program in 2006. Fifteen Orange residents over the age of 55 will be accepted into the program this year. This popular program meets one Wednesday a month for 9 months in 2014 from September to May and covers topics such as the history of the town, its economic development, education, community policing, communications and the media, the arts, town government, state government, and regional issues. Graduation is held in June. The Leadership Program offers an opportunity to interact with other persons from the town to get an insider's view of the issues that are shaping our community. The Leadership Program provides retired or semi-retired persons a chance to use their life skills while giving back to their community in a positive way. Please feel free to attend graduate reunion on September 13 to hear more about the program. The program is funded by the Orange Senior Center and the \$100 tuition paid by each of the participants. Applications are now being accepted. Please call 891-4784 if you would like more information about the program or would like an application form.

Presentation for Upcoming Beijing City Trip in April 2013

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

Presentation for Upcoming Ireland trip and possible trip to Italy in 2013

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

Cabaret Night

The next Cabaret will be on Monday, September 10 from 5:30 to 7pm. The entertainer will be Ashley Cruz and she will do her French Cabaret Show Ooh La La! Coffee and dessert provided by Mary Ann White of Coldwell Banker will be served at 5:30 and music begins at 6pm. Thank you to Maria Biondi from the Orange Visiting Nurse Association for supplying dessert last month! Tickets are now on sale for \$5 pp and are only available in advance at the Senior Center!

Back By Popular Demand – iPhones

Kathleen Gorelick will again conduct a free iPhone seminar on September 10 from 9:30 – 11:30 am in room 15. If you own an iPhone or have ever considered getting one, then this 2 hour class is for you. Come and learn the popular features that are underutilized. Seating is limited to 25 people so call now at (203) 891-4784 to reserve a seat.

iPads

Kathleen Gorelick will conduct a free iPad seminar on November 19 from 9:30 – 11:30 am in room 15. This seminar is perfect for you if you own an iPad or are considering getting one. Come and learn the popular features that are underutilized. Seating is limited to 25 people so call now at (203) 891-4784 to reserve a seat.

Money Management for Women

Kathleen Gorelick will once again present this course. We have received wonderful feedback from those who have already taken it! In 5 weeks, class students will learn to use their computer to track their income and expenses, food costs, needs vs. wants and more. The course begins October 1 and runs through November 5. The cost is \$30.

Trips

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

Just Added!!! FOXWOODS – Tuesday, November 13, 2011. Leave the senior center in the morning and spend the day at Foxwoods. Cost: \$30 pp. Includes transportation and driver gratuity. Space is limited so sign up now! Full payment due with reservation.

2013 Trips

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

BEIJING CITY STAY – April 8 – 17, 2013 (9 days, 15 meals). Experience the beauty and intrigue of one the most fascinating cities in the world. You will visit the Beijing Zoo famous for their pandas, Tianamen Square – the world's largest public square, the Forbidden City, enjoy a Peking Duck Dinner and Opera, visit the Great Wall of China, the Olympic Green, Temple of Heaven, and enjoy a Rickshaw Tour. Cost is \$2,399pp double with early booking discount of \$100 until October 8, 2012. A \$250pp deposit due at registration. Cancellation insurance is available for \$220. A passport is required.

SHADES OF IRELAND – September 15 – 24, 2013 (10 days, 13 meals). Travel the Ring of Kerry, one the world's most beautiful coastal routes while experiencing old Ireland at its finest. You will visit Dublin, experience an Irish evening, visit Kilkenny - the home of Waterford Crystal, see Blarney Castle and kiss the Blarney Stone, enjoy a Jaunting Car Ride, Travel along the Ring of Kerry, visit a farm in Killarney and experience the customs of a traditional Irish family, in Limerick see the Cliffs of Moher, and stay overnight on the Cabra Castle grounds. A deposit is required to confirm your space. Cost with early booking discount is \$2,999pp, double occupancy. Deposit due at registration. Cancellation insurance is available. A passport is required.

REFLECTIONS OF ITALY – September 2013 (10 days 14 meals). Revel in the magic of this famed destination as you set out on a comprehensive tour that features Rome, Venice and Florence. Explore Rome's rich history, including a guided tour of the Coliseum. Visit one of Chianti's treasured wineries complete with a stop at a Medieval Castle. Relish the charm of Venice amid its canals and architecture. Deposit due at registration. Cancellation insurance is available. A passport is required.

Community Health News

ONVA has been providing Community Health Care for 75 years and is a nationally accredited and state licensed agency providing homecare to residents of the Town of Orange, Milford, West Haven and Woodbridge. Orange Visiting Nurse Association provides skilled nursing, physical therapy, occupational and speech therapy, social work, home health aide and homemakers to adults who are under a physician's care and need homecare. A Registered dietitian and wound care consultant is also available when needed. The Agency offers private pay assist with personal care through its bath program.

Blood Pressure Clinics – Thursdays 1-2pm at Orange Visiting Nurse Association office 605A Orange Center Road (the Old Library) on the following dates:

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celebrity extra
by cindy elavsky



Leonardo DiCaprio

Q: I've really been looking forward to **Leonardo DiCaprio's "The Great Gatsby"** coming out for Christmas, but now I hear it's been postponed. Why the delay, and when will it come out? -- Cassandra W., via e-mail

A: The **Baz Luhrmann** 3-D adaptation of the classic novel by **F. Scott Fitzgerald** -- which also stars **Tobey Maguire, Carey Mulligan** and **Joel Edgerton** -- is now slated for a summer 2013 release. Warner Bros. president of distribution, **Dan Fellman**, reasoned: "We think moviegoers of all ages are going to embrace it, and it makes sense to ensure this unique film reaches the largest audience possible" [by giving it a summer release].

Q: I just watched the season finale of **"Rizzoli & Isles,"** and already I can't wait for the next season. Please tell me it has been renewed for a fourth season! -- Dottie R., Roanoke, Va.

A: I am happy to report that there will indeed be a fourth season of TNT's hit drama, which stars **Angie Harmon** and **Sasha Alexander**. The summer's No. 1 returning scripted drama will be back in summer 2013 for another 15 episodes of mystery-solving fun. TNT has proved to be a summer force to be reckoned with, with such original scripted hits as **"R & I," "Falling Skies," "Perception," "Dallas"** and more shows that are smashing viewing records all over the place.

Q: Can you tell me what one of my favorite actors, **Gabriel Byrne**, has been up to since **"In Treatment"**? What can I see him in? -- Roger T., via e-mail

A: The talented Irishman stars in the new History channel scripted series called **"Vikings,"** which is based upon a real-life Viking king named

Ragnar Lothbrok -- played by **Travis Fimmel** -- who literally exploded out of Scandinavia and onto the world stage in the 8th century. A young Norwegian farmer with a wife and family, Lothbrok is deeply frustrated by the unadventurous policies of his local chieftan, **Earl Haraldson** (played by **Gabriel**), who continues to send his Viking raiders east every summer, to the Baltic states and Russia, whose populations are as materially poor as themselves. Haraldson and Lothbrok become adversaries as Lothbrok's ambitions threaten Haraldson's rule. The series -- now filming in Ireland -- also stars **Jessalyn Gilsig, Gustaf Skarsgard, Clive Standen** and **Katheryn Winnick**. It is set for a 2013 release.

Readers: A few months back, I held a contest for one reader to win the great summer read **"Eat, Drink, and Be Married"** by **Rebecca Bloom**. After sifting through the entries, I have randomly chosen a winner: **Dorine T. of Terryville, Conn.** Be on the lookout for your book, and I hope you enjoy it! All others who'd like to get in one last summer pleasure, head to amazon.com and order a copy for yourself -- and maybe one for a friend. And go to www.celebrityextraonline.com to read my full interview with the talented author, and to see what she has coming up next.

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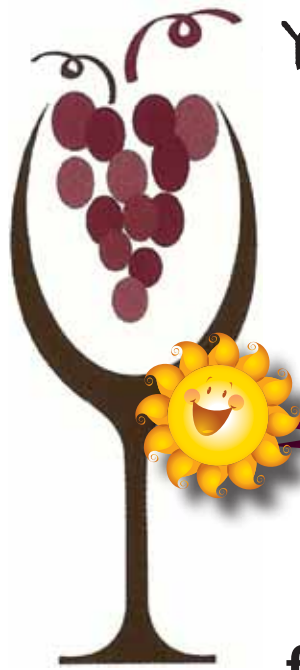
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Saiyara Fahmi never expected entering a piano competition would lead her to play on the stage of one of the most prestigious venues in the world but that's exactly what happened.



Laura Fantarella

The pretty and poised Hopkins senior will make her debut at Carnegie Hall Oct. 20 as the winner of the American Fine Arts Festival's Competition, an international contest with participants from all over the world. She is also invited to play there again on Nov. 24 for being the second prize winner in the International Music Talent Competition sponsored by American Protégé.

"I'm very excited and a little nervous," she said. At just 16, Fahmi has already been playing the piano for 12 years, and has reached level eight in the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music's exams, an international testing system which requires her to play the piano and take written and oral exams before judges who travel to the US from England. "Testing provided more structure for my practice and made me learn a lot faster," Fahmi said. She became interested in playing musical instruments at age four after a trip to Italy to visit relatives. "We watched



Saiyara Fahmi (middle) at the piano with sister, Sameera, (right) and piano teacher Dr. Qi Liu (left).

a home video of my mother's aunt's young children playing piano and violin and I thought it looked cool," she said. Her parents, Orange internist Dr. Nasihah and Azim Fahmi are natives of Bangladesh who never took music lessons themselves and were eager for their daughters to do so. Fahmi began taking piano lessons with Wesleyan professor Dr. Qi Liu and violin lessons from Liu's husband; Shan Jiang who is a member of the NY Philharmonic Orchestra.

She immediately liked the two instruments, enjoying the challenge of learning to read music and practicing scales on the piano. As a child she recalls that her parents often had to push her to practice but now she

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"Dining with Susan"

By Susan Noonan



Solun Restaurant/Bar/Tapas

Solun Restaurant in Woodbridge specializes in "Tapas", so I thought it would be fitting to talk about the history of this concept that has become very popular over the past few years. The word "Tapas" means "lids" in Spanish, and refers to a slice of bread being used to cover the top of a wine glass. Legend has it that such "Tapas" were used in Spanish cafes with standing bars to prevent fruit flies and the like from getting in the wine glasses of the customers. Madrid's custom is to gather at wine and sherry bar cafes after work, before dinner. Patrons of the bars usually stand and drink their sherry and wine and enjoy selections from an extensive tapas list. This evolved from the bars offering free snacks, like a slice of ham, piece of cheese, olives, mussels, or bread. Basque tapas started on toothpicks, called pinchos, and eventually became something on a piece of bread, such as anchovy toasts. Gazpacho and paella are also offered in tapas bars, as well as Manchego and quince paste, flan, and tres leches cake. "Tapas" from Spain are the foundation for understanding the small plates so it is necessary to define what they are.



Solun Restaurant/Bar/Tapas

Spain has some of the most delicious cuisine in the world. "Tapas" are snacks, canapés or finger food and come in many different forms. But, what are they? They can be practically anything from a chunk of seafood, grilled vegetables, cocktail onion and an olive skewered on a long toothpick to meat with sauce served piping hot in a miniature clay dish. They are served day in and day out in every bar and café in Spain. So much a part of the culture and social scene that the Spanish people invented the verb Tapear which means to go and eat "Tapas"!

Solun Restaurant opened in March 2012 and is the latest addition to the "Tapas" trend in our area. I had an opportunity to sit down with Solun owner Carlos Hernandez and he had quite a success story to share with me. He came to the East Coast for a vacation in July 1987 from his home in Guatamala. Carlos was only 17 and spoke very little English. His family owned a farm in his country (dad still owns the farm to this day) and Carlos milked the cows, made cheese, etc., but was looking forward to his trip to the United States. He decided to stay for a while and began working in the restaurant business, washing dishes, cooking, waiting tables, managing (he actually did it all and was getting great experience). At one point he took a break from the restaurant business working as a school bus and UPS driver. The love of the restaurant business brought him back. Carlos' hard work, compassion and perservance paid off along with some special mentoring by restaurant owners that recognized his potential. In 2000, Carlos signed a very lucretive contract with the town of Fairfield to run its summer concession stand "Penfield Beach Cafe" (they are still going strong in 2012). This also led to the City of Norwalk concession stand "What's Cooking in Rowayton Point". His success allowed him to purchase "Meigas" Restaurant in Norwalk. This award winning restaurant received CT Magazine's Best Tapas in the state, glowing reviews from the New York Times, Zagat Survey, "Meigas the best Spanish cuisine this side of Madrid", etc.

Meigas' popularity was the inspiration for Solun Restaurant serving Spanish Mediterranean cuisine. Carlos has a passion for perfection and attracting sophisticated clientele. This is one of the reasons he decided to open his latest venture in the town of Woodbridge. Carlos felt the town definitely had a taste for this type of food and would support the "Tapas" concept. The location was formerly a restaurant/bakery and needed Carlos' magic touch to get that special feel of an authentic Spanish restaurant, where the traditional and the modern fuse in a coherent way. While old word concepts are kept, they use new techniques, reflecting the new culinary revolution where flavors and aromas play a very important role in the creation of their dishes. Solun's mission is to share the hospitality, innate at the Spanish culture, centered on gastronomy working together with a professional service.

I had a great experience at Solun, thoroughly enjoying every item I sampled (including its freshly baked bread). The cozy bar is great for a dinner or just a cocktail. The main dining room can accommodate private parties up to 56 and the smaller area seats 30. Open 7 days - Lunch (call for hours as they will be changing) - Dinner Sunday-Thursday - 4:30pm-9:30pm. Friday & Saturday -4:30pm-10:30pm. Sunday Brunch - 11:30am-3:00pm - Reservations accepted - All major credit cards - Large parking lot surrounding building - Handicapped accessible - Family friendly with choices for kids. Catering is available for special occasions, both on & off premise.

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Final notes: Make a visit soon to this charming and cozy "Tapas" restaurant in Woodbridge. Carlos and his professional staff will make your dining experience very special, offering exceptional food, outstanding service and ambiance. He has come a long way since he left his family and birthplace 25 years ago. A true success story! Please remember to support our local family owned businesses. If you have a favorite restaurant e-mail susan@orangetownnews.com or susan@woodbridgetownnews.com - Welcome Woodbridge residents!

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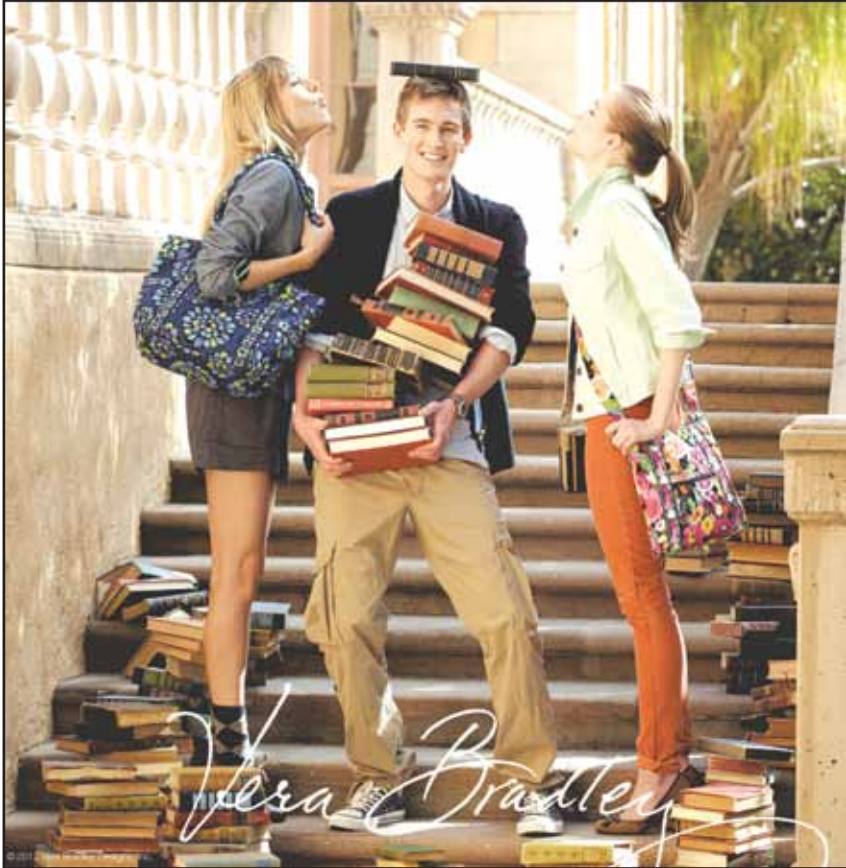


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Do We Still Do That Anymore?

When is the last time you sent or even bought a post card? I bet you had to think about that for a minute. Maybe it was the last time you took a vacation and found a little gift shop or drug store that still sold postcards. I would also bet that wherever you were, you took out your cell phone and snapped away or if you still carry a digital camera in your pocket, then that took care of that!

There is a definite drawback to eliminating post cards in your visits far away from home. Although the camera is a convenience and always at the ready, you can't send the pictures of your memories to everyone and let's face it, you can't visit all of the places that the post card companies captured. OK, I hear you. Why send a postcard of a place you didn't visit or at the very least didn't see? I can think of a few places you cannot see up close, one of them would be Mount Rushmore. You might be visiting Yellowstone National Park, waiting patiently for Old Faithful to erupt, but the tour bus is waiting and you'll just have to see it on television OR buy the postcard!

Postcard collecting is the third largest hobby in the world after stamps and coins but with the decline in printing and sending of post cards, the hobby will most likely slip a few notches. In the United States baseball collecting is greater but it is a national pastime, not worldwide. In 1908, the number of post cards mailed in the US was 667,777,798 and by 1913, the number rose to over 968 million! One might think that we have always had postcards but not true.

Prior to postcards, envelopes with printed pictures were produced often with themes of the time of year and during the Civil War patriotic pictures were prevalent. The first private printing of a postal card took place in 1861 with the U.S. Government postcards being introduced in 1873. The earliest known card in this country showed the main building of the Inter-State Industrial Exposition in Chicago being created for advertising. The first cards printed as a souvenir were on sale in 1893 at the Columbian Exposition in Chicago and the postage required was two cents, the same rate as a letter. The penny postcard was a common way to refer to a card that was just that, 1 cent and printed by the government.

By 1898, the U.S. Government allowed American publishers to print and sell cards and could be sent with a 1-cent stamp. At that time the front of the card was reserved for the message and the back for the address only. It was in 1907 that the back of the postcard was divided so that a picture could remain on the front, unblemished and the message and address appeared on the reverse. We, in Orange, know very well that postcards began to be printed in Europe, especially in Germany, whose printing methods were regarded as the best in the world. Our own Scobie postcards date to 1906 and are highly collectible not only in town but in the northeast in general.

Changing technology allowed the American market to move into the 1930's where a linen type paper stock was used, making the colors more vibrant. Local views, as with the early Scobie cards, made it possible for visitors to choose a site that they had visited even as simple as an out of town family visit and to communicate, where telephone technology was unavailable to them. For the collection at the Orange Historical Society, the overwhelming messages were accolades for the fair.

To Mrs. George Rumney, Naugatuck, CT from M.R.W.: "Didn't see you at the Fair. We had poor weather but a very good fair." The unknown writer sent a card showing the racetrack that was the highlight of the early fairs.

To Dr. Helen Goodspeed, Worcester, Mass. From L.M. Alger: "An ideal place for a rest cure. Am enjoying it very much indeed. Hope you are well. With best wishes and love." This Scobie card of 1909 depicted a landscape including the Orange Center railroad station, Scobie's store and other residences. Another of these cards actually had an "x" to mark where Aunt Martha lived.

To Mr. R. Anderson, Ampere, NJ from D.A.F.: "I've struck another corner of the earth, can't decide which I like best.....hope you have missed me in the office." The card shows the serene Maltby Lakes on Derby Avenue.

To Mrs. O.H. Fink, L. Candee Rubber Co. New Haven, Conn.: "Dear cousin, Got home at ten last night. Auntie says you are coming out Sunday. Harold"

And then we have one with a sense of humor. The card is the S.D. Woodruff & Sons warehouses and was sent in 1908 to Miss Katie Warner, Dixwell Ave. in Highwood, Conn. Yes Highwood. "Now who do you think sent this?" With that address who would know if Katie ever got it?

One of the black and white Scobie's sent to Branford September 3, 1907 where the message was placed on the front, tells of the writer waiting for the balloon ascension and goes on to write, "This is a pretty view of this funny little town and one to add to your collection."

By 1909, Scobie brothers were selling their cards in color but in 1906

Mabel C. writes, "Dear Mabel, the cards are not at all pretty no colored ones at all. Having a fine time. Go riding on the ice team do all sorts of crazy things. Drank 1 1/2 quarts of mild to-day." The card she chose was The Green showing the Orange church with the flagpole and the horse sheds that were part of the original church building. This card went all the way to New Haven!

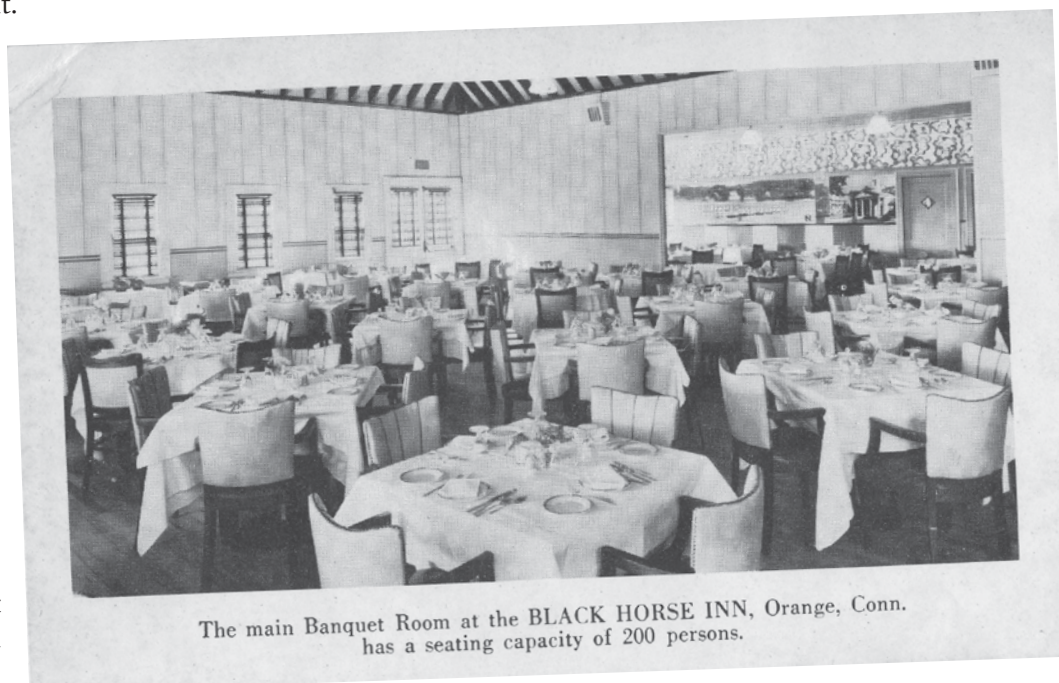
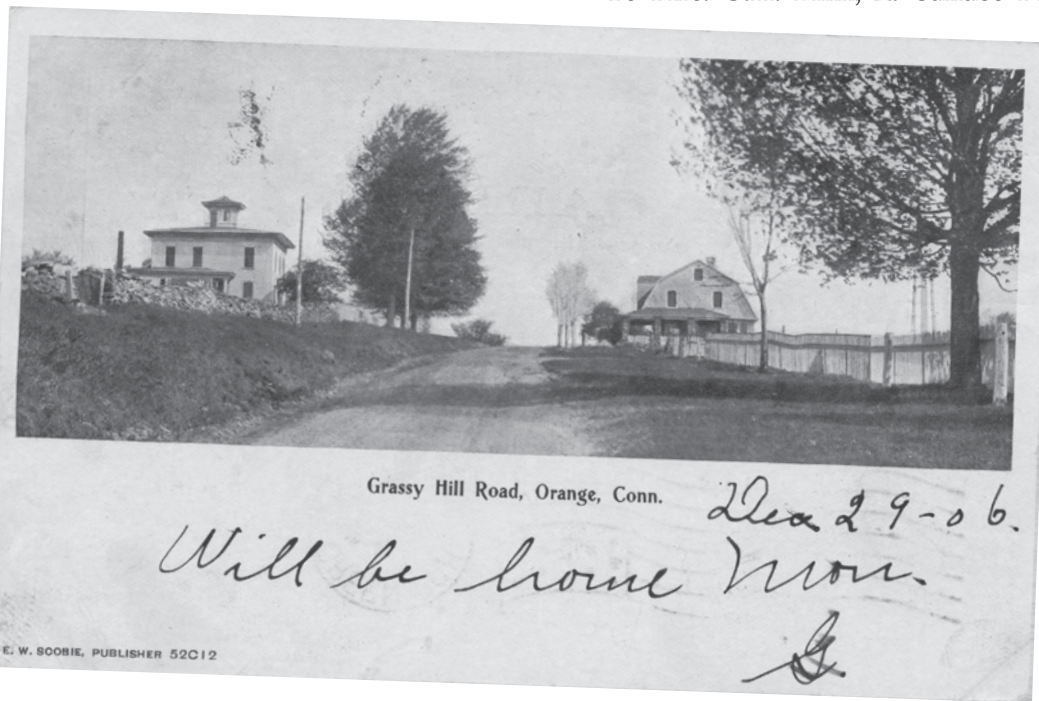
Just imagine what would happen to the following today. July 27, 1912. "Dear Pearl, Your uncle left this card here & asked me to send it to you. He didn't know the address nor I don't either so don't know as you will receive it. We are pretty busy here and ready to go to the shore for the month of Aug. Everything in Orange as slow as ever. Olive Smith." The card her

uncle chose was Main Street-South End and it was addressed to Miss Pearl Brown in Grantham N.H. but she changed her mind and wrote another town which is illegible.... wonder if it ever got there?

Olive writes another card to Anna White in Guilford, Conn. saying that she is not sure if she will get it or not but lamented about not seeing her again as Anna was "leaving for good". In the very top corner she squeezes in a request to let her know if the card is received and ends with the question, "How is this place for a nice stroll. This is where I go. It is fine." She was referring to the area known as Lovers Lane, Platt Valley which was located in the middle section of Lambert Road.

Hometown cards have been the majority of what people collect as well as places they have visited. The historic cards are of great value for the antiquity and the scenes that no doubt do not exist any longer or have changed significantly. The messages also give an insight as to the sentiments of the day. The last post cards to be printed for the Town of Orange was in 1964 and the newest ones depicting the three historic buildings in Orange were printed in July of 2012 and are available at the Town Clerk's office, Howe's Drug Store in Milford and at The Academy on Saturdays. 10-3.

Don't let the post card become a thing of the past...write to a friend, put a smile on their face and start them on a "new" hobby.



From the Youth Services Coordinator
By John Ulatowsski



Students enjoying their picnic.

Youth Services Holds Incoming 7th Grade Picnic

Youth Services recently held its annual Incoming 7th Grade picnic for new seventh graders. The event provided a chance for students to reunite and meet staff and enjoy picnic games, activities, food, and raffle prizes. Parents and AHS volunteers assisted in the event. Youth Services wishes to sincerely thank the Orange CT Lions Club for a grant that assisted the event.

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"We are very excited about our opening in Orange and believe this new facility will enable us to achieve the next level of growth for our customers and company," said Weiner. First Selectman James Zeoli said, "We learned back in January of Colony Hardware's intent to move to Orange. Now that we have reached the point where the firm is ready to begin full-scale operations, their positive impact in the community is beginning to be fully realized. The full utilization and renovation of the 100,000 square foot facility on South Lambert Road provides obvious proof of the strengthening of the Town's industrial zone and the increase employment base is another indication that Orange is moving in a positive direction. We look forward to Colony's continued growth within the community."

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Hugendubel was also recognized for the 2011 International President's Circle Award for Coldwell Banker, the 2010 Real Estate Online Marketing Award of Excellence for Realtor.com. He has received the 4th Quarter Award for 2010 for production from the Greater New Haven Board of Realtors, was the Agent of the Month for the Orange office in February and May 2012 and named Top Producer in 2011 for the Orange office.

With more than 25 years experience, Hugendubel has been successfully meeting the needs of homebuyers and sellers in Greater New Haven County. He holds several distinct designations such as CRS - Certified Residential Specialist, ABR - Accredited Buyer Representative, GRI - Graduate Realtor Institute, as well as CNS - Certified Negotiation Specialist.

Hugendubel can be reached at the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Orange at (203) 605-2946.



Wayne Hugendubel

Wilson Promoted to Partner at Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C.

Shelby L. Wilson has been named partner with the law firm of Berchem, Moses & Devlin, P.C. She maintains offices in both the Westport and Milford offices of the firm. Her practice focuses on estate planning, estate administration and tax law. "Shelby is a fine lawyer who offers all her clients the high quality of service that is the hallmark of Berchem, Moses & Devlin," said Ira Bloom, senior partner and manager of the Westport office. "Her dedication to these standards benefits both her clients and the firm."

Ms. Wilson advises individuals, families and closely held businesses on issues dealing with estate and generation-skipping tax planning, income tax planning, tax compliance, business succession planning, estate settlement and trust administration. She has extensive experience representing individuals, fiduciaries and exempt organizations on a wide range of matters before Connecticut probate courts. She is a frequent lecturer on various trusts & estates and tax topics.

Ms. Wilson is a resident of Orange. She graduated from Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and received her J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law, Hartford. Ms. Wilson also received an LL.M. in Taxation from the Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C.

Berchem, Moses & Devlin is a multi-specialty law practice with offices in Milford and Westport. Since 1933, the firm has provided high quality legal services to clients in New Haven and Fairfield counties, and throughout Connecticut. Clients include individuals, small and midsize businesses, government agencies and Fortune 500 companies. For more information, please visit www.bmdl.com.



Shelby Wilson

OEDC Invites You to Play in the 6th Annual Golf Tournament

Join the OEDC and friends at the 6th Annual OEDC Golf Tournament on Friday, September 21, 2012. Paul Grimmer, Executive Director, says, "It is a blast. We have a great time every year playing golf at the Orange Hills Country Club. Couple the golf with steak or lobster dinner, and chances to win dozens of raffle prizes and it all adds up to a very enjoyable day." Plus it is a Friday, so what can be better than playing golf on a Friday?

Registration begins at 10:00 am and the event wraps up by 5:00 pm. Never played? This is a great time to learn. Play for fun? Like I said, we have a blast! Nervous about coming alone? Don't be - We can team you up with players of similar skill or players that are "all around" good people.

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HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

Congregation Or Shalom Upcoming Events:

All Events Are Open To Non-Members

Religious School Registration: Registration for our Sunday school and Hebrew school is now in progress. If you are interested in registering your child, please contact the office. For 2012-2013, your first year membership is free when you enroll your child in our religious school (new members only). Please call the office for more information at 203-799-2341.



Congregation
Or Shalom

Annual Gazebo Service, Friday, September 7, 7:00 PM: Join us as we hold an outdoor Friday night Shabbat Service under the Gazebo at High Plains Community Center. The Rabbi will bring his guitar and lead us in a joyful "sing-along" service. Approximately 100 people attended last years' Service. Some chairs are provided but we encourage you to bring your own lawn chair. (Note: the grounds will be available prior to the Or Shalom event, if you would like to bring a blanket and picnic.)

Community Yizkor Service, Wednesday, September 26, 4:00 PM: Congregation Or Shalom is once again offering all non-members an opportunity to come to a free community-wide Yizkor Memorial Service on Yom Kippur Day. This service, which will last under an hour, is open to the public without any membership obligation. No reservations/tickets are needed.

Zumba Gold: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM: Join Zumba Gold with coach Robin Allen each week for a one hour class. Call Robin for more information at 203-314-8176.

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

Services:

- Sunday mornings: 9:00 am
- Monday mornings: 7:30 am
- Thursday mornings: 7:30 am
- Friday evenings: 7:00 pm (the first Friday of each month is our Family Service where Rabbi Wainhaus reads the children a story in lieu of a sermon. Following the Service, there will be a dairy Oneg Shabbat-refreshments.)
- Saturday mornings: 9:30 am
- Seeking vendors for their Fall Fair on Sunday, October 7. For details, call Paul at 203-283-5096.

Temple Emanuel Announces Hebrew School Registration for 2012-13

Are you looking for a Hebrew School? Are you looking for a warm and welcoming environment that will enrich your life and your child's life? Then Temple Emanuel of Greater New Haven is the place for your family.



Temple Emanuel

Temple Emanuel, located in Orange, is dedicated to life-long Jewish learning. As a small Reform synagogue, our members have the opportunity to know one another and to have meaningful input into how our synagogue and school operate. Recognizing that knowledge of our heritage is necessary to form a serious and sincere bond with Judaism, we have made education our highest priority. To this end, Temple Emanuel offers an educational program from preschool through Bar/Bat Mitzvah and Confirmation. Temple membership is free for the first year for new families with children in preschool through grade 4.

Our Hebrew program, Mitkadem, uses a self-paced and child-centered approach to teaching and learning Hebrew and prayer. This allows each student to work individually with a teacher or tutor to learn Hebrew according to his/her own ability.

CHAI, our Judaic program is centered on the Torah, Avodah (making sacred connections to G-d, self and the community) and G'milit (making the world a better place). And Chavaya, a new post-Bar/Bat Mitzvah program for teens in grades 8 and 9, will teach leadership skills and allow students to work with our Rabbi on an innovative video project.

The 2012-2013 school year starts on September 9th, so contact our Head Teacher, Janet Adams via e-mail: school@templemanuel-gnh.org or call the Temple Office at 203-397-3000 now!

Church of the Good Shepherd Events

Shepherd's Café

The Shepherd Café will be open from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Wednesday and will be serving coffee, light snacks and a tasty and nutritious lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This meal will be available to seniors or to anyone that needs or would like to share a meal and some companionship. Bingo and other activities will take place from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. There will be menu choices each week with soup and selected sandwiches always available. While there is no cost for the meal, donations are always appreciated. This is a new ministry of the Church of the Good Shepherd and a partnership between the church and Community Services. The Church is located at 680 Racebrook Road and there is ample parking. While reservations are not needed, they would be appreciated. To make a reservation, volunteer, or to help in any way, please call the church at 203-795-6577. Community Services will provide transportation from the High Plains Community Center to and from the Shepherd Café. Please call Kim at 203-891-4788 at least a day ahead to reserve a ride.



Church of the
Good Shepherd

Weekly Services Starting September 9, 2012

Sundays:

- 8:00 a.m. - Eucharist;
- 10:00 a.m. - Eucharist with music followed by fellowship hour; and
- 5:30 p.m. - "Come just as you are" Eucharist" with music.

Wednesdays:

- 7:00 p.m. - Evening Service of Prayer and Healing with Communion;

Christian Formation

All Ages begins September 16; Registration September 9, after the 10:00 a.m. service or call the office 203.795.6577.

Adults 9:00 a.m.- 9:45 a.m.

Children (Pre-k-6thGrade) 9:45 a.m.- 10:30 a.m.

Youth Group - all 6th-12th Graders are welcome Friday evenings from 7:00- 8:30 p.m. beginning 9/21. Fun, fellowship, and Christian formation.

Bible Study – Lectionary based

- Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.
- Friday Evening at 7p.m. - call church office for more information (starts 9/21)
- Saturdays 9:30 a.m. (starts 9/22)

Women's Spirituality

If you would like to deepen your relationship with God, through conversation, reading and group spiritual direction, join other like-minded women as companions on this journey of faith. We will meet the fourth Thursday of the month from 4:30 to 6 pm in the parish hall. For more information contact Rev. Ann at rectorofcgs@optonline.net or call the office at 203-795-6577.

Stretching For the Body and Soul

Session I, September 4th- October 10th (6 weeks) \$20 for the session. Meets from 7:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Bring a yoga mat and a bottle of water. Prepare your day with a gentle combination of stretching and meditation.

The Godfather's Meshugenner Wedding

Saturday October 6th at 6pm. Tickets on sale and going fast! Call the church for tickets 203.795.6577.



“Back to Basics”

By Roberta L. Nestor

There are several “old-fashioned” principles of investing that are seldom discussed these days. Even though these basic principles are “tried and true”, they are very much forgotten with the “I want it now” generation that technology has created. Instant gratification is not part of investing or saving, it certainly isn’t now, nor has it ever has been. These five basic principles will not make you rich, but they can help keep you on the right course when it comes to saving for your future.

Lesson # 1: Dollar-cost averaging is achieved by buying equal dollar amounts of investments at regular intervals. This is an automatic when you contribute to your 401k plan. By buying at different times, you can take advantage of market volatility.

Dollars and sense

If the market is down, you buy more shares; if market is higher you buy less. Put them together to get an average price. Dollar-cost averaging is ideal for passive investors and can alleviate the responsibility of choosing when and at what price to buy their investments.

This is a prudent method when you are investing a lump sum. Even if you are diversifying with several investment options, it could be the wrong day. Spreading your lump sum over 6 to 12 months will make you less anxious about short term volatility.

Lesson # 2: Start investing early. Time is your best friend when it comes to investing. The longer you have your money working for you, the more you will gain. If a 25-year old started saving \$100 a month for 40 years (at a hypothetical rate of 3%) it would be worth \$92,271 at age 65. If you want to accumulate the same amount of money but didn’t start saving until age 40, you would have to save \$208 a month. Also remember, financial responsibilities (family, mortgage, college, etc.) happen later in life. Make a commitment to save and pay yourself first.

Lesson # 3: Stick to your plan. Abandoning your long term plan could turn small losses into big ones. Change is a constant when it comes to investing: the market will go up and down, interest rates will change, tax laws will change, and there will always be world events, wars and natural disasters. Don’t get side tracked; it’s too easy to find excuses not to invest. Keep diversified and stick to your plan and in the long run you’ll make out just fine.

Lesson # 4: Invest in things you know. I think Peter Lynch (portfolio manager of Fidelity’s famed Magellan Fund) said it best when he said, “Never invest in an idea you can’t illustrate with a crayon.” This speaks to “hot tips” you have gotten from a friend or co-worker. If you can’t spell the name of the company and don’t know their products or their market, you might want to rethink before investing. The same goes with fads. Past performance of a stock is a rotten predictor of future results. If everyone is talking about hot stocks, like the internet dot com stocks in 2000, or like nano-technology today, you’re too late.

Lesson # 5: Understand what you own. Many individuals who are unhappy with their investments may not understand what it is they own. Just because you might own several different funds in your 401k, doesn’t automatically mean you are diversified. Being worried about the market when you are in a stable value fund is another example of not understanding the basics of your investment.

Financial advisors can help you understand the complexities of investing today, they can help take the emotion out of investing, and they can set your course for dollar cost averaging and will help you stay focused on your long term goals.

Roberta L. Nestor is a financial advisor practicing at 491 New Haven Avenue in Milford, CT offering retirement, long term care, investment and tax planning services. She also offers securities and advisory services as an Investment Adviser Representative of Commonwealth Financial Network – a member FINRA/SIPC and a Registered Investment Adviser. Tax planning and fixed insurance products and services offered through TSM Financial Services are separate and unrelated to Commonwealth. She can be reached at TSM Financial Services, 203-876-8066 or roberta@tsmfinancial.com.

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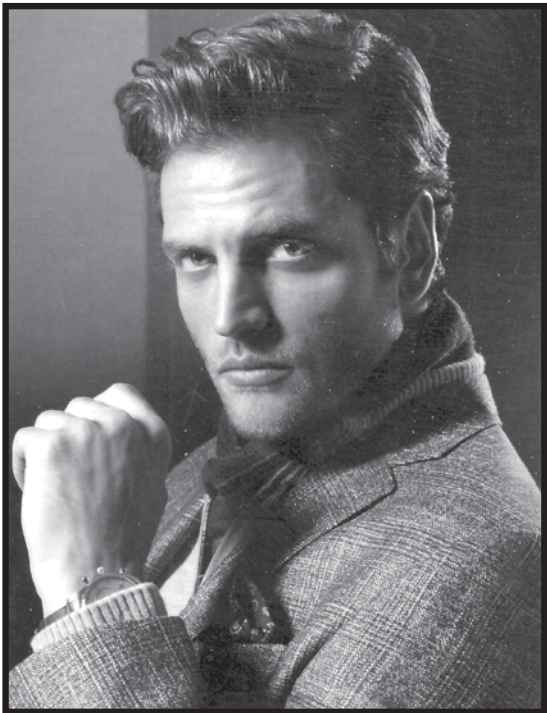
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Ladies Night At The Knights

The 2013 St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee will launch its fundraising efforts for the 2013 St. Patrick's Day Parade with a "Ladies Night at the Knights" on Wednesday, September 12 at the Knights of St. Patrick's Grand Hall, 1533 State Street, New Haven from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The evening will be an opportunity for women in the Greater New Haven area to visit with friends, shop, network, and learn about new products and services, all while supporting local businesses and the New Haven Irish Community. Upon their arrival guests will receive a complimentary glass of champagne and desserts while shopping and watching demonstrations from different small and local businesses. Vendors featured will include: Pampered Chef, 31, Avon, hair & nail products, candles, pocketbooks, jewelry and more! The evening promises to offer a ladies night out filled with shopping, raffles, and lots of laughs! There is a \$5 entrance fee at the door and each guest will receive a complimentary beverage and dessert. For further information, contact Kelly Canning Ruickoldt via email at jkepeace@aol.com or chairperson@stpatrikssdayparade.org

top ten

Dumbest DOGS

1. Afghan Hound
2. Basenji
3. Bulldog
4. Chow Chow
5. Borzoi
6. Bloodhound
7. Pekingese
8. Beagle
9. Mastiff
10. Basset Hound

Source: <http://www.fenichel.com>

top ten

Most-Covered Songs

1. Yesterday
2. Eleanor Rigby
3. Cry Me a River
4. And I Love Her
5. (I Can't Get No) Satisfaction
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7. Summertime
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10. The Look of Love

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Local Resident Completes Marine Corps Training Program

Marine Corps Second Lieutenant Matthew Sloat has completed his second phase of intensive training entitled "The Officers Basic School". This program focuses on many important skills that each officer must master in order to become an effective leader. Topics of study included martial arts, combat intelligence, weapons qualification, land navigation, communications and, most importantly, platoon leadership. Matthew is currently undergoing occupational specialty training as a communications officer in Quantico, Virginia.



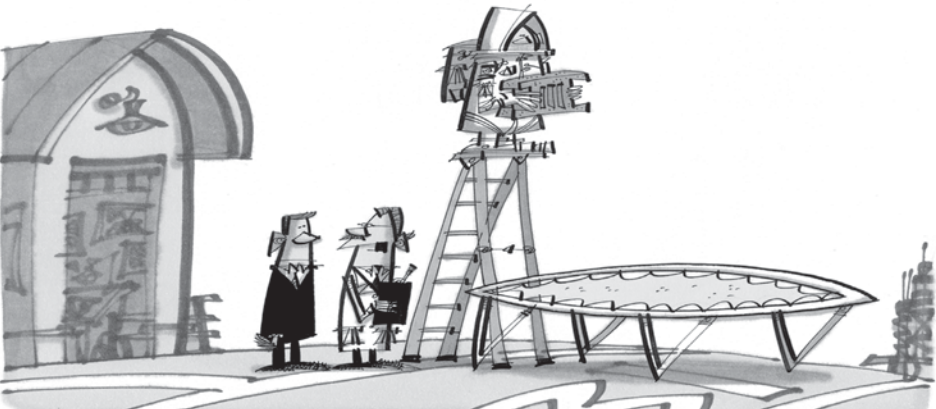
Matthew Sloat

Matthew is a 2011 graduate of The Citadel - The Military College of South Carolina, where he earned a B.S. in Business Administration and was on the Dean's List every semester for his academic performance. Matthew is a 2007 Amity graduate and the son of Raymond and Cindy Sloat of Orange. He is engaged to Gabrielle Stokes of Rhode Island, also a Citadel Cadet, who plans to pursue a career as a United States Army Officer after graduation this May.

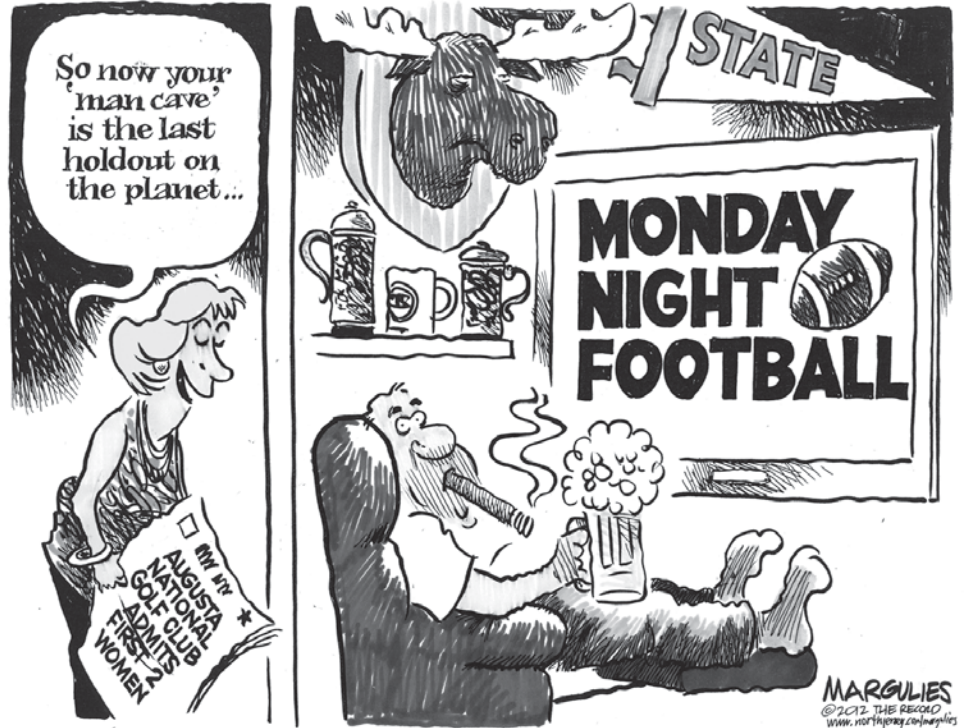
NY Dinner Theater Smash Comedy Hit Comes to The Shepherd's Table

The Church of the Good Shepherd in Orange is hosting the New York Dinner Theater's smash hit, "The Godfather's Meshuggener Wedding" on Saturday, October 6th. This event is open to the public and tickets are now on sale. You don't want to miss the opportunity to be a wedding guest at this dinner theater extravaganza. It promises to be a hilarious night that also includes dancing, an open bar of wine, beer and soda, as well as live and silent auctions. "We may be a small congregation, but we have a huge heart and big plans for our mission, ministry and outreach programs, commonly referred to as The Shepherd's Table", says Reverend Ann Ritonja, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, located at 680 Racebrook Road, Orange, CT. Tickets are \$75/person and can be purchased by calling the Church Office @ (203) 795-6577 or online @ www.goodshepherdorange.org.

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OSA FALL 2012 Soccer Program
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th, 2012

Who: Boys and Girls, Residents of Orange, Ages 5 through 12.

When: Sundays, SEPTEMBER 23rd through NOVEMBER 18th 2012

Where: Mary L Tracy School 5 TO 9 YEAR OLDS
Fred P. Wolfe Park 10 TO 12 YEAR OLD
Locations and times subject to change due to facility availability.

Fees: \$80.00 per player until SEPTEMBER 8th, 2012
\$10.00 Late fee on any registrations after SEPTEMBER 8th, 2012.

Format: U-5 (Clinic) Divisions will remain coed
(U-5 = Age 5 as of DECEMBER 31, 2012 PLAY AT 11:30AM-12:30 PM SUNDAYS)

Girls and Boys divisions in the following age groups:
U-6 & 7 division (Age 6 & 7 as of DECEMBER 31, 2012) PLAY AFTER 12:30 PM
U-8 & 9 division (Ages 8 & 9 as of DECEMBER 31, 2012) PLAY AFTER 12:30 PM
U-12 division (Ages 10-12 as of DECEMBER 31, 2012) PLAYAFTER 12:00 PM

How to Register:

- Complete the attached form and mail with a check payable to: OSA Orange Soccer Association, PO 605, Orange, CT 06477
- Walk-in registrations:** Saturday, SEPTEMBER 8th, 2011 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON HIGH PLAINS COMMUNITY CENTER (Foyer Area By The POOL).
- Walk-in registrations accepted by the Orange Park and Recreation office, High Plains Community Center during business hours through September 8th, 2012

Registration Rules:

- A separate registration form must be submitted for each participant. A check or money order made out to the Orange Soccer Association, or exact cash, must accompany registration. Please do not mail cash.
- For insurance purposes, all new registrations must submit a copy of their birth certificate to be retained by the Orange Soccer Association.
- A parent or legal guardian must sign the registration form.

Sponsor Information:

If you wish to sponsor a team please complete the section labeled Sponsors at the bottom of the registration form on the reverse side of this page. If you supply camera ready artwork of your company's logo, it will be silk screened on the back of the team's shirts. If you cannot supply a logo, your company's name will be printed in block letters on the back of the shirts. Thank you for your support. Sponsor forms must be received no later than Saturday, SEPTEMBER 8th, 2012.

Fees: \$100.00 per team per season.
\$200.00 per team for three (3) seasons.

Questions: Contact Dario Salati, Registrar, by email, dariosalati@att.net, OR OSA Co-Presidents, Tom Pisano 877-2058, tompisano@trane.com Bill Hoffman 799-1313

OSA FALL 2012 Soccer Program

Soccer Questionnaire (Please complete): Boys Soccer: _____ Girls Soccer: _____

Player's Name: _____ Birth Date: _____ Sex: _____

Grade: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____

Parents/Guardian Names: _____ Home Phone: _____

Was Player registered in: Spring 12 _____ Fall 11 _____ Work Phone: _____

Player's Athletic Ability (Please rate: 1=Beginner, 2=Fair, 3=Average, 4=Good, 5=Excellent): _____

Player's Shirt Size (order larger size if in doubt): CONTACT E-MAIL _____

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Parent/Guardian Authorization and Release: I/We hereby authorize our child to participate in the 2012 OSA fall Season, and agree to hold the OSA, its directors, officers and coaches, harmless for any liability arising there from. I/We authorize the rendering of emergency medical care under whatever conditions are necessary to preserve life, limb, or well being of my/our child.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Fee for soccer registration is \$80.00 per player before SEPTEMBER 8th

Fee is \$90.00 after SEPTEMBER 8th

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 8th, 2012

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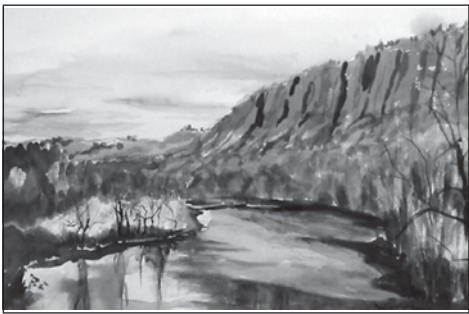
Address: _____ Fees: \$100 per team per season

City / State / Zip Code: _____ \$200 per team - 3 seasons

Phone Number: _____

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ARTS & LEISURE



At the Davis Gallery ~ Mary Lou Horan

On Saturday, September 8th, from 1pm to 4 pm, an Opening Reception for seasoned watercolor artist, Mary Lou Horan will be held at the Davis Gallery in Orange. At her opening of “Explorations in Watercolor”, Ms Horan’s showings will be greatly varied, featuring artfully pictured homes, local scenes, brightly colored floral arrangements and a touch of abstract and imagination.

Mary Lou Horan, who lives in New Haven, has been making watercolor paintings for more than 25 years. Her journey has explored many facets, meanings, and perspectives of art. To her the most important view has been that of mentorship and interaction with clients and students. Mary Lou is a painter of city scenes, floral arrangements, animal patterns, and historic homes, and is a well known active member of the New Haven Paint and Clay Club at the John Slade Ely House.

Her Work has been seen during the Citywide Open Studios 1999 to 2003 and has been shown at Lyman Auditorium at Southern Connecticut State University, New Haven City Hall Gallery, extended displays at St. Raphael’s Hospital, New Haven Rehabilitation Center, the York Square Cinema Gallery and the Holly and Ivy show at the New Haven Chapel Square Mall. A commission painter, she has painted historic homes in the local New Haven area for 20 years.

Mary Lou Horan’s watercolors are definitely worth a visit to the Davis Gallery. Her paintings are in the main gallery and will remain on display through October 3rd, 2012. Many of her works will then be shown in the Gallery’s, “Past Presented” wing, where Robert Reid, Robert Greiner, Dara Tomeo and examples of eight other artists are currently on display, including, Graham Dale, Steve Bollman, Mark Dittmar, Joan Handschumacher, Jennifer Duff, Maiga Doocy, Natalie Fifer and E.M. Carlson.

Visit The Davis Gallery located at 200 Boston Post Road in Orange and is free and open to the public from 10am to 6 pm weekdays and Saturday until 4pm. The Davis Gallery is affiliated with VideoLab in Orange and is located in the VideoLab Vestibule.

THEATER REVIEW

“Bring It On —The Musical” at the St. James Theatre in New York City

by Zander Opper

On Broadway, shows opening during the summer months have grown increasingly rare, with many producers choosing instead to present their productions in April or May, just in time for the Tony Awards. Well, “Bring It On—The Musical”, the sunny new show that has just recently taken root at the St. James Theatre, has decided to buck the trend and it’s nice to report

that this musical is as bubbly and sweet as the best summer refreshments one may indulge in. Based on the 2000 motion picture of the same name, “Bring It On—The Musical” is actually a touring production intended for just a limited run on Broadway. However, the pedigree of this show’s creative team is about as stellar as you will see nowadays—both its book writer, Jeff Whitty, songwriting team of Tom Kitt and Lin-Manuel Miranda, and director, Andy Blankenbuehler all have Tony

Awards to their credit. Considering that “Bring It On” concerns the feather-weight story of the competition between two rival high school cheerleading squads, one could lament that talents of this level haven’t aspired to a musical of loftier heights. But when a show can be as feel-good and downright fun as “Bring It On” often is, who cares? With a catchy score, a talented company, and a bright production, “Bring It On” can certainly be considered a winner.

A word must immediately be said about how wonderful this cast of young performers is. A record 32 actors are making their Broadway debuts in “Bring It On,” but you could hardly tell, considering how tremendously gifted this company is, both singly and as a whole. In the lead role of Campbell, one of the head cheerleaders, Taylor Louderman is a joy and, like everyone else onstage, one truly cares about her character and how the final cheerleading competition will turn out. Indeed, one of the best things about Jeff Whitty’s book is that he has taken the various high school stereotypes (the most popular girl, the “outcast,” etc.) and turned them into unique people that one can root for. Also shining in the cast is Adrienne Warren, as the most popular girl from the rival high school, and Ryann Redmond, as the misfit who ends up not only a cheerleader, but lands a guy, as well. However, special mention must be made about Gregory Haney as La Cienega—he is easily the most endearing and funniest drag character since Angel in “Rent,” gets all the best lines, and pretty much walks away with the show.

Of course, I have yet to even mention the most significant aspect of this musical—the mind-boggling, gravity-defying cheerleading routines that are pretty much the reason that “Bring It On” was created in the first place. As staged by director/choreographer Andy Blankenbuehler, these routines are downright astonishing and every last actor in the company has been drilled to the point where the performers are almost flying through the air, to heights that Broadway has never seen before. And the fact that these young actors make everything look so easy makes their incredible feats of acrobatics all the more jaw-dropping.

However, in “Bring It On,” these cheerleading routines make up only about fifteen to twenty minutes of an over two hour show. What really makes this musical work is that the score is pretty much terrific from the first song on (and I should mention that the co-lyricist is Amanda Green, daughter of the late, renowned Adolf Green, easily one of the best writers that Broadway has ever seen); there are at least a half dozen lines that are flat-out, fall-out-of-your-seat funny; and the company is wholly endearing. By all means, get yourself to “Bring It On—The Musical” at the St. James Theatre, for a show that is this much of a kick and this refreshing—with a cast this amazing—is just too good to pass up. For tickets, you can call Telecharge at 212-239-6200 or go to www.bringitonmusical.com.

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Death Notices



Marguerite S. Williams

Marguerite "Peg" Styer Williams, 92, passed away peacefully on August 10, 2012. She was born on March 11, 1920 in Norristown, PA. After graduating from Bucknell University, she headed to New York City to make her way in the world. She was a World War II bride to A. Benjamin Williams, Jr. They were married for 67 years before his passing in July of 2007. After setting up homes in several states, they settled in Orange in 1958. Peg lived in Orange until moving to Cincinnati in 2009.

In addition to raising four children, Peg was an active member of the community. She was a longtime volunteer at Milford Hospital, serving as treasurer for many years. She regularly attended services both at the New Haven Friends Meeting and the Orange Congregational Church, participating in volunteer activities with both organizations.

Peg and Ben were members of the Milford Yacht Club where they loved to dance. Dancing to Big Band sounds, both dressed to impress, was something that they continued to do well into their 70s and 80s. She was an avid and competitive bridge player and kept playing even when she was losing her sight. Dinner at Peg's house always finished with a game of cards and cake.

Politically, Peg always had a lot to say. She was an active member of the League of Woman Voters and Orange Women's Republican Club. She was an elected member of the Orange Board of Education. Many remembered her constant knitting during the meetings, getting louder when she disagreed.

Peg's interest in the arts was nurtured by memberships at the Yale Art Gallery and local theatres. She often escorted her grandchildren to various art galleries, sharing her love of modern art. With family and close friends spread across the country, Peg was a masterful letter writer and her thoughtful correspondence will be sorely missed.

She is survived by her children Arthur B. Williams III and his wife Judy of Orange, CT, Richard D. Williams and his wife Lisa of Yarmouth, ME, Gregory S. Williams and his wife Stephanie Somers of Evanston, IL, and Marguerite Kirkpatrick and her husband Chris of Cincinnati, OH. She is survived by 11 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her only brother, Robert Styer and his wife Patricia of WA.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Norristown Monthly Meeting, PO box 823, Norristown, PA 19404.



Marguerite S. Williams

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High-Tech Learning

Some of us have to wait until our grandchildren show up to teach us how to use a new high-tech device or navigate a social-media site online. But we could learn it for ourselves with a bit of instruction.

With that in mind, AARP has created a series of how-to books to lead us step by step through some of the things that interest us. Here is a sample of what they offer for seniors:

iPad: Tech to Connect, Pinterest for Dummies, Genealogy Online, Facebook, Tablets, Excel 2010, Outlook 2010, Laptops for Dummies, Word 2010, e-Readers and more. If you want to look at all the books, go online to bookstore.aarp.org. Click on a topic of interest, but look at Technology to learn more about the books above. Other categories include food and cooking, money, health, travel, self-help and some excellent home and family selections.

You'll find e-books, if you prefer, if you have a Kindle or Nook, print books and even free downloads. You don't order the books through AARP -- instead they come from Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Books-A-Million or Indie Bound.

Another site with technology books for seniors is Visual Steps [www.visualsteps.com]. Here is a small sample of what it offers: iPad for Seniors, Social Media for Seniors, Google for Seniors, Internet and Email with Windows 7, Windows XP, Windows Vista, Microsoft office 2010 and 2007, Photo and Video Editing and so much more.

Senior Sleuth Guides [www.sleuthguides.com] has a free book that's worth reading, "The Senior Sleuth's Guide to Technology." It covers topics such as home computers, the Internet, health and medication, independent living, communication and travel. It provides a good overview if you want a place to start learning more.

Get Ready to Cruise News

By Leslie Marsh



Tips to Help You Plan Your School Vacations

As the kids head back to school, it's time to start planning your vacations for the upcoming school breaks. Here are my top three recommendations to ensure your vacation is both easy to plan and memorable.

Use a Travel Professional: Although making purchases online has become increasingly more popular, there are several reasons why you should take advantage of a travel professional. They're highly trained and experienced in all aspects of travel. They'll save you time by helping you choose the vacation that best suits your needs and fulfills your dreams. In most cases, they'll save you money as they are well informed about special rates and discounts and offer exclusive deals that simply aren't available from online sellers. Your travel professional acts as your advocate in the event you have questions or have issues that need to be addressed. A website can do none of these things and, in fact, they usually have hidden charges for booking and making changes.

Book Early: It's to your benefit to book as far in advance as you can for several reasons: a) you get the best selection on staterooms and hotel rooms (on cruise ships, staterooms that accommodate three or four passengers sell out first, if you wait too long, you won't find accommodations for your family); b) as hotels, cruise ships or airplanes sell, the prices tend to go up; and c) travel from the Northeast is generally more expensive than other parts of the country, but during holidays and school breaks the costs can be oppressive. The earlier you book, the better your fares will be.

Purchase Travel Insurance: A family vacation can be a significant investment and I strongly urge you to protect it with travel insurance. Travel insurance provides coverage in the event you have to cancel or interrupt your trip for a wide variety of reasons. It provides emergency medical coverage which most likely is not covered by your current medical plan when you travel outside the US. It also provides emergency evacuation coverage (which can cost tens of thousands of dollars) in the event someone is stricken or gets hurt while on the trip. There is also coverage for such things as lost or damaged luggage, missed or delayed connections and work related issues.

I wish you and your children a happy, safe and successful school year and hope to help you plan some great school vacations!

Leslie Marsh owns and operates Cruise Planners of Orange. She can be reached at 203-799-2367 or leslie@getreadytocruise.com.

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willingly spends at least one hour playing both instruments and sometimes as many as three hours practicing piano each day. "By sixth grade I began to choose my own music and I became more passionate about the piano," she said. "It's not a chore anymore; I have fun when I play." She particularly enjoys playing classical romantic music, her favorite piece being Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata. "I find romantic music is expressive and it's most important to feel the music when you play. The audience can tell when the pianist is passionate about what they are playing," she said. For fun Fahmi likes to figure out how to play popular songs from the radio. "I can usually do it and it sounds pretty cool," she said.

Though she spends more time at the piano, Fahmi also plays violin in her school's Chamber group and orchestra, where she enjoys the camaraderie of being in a group of musicians. "I like that it's not a solo instrument," she said. Her love for music also includes vocal training. Fluent in Bengali, Fahmi likes to sing Broadway tunes and Italian opera in addition to classical Indian music. Last fall she was featured on a CD of Indian music with her coach, Dr. Stan Scott. Fahmi likes to share her musical gifts with the community, particularly area seniors. She has performed at several senior living facilities like Maplewood and Silverbrook Estates in Orange, the Whitney Center in Hamden, and the Trumbull and Monroe libraries. With each performance, she feels a bit more confident. "Sometimes while I'm playing my throat gets so dry from holding my breath. I get really nervous when I mess up," she said.

Music is not Fahmi's only passion. She is enrolled in advanced fine arts classes at school and takes private watercolor painting classes from a local artist. Her work has been displayed all over Orange, at the Orange County Fair, Town Hall Gallery and the Davis Gallery. She is excited that one of her academic courses this year will include putting together her own art show.

As she prepares to send out college applications, Fahmi is actually looking forward to college as a time when she might have more free time to pursue her interests. "I'd like to maybe join an a cappella singing group," she said.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Odyssey 2012: A Greek Festival, Labor Day Weekend - August 31, September 1, 2, 3, 2012, St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, 480 Racebrook Road, Orange, featuring authentic Greek cuisine (gyro, souvlaki, moussaka, gourmet meze, salads, pastries, loukoumades, more), live Greek music and dancing, marketplace, cooking demos, kids' activities (rides, games magic shows), church tours/lectures; Senior Citizens' Day Friday, August 31st - 20% discount on meals from 12:00-3:00pm; rain or shine, free parking, free admission. Hours: 12 noon-10 pm 8/31, 9/1, 9/2; 12 noon- 8 pm 9/3. www.saintbarbara.org or 203-795-1347.

Hooked on the Sound Crochet Guild, Saturdays, September 8, 2012, October 6, 2012, November 3, 2012, December 1, 2012, 10am-1pm, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, small meeting room on 2nd level (elevator available); share stitch successes, assist with pattern problems and have a great time crocheting, no fee. For more information, Visit <http://hotscrochetguild.yolasite.com/>, Email HOTSCrochetGuild@Live.com.

Cruising for Multiple Sclerosis, September 8, 2012 (rain date September 9, 2012), 12:00pm-6:00pm, Honeywell Parking Lot, 12 Clintonville Road, Northford, CT, vehicle registration - pre-register/\$8, show day/\$10, admission - \$5 (children under 12 & adults over 65 free), cruise to raise money to support research into & education about "CCSVI" a promising potential new treatment for MS. - Raffles, Class Prizes, Food, Beverages; hosted by the Doo Wop Cruisers Car Club & music by DJ Frankie B - Antiques, Muscle

Cars, Trucks, Hot Rods, Modern Muscle, Custom Rides, Bikes. For details & information, <http://www.cruisin4ms.ccsvi.org/>, Jennine Kelley 203-433-4065 (jenninemiller@gmail.com) or JoAnn Miller 203-484-4324 (joanmiller1827@yahoo.com).

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

Aqua Zumba with Renay, Saturday, September 8, 2012-Saturday, November 10, 2012, 11:00am-12:00pm, McCann Natatorium (old Milford Academy) 34 Park Circle, Milford, kids 10-15 years old, bring bottled water and water shoes to class; resident/\$45, non-resident/\$50. Pre-registration required, call 203-783-3287 or recdeck@ci.milford.ct.us for information or registration or call Renay at 203-522-2616 or zumbarenay@gmail.com.

Uganda Farmers, Inc. 5k Race/Walk & Kid's Fun Run, Saturday, September 22, 2012, pre-registration forms due by September 15, 2012; registration 7:30am, 8:30am/Kid's Fun Run; 9:00am 5k Race/Walk, Foran High School, Milford. Proceeds of race go to bring fresh running water to Ihunga, Uganda. For online registration, go to raceit.com, details visit www.uganda-farmersinc.org, email janeh@hollerandholler.com or call 203-376-3283.

Milford Knights of Columbus Amazing 70s Prom, Saturday, September 22, 2012, 6:00pm, Milford Knights of Columbus Hall, Milford, CT; interactive comedy prom with dancing, dinner and bar, tickets/\$70pp. For more information or reservations, contact Jim Lambert at 203-878-4598 or jim@lambertsafemoney.info.

Ward-Heitmann House Museum Oktoberfest, Saturday, September 22, 2012, 6:30pm, Harugari Hall, 66 Highland Street, West Haven; tickets/\$35pp includes German food, beer and entertainment; deadline for reservations September 19, 2012. For information and reservations, call the Ward-Heitmann House Museum at 203-937-9823.

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

Milford Knights of Columbus Scrapbook Event, Saturday, October 27, 2012, 9am-10pm, \$50/pp includes 3 meals, snacks, prizes/raffles, vendors and more, Boston Post Road, Milford. For more information, contact Ron Pasacreta at ronpasacreta@yahoo.com or 203-877-1269.

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

The Church of the Holy Spirit Christmas Holiday Fair, Friday, November 30, 2012, 5:00pm- 8:00pm, Saturday, December 1, 2012, 9:00am-2:00pm; 28 Church Street, West Haven; vendor fee/\$25.00 covers both days. For further information, please call 203-934-0653 or 203-314-3132.

Ward-Heitmann House Museum Brandywine Christmas Trip, Friday, December 7, 2012-Sunday, December 9, 2012, Brandywine Valley Region of Pennsylvania, 2 nights, 4 meals, admission to Nemours Mansion and Gardens, Brandywine River Museum, an evening at Longwood Gardens and a QVC Studio tour; double occupancy/\$444; single/\$544. Deposits due September 30, 2012. Contact Kathryn Gregory at 203-933-0599 or kathryngregory@sbcglobal.net for reservations or information.

Milford Knights of Columbus Cruise, March 13-22, 2013, 10 day/9 night from NYC aboard the Norwegian Gem - San Juan, St. Maarten, St. Thomas and Samana. Price includes round trip bus from Milford/inside \$970.00, outside \$1060.00, PP,DO. Call John Benard 203-877-2737. Valid passport is needed.

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ENTERTAINMENT

top 10 movies

- 1. The Bourne Legacy (PG-13)**
Jeremy Renner, Rachel Weisz
- 2. The Campaign (R)**
Will Ferrell, Zach Galifianakis
- 3. The Dark Knight Rises (PG-13)**
Christian Bale, Michael Caine
- 4. Hope Springs (PG-13)**
Meryl Streep, Tommy Lee Jones
- 5. Total Recall (PG-13)**
Colin Farrell, Bokeem Woodbine
- 6. Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (PG)**
Zachary Gordon, Robert Capron
- 7. Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG)**
animated
- 8. Ted (R)**
Mark Wahlberg, Mila Kunis
- 9. Step Up: Revolution (PG-13)**
Ryan Guzman, Kathryn McCormick
- 10. The Watch (R)**
Ben Stiller, Vince Vaughn

TOP DVD RENTALS AND SALES

- 1. Lockout (PG-13)**
Guy Pearce
- 2. American Reunion (R)**
Jason Biggs
- 3. The Three Stooges (PG)**
Sean Hayes
- 4. Silent House (R)**
Elizabeth Olsen
- 5. 21 Jump Street (R)**
Jonah Hill
- 6. Friends With Kids (R)**
Jennifer Westfeldt
- 7. Get the Gringo (R)**
Mel Gibson
- 8. Wrath of the Titans 3D (PG-13)**
Sam Worthington
- 9. Casa de mi Padre (R)**
Will Ferrell
- 10. Intruders (R)**
Clive Owen

Chartbusters

Top 10 Pop Singles

- 1. Carly Rae Jepsen**
"Call Me Maybe"
- 2. Ellie Goulding**
"Lights"
- 3. Flo Rida**
"Whistle"
- 4. Katy Perry**
"Wide Awake"
- 5. Maroon 5 feat. Wiz Khalifa**
"Payphone"
- 6. Gotye feat. Kimbra**
"Somebody That I Used To Know"
- 7. Rihanna**
"Where Have You Been"
- 8. David Guetta feat. Sia**
"Titanium"
- 9. Phillip Phillips**
"Home"
- 10. Pink**
"Blow Me (One Last Kiss)"



Ellie Goulding

Top 10 Country Singles

- 1. Kenny Chesney**
"Come Over"
- 2. Love and Theft**
"Angel Eyes"
- 3. Gloriana**
"(Kissed You) Good Night"
- 4. Blake Shelton**
"Over"
- 5. Little Big Town**
"Pontoon"
- 6. The Band Perry**
"Postcard From Paris"
- 7. Josh Turner**
"Time Is Love"
- 8. Dierks Bentley**
"5-1-5-0"
- 9. Jana Kramer**
"Why Ya Wanna"
- 10. Keith Urban**
"For You"

COUCH THEATER DVD PREVIEW BY DNA SMITH



Emily Blunt

EDITOR'S NOTE: New DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of September 3rd, 2012.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"The Five-Year Engagement" (R) -- Jason Segel and Emily Blunt star in this charming romantic comedy about modern couplehood. It starts when Segel proposes to Blunt by the San Francisco bay, and everything is great. Then she gets accepted into a prestigious academic program in Michigan, so the wedding is put on hold and moved to the Midwest. And from there, the delays and little surprises keep on coming, and the length of the movie extends to over two hours. Segel is proving himself a formidable writer/star. He plays the loveable goof like he was born for it. Blunt is adorable and has no trouble with on-screen chemistry. Chemistry seems to come to her so easily she might as well be hydrogen. If you can handle the run

time and get past the sagging middle section, "The Five-Year Engagement" just might pay off.

"Safe" (R) -- Jason Statham is right where he needs to be on this one -- a get-what-you-paid-for straightforward action flick that delivers. This time he's a beaten-down cage fighter who ran afoul of the Russian mafia and lost his family. When he notices the gangsters who ruined his life are attacking a little girl, Statham springs into action without knowing the whole story. This is the pasta with meat sauce of action flicks -- nearly impossible to mess up. The recipe is simple: A washed-up tough guy protecting an innocent from the pointless cruelty of an evil organization must shoot, punch, drive and grimace his way to redemption. If it's a rental action flick you want, know that "Safe" lives up to its title.

DOG OF THE WEEK

"Piranha 3DD" (R) -- A sequel to a painfully unfunny self-parody from 2010, this gorefest has about as much wit as the breast joke in its title. Once again, a bunch of annoying young people clamoring for a party by a body of water are exposed to an army of hungry, computer-generated piranhas. Too many winks at the audience and not enough talent behind the camera make this wannabe shocker an irredeemable waste of time.

"Re-Animator" (R) -- For a reminder of what a ghastly horror comedy can be, check out this re-release of the classic 1985 thriller. Based on a short story by H.P. Lovecraft, master of chills, this flick injects deadpan humor into a story about a science gone wrong. Dr. Herbert West invents a serum that can bring dead tissue to life, but his breakthrough is taken over by his corrupt superior, who uses it on himself.

- Name the group that released "Quinn the Eskimo (Mighty Quinn)" in 1968.
- Who recorded "We Don't Talk Anymore," and when?
- Which group had hits with "Sleeping Bag" and "Stages"?
- Don Van Vliet performed under what stage name?
- Name the singer-songwriter who had a No. 1 hit with "Never Gonna Fall in Love Again."
- Which group released "Where Did Our Love Go," "Baby Love" and "Come See About Me"?



1. Manfred Mann. The song was written by Bob Dylan in 1967. 2. British pop singer Cliff Richard, in 1979. Richard was awarded an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his services to music. 3. ZZ Top, both in 1985 on their "Ain't No Quarter" album. The group started as a blues band but moved toward rock. VH-1's "100 Greatest Artists of Hard Rock" list ranks them as No. 44. 4. Captain Beethoven. He released 13 albums during his career and was said to have a vocal range of five octaves. 5. Eric Carmen, in 1976. He reached the top of the charts again in 1988 with "Make Me Lose Control." 6. The Supremes. All were No. 1 hits in 1964.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

GHNCC Invites New Members to Sing

Greater New Haven Community Chorus (GNHCC), a non-auditioned, four part (SATB) chorus, is currently seeking singers to join its choral group for the 2012 season which begins on Thursday, September 6. Prospective members are invited to attend two rehearsals as guests before committing to join the chorus. This provides an opportunity for interested singers to meet the chorus and Noah Blocker-Glynn, Artistic Director, and to see if GNHCC provides an appealing atmosphere. The Fall enrollment period is September 6 – 27, 2012. Prospective singers may visit any rehearsal during this period.

Rehearsals are held every Thursday from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. at the Center Church Parish House at 311 Temple Street, New Haven (located immediately behind the New Haven Public Library). Metered parking until 9:00 p.m. is available on Temple Street; free parking is available in the Yale University Parking Lot directly across from the Parish House as well as in the Christ Church Parish House parking lot (entrance on Wall Street).

GNHCC, in existence for almost 50 years, provides a very welcoming and supportive atmosphere. In addition to rehearsals and concerts, many gatherings are organized throughout the year to give members an opportunity to connect with each other on a social level.

GNHCC performs two major concerts each year -- a Fall Concert in December and a Spring Concert in early June. In addition, various community performances may be scheduled prior to the major concerts.

To fulfill our mission of achieving the highest possible standard of choral music performed by a non-auditioned chorus, singers must be able to attend and actively participate in weekly rehearsals. In addition, members are always encouraged to share their individual skills and talents with the various GNHCC committees.

Drawing its membership from throughout the greater New Haven area, GNHCC strives to embrace wide diversity and is committed to making quality choral music accessible for audiences and members alike. Our singers have very diverse backgrounds — ranging from those who are highly skilled to those who have never sung in a chorus before. Members will enjoy a comprehensive approach to rehearsing and performing choral music and will find rewards in each meeting, regardless of ability. For more information on joining GNHCC, please visit our website at www.gnhcc.org.

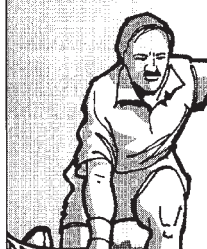
Ward-Heitmann House Annual Bier-fest

The Ward-Heitmann House Museum of West Haven extends an invitation to join in the fun at the annual Oktoberfest celebration on Saturday, September 22, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. The Bier-fest will be held at the Harugari Hall, 66 Highland Street, West Haven. Tickets are \$35 per person and include authentic German food, beer and entertainment. Deadline for reservations is September 19, 2012. For information and reservations, please call the Ward-Heitmann House Museum at 203-937-9823.

Brandywine Christmas

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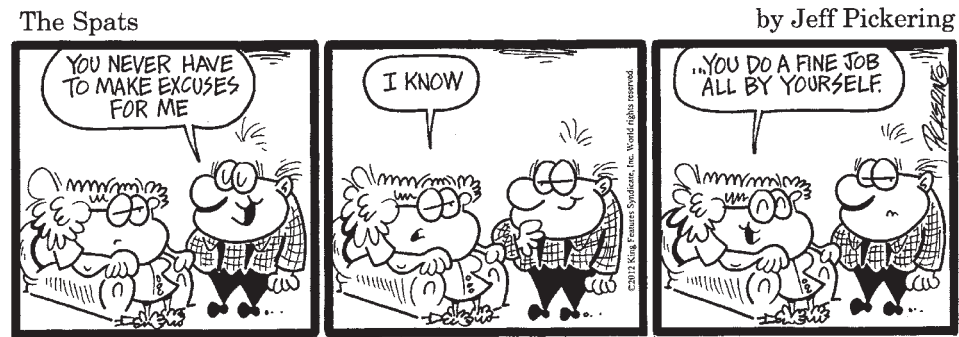
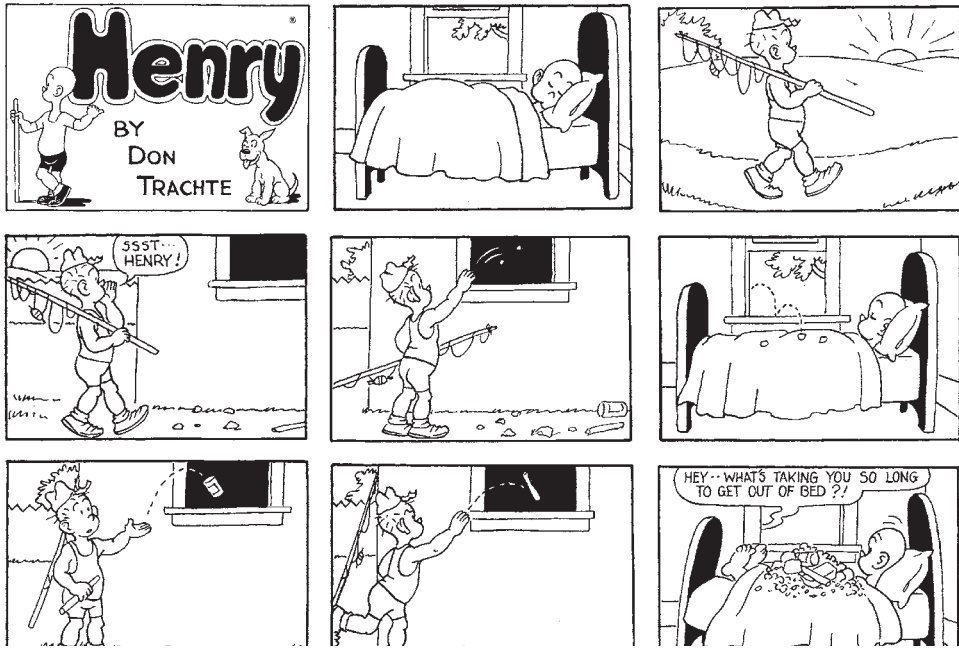
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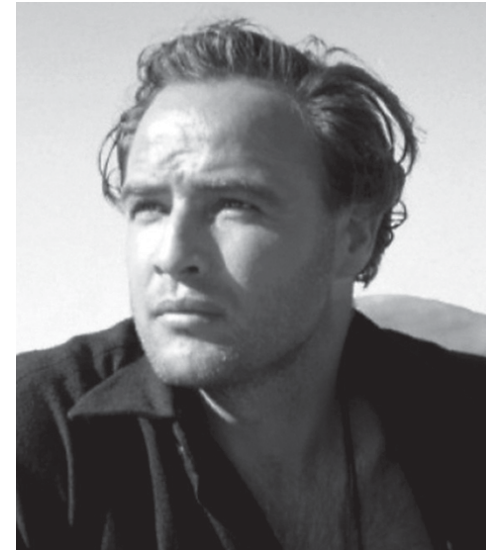
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HOLLYWOOD

By Tony Rizzo



Marlon Brando

HOLLYWOOD -- In 1960, Marlon Brando was scouting locations for "Mutiny on the Bounty." He fell in love with Tetiaroa, a 27-square-mile atoll, 33 miles north of Tahiti, with 1,445 acres of sand and 4.5 acres of lagoon, 100 feet deep. Brando bought the island for \$300,000 and dreamed of making it part environmental laboratory and part resort. After his death in 2004, executors for his estate paved the way for a Tahitian developer to create a world-class sustainable resort. In 2013, Brando's greatest dream will become a reality when "The Brando Resort" finally opens. Drawing power from solar energy, deep ocean-water cooling and coconut-oil biofuel, it can sustain 35 villas with 100 percent renewable energy, and is set back from the beach, in accordance with Brando's wishes. That's one place you'll never see "A Streetcar Named Desire"!

A fan wrote to ask: "What's become of "Gossip Girl's" Chace Crawford's movie career? In May, he appeared in "What to Expect When You're Expecting," with Cameron Diaz, Jennifer Lopez, Dennis Quaid and Chris Rock. The film took in \$74 million; unfortunately, it cost \$40 million just to produce. In June, he appeared in "Peace, Love & Misunderstanding," with Jane Fonda, Jeffrey Dean Morgan and Rosanna Arquette. The film took in a paltry \$105,960 in the U.S. because of unfavorable reviews. Two other projects, one with Katie Holmes, and the other, "The House Gun," about a South African man accused of killing his housemate, with Pierce Brosnan as his father, seem to be lost in limbo. And he dodged a bullet when he dropped out of the "Footloose" remake ... maybe Chace should fire whoever is picking his movies!

Due to the major studios running scared, playing revolving door for the best release dates, we can't believe how many films have been pushed back to next year. "The Great Gatsby," directed by "Moulin Rouge's" Baz Luhrmann, starring Leonardo DiCaprio, Tobey Maguire and Carey Mulligan was scheduled for an August release, but now will not open until sometime next year. "The Man of Steel" with British actor Henry Cavill as Superman, along with Amy Adams, Michael Shannon, Kevin Costner, Diane Lane and Laurence Fishburne, won't open until June 2013.

The George Clooney/Sandra Bullock flick "Gravity" has been delayed until sometime in 2013. Josh Brolin, Ryan Gosling, Nick Nolte, Emma Stone and Sean Penn won't be seen in "Gangster Squad" until January. Sylvester Stallone's "Bullet to the Head," Brad Pitt's "World War Z," Jeremy Renner's "Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters" and Channing Tatum's "G.I. Joe: Retaliation" also have been pushed to next year. By the time these films come out, we may have read so much about them we'll think we've already seen them!

Send letters to Tony Rizzo's Hollywood, 8306 Wilshire Blvd., No. 362, Beverly Hills, CA 90211.

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ACROSS

- 1 Four qts.
- 4 One of Hollywood's Wilson brothers
- 8 Back
- 12 "I" strain?
- 13 Exceptional
- 14 Therefore
- 15 Affectionate parrot
- 17 Panorama
- 18 Tend a text
- 19 Flexes
- 20 Smaller map
- 22 Twosome
- 24 Benefit
- 25 Biblical tales
- 29 Hostel
- 30 Foe of Rocky and Bullwinkle
- 31 Eggs
- 32 Reduced from AAA to AA+
- 34 Declare
- 35 Differently
- 36 Sports venue
- 37 Place
- 40 Admitting customers
- 41 Covers
- 42 Settee for two
- 46 Jason's ship
- 47 Basin accessory

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- 48 Yon maiden neighbor
- 49 Hammer-head part
- 50 Say it isn't so
- 51 April 15 payment
- 8 Echo, for short
- 9 Green land?
- 10 On in years
- 11 Joins the crew?
- 16 Paradise
- 19 Prejudice
- 20 Footnote abbr.
- 21 Zilch
- 22 "Gay" city
- 23 Saharan
- 25 Spacecraft compartments
- 26 Trysting venue
- 27 Tied
- 28 Detective writer
- 30 Hairless
- 33 Cause
- 34 War god
- 36 Mimic's forte
- 37 Rebuff a masher
- 38 Grow weary
- 39 Advantage
- 40 Microwave, e.g.
- 42 Started
- 43 Have bills
- 44 "Eureka!"
- 45 Cowboy nickname

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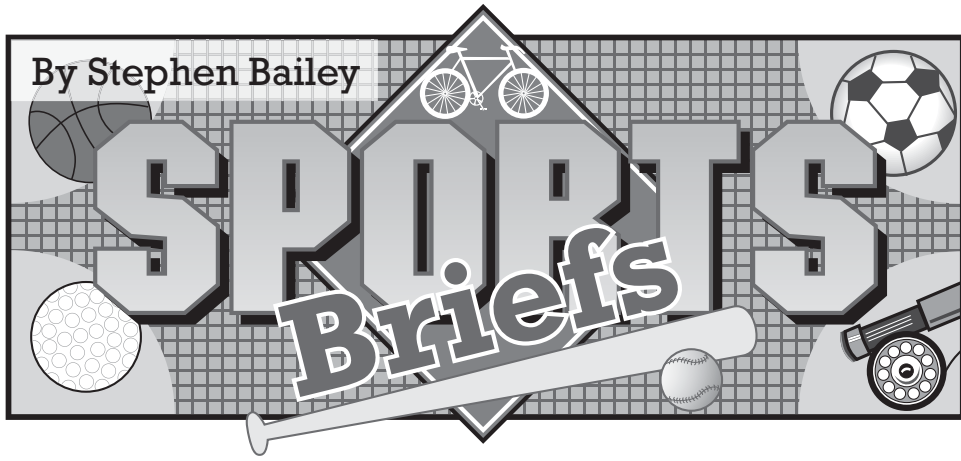
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LOCAL SPORTS

By Stephen Bailey



Orange Senior All-Stars Fall in Eastern Regional

The Orange Senior All-Stars won the state title to advance to the Eastern Regional tournament in West Deptford, NJ. Unfortunately, they suffered a 13-3 mercy-rule defeat to hosts West Deptford on August 4 and a 6-5 loss to Johnston, RI, in a back-and-forth affair on August 5.

After falling to West Deptford, Orange jumped out to a 2-1 lead over Johnston with first inning RBI hits from Tim Fox and Matt Daddio. Johnston battled back, though, taking a 3-2 lead into the fifth inning. Orange then regained control with two-run frames in both the fifth and sixth innings. Errors and wild pitching cost Johnston.

But Gerald Farace couldn't close out the victory on the mound. Johnston put up a four-spot in the bottom of the seventh to walk away with the victory.

Milford Post 196 Northeast Regional Champs Reach American Legion World Series

A dozen straight wins to open the postseason punched Milford's ticket to the American Legion World Series. Post 196 defeated Portland, Maine 9-1 in the Northeast Regional championship game on August 13 to cap that 12-win streak. But at the American Legion World Series in Shelby, N.C., Milford (30-8) lost to New Orleans 5-3 in 11 innings on August 17 and fell out of the double-elimination tournament after getting shut out 4-0 by Lakewood, CA on August 18. Still, it was a memorable run.

Milford wasted no time in jumping on Portland, scoring three-first inning runs — two courtesy of a Joe Zanghi home run. Two-out RBI singles by Zanghi and Shawn Cariglio bumped the Post 196 advantage to 5-0 after the second inning and Milford didn't look back from there. Cody Hadden threw a complete game, allowing just one run on six hits, to send his team to the national stage.

At the American Legion World Series in Shelby, NC, however, the bats went silent. Three runs in 20 innings didn't cut it as back-to-back losses ended Post 196's season. New Orleans jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the top of the first inning of the tournament opener, but Milford battled back. Cariglio and Jake Saley provided one-out singles in the bottom of the second. Then Christian Baglini knocked them home with a two-run triple and eventually scored on a Taylor Biagioni groundout.

The score remained tied at 3-3 all the way into the 11th inning. Milford starter Matt Ferraiolo settled down after the first, throwing nine strong frames of six-hit ball and keeping his team in contention. But with Baglini on the mound for his second inning of relief, New Orleans' Brady Williamson cranked a game-winning, two-run home run to left field.

The following morning, Lakewood pitchers Andrew Mendoza and Anthony Timmons combined to hold Milford to just three hits. A loss away from elimination, Post 196 got its best scoring chance in the seventh, placing two runners on base with only one out. But Timmons retired the next two batters with a strikeout and a flyout, eventually ending Post 196's season.

West Shore Advances to Junior League Softball World Series Semifinal

West Shore is a softball team composed of 12-14 year-old players from Milford, Orange and West Haven. After earning the title of East Regional champions, West Shore stormed through pool play at the Junior League Softball World Series with a 3-1 record. Wins over Eagle Pass, Texas, the Southwest champion, Prague Little League, the EMEA (Europe, Middle East and Africa) champion and ASOFEM Little League of Maunabo, Puerto Rico, the Latin American champion, propelled West Shore into the semifinal.

Though they fell to Escanaba, MI, 10-2 in the semi-final, it was an impressive run. And, it was a run keyed in part by the five Orange residents on the team: Jill Demaio, Katie Koshes, Teresa Marchitto, Addie Robbins and Janaya Young.

Demaio injured her leg in a crucial game against Puerto Rico—one that decided whether West Shore would advance to the semifinals or not. But she stayed in the game and eventually sealed the win by retiring the last two batters of the game. Marchitto's single in the third inning sparked one of two big rallies for West Shore as well.

Amity Track Coach Named NHSACA Finalist

Amity High School's track and field coach, Thom Jacobs, has been named one of 44 finalists for the National High School Athletic Coaches Association coach of the year award. Jacobs has led the Spartans to a number of state championships in both indoor and outdoor track as well as a slew of Southern Connecticut Conference and Housatonic Division championships over the years. Many of his athletes went on to compete at the collegiate level, some earning All-American honors. However, his main focus as a coach was always to prepare his athletes as gentlemen before competitors. Jacobs was honored at a banquet in Fargo, ND earlier this month.



My Olympic Experience

By Stephen Bailey

Four African men adorned with green and white checkered robes walked slowly and indecisively through the Olympic Park. Standing shoulder-to-shoulder, each holding a musical instrument, the quartet was lost amongst a mass of thousands of fans, cluttering past each side of them. Walking by, I approached the man farthest to the left. Trumpet tucked under his left arm, he introduced himself as Peter — a member of the Nigerian army's national band. Peter and his band mates were looking for the basketball arena as Nigeria was set to take on Lithuania later that afternoon.

My friend Mike Chirokas and I also had tickets to the basketball game as well as the three following it including United States-Tunisia. We ended up walking through the park with Peter and sitting with him for one of the later games. We became friends with him, exchanged email addresses and even met up during the Games twice more. Only at the Olympics.

During my 17-day stay in London, I came in contact with people from dozens of other countries, befriending Africans, South Americans and Europeans, among others. London, an already diverse city, was flooded with supporters from across the globe. That atmosphere was like none other I'd ever experienced. Athletes, coaches and fans alike - everyone in the city was there for the Games, and everyone was having the time of their lives. You sat down at an event already knowing you'd become friendly with those sitting around you. U.S. rowing alternate and friend Mike Gennaro summed it up well: "It all just blends together as the greatest thing that's ever been assembled in my life."

My personal highlight reel included watching the U.S. women's soccer team win gold over Japan in a packed Wembley Stadium and Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh-Jennings win their third straight beach volleyball gold in what was likely their last-ever match, as well as attending Olympic athlete meet-and-greets at the Visa Lounge (located in the basement of the IOD hotel in Central London) with Greg Louganis, Brandy Chastain and Nastia Liukin, among others.

Traveling with Mike, a friend from Syracuse University, we ventured the host city, attending roughly 15 events each — taking in the sights and sounds of the venues—and spent most of our free time at the Visa lounge, taking advantage of the free food and drink and making friends with the other Chase Visa card holders admitted inside. Renting a flat in West Norwood, a suburb one hour outside of London via the National Rail, we generally spent 12-plus hours each day away from home.

Peter Onwodi, who speaks broken English and works for a milk production company was just one of the international visitors we grew close with. One morning early in the trip, I met Jose, a Columbian man, on an Olympics ticket exchange website called SwapMyTicket.co.uk. He came to my flat in West Norwood and we swapped tickets. Spending July 30 at Wimbledon, Mike and I sat in the second row of the No. 2 Court. Watching the likes of Andy Roddick, Venus and Serena Williams and Roger Federer, I chatted with a German man named Andy who sat to my left. He had attended the last eight Davis Cups and knew the German trainer personally.

It seemed like we met someone new every other day, and everywhere we went, we brought our American flags. We waved them at events, wore them as capes from time to time and personally I tried to have as many current and former U.S. Olympians sign it as possible. Louganis, Chastain and Liukin were three of the bigger names to sign it, but David McKenzie, a U.S. indoor volleyball player who I sat next to at the women's volleyball final, and Gary Morgan, a 20k U.S. Olympic race walker in 1988 who I met at the Visa Lounge, also signed and inscribed it.

These Olympians, just like all the internationals we met during our time in London, were just as thrilled to be at the Games as we were. From the perspective of a college student who had never before traveled out of the country, the experience was perfect. The best 17 days of my life. I urge any student, or person, who considers attending the 2016 Games to pull the trigger. Go for it because I assure you, you won't regret it.

LOCAL SPORTS



Mike Chirokas (left) and Stephen Bailey meet 2008 Olympic gold medalist Nastia Liukin at the Visa Lounge



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Regional Softball Champs

Congratulations to Orange residents Jillian DeMaio, Katie Koshes, Teresa Marchitto, Addison Robbins, Janaya Young and the rest of their team for winning the Eastern Regionals. The team then headed to Kirkland, Washington to play in the Junior Little League Softball World Series. If you wish to follow their progress, go to: <http://www.littleleague.org/series/2012divisions/jlsb/series.htm>.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might not like the sudden setback in your plans. But keep that headstrong Arian temperament in check and wait for explanations. Things will begin to clear up by week's end.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Enjoy the respite from your recent hectic schedule, but be ready to plunge into a new round of social activities. A new contact holds much potential for the future.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A trusted colleague has news that could change your perception of a current workplace situation. What had seemed unfair might prove to be highly favorable after all.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You still need to watch what you say and how you say it. What you assert as honesty, others might perceive as Crabbiness. Be patient. This difficult period clears up by the weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your Royalness needs time away from the limelight to catch up on things, from tidying your desk to making those calls you've put off. You're back in the center of things by the weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Honesty is the best policy, of course. But you'll do better at achieving your goals if you can be less aggressive and more circumspect in how you phrase

your comments.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your ability to maintain your balance in confusing situations continues to work for you. Stay on the steady course, one step at a time. The weekend shows improvement.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your indecisiveness could simply be your keen Scorpian sense warning you to be wary of making a commitment. Take this time to do a more thorough investigation.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Good news: New information comes your way to help you make a more informed decision on how to deal with the opportunity that has opened up for you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a good time to reinforce your self-confidence by acknowledging your good qualities to yourself. A lull in your social life ends by the weekend. Have fun.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a good time to let those recently pent-up emotions flow more freely. Why not start by letting the people you care for know how you really feel about them?

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Resist offers, no matter how well-intentioned, to help with a personal decision. Only you know what must be done, and you have the emotional strength to follow through.

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Acupuncture for Pets?

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I recently read an advertisement by a pet hospital that is offering acupuncture for pets. Does this even work for pets? I'm skeptical. -- Janice T., Orlando, Fla.

DEAR JANICE: I can't say for sure, but the idea of providing acupuncture treatment for pets is intriguing. Acupuncture has been shown to have positive results for humans trying to manage pain, and some anecdotal reports indicate that acupuncture might help reduce pain in animals, as well.

Wadsworth Animal Hospital in Lakewood, Colo., for example, recently reported that as many as 75 percent of the pets in its care treated with acupuncture experienced "a significant or major improvement, although some symptoms may remain."

The hospital used acupuncture to treat pets suffering from arthritis, hip dysplasia, nerve damage or other chronic health conditions.

Pet acupuncture sounds pretty odd, and it's really a new type of treatment for pets, coming into vogue just in the past few decades. But it's not the only holistic pet treatment out there that looks to help improve pets' health without the use of drugs or surgery. And it's growing in popularity: some 800 pet acupuncturists are registered with the American Academy of Veterinary Acupuncture (<http://www.aava.org>), the Washington Post reports, an increase of 600 since 2002.

So, how do you find a qualified acupuncturist for your pet? The AAVA has a listing on its site, but be sure to ask questions of the pet acupuncturist you find locally. He or she should be certified to practice veterinary medicine as well as veterinary acupuncture.

Send your question or comment to ask@pawscorner.com, or write to Paw's Corner, c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Find more pet advice and resources at www.pawscorner.com.



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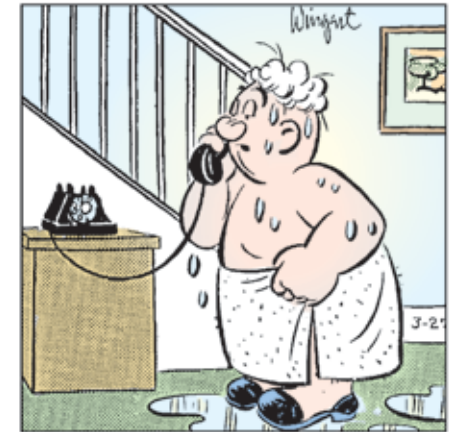
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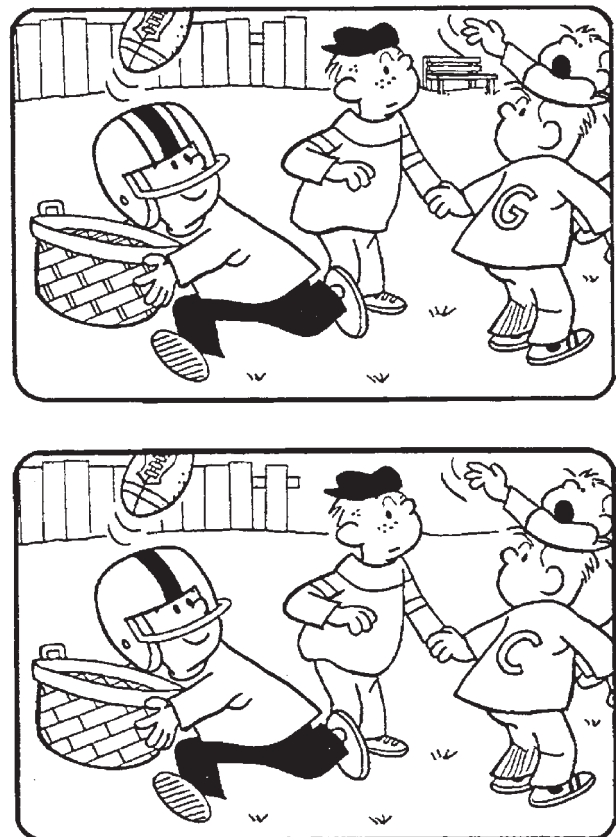
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