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Amity Kicks Off New School Year

BY MELISSA NICEFARO
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

After a quick but hot summer, Amity teachers and staff were ready to greet the district's 2,216 students on August 29. Under the leadership of Interim Superintendent James Connelly, schools were set to open with what he planned on being an outstanding and very successful opening.

To make that happen, he held a convocation on the teachers' first day back with a keynote speaker. Donna Volipitta, founder of The Center for Resilient Leadership spoke on raising resilient students as Amity kicked off its school year with a theme of resilience. "The goal is for people to leave the convocation on a high note, excited to get to work," Connelly says.

Prior to the first day of school, all new staff was brought on a bus tour of the Amity community. "It's important for anyone coming into the district go to an orientation so they can learn about the district, so we're going to take them on a bus tour of the three towns," Connelly says. "I think it's important that new staff know where children are coming from and the types of communities we have."

B and B Transportation donated a bus and a driver to host the tour. The principals were on board to give the new staff understanding of the communities they'll be working in. "It's a very diverse district. You go up to the northern part of Bethany and it's very rural. You come down to the southern part of Orange and you can't get any more urban than the stretch on U.S. 1," Connelly says. "It's something new, and I hope the people will get the feeling of being welcomed in a real way, not only to the school itself or to the Amity regional community, but also to the three communities in these towns that make up the district. A lot of the districts are doing this now. In many times, the chief elected officials and members of the historical district want to be part of the tours."

Upon return to school, Amity students will meet a new school resource officer, a Woodbridge Police Officer, Frank Sapione, a retired Stratford police officer who recently joined the Woodbridge force. "I met him briefly. He's done this type of work in Stratford for years and has been on top of

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Orange Continues "A Plus" Credit Rating

BY LAURA FANTARELLA
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Orange has once again achieved a credit score many individuals may envy – once again securing a triple A bond rating from the state.

The distinction is the highest a municipality can attain and one First Selectman Jim Zeoli has worked hard to achieve. "When I first took over this job Orange was a long way from triple A and it affected our rates on borrowing," he said. Contributing to the town's fiscal stead is conservative fiscal policies, increasing economic development, a solid fund balance and community involvement on its boards

and commissions. "I was joking with the powers-that-be and asked if we could have a quadruple bond rating and she laughed and said, 'You're as high as they get!'" Zeoli recounted. "It was a good feeling."

The higher the bond rating, the lower interest rates are when the town borrows money for the next phase of capital improvements to town buildings and roads. Among the projects slated to begin construction is American Disabilities Act required improvements to Turkey Hill School; refurbishing the town pool and locker rooms and bridge and roadwork on Derby Milford Road.

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Town Receives Grant To Buy Land

BY LAURA FANTARELLA
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The state may have pulled the plug on its plan to build a train station in Orange, but it is sweetening the blow with a \$6.1 million grant to the town to acquire the 8.091 acres it would have been built on. The town will incur no expenses to buy the \$5.5 million property of Salemme Drive real estate as well as related acquisition, survey and legal fees.

Residents will have an opportunity to vote on whether the town should acquire the property at the town meeting to be held at 7:30 September 5 at High Plains Community Center. Both the Town Plan and Zoning Commission and the Board of Selectmen are in favor of the plan.

The property is currently part of a new “transit-oriented development district “(TODD) developed by the Town Plan and Zoning Commission and intended to include desirable housing, shops, restaurants and retail establishments tailored to the needs of professionals commuting to New York City. The TPZC has held countless meetings over the past few years to outline the regulations and requirements for the new district

and to incorporate it into the town’s comprehensive plan of development. Now with the construction of a train station unlikely, the Commission may consider reverting the property back to its original light industrial zoning. “We have to react to this change, reevaluate and possibly rezone it back to an LI-2 district,” said Commissioner Judith Smith.

The grant money will allow the town to purchase the land from current owner, Ed Crowley, Dichello Distributors’ co-owner and former president and principal in Orange Land Development LLC. Crowley has been involved in the train station planning since its inception and was the first to have his application approved to build a 799-car parking garage, 200 residential apartments and 22,000 square feet of commercial space at the TODD site, contingent on the construction of the train station.

According to Town Attorney Vin Marino, Crowley is not interested in developing the parcel without a train station. “He could have flipped the property, but he has a fondness for Orange and First Selectman Jim Zeoli

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Staneski, Ferraro Vote To Provide Heating Assistance

State Representatives Pam Staneski (R-119) and Charles Ferraro (R-117) on August 21st supported a bi-partisan, unanimous agreement to provide fuel assistance to low income families across Connecticut regardless of how they heat their homes this winter. During a joint meeting of the Appropriations, Energy, and Human Services committees, both Staneski and Ferraro voted unanimously for the federal block grant LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Plan) that helps low income households cover the costs of deliverable fuels.

The Department of Social Services is expecting the federal government to allocate the same amount as last year, \$80.74 million. According to the Department of Social Services 80,000 Connecticut families were eligible to receive heating assistance last winter.

“This is a public safety issue and it is absolutely necessary for those

on fixed incomes, particularly our Orange and Milford families who are struggling,” Rep. Staneski said. “The LIHEAP program is a lifeline to many and I’m pleased we’re able to reach a bipartisan agreement,” said Rep. Staneski.

“Government should always be there for those that need our help the most,” said Rep. Ferraro. “We must protect programs like LIHEAP and I hope the Federal Government continues to provide this relief to thousands of homeowners who are struggling or on fixed incomes.”

The first fuel delivery available for coverage under the program is November 14, 2018 and the last day to submit deliverable fuel bills is May 31, 2019. Basic Benefits are determined based on income, household size, vulnerability and liquid assets. Vulnerable households and households with the lowest incomes receive the highest awards.

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Orange Gets Land Donation

By Laura Fantarella
Orange Town News Correspondent

A local developer gave the town a gift of more than 20 acres that borders Dogburn Lane, Dogwood Road and New Haven Avenue to be used as open space. The land is excess acreage originally purchased by Starwood Ceruzzi Meadows LLC of Fairfield to construct Best Buy on the Boston Post Road. In presenting the proposal to the Town Plan and Zoning Commission Town Attorney Vin Marino said the parcel is mostly wetlands and no longer makes sense for the developer to own. “It’s beneficial to gift the land to the town so they no longer have to pay taxes on it and they’ll receive a tax deduction as

well,” he said. “It’s a good acquisition at no cost to the town, particularly in that part of Orange.” Zeoli is pleased with the donation, saying it will provide a natural, green buffer, and peace and quiet to the surrounding neighborhoods from the “hustle and bustle of the Post Road.” “It’s nice because we don’t have enough open, green space on that side of town,” he said. The donation will bring open space in town to more than 1000 acres. The public will have the opportunity to vote on the proposal at 7:30 p.m. September 5 at the High Plains Community Center. The Town Plan and Zoning Commission and the Board of Selectmen have both approved the plan.



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Upcoming Issue Deadline

October 5 | Columbus Day Issue September 28

November 2 | Election Issue..... October 26

November 16 | Thanksgiving Issue..... November 9

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

FROM OUR READERS

Family Talk About Drinking – Back To School

Helping teens make good choices is as simple as starting a conversation, and back-to-school is an ideal time for parents to talk about avoiding peer pressure to drink underage. Research shows that parents are the greatest influence on teens. Exercising that influence by actively listening and holding their teens accountable for decisions about underage drinking is something that parents should be encouraged to do. Asking open-ended questions gets teens thinking about what they would do when and if they're offered a drink – and the potential consequences.

Dichello Distributors, Inc. wants to remind parents about the Anheuser-Busch Family Talk About Drinking program, a free parent guide and Facebook community designed to encourage open and honest communication between parents and their children to help prevent underage drinking. Programs like this one, paired with education and effective law enforcement, are essential to reducing underage drinking.

Remember, it's our collective responsibility to help prevent underage drinking. For more information, please visit [Facebook.com/ABFamilyTalk](https://www.facebook.com/ABFamilyTalk).

Tony Lota

Alcohol Awareness Coordinator

Dichello Distributors, Inc.

Long-time Resident Looks To Community Housing

As a long-time Orange resident who would benefit from a senior housing community in Town, I was disappointed to learn that the Plan and Zoning Board unanimously rejected such a plan. I have lived in Orange for 41 years, raised my children here and anticipate in the next few years I will want to sell my home and move to a community that offers the housing and amenities I am looking for in the town I have lived in most of my life.

The Meissenheimer housing pro-

posal is a timely concept and a step in the right direction. I know I am not alone in favoring this housing alternative. The Town demographics indicate a large percentage of Orange residents are 65 years and older (55 and older even greater). The Plan of Conservation and Development, as well as the Town planners, should have the foresight to recognize the need for change in order to keep the segment of its population who have raised its families here, had children who are now raising their families here and have been and will continue to be vital and productive members of the community. The circle of life can be maintained by selling our homes to younger families and provide seniors the opportunity to stay in Orange. The tax base will increase and the school population should not be negatively impacted.

It is my hope that property owners who see the potential to develop their land for such a use, in desirable areas of Orange, will not be deterred from such ventures, as the change is needed and those who are in favor of such developments will support them.

Phyllis Leggett

Welcome Back to School

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone back as we begin the 2018-19 school year in the Amity Regional School District. On July 1, 2018, I started as Interim Superintendent of Schools after the resignation of Dr. Charles Dumais who became Executive Director of Cooperative Educational Services and I will continue until a new superintendent is appointed.

Please know that the Amity staff is looking forward with a great deal of enthusiasm to welcoming the 2,216 students who attend our three schools. I have been most impressed with the commitment and the high expectations of the entire Amity community.

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“Letters” From Page 5

ty during my beginning time in the district.

Amity Regional School District No. 5 has been highlighted by the Niche.com 2019 Survey in several categories for Connecticut Schools based on key statistics and careful analysis. Amity was ranked #2 for Best Teachers in the state with a grade of A+. Niche also rated the best school districts in Connecticut and recognized Amity as #5 in the entire state with a grade of A+. It further recognized Amity Regional High School as one of the best high schools in the state with a #8 ranking and a grade of A+. It is the only high school in New Haven County in the top ten high schools in Connecticut. We

“Grant” From Page 2

and does not want the town subject to a third-party developer,” Marino said. “If he can be satisfied with the appraised value of the property, the town will have for itself direction of this property.”

The grant does include a stipulation that the state would own an easement over the property for a train platform. “If there is no train station after 25 years the easement expires and the state would have no more interest in the right of way,” Marino said. “This is a great opportunity for the town to reconfigure the location of Salemme

are proud of these recognitions and will continue to strive to “be the best”.

Our students will return to school on Wednesday, August 29th which is a full day schedule. We will continue to communicate with you through our website www.amityregion5.org and our various communications.

Please remember that school busses are on the road starting Wednesday and students will be out waiting for their transportation. Drivers should be cautious and observe all the traffic rules to ensure student safety.

I look forward to working with all of you as we begin an exciting and successful opening of school and a wonderful school year in 2018-19.

James A. Connelly
Interim Superintendent of Schools

Drive and possibly have it front on an adjoining parcel.”

Zeoli is pleased with the possibility of the town owning a chunk of commercial/industrial land in a prime location. "It's a nice site, close to I-95, a new hotel and the gas company," he said.

No matter how promising plans seemed to build a train station over the past few years, TPZC Chairman Ozzie Parente had remained cautious about whether the project would come to fruition, always stressing to potential developers that any TODD-related applications were dependent on whether the train station was actually built.

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You may complete the voter registration application or application for Absentee Ballot at Town Hall weekdays from 8:30am to 4:30pm. You can also download a voter registration application and or an application for absentee ballot by going to the Secretary of the State’s website: www.sots.ct.gov, Click on the elections area Or The town of Orange website: www.orange-ct.gov. Click the registrar of voter’s page or the town clerk page. Submit to:

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October 5th, is the first day absentee ballots may be issued by the Town Clerk. For those individuals voting by absentee ballot, they must first submit a completed application for absentee ballot, which can be done now. Upon receipt of the completed application, the Town Clerk will mail the actual absentee ballot to you; please be sure to have an accurate college address.

In order for your vote to be counted, please follow the instructions carefully; the completed absentee ballot must be received by the Town Clerk by Election Day.

A new election law allows U.S. citizens to register and vote on Election Day. You must register and vote in the registrars’ office in the town hall.

If you have any questions and for further information, call the Registrar of Voters Office at 203-891-4715/4716, or the Town Clerk’s Office.

Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of September 2018



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

4th	Economic Development Comm	5:30 pm	Town Hall
	Town Plan & Zoning Comm.....	7:00 pm	Town Hall
5th	Conservation Comm.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
	Country Fair Cmte	7:00 pm	Exhibit Hall
	Board of Selectmen.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
	Town Meeting	7:30 pm	HPCC
6th	OGAT	7:30 pm	Town Hall
10th	Traffic Authority	4:30 pm	Police Dept.
	Board of Police Comm.....	4:30 pm	Police Dept.
	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm	Town Hall
11th	Inland Wetlands Comm.....	7:30 pm	Town Hall
12th	OVNA Board of Governors.....	8:30 am	Clark Bldg
	Safety & Health Cmte	10:00 am	Case Mem. Library
	Recycling Cmte	7:00 pm	HPCC
13th	Community Services Comm	7:00 pm	HPCC
17th	Family Counseling Advisory Council.....	9:00 am	HPCC
	Amity Board of Education	6:30 pm	Woodbridge
	Orange Board of Education	7:00 pm	Mary L. Tracy
	Board of Finance.....	7:30 pm	Town Hall
	Board of Health	7:30 pm	HPCC
19th	CERT	7:00 pm	HPCC
20th	Case Memorial Library Comm	7:00 pm	Case Mem. Library
	Town Plan & Zoning Comm.....	7:00 pm	Town Hall
24th	Youth Services Advisory Board.....	7:00 pm	HPCC
25th	OVNA Professional Advisory Cmte.....	5:00 pm	Clark Bldg
26th	Safety Comm.....	9:00 am	Town Hall
	Park & Recreation Comm.....	7:30 pm	Town Hall
27th	Bond Construction Oversight Cmte.....	7:00 pm	Town Hall
28th	Emergency Management.....	8:00 am	Police Station

Youth Services

BY JOHN ULATOWSKI



Orange Youth Services Incoming 7th Graders Super Gift Cards & Raffle Bingo, Pizza Party Fun For All

Orange Youth Services had a Super Gift Cards & Prizes Raffle Bingo, Pizza Party for Orange Incoming 7th Graders held on Monday, August 20th. The event was held in the High Plains Community Center Cafeteria. There were Super Raffle prizes

(gift cards and more) for winning Bingo cards. Students enjoyed pizza, refreshments, and snacks. Parent chaperones assisted with serving the children. The event was made possible by a grant from the Orange Lions Club.



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Orange School District Announces Lunch Policy

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Local school officials have adopted the United States Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) for family size and income criteria for determining eligibility.

The income guidelines shown in the chart will be used in Connecticut from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, for determining eligibility of participants for free and reduced-price meals and free milk in the Child Nutrition Programs.

The above income calculations are made based on the following formulas: Monthly income is calculated by dividing the annual income by 12; twice monthly income is computed by dividing annual income by 24; income received every two weeks is calculated by dividing annual income by 26; and weekly income is computed by dividing annual income by 52. All numbers are rounded upward to the next whole dollar.

Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals or free milk. Information will be emailed to each student household in August. To apply for free or reduced-price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications are also available on the district website, www.oess.org, under the Food Service Department page. Additional copies are available at the principal’s office at each school. Only one application is required per household and an application for free or reduced-price benefits cannot be approved unless it contains complete eligibility information as indicated on the application and instructions.

The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purposes of determining eligibility and for administration and enforcement of the lunch, breakfast and milk programs. Additionally, all school aged children in income-eligible households can receive school meal benefits regardless of a child’s immigration status and the district/

school does not release information for immigration-related purposes in the usual course of operating the CNPs. Note that the district MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them look into violations of program rules. This information may also be verified at any time during the school

application if they are not notified of their eligibility by September 28, 2018.

Some children may be directly certified for free or reduced-price meals based on Medicaid (HUSKY). No application is required if the district directly certifies a child based on Medicaid (HUSKY). All children in these households are eligible for

liaison; or enrolled in an eligible Head Start or pre-kindergarten class as defined by law. Households with children who are categorically eligible under Other Source Categorically Eligible Programs should complete an application and check-off the relevant box. Questions should be directed to the determining official. For any child not

listed on the eligibility notice, the households should contact the school or determining official about any child also eligible under one of these programs or should submit an income application for the other children.

Households notified of their children’s eligibility must contact the determining official or school if it chooses to decline the free meal benefits. If households/children are not notified by the district/school of their free meal benefits and they receive benefits under Assistance Programs or under Other Source Categorically Eligible Programs, the parent/guardian should contact the determining official or their school.

Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are categorically eligible for free meals. A foster parent does not have to complete a free/reduced meal application if they can submit a copy of the legal document or legal court order showing that the child is a foster child. Additionally, a foster child may be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits. If the foster family is not eligible for free or reduced-price meal benefits, it does not prevent a foster child from receiving free meal benefits. Note however, that a foster child’s free eligibility does not automatically extend to all students in the household.

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 information provided

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2018-19 INCOME GUIDELINES FOR CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS											
FREE MEALS/MILK						REDUCED-PRICE MEALS					
Number in Family	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income	Number in Family	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income
1	15,782	1,316	658	607	304	1	22,459	1,872	936	864	432
2	21,398	1,784	892	823	412	2	30,451	2,538	1,269	1,172	586
3	27,014	2,252	1,126	1,039	520	3	38,443	3,204	1,602	1,479	740
4	32,630	2,720	1,360	1,255	628	4	46,435	3,870	1,935	1,786	893
5	38,246	3,188	1,594	1,471	736	5	54,427	4,536	2,268	2,094	1,047
6	43,862	3,656	1,828	1,687	844	6	62,419	5,202	2,601	2,401	1,201
7	49,478	4,124	2,062	1,903	952	7	70,411	5,868	2,934	2,709	1,355
8	55,094	4,592	2,296	2,119	1,060	8	78,403	6,534	3,267	3,016	1,508
Each Additional Family Member	+ 5,616	+ 468	+ 234	+ 216	+ 108	Each Additional Family Member	+ 7,992	+ 666	+ 333	+ 308	+ 154

year by school or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

For up to 30 operating days into the new school year, eligibility from the previous year will continue within the same local educational agency (LEA). When the carry-over period ends, unless the household is notified that their children are directly certified or the household submits an application that is approved, the children must pay full price for school meals and the school will not send a reminder or a notice of expired eligibility.

No application is required if the district directly certifies a child based on a household member receiving assistance from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or the Temporary Family Assistance (TFA) program. All children in these households are eligible for free meal benefits. 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 determining official that it chooses to decline benefits. If any children were not listed on the eligibility notice, the household should contact the district or school to have free meal benefits extended to those children. Households receiving SNAP or TFA benefits for their children should only submit an

free or reduced-priced meal benefits. Households receiving assistance under Medicaid (HUSKY) will be notified of their eligibility and their children will be provided free or reduced-price benefits accordingly, unless the household notifies the determining official that it chooses to decline benefits. If any children were not listed on the eligibility notice, the household should contact the district or school to have free or reduced-price meal benefits extended to those children.

If a child is not directly certified, the household should complete a free and reduced-price meal application form. The application for the SNAP or TFA households require the SNAP or TFA case number and the households may be asked to provide proof of the SNAP or TFA case number. The signature of an adult household member is also required.

Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Please send in an application or contact the determining official for more information.

When known to the district/school, households will be notified of any child’s eligibility for free meals if the individual child is Other Source Categorically Eligible because the child is categorized as either: Homeless; runaway as defined by law and determined by the district’s or school’s homeless

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is correct.

Under the provisions of the policy for determining eligibility for free and reduced-price meals, the determining official, 203-891-8020 x1208, cmaltaisla@orange2-ed.org will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the determining official, he/she may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official, he/she may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. If he/she wishes to make a formal appeal, a request either orally or in writing, may be made to Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Vince Scarpetti, 203-891-8020 x1200 for a hearing to appeal the decision.

The policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure. Each school and the central office of the school district has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by an interested party.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if household size changes at any time, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for reduced-price meals, free meals, or free milk, if the family income falls at or below the levels shown in the Income Guidelines.

Questions regarding the application process may be directed to the determining official at 203-891-8020 x1208.

This is the Public Release we will send in August to the following news media outlets and the local unemployment office.

1. Orange Town News
2. Milford/Orange Bulletin
3. Orange Times
4. Department of Labor - CT

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(1) mail:
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

(2) fax:
(202) 690-7442; or

(3) email:
program.intake@usda.gov.
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Connelly Named Interim Superintendent of Schools

The Amity Regional School Board of Education has appointed James A. Connelly as Interim Superintendent effective July 1, 2018. Mr. Connelly will serve until a permanent superintendent is appointed later this fall according to Christopher Browe, Amity Board of Education chair. Mr. Connelly has served as an interim superintendent in 9 school districts in Connecticut since retiring as Superintendent of Schools in Bridgeport. His most recent assignment was in Stamford, and his past experience includes Woodbridge. He also works with the New England School Development Council as an education consultant specializing in executive searches. He has conducted more than 30 searches for superintendents and other school administrators. Connelly holds a Master of Arts degree and Professional Diploma of Advanced Studies from Teachers College, Columbia University, and a Bachelor of Science degree from Southern Connecticut State University.

Mr. Connelly indicated that he is looking forward to bringing continuity and stability to Amity as the District



James A. Connelly

searches for a new superintendent after the resignation of Dr. Charles Dumais. He said, “Amity is a highly regarded and well resourced district. I look forward to being an active part of the community as we facilitate and implement the initiatives and programs of the Board of Education and staff during my role as a bridge between Dr. Dumais and the new superintendent who is selected.”

New Technology, Teachers & Traditions

MARKING ORANGE’S NEW SCHOOL YEAR

BY MELLISA NICEFARO
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

When Orange students came back to school after summer break, it was clear that the custodial and maintenance staff had not had much of a break, getting the schools prepared for the new year. But what wasn’t quite so obvious was the improvements that happened behind the scenes, particularly regarding technology, teaching staff and celebrations.

Upgrades to the district website include a way for parents now to report students’ absence online. “Go to ‘Family Resources’ on the district’s main page and fill out a form and the results will be submitted to the office staff at that child’s school,” explained IT Director Matt Ullring. “We’ve also added a safety tips hotline. It’s basically so that we can receive anonymous or non-anonymous tips from the public to improve on student safety.” The website was also made more accessible for those who are hearing or visually impaired.

Summer projects included wiring additions, curriculum enhancements and hardware move and maintenance.

“We’ve added ethernet ports to each classroom so that teachers can plug their laptops in and get much faster internet speeds,” Ullring says.

“We’ve implemented PowerTeacher Pro for teachers to use as their new grading and attendance system. It’s web-based and easier to use compared to its predecessor, PowerSchool Gradebook, which had to be downloaded, installed and then teachers had to log into it. Now, with one click, it brings them right into their gradebook,” he says. With the new solution will come newly designed report cards, which will take on a whole new look this year.

Next, the schools’ speaker systems will be replaced. Currently each school has a speaker system that is on one zone and when an announcement is made, the whole neighborhood hears it. “We’re working on separating the outdoor speakers from the indoor speakers so that the outdoor ones can only be used for lockdown drills or emergencies,” explains Ullring.

“Technology touches everything that

STUDENT NEWS

Dean’s List
Connecticut College

New London, CT - Jenna Ortoleva, Class of 2021 at Connecticut College, has been named to the dean’s list for the 2018 spring semester, Ortoleva is an undeclared major.

Stevenson University

Owings Mills, MD -- The Dean’s List recognizes full-time undergraduate students whose academic achievement is outstanding in each semester. To qualify, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.50 or better and must have completed 12 credits or more during that semester. The following Orange students were named to the Dean’s List: Gabrielle DiGello,

Ariel Loewenthal, and Maggie Nichols-Reames.

Worcester State University

Megan Elizabeth Foley of Orange, CT has made dean’s list. She has also been admitted to three honor societies for her scholarship, leadership and academic success at the university. Megan is a double major in Public Health and Occupational Studies with a minor in Psychology. She intends to continue in the Master’s program after her graduation at Worcester State University. She is fiercely committed to the Worcester Community where she volunteers her time to teach Latin

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Left to Right: Dave Brown, Vice President - Human Resources, BIC North America Consumer Products; Brian Carson; Mary Fox, General Manager, BIC North America Consumer Products.

Carson Awarded BIC Scholarships

Brain Carson, son of Joanne Carson, is the recipient of a \$2,000 scholarship from the BIC Corporation. The scholarships are awarded annually to children of BIC employees and are based on the students’ scholastic achievements, community service and essay response. Carson is studying Economics at the University of Connecticut.

The BIC Scholarship Program, currently in its 48th year, continues to support future leaders and help employees’ children defray the cost of college and graduate school. BIC awarded a total of \$80,000 in merit scholarships to 40 students in the U.S.

this year and has awarded more than \$2.6 million to date.

BIC (www.bicworld.com) is a leading manufacturer of stationery products, lighters and shavers. The company’s North American headquarters is located in Shelton, Conn., and its iconic lighters are manufactured in Milford, Conn. For more than 50 years, BIC has honored the tradition of providing high-quality, affordable products that are accessible to all. Through this unwavering dedication, BIC has become one of the most recognized brands in the world today, delivering “More for your money...Always!”

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we do, in all ways of our lives,” Superintendent Vince Scarpetti says. “I’m totally excited to have the new school year beginning.”

One non-technology change that goes into effect at the start of the school year is a new wellness policy to the district. “As a friendly reminder, we will continue to have classroom celebrations with birthdays, but they will no longer consist of food and we are thinking of creative ways to celebrate

your children’s birthdays,” Scarpetti says.

Scarpetti announced a number of new hires at each of the schools at the August meeting of the Board of Education, some filled positions left open by resignations and retirements, and a few were driven by student need. The district starts the year with 1,142 students this year, down just 11 students from last year.

“We’re staying consistent,” Scarpetti says. “That number typically continues to grow throughout the year.”

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no immigrants overcoming addiction, primarily with opioids, about health care. She teaches her lessons in full Spanish, not her native tongue several times a semester. Additionally, she has coordinated and delivered health care services to the Worcester Community through a health mobile which provides glasses and health screening to city residents. This too is voluntary. This summer she is working on completing her work in the public health major interning on the Opioid Crisis for Worcester County in Massachusetts through the Worcester Division of Public Health. She is working on a public health project which is a step

beyond the traditional DARE program and looks behind the causes of addiction; the importance to go beyond the “just say no” policy and get behind the why’s and how individual people become addicted. Much of it relates to childhood trauma and often related to sexual abuse by peers or adults.

Graduations Connecticut College

New London, CT - Charles David Pite and Claire Edwina Pite of Orange, CT was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree from Connecticut College at the 100th Commencement ceremony on May 20. Charles Pite majored in Behavioral Neuroscience and Claire Pite majored in Art and Psychology.

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all sorts of special projects, a negotiator and really has all the bells and whistles in modern policing,” Connelly says. He’ll be with the district full time, not only pulled off his general police duty as needed. The district is in the midst of a security assessment and is awaiting results from an outside firm.

Connelly will fill the role of superintendent as a search for a new leader continues. “I have been most impressed with the commitment and the high expectations of the entire Amity community during my beginning time in the district,” he said. To date, the consulting firm handling the search, JE Consult, has ascertained data by holding 14 focus meetings (one-on-

one, small group, elected officials, administration, staff, board members, and community forums) and by synthesizing information which was from over 120 Region Five members who participated in the online survey.

Among the skills sought by survey takers are: an experienced and confident effective communicator, one who understands teaching and learning and one who thinks strategically for 7-12 students. An ideal superintendent will have a collaborative and approachable leadership style, will work closely and effectively with all levels within the organization, understands and embraces complex learners, and understands the subtle difference between wants and needs. The Board of Education is interviewing candidates for the position.

Labor Day

Sept. 3

Attention Teachers!

We want to know what’s going on in your classroom!
Let us know about any fun activities or holiday projects.

You can also send us your pictures.
(Parental consent required)

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Amity Middle School – Orange Campus



Fourth Marking Period Honor Roll

First Honors
7th Grade

Alana Abrams
Faryal Akbar
Sedra Alasadi
Elizabeth Antalík
Jessa Bohan
Francis Cavallaro
Hannah Chen
Marin Cunningham
Ana DeBassio
Nicholas Digiovanni
Leo Gao
Natalie Garcia
Jack Hawes
Lucas Ketchian
Emma Kirck
Izabela Kurpios
Trevor Lavallee
Jennifer Li
Matthew Li
Si Ru Liang
June Lin
Sophia Liu
Jennifer Luo
Dylan Lyons
Grace Mahon
Nicholas Massey
Giovanni Bonazzoli
Zoe May
Maggie McDonald
Sheehan Munim
Robert Pergolotti
Sean Pivovar
Aanchal Poddar
Troy Ramos
Caitlyn Richards
Anna Saccente
Luca Santin
William Shaw
Kyra Shevis
Caitlyn Smith
Chance Starrett
Spencer Stratford
Sreenidhi Tadepalli
Holly Thorndike
Craig Wezenski
Adam Zhang
Athanasia Zikos

First Honors
8th Grade

Daniela Abreu
Anika Agrawal
Mason Beaurette
Faith Bernier
Molly Blair
Alison Bowler
Shannon Carrier
Aditi Chalasani
Cindy Chen
David Cho
Ryan Cohutt
Maria Dalle Ave
Emma DelVecchio
James Denton
Mia Dow
Keira Droney
Gillian Fuchs
Jake Genovese
Chloe Hawkins
Seamus Hennessy
Emily Hoddinott
Alexandra Hurlburt
Levi Huss
Eze Iheanacho
Greta Imre-Seres
Amir Jarad
Niharika Jog
Hannah Johnson
Zola Kneeland
Jade Krukar
Jason Kwon
Meredyth Laskowski
Du Gohn Lee
Ryan Lima
Anibal Loureda
Scott Lowder
Brodey Lu
Jessica Luo
Madison Marcus
Jason Marino
Aaron Mayerson
Bryan McMilleon
John McNabola
Kaia Melville
Ethan Moffett
Melissa Musante
John Neary
Colby O'Connor
Senara Perera
Varun Prabhu
Emma Quaranta
Akil Rajendran
Liliana Restrepo
Corey Richards
Jonathan Salado
Ryan Schumann
Aiatala Shahin
Colleen Shaw
Melanie Sherrick
Andrew Soldra
Eric Song
Pranav Sundararajan
Liam Tassiello
Julianna Tran
Adriana Tufano
Anna Varholak
Rose Wegman
Nayana Wright
Megan Wu
Tiffany Yang
Ivy Zheng
Piper Zschack

Second Honors
7th Grade

Sofia Appleby
Emily Barretta
Jayden Benichak
Katherine Cesare
Dahlia Deangelis
Mia Destival
Emilia Dottori
Millicent Fuller
Brock Goodwin
Sarah Granados
Kyle Grande
Brandon Hutchison
Leah Katz
Daniel Kim
Grayson Kuchta-Humphrey
Benjamin Lima
Marco-Alessandro Lopez Rodriguez
Sydney Melchior
Ariana Morera-Castro
Savannah Obymachow
Sophia Page
Harshil Parmar
Sarah Pultz
Olivia Sceppa
Abigail Tirollo

Second Honors
8th Grade

Rocco Antonucci
Marco Bonato
Benjamin Bae
Christian D'Astous
Ashley Daneshfar
Ava DeMaio
Anthony Duro
Yadashi Ejara
Matthew Fitol
Nickolas Geyfman
Adam Glassman
Emma Hatjopoulou
Timothy Heffernan
Claudia Homiski
Alexander Kovalsky
Daniella Landino
Alexandra Louros
Kalliopi Maniatis
Gabriel Maus
Angelina Parente
Greta Pedenski
Emma Pidlipchak
Jenna Ricciardi
Nolan Smith
Robert Stankye
Stephen Stardellis
Jaqueline Tice
Jayne Whitman

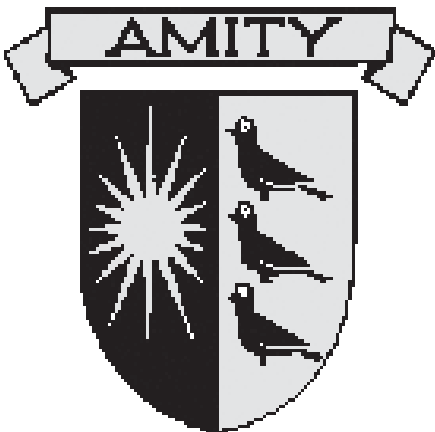
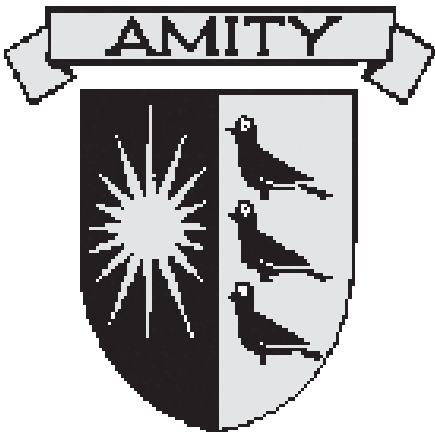


Citizenship Recognition – 7th Grade

Alana Abrams	Aleksander Duz	Sean Pivovar
Sedra Alasadi	Millicent Fuller	Aanchal Poddar
Sofia Appleby	Jack Hawes	Isabella Salvatore
Colin Aronin	Brandon Hutchison	Luca Santin
Emily Barretta	Lillian Kaempffer	Caitlyn Shanley
Giovanni Bonazzoli	Emma Kirc	Katherine Sim
Francis Cavallaro	Izabela Kurpios	Caitlyn Smith
Katherine Cesare	Si Ru Liang	Cassidy Smith
Hannah Chen	Jennifer Luo	Sreenidhi Tadepalli
Sofia Cossitt-Levy	Dylan Lyons	Holly Thorndike
Emma Curis	Grace Mahon	Abigail Tirollo
Ana DeBassio	Zoe May	Athanasia Zikos
Nicholas Digiovanni	Maggie McDonald	
Mya Dizenzo	Sydney Melchior	

Citizenship Recognition – 8th Grade

Daniela Abreu	Claudia Homiski	Emma Pidlipchak
Tasnim Aglan	Niharika Jog	Emma Quaranta
Anika Agrawal	Hannah Johnson	Josephine Querker
Benjamin Bae	Zola Kneeland	Akil Rajendran
Faith Bernier	Jasmina Krehic	Liliana Restrepo
Molly Blair	Du Gohn Lee	Olivia Romanacci
Gianna Borrelli	Anibal Loureda	Alaina Schneider
Avery Butt	Alexandra Louros	Colleen Shaw
Benjamin Cap	Brodey Lu	Melanie Sherrick
Aditi Chalsani	Jillian Lucibello	Robert Stankye
Cindy Chen	Jessica Luo	Liam Tassiello
Brett Chodos	Madison Marcus	Anna Varholak
Ryan Cohutt	Jason Marino	Rose Wegman
Keira Droney	Gabriel Maus	Brynn Weirsman
Gillian Fuchs	Cassandra Millea	Jayne Whitman
Chloe Hawkins	Ethan Moffett	Tiffany Yang
Timothy Heffernan	Melissa Musante	Ivy Zheng
Seamus Hennessy		





Firelite Shopping Center Sold

BY LAURA FANTARELLA
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Town officials are hopeful the recent sale of the dilapidated Firelite Shopping Center will mean a much-needed facelift for a prime piece of commercial real estate in town. According to town records, the 54,791 square-foot center was sold by Orange Holdings LLC to 35 Old Tavern Road LLC for \$3.8 million. Records in the secretary of the state’s office indicate one of the principals in the LLC that purchased the property is Robert Sachs of Branford who is a principal in the development of Fieldstone Farms Estates. In May, the property was listed with Arnold Peck Commercial World for \$4.4 million.

At one time the Firelite, which borders Racebrook and Old Tavern roads and runs parallel to the Post Road, was a thriving center which housed a popular bridal shop, meat market, bakery, skate shop and eateries. Upon its recent sale, most of the stores were vacant and a nail shop, Chinese restaurant and bank are among the few businesses that remain on the 6.6-acre property.

Refurbishing that area was a hot topic during last year’s campaign for

First Selectman. First Selectman Jim Zeoli maintains that residents expect the town to redevelop run-down retail spots in town and don’t realize they are owned by private individuals over which the town has no control. The Firelite is among several properties the town has targeted for potential redevelopment. While he does not know what’s in store for the Firelite, and whether the new developer has plans to demolish or refurbish the existing structure, Zeoli says he’s excited about the possibilities. “Preliminary talks with the new developers have been positive and although I don’t know any specifics, there have been some good ideas,” he said. “We want something that works for the residents and is also financially viable.” Robert Sachs could not be reached for comment.

In 2016 the Town Plan and Zoning Commission denied an application by a New York Limited Liability Company, Roeco, LLC, to amend the Orange Zoning Regulations to create a “Town Center District” (TCD) at the shopping center. The new zone would have permitted mixed-use development of the property with residential dwellings and retail stores that allows people to live, work, and shop in close proximity.

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Teaching Our Children About Money

BY ROBERTA L. NESTOR

Who is educating our children about personal finance? According to a New York Times article written in January, most states are severely lacking when it comes to teaching high school students about finance. The 2017 Financial Report card (compiled by Champlain College’s Center for Financial Literacy) only gave 5 states an A grade for their efforts to promote financial literacy. Twenty-seven states received a C, D or even F grade! Sadly, CT was one of the few that received an F. In CT personal finance in our state is not included with graduation requirements, and further, it is not required to be offered in any form. However, in 2021 it is slated that our state will offer personal finance as an elective and count toward the career and life skills that will be required. In the meantime – parents have to step up to the plate.

You can encourage good financial habits at any age! For example for ages 4 and younger, consider toys that incorporate counting. If you go to Amazon and search for “mathematic and counting toys” there are several pages of results. For ages 5 – 7, good old-fashioned board games that highlight financial decisions that are educational and fun (The Game of Life and Monopoly). This is also a good age to begin a traditional bank savings account. Typically between ages 7 – 12 is a good time to introduce having an allowance and helping them to manage it. Allowances should be scheduled (weekly, monthly, etc.), be consistent and come with a discussion of how much should be saved, spent donated or invested.

There are websites and apps galore for young children that encourage savings. Spend some time on www.moneysavvy.com. They actually have a piggy bank that can be purchased that has different slots for savings – one for savings, another for spending, donations and lastly investing. Web and app based “Monetta” offers educational games that are interactive as well as a quizzes and a quarterly newsletter. The “Money Puzzle” app gives financial awards for correct answers to math questions. Another app that covers specific learning techniques for grades 1 – 12 is [\[inghouse.org\]\(http://inghouse.org\). Lastly, the “Centsables” is a financial literacy program that uses superheroes to make learning more interesting and fun.

As your children get into their young teens, it will be time to have the “money talk”. Try to be open about family finances and discuss the family spending habits. Help them to understand how and why some purchases are done with a credit card, versus a debit card or cash. Parents might even share their own short and long-term financial goals. These conversations are especially important during the teen years, and relevant when they get their first paycheck. Sit down and help them understand what taxes are and where that money goes. They should even be made aware about tax returns and the basics of income tax filing.

Books still rule, especially when it comes to education and MoneySavvy.com has some recommendations for teens and parents. “O.M.G. – the Official Money Guide”, “Growing Money: A Complete Investing Guide for Kids”, “Smart Money Smart Kids: Raising the Next Generation to Win with Money” and “Raising Financially Confident Kids” are all great places to start. Don’t hesitate to ask your financial advisor for ideas on helping you to educate your children about money. They have so many resources and would more than likely enjoy meeting with your children to give them a basic educational session to guide them with financial literacy.

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Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church Presents

Odyssey: A Greek Festival

38th Annual Labor Day Weekend Festival
to Feature All Things Greek including Greek Cuisine, Live Music, Greek Dancing and More

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church announced details regarding ODYSSEY 2018: A Greek Festival, to be held August 31 through September 3. This 4-day party features all things Greek, including mouthwatering cuisine, live music, dancing, and a bustling Hellenic agora (marketplace). Set on the grounds of the beautiful Byzantine-style Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, ODYSSEY 2018 offers something for everyone.

ODYSSEY 2018 includes:

- › Classic Greek cuisine – appetizers (meze), Greek pastries (glyka), lamb on the spit (souvla), mous-saka, gyro, spanakopita (spinach pie) and pastitisio (Greek style lasagna)
- › “Gourmet Meze Grille” – gourmet appetizers, including saganaki (flaming cheese), gyro platter, loukaniko sausage, grilled shrimp, avgolemono soup, dips and pitas, and more
- › Live Greek cooking demonstrations – learn to prepare some classic Greek foods
- › Greek marketplace – Gourmet Greek grocery, t-shirts, jewelry, arts & crafts, bookstore
- › Treasures ‘n Junque – Odyssey’s giant tag sale
- › Presentations on Greek culture and religion, along with tours of Saint Barbara Church
- › Greek dance performances –Traditional Greek folk dances per-

- formed by the ODYSSEY Dancers
- › Greek dance lessons – taught by the ODYSSEY Dancers (8:45 pm, Sat and Sun)
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Meal Delivery and Meetinghouse Café

Elaine Marcucio, owner of New England Young at Heart, has launched a Home Meal Delivery Program. The program has been a huge success thus far. Meals are \$12, made fresh and delivered right to your door. This program is great for aging adults who cannot cook or just don’t want to anymore. Marcucio cooks everything and utilizes vegetables from local farms. Marcucio has been cooking and coordinating programs for 27 years. New England Young at Heart hosts many programs at various locations throughout CT - with dancing, shopping, laughing, and, of course, food. For more information, to sign up for meals or receive our online newsletter call 203-887-5047 or email neyoungatheart@gmail.com or go to www.neyoungatheart.com.

This is a unique program and it is much needed here in CT. With more and more aging adults staying in their homes it adds stress to their children or caregivers to make sure they are getting a nutritious home style meal. Gift certificates are available! These make wonderful gifts. August’s menu is available.
One location that Marcucio calls home is the new Meeting House Cafe located in the Woodbridge Center, 4 Meetinghouse Lane, Woodbridge. Hours are Monday - Friday from 8-2pm. You don’t have to be a member to stop in and grab a fresh baked muffin, delicious soup, sandwich or a treat!! Stop in, say hello, and grab a bite!

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If you are interested in learning more about estate planning for young adults, please visit our website and read our blog for recent posts. For advice specific to you or your family, please contact the office. We would be glad to meet with you for a no hassle, no charge initial consultation, no matter how long it lasts.



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Explore Your Creativity At The JCC Makerspace

The MakerSpace is a place where people of all ages have an opportunity to explore their own interests: learn to use tools and materials--both physical and virtual-- and develop creative projects. The JCC's MakerSpace features approximately 900 square feet of creative outlet in two rooms: a "clean" side with computers, sewing machines, 3-D printer, and design/craft tables; and a "messy" side, which hosts 10+ workstations equipped for woodworking, metal work, ceramics, painting, and more. People of all ages can take classes for guided projects, or attend one of the open studio times to work on independent projects in a community setting.

Equipment including a CNC Router, 3D printer, drill press, potter's wheels, and scroll saws, as well as wifi-connected laptops are available for use with proper safety training. The MakerSpace at the J offers classes, workshops, and presentations focused on Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics.

Crafternoon, Jr. (Grades K-2) - Using a variety of materials, students will work to complete an age appropriate craft each week to take home. Mondays, October 8 - December 17, 4 - 5:15PM, Member/\$110, Community/\$125.

Makerspace Crafternoon (Grades 3+) - Using a variety of materials, students will work to complete an age appropriate craft each week to take home. Wednesdays, September 26 - December 12, 4 - 5:15 PM, Member/\$125, Community/\$140.

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Maker Club (Grades 2+) - Join a hands-on club where our mission is to provide a safe space where children can make, explore, and experiment. Students will make group projects as well as projects to take home. Tuesdays, October 9 - December 11, 4 - 5:15 PM, Member/\$110, Community/\$125.

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Register For The Eighth Annual Murray Lender 5k Bagel Run Today!

The Eighth Annual Murray Lender 5K Bagel Run, sponsored by Titan Energy, will be held on Sunday, September 16, 2018 at the JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road in Woodbridge. The 5K race begins at 9:30 on our USATF Certified Course. The course starts on the JCC Campus and winds up through the JCC Day Camp site and into a beautiful residential Woodbridge neighborhood. At the same time, a two-mile Family Fitness Walk will be held. Groups are encouraged to participate both in the 5k and Family Fun Walk. Free race event t-shirts are provided to pre-registered participants of both the 5K and Family Fitness Walk. In addition to the 5K, we have a free Kids Fun Run that starts the day off, at 8:45 a.m., also located on the JCC Campus.

The Bagel Run has been held annually since 2011, but was dedicated and renamed to The Murray Lender 5k Bagel Run, in 2012. Lender was a leader in the community, planning many events for communal organizations and causes over the years. He was the driving force in creating the 360 Amity Road Campus for the JCC. While the rest of the world knows him and his brother Marvin for their bagels, the Murray Lender 5K Bagel Run now pays homage to his generous spirit and love for the community.

We are pleased to announce that Titan Energy will again be our Title Sponsor for the day. Titan Energy, our title sponsor since 2014, is a national provider of maintenance and repair service for power generators, switches and UPS.

The fun continues after the race with a bounce house and pony rides for kids, a DJ playing all the hits, great food and refreshment tables and of course, lots of bagels. This year there will be free pre- and post-run massages and trainer-assisted stretching. Food for the event is donated by local bakeries, grocery stores, and even made in the kitchens of JCC Members and staff.

Stick around after the race for the awards ceremony held at 10:30 a.m., when participants are awarded medals made from real bagels. There are also opportunities to take photos with



Benny, learn about upcoming JCC and community programming, and find out your race time.

Register in advance at jccnh.org/registration-bagel-run for only \$25 and receive a free t-shirt, or register on the day of the race for \$30. The kid's obstacle course is free. To become a sponsor, visit jccnh.org/sponsor-bagel-run. For more information, visit jccnh.org/bagel-run or contact JCC Fitness Director Susan Donovan at susand@jccnh.org or (203) 387-2424 ext. 265.

New In Woodbridge – Indoor Climbing

Indoor rock climbing has become increasingly popular in recent years – and for good reason. It's a thrilling experience that builds strength, endurance, and character. Rock climbing activates both small and large muscle groups. It develops foot and hand muscles and builds lower body strength as well as lean muscle mass. Rock climbing doesn't only work on your muscles, but it also contributes to cardiovascular strength, similar to the impact of climbing up a steep hill. Climbing for one hour can burn more than 700 calories.

Aside from the physical benefits, climbing increases brain function and alleviates stress. Climbers need to be highly focused and mentally engaged as they plan their route to the top. Deciding exactly where to reach, how to use body weight, and how to progress

requires creative problem solving and concentration. Rock climbing presents challenges that help build character and improve our ability to conquer real-life challenges. It trains us to overcome our fears, grow a trust in our own abilities, and build determination to name but a few examples.

The new Rothberg Family Climbing Wall at the JCC offers beginners and intermediate climbers a safe, secure, and supervised climbing experience. The 36-by 20-foot L-shaped wall includes three custom-built overhangs with a custom-built crack climb feature. It also boasts a 32-foot-by -8-foot area with a 10-degree slope children's traverse wall with two ledge features. The system also includes three Perfect Descent auto belays and four regular top rope relay systems and safety harnesses.

Offerings include classes for all ages and open climb sessions which are free for JCC members and \$15 for community members. Open climb sessions are Sundays 10-12 p.m. (adults 18+), Sundays 2-3:30 p.m. (families), Wednesdays 5-6:30 p.m. (all ages), and Saturdays 8-9:30 p.m. (all ages). Visit jccnh.org or call (203) 387-2424 for additional information.

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To learn more, attend ONE of our volunteer information meetings:

- East Haven Library, 227 Main Street (back entrance): 7/24 at 11am, 8/16 at 3pm and 9/6 at 11am.
- Miller Library, 2901 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden in the Friend's Room (2nd floor): 7/31 at 11am and 8/23 at 3pm.
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LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Orange Resident Appointed as Sales Representative

Saisystems Health is pleased to announce the appointment of a new Sales Associate, David Attolino of Orange. “I was impressed with David’s interpersonal communication skills,” said President, Manoj Wadhwani. “He came to the table with great ideas and an infectious drive to succeed.”

Attolino graduated from the University of Connecticut in May 2017 with a Bachelor’s in Economics, focusing on healthcare business and management. He joins Saisystems Health with more than four years’ sales experience, previously managing major clients at a durable medical equipment manufacturer and growing existing accounts by 15%. In his spare time, Attolino played college football and has coached Special Olympics for nearly nine years.

His personal and professional background adds character to an ever-evolving sales team. “He is a problem solver and performs well under pressure. Those skills are invaluable in a fast-paced industry like healthcare. I am confident he will make big strides for us,” said Wadhwani.

In his new role, Attolino will focus on growing the medical coding and billing business, engaging providers and practices to improve their revenue cycle management processes. He will also transcend efforts into the care management business, providing aux-



David Attolino

iliary support to clinical department leads.

The addition of Attolino comes after a strong second quarter performance from the health business of parent company, Saisystems International. The team looks forward to growing existing accounts and implementing innovative strategies to win new clients.

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OEDC’s 12th Annual Golf Tournament

The Orange Economic Development Corporation will be hosting its 12th Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, September 7, 2018 at Orange Hills Country Club, 389 Racebrook Road, Orange. Once again, the OEDC is partnering with the Rotary Club of Orange and a portion of the proceeds will go to Rotary Club of Orange Youth Services Program.

Check-in begins at 11 am at the clubhouse, where players will receive tournament gifts, can purchase raffle tickets and have lunch, while waiting for the shotgun start at Noon sharp. This year, lunch is being provided by Vazzy’s of Stratford. Massage Green will be providing 10-minute chair massages during this time. Along the course, snacks and drinks will be available and Eli’s will be providing its



famous Philly Egg Rolls. Tournament price is \$175 per golfer and includes the following:

- › 18 Holes of golf with cart;
- › Tournament gift;
- › Lunch;
- › Massages;
- › Snacks and drinks on the course;
- › Contests – Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive (Men & Women)

- and Hole-in-One;
- › Dinner and drinks at Orange Ale House; and
- › Cigars (provided by Orange Cigar & More).

After the tournament, the fun continues at the Orange Ale House with cocktails and appetizers beginning at 4:30 pm, with dinner following at 5 pm. Awards and raffle prize winners will be

announced during dinner. Annmarie Sliby, Executive Director says, “The tournament is a great way to have some fun while networking with peers and coworkers.”

Non-golfers can purchase dinner-only tickets at \$45.

The OEDC is accepting registrations. Note: singles, doubles and triples can be accommodated. Please call 203-891-1045 to register or register online at www.OrangeEDC.com/Events_Activities. The OEDC is also accepting Tee Sign sponsors--call if interested.

Our sponsors include: Cohen and Wolf, Eagle Leasing, Eli’s Restaurant Orange, NORTHEAST Electronics, Massage Green, Orange Ale House, Orange Cigar and More, Tamaro Oil Corporation, and Vazzy’s of Stratford.

LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP



Decorated horse at Saratoga Springs, NY.

Traveland Opens On Racebrook Road

By Laura Fantarella
Orange Town News Correspondent

If you'd like an expert to help plan your next excursion, Traveland, a full-service travel agency recently opened its doors on Racebrook Road. The family business, owned by brothers Eitan, Tamir and Oded Battat, is celebrating its move to Orange and its 40th anniversary with a month of giveaways and special events.

The Battats are already seeing new faces among the many Traveland customers who followed them from their former Shelton location. "The town made it very easy for us to move in. We were in Shelton one day and open for business in Orange the next," Battat said. "We love our new space, we like where we are and how close we are to the Post Road. Our staff loves the building and the grounds – it's a huge upgrade over what we used to have. We're very happy we made the move."

The public is invited to Traveland's grand opening on September 27, and to a month of events including intimate, free travel seminars throughout the month of October.

The company has three divisions—conventional vacation packages; a luxury cruise department to meet the growing demand for travelers who want a more exclusive cruise experience; and a group and student travel division.

The property is a non-conforming commercial use in a residential neighborhood that has been home to an array of businesses since the 1950s, including a farm equipment store, furniture store, and later a florist, travel agency and professional office space. The Battats purchased it from Frank D'Ostilio who operated William Orange Realty there from 1988-2005 and most recently leased it to Coldwell Banker Real Estate.

OEDC Gets OK for Oxen Mascots

By Laura Fantarella
Orange Town News Correspondent

Residents and visitors to town will soon be greeted by a "stampede" of fiberglass renderings of the town's mascot – the ox. The life-sized bovine, decorated and designed by local artists, will feature unique, acrylic-painted patterns and be installed in areas that will draw attention to the town's retail centers and historical spots.

The Town Plan & Zoning Commission gave the go ahead – with safety stipulations – for the Orange Economic Development Corporation to move forward with the plan it calls the "Orange Stampede" to use public art to promote the town's retail districts. According to Executive Director Annmarie Sliby, businesses and even residents will have the opportunity to sponsor and personalize their own five by eight-foot oxen which might include a company logo or advertising to bring in customers. Each ox is expected to cost approximately \$2,000 for design

and installation. "Businesses in a strip mall would have the option of chipping in on it together and splitting the costs," Sliby said. The structures will be installed in June and taken down in September. "It's a very unique type of fun, community event," Sliby said. "I hope we get enough interest to have the oxen in a lot of different places. It will be fun for a lot of people -- maybe at some point we could even have tours to see the different oxen around town." Sliby used Saratoga Springs, New York, with its structures of horses and ballet slippers positioned around town and even Milford as examples of towns that have similar artistic renderings.

The Commission unanimously approved the concept of the plan but emphasized each installation must be approved by the Zoning Enforcement Officer to make sure it complies with traffic sight lines and other zoning regulations. "It's a good idea, I like it, I just want to see it done safely," said TPZC chairman Ozzie Parente.

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Summer campers at Orange Community Nursery School enjoyed a Disney theme week. Campers enjoyed Disney themed games, projects, stories and songs. Campers ended the week dressed as their favorite Disney character. OCNS will be back to school September 11 at our new temporary location at First Church of Woodbridge.



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Build A Better Birdhouse

The Orange Arts and Culture Council is encouraging young and old alike to create a birdhouse, to be entered in the Orange Country Fair, to be held on September 15 and 16. Birdhouses can be built from scratch or, if that's more creative than you can handle, purchase an unpainted birdhouse and paint away. All entries are welcome. Take a chance and enter an "objet d'art."

Let your imagination run wild. Birdhouses might be humorous, whimsical, colorful or just plain "over the top" in design. Materials can be anything from a log to a cardboard box to an elegant wooden mini-mansion birdhouse. If painting isn't your thing, look around your house for materials that might enhance your design...artificial flowers, greeting cards cut up and glued on to the birdhouse, or get glitzy and use your old costume jewelry. Get those

creative juices going and give the house a title or name that will bring a smile to those who see it.

The birdhouse division, open to child or adult, is Birdhouse Design Fun Department 16. Entry blanks can be found in the fair book, which is available at the Town Hall and Case Memorial Library. Adult and Youth Entry blanks can also be downloaded from the web by going to OrangeCountryFair.com, listed under Departments. Mail entries to: Orange Country Fair, 874 Grassy Hill Road, Orange 06477. Birdhouses are to be brought to the OACC Tent in front of the Exhibition Building on the Orange Country Fair grounds on Friday, September 14 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

For questions concerning the birdhouses, contact Liz Gesler at 203-795-5133.

Wepawaug-CT Valley-West Rock Chapter of Hadassah

The Wepawaug-CT Valley-West Rock Chapter of Hadassah will meet on Tuesday, September 4th at 7:30 pm at the High Plains Community Center Cafeteria, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange. Joyce Saltman, noted comedian, laughter consultant, author and Life Member of Hadassah will speak on "A Humorous Look on Sex and Aging." Members, husbands, significant others and friends are invited to attend.

Please RSVP to wepawaug@gmail.com.

Hadassah is a philanthropic and educational volunteer organization that supports medical care and research at the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem. Hadassah empowers its members through opportunities for personal growth, education, and advocacy.

For membership information, contact marjoriewiener@yahoo.com.

Garden Club Begins Holiday Plans

Members of The Garden Club of Orange met at the Osborne Homestead Museum in mid-July to begin planning for the museum's holiday event. Each year for several weeks in the winter the museum home is decorated with a unique theme for Christmas and the holidays by area garden clubs.

This year "A Story Book Holiday" will have each of the rooms featuring a favorite childhood story. The Garden Club of Orange will decorate the dining room based on the story of Snow White. Larry Huzi and Teresa Evangelista have created a prototype for the seven dwarfs and Snow White and committee members will be implementing the design.

For further information regarding the museum visit its website www.ct.gov/deep/kellogg.

The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT, NEG, & NEC. For membership information call Joanne Friedrichs 795-4266.



Larry Huzi and Grumpy

Correction: In our July 27th issue, page 22, the title of the article, "Garden Club Member Exhibits At Florence Frisold Museum" should have read, "Garden Club Member Exhibits At Florence Griswold Museum".

Conservation Commission Asking For Photos

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

visit them.

We will display the pictures at our booth in the Civic Tent at the Orange Country Fair – showcasing our favorites for all to see. Send pictures to orangeconscomm@gmail.com by September 7th, then come by to see us at the Fair September 15-16th.

New England Birds of Prey

ORANGE LAND TRUST AT THE ORANGE COUNTRY FAIR

The Orange Land Trust (OLT) is pleased and excited to have Wingmaster Julie Collins present another captivating and enthralling Birds of Prey program featuring new birds at the Orange Country Fair. The program has become so popular that a larger tent will be used to accommodate guests more comfortably. The presentation will be on Saturday and Sunday September 15th and 16th 2018. Live raptors along with some new birds will be featured, focusing on the New England region.

The Orange Country Fair is held at the fairgrounds on Orange Center Road. Each day there will be four ½ hour presentations - 10:30, 11:30,

12:30 and 1:30

Julie Collier has been working with The Orange Land Trust for many years, and has been an advocate of open space. "loss of habitat is the biggest problem for these birds, and groups like the Orange Land Trust work to preserve open space much needed by so many birds.

In the OLT tent you will find information on walking, hiking, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. See our photo display and sale of pen and ink note cards designed by Michael Obymachow. Also available are Tee shirts featuring a bird of prey drawn by Julie Collier. Proceeds to benefit the OLT.



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Unique Ways To Use Newspapers In The Classroom

Today's students have numerous devices at their disposal that can make learning more fun. Teachers may rely on such devices to engage students, but one more traditional teaching tool can still be an asset in the classroom.

Newspapers have changed considerably over the last decade-plus, but they still can serve teachers and students alike.

The following are a handful of ways for teachers to incorporate newspapers into their lesson plans.

Use newspapers to teach geography. Whether they're local, national or international periodicals, newspapers contain stories from all over the globe. Teachers tasked with teaching students about world geography can assign each student an article about a newsworthy event taking place in a given country. Kids can then write a report about that country, including information about its location in the world, its citizens and its history.

Use newspapers to teach vocabulary. Perhaps no resource is more valuable than newspapers when teaching vocabulary. Assign each student a story or stories from the newspaper, instructing them to underline or jot down between five and 10 words they are unfamiliar with as they read. Once they have finished reading their assigned articles, students can then look up and write down the meaning of each word, ultimately handing in their list of words and/or sharing those words and their meanings with their classmates.

Use newspapers to teach mathematics. While newspapers are often touted as great tools to teach reading comprehension and vocabulary, they also can be used to teach math lessons. For example, newspaper classified sections typically list dozens, if not hundreds, of items for sale. Assign each student 10 vehicles listed in the clas-

sified section and ask them to calculate the average asking prices of these vehicles. Another potential lesson is to ask kids to determine the percentage breakdown of

each section of the newspaper. You can then explore the reasons why certain sections may be given more ink than others.

Use newspapers to teach current events. The world is an interesting place, and newspapers are great resources for people looking to keep up with all that is going on in the world. While current events can sometimes be confusing for young students, newspaper reporters aim to convey complicated topics in ways that readers of all ages and backgrounds can understand. By assigning newspaper articles as part of their students' current events assignments, teachers can help students gain a better understanding of what's going on in their world.

While newspapers may have changed considerably over the last several years, they still make great teaching tools that can benefit instructors and students alike.





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Q: I've seen previews for a new, live-action **"The Little Mermaid."** Is there anything you can tell me about it? It looks really good! -- Jeanette F. in Florida

A: You can catch the fantasy drama -- which stars **William Moseley, Poppy Drayton, Shirley MacLaine** and **Gina Gershon** -- in theaters now. I spoke with Poppy, who plays Elizabeth, the mermaid, and she told me all about it: "It follows the story of a young man called Cam and his little niece Elle. He's an investigative journalist, and he goes to a town in Mississippi to find out more about this healing water. In the process, he discovers a circus where a mermaid, Elizabeth, is being held captive -- an evil lord has caged her soul and her spirit. It's all about their attempt to rescue her and set her free."

"It's a really beautiful, beautiful story, and **Blake Harris**, who's the writer and director, wrote a beautiful script that immediately captured the hearts of all of us involved. The power of belief is incredible, and if you can try to not allow your mind to get confused or bogged down by things and keep a childlike wonder for the world, hopefully magical things will happen."

"There's a lovely quote by **Ron Wild** that says, 'Seek the wisdom of the ages, but look at the world through the eyes of a child.' That quote really captures what the movie's about."

Q: Is there any news about another season of **"Documentary Now!"**? -- Scott H., via email

A: The hilarious **Fred Armisen/Bill Hader** mockumentary series premieres its seven-episode third season on Feb. 20 at 10/9c on IFC. One installment I am particularly looking forward to is the segment that stars Oscar-winning actress **Cate Blanchett**. She stars in a takeoff of the much-lauded 2012 documentary "Marina Abramovic: The



Poppy Drayton [Poppy Drayton]

Artist Is Present."

The episode, which is titled "Waiting for the Artist," follows Izabella Barta (played by Cate) as she "prepares for a major career retrospective." Izabella also is reconciling with her former lover Dimo Van Omen (played by Fred Armisen), who is an infamous figure in the art world. Other guest stars this season include **Taran Killam, John Mulaney, James Urbaniak, Richard Kind, Paula Pell** and **Renee Elise Goldsberry**.

Q: Are **Matt Damon** and **Ben Affleck** going to collaborate on anything soon? It's been a while. -- Jack F., via email

A: Yes, they are. Fox recently bought the story rights to the McDonald's Monopoly game scandal that hit the news a few months back, wherein an ex-cop rigged the game and allegedly stole more than \$24 million, which was shared among himself and fellow co-conspirators. Ben is attached to direct and Matt will star in the big-screen adaptation of **"How an Ex-cop Rigged McDonald's Monopoly Game and Stole Millions"** by **Jeff Maysh**, detailing the years-long heist that surprised the nation when the news was first published in July in "The Daily Beast."

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Back Row: Assistant Coach Mike Antalík, Megan Kirck, Bailey Jordan, Sydney Manzione, Assistant Coach John Manzione, Cosette Zito, Libby Antalík, Grace Carrington, Assistant Coach John Costanzo, Head Coach Matthew Fletcher; Front Row: Avery Dillon, Bella Costanzo, Sophia Vitiello, Mya DiZenzo, Hannah Fletcher.

Amity Softball Little League Completes First Season

Orange and Bethwood Softball Little Leagues merged organizations to create “Amity Softball Little League” this year. They started off what we hope to be the first of many successful

seasons by earning the CT District 4 Championship Title for the 12U All-Star Softball Division! Congratulations to all. Pictured on Stankye Field at Old Taven Park on July 3rd 2018.

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Orange Little League

ANNUAL ELECTION

Orange Little League, Inc., a non profit organization providing baseball and softball to Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge youth, will be holding an election for the positions listed below. Interested candidates may apply to be nominated as officers/directors of the organization. The election will take place 7:00 p.m. on October 17, 2018 at the Orange Board of Education meeting room. Attendees will enter through Mary L. Tracy, 650 Schoolhouse Lane, Orange. In order to be eligible, the deadline to enter your name for a position is October 10, 2018. The terms of office are one year. Candidates must submit to and pass a criminal background check.

If you are interested in running for any position, please contact **BOTH** Frank Lee, Nominating Committee Chairman at flee224@gmail.com AND Mike Visnic, President at OLL1@optonline.net. Subject Line: OLL Elections

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

The positions are:

• President

• Treasurer

• Secretary

• Facilities Director

• Safety Officer

• IT Officer

• Snack Bar Supervisor

• Executive VP Counsel

• Communications Director

• VP Hardball

• Player Agent Hardball

• Fundraising Hardball

• Umpire in Chief Hardball

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Amity Grad Honored By Red Sox For Volunteerism

BY LAURA FANTARELLA
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Michaela Kraut, a 2018 graduate of Amity Regional High School, is known for Irish Step Dancing her way around the community, brightening the day at senior citizen homes, veteran facilities and hospitals. One weekend a year, she can also be relied upon to volunteer in the Lions Club food tent at the Orange Country Fair. She spends her Election Days checking in voters at the town’s polling places. She volunteers because wants to, not because she has to.

Like most dads, Bill Kraut, chairman of the Orange Board of Education, thinks his daughter is pretty special. This summer, the Boston Red Sox found her to be pretty special too. Michaela was honored with a New England Red Sox Service Scholarship for \$1,000 toward her tuition at the University of Rhode Island for her freshman year. Undecided between majoring in marketing and physical therapy, she’s taking classes for both. In addition to the scholarship, there was an added bonus: she, along with other honorees, were recognized at a Red Sox game and spent some time volunteering for the team’s foundation where she met David Ortiz, better known as Big Papi. “I was applying for scholarships in the winter of my senior year and my guidance counselor mentioned the Red Sox scholarship, so I figured I’d give it a shot. I didn’t think I would get it!” she says. “So, I did my resume, filled out the application and wrote an essay about community service and sent it in.”

In June she received a call on her cell phone from a number in Massachusetts that she did not recognize. “I was curious who it was, so I googled it and it was the Red Sox!” she says. “I’m a very proud dad, to say the least,” said

Bill Kraut.

Michaela says, “We got two tickets to a game, we were on the field before the game and were on the jumbotron above the stadium. We received red bats and our New England service scholarships.” The day after the game, the group of about 20 honorees were asked to come back to work in the Fenway Victory Garden in Boston. “So, we were mulching, laying wood chips, weeding and picking up waste, so we did that for a while,” she jokes. Then the big surprise came: Big Papi’s visit.

“I was so excited. We’re big Red Sox fans. I have been since I was little,” she says. “So, he took a picture with the group, and then I asked him to take a picture with me and he did. And then I went back to cleaning up and that was it!”

In her essay, Michaela wrote, “I participate in community service for the enjoyment of being with other volunteers and being a part of something that will benefit someone else in need.” She more than doubled the 100 hours that Amity High School students are requested to do. “For me, it’s not about requirement,” she wrote. In addition to performing before senior citizens and veterans, she also participates in the Special Olympics each June.

“I volunteer to do this show every year and look forward to it every time because not only am I doing what I love by performing on stage and showcasing Irish Step Dancing, but making the competitors feel happy,” she wrote. “At the end of the show my dance teacher asks everyone to come up and dance with us. When they are with us, the smiles on their faces are priceless. They are so happy and having such a good time that it makes me happy to be able to provide a special moment for them.”



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- Orange Community Town Pool from 6pm - 7pm

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ARAC is a developmental competitive swim club. Swimmers are placed into practice groups based on age, ability and endurance as determined by the coaching staff. ARAC attends several competitive USA sanctioned swim meets each season.

There will be a new parent meeting on September 4th during try-outs for you to get more information and meet the head coach. No pre-registration required! Registration will begin 20 minutes before each session.

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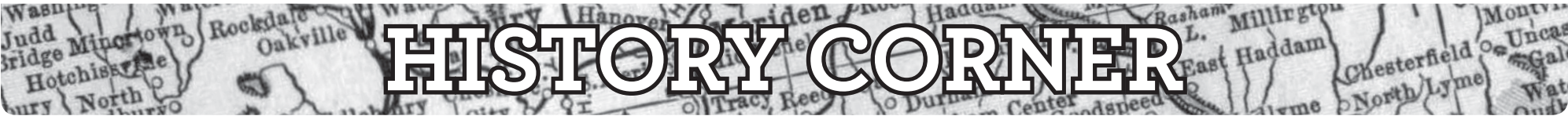


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A Departure Continued...

The Rest Of The Story

Neomy, to me, was not just a girl of whom one could take liberties of the boy and girl phenomenon, not even to the kissing, for she was something very special, a precious treasure I knew I would eventually lose, but for the moment, she was everything I had and if it were possible for me to put her in satin and cotton like a precious jewel, I would have but there we were, time after time, getting together, walking in the sun, knowing all the while that the dark clouds were gathering, as her cough became more severe, as medication and the occasional medical examination in most primitive circumstances, did not help her.

Time and time again, I thought how wonderful it would be if I could take her to my room, to arrange for her to spend her sleeping hours there, to get her away from that miserable place, but now in summer time atmosphere, how wonderful it would be if I could have my Neomy sleep in my room, always knowing that I would not even touch her other than to hold her tight, but this was a different era, I was naive, almost as naive as she was and this was not the thing to do.

I had gone to her this Sunday, the sun shone bright and very warm in Athens that day. She begged not to walk too far that day and we went just a little distance to the ancient stadium with its tiers and tiers of marble seats arranged in an oval shape and we climbed a few tiers to sit down and talk in the sun. Her cough now was often and severe and I asked her to save her throat until it got better. I would talk and tell her how wonderful it would be when my permit to go to America came, we could go there together, how wonderful that would be.

And we held hands and we told one another as so many times before, how much we loved one another and with that manner of the causal acquaintance of hugging one another with arms around each other, rather than the

sweethearts we were, we kissed each other on the cheeks, both cheeks, as we both knew the measure of our love to be a treasure, we each thought would last forever. But she had misgivings as I did, but it did not matter, she was there now, perhaps something could help her in America.

June came and I saw Neomy every day, as she eventually went to bed. I brought more blankets and clean sheets and pillowcases to make her comfortable. She did not speak much but we talked of yet more walks to the Acropolis and the Cinema but I would notice that now and again, she would close her eyes but nod to something I said. As the sun nearly down, I would start to leave her, kissing her and her mother, to leave them there in the desolation of that refugee camp.

It was now June 8, 1923. Something told me to go to her early and I asked Miss Hastings if I could get away. She knew where I was going and told me to bring back good news of Neomy. I went to her shack...there were a few people standing outside. I elbowed passed these and her mother was crying. There lay my precious jewel, my Neomy, my sweetheart of alabaster, who joined the angels with her eyes closed and with the tiniest trace of a smile on her perfectly beautiful but pale lips. I had lost my Neomy.

The next day, I walked behind that rickety hearse, as a large crowd of her admirers, her soul mates of that miserable camp, walked behind that hearse as the Armenian priest intoned the traditional prayers, as we walked more than a mile to the cemetery where I buried Neomy. Glee Hastings had asked Zeki to pick up a large variety of flowers arranged in a wreath and as we returned my Neomy to Mother Earth from whence she came, I placed that wreath on the fresh earth and returned to the shack where her mother sat weeping, knowing I would return for women in the East, according to

Armenian tradition, do not accompany their dead to the graveside.

There was not much I could do for that once imposing lady, now reduced to the poverty and insecurity of the refuge, in old age. I did visit her in short intervals, bringing her things she could use but little comfort for her loss, as she remained alone and very sad, an indescribably impossible position from which relief appeared so distant. Athens had now become the refuge of thousands of people who escaped from the tyranny of the Turk, now free from that tyranny, now in a hospitable land, quite unable to cope with the responsibility of a host country with problems of its own.

Not two months after I buried my Neomy on that hill in Athens, a neat little cemetery of the Greeks and undoubtedly a few other Armenians who are buried there, I received my permit to migrate to America and on August 11, 1923, I set sail on the old Aquitania to arrive at the 14th Street pier in New York City, alone, without my Neomy but not without the searing pain of it all. It was August 18, 1923.

America was new to me and alone, working here and working there, the memories of my love, never quite vanished from my mind but I was very young, inexperienced and in almost awe for anything that was America or American.

Note: This love story is just one of many involving the Armenian genocide where the Turkish government took it upon themselves to rid the country of a nation of people who were successful and enterprising but were getting in the way of progress as the Turks saw the situation. Also known as the Armenian Holocaust, the Ottoman government systematically exterminated 1.5 million Armenians, mostly Ottoman citizens within the Ottoman Empire and its successor state, the Republic of Turkey.

The starting date was April 24, 1915, the day the authorities rounded up, ar-

rested and deported 235 to 279 intellectuals and community leaders from Constantinople to the region of Ankara, the majority eventually murdered. The genocide was carried out during World War I in two phases. One was to kill the able-bodied males and two, placing other males in the army at hard labor. Next was the deportation of women, children, the elderly and the infirm to the Syrian Desert where many died along the way as they were forced to walk without food or water. There were other indigenous and Christian ethnic groups such as the Assyrians and Ottoman Greeks who were similarly targeted for extermination by the Ottoman government.

The author of the love story was spared death during the Holocaust, having been sent to the desert with a family of 40 at a tender age of 11 only to be plucked out of there by his uncle's connection with the Turkish government. He, his sisters and his Mom were sent to live with a married sister in Constantinople. There he met a few friends who were students at Robert College, although he was not allowed to even think of attending himself as it involved a trolley ride and after the experience of the desert, his mom was not about to let him ride it to school, even if he was accepted.

What never became clear was a scholarship to this prestigious American College. He enrolled as an academy student, becoming an engineer however he knew he had to leave Turkey, his home but his staying would only put him in jeopardy once more as the Turks were after the young Armenians again, this time to put them into the army as soldiers. He knew he had to become an American which called for a great deal of preparation...he had to learn English and learn it well.

As he stepped off the SS Aquitania on that 18th of August 1923, he set foot on American soil for the first time, he closed the past behind him.

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- › Wednesday 7:30 AM

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- › Friday 7:00 PM
- › Saturday 9:30 PM

Shabbat At The Gazebo

Friday, August 31, 2018 At 7:00 PM

Join us as we hold our annual outdoor Friday night Shabbat Service in the Gazebo at High Plains Community Center! Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus will bring his guitar and lead us in a joyful “sing-along” service. This is a wonderful opportunity to introduce prospective members to Or Shalom and to Rabbi Wainhaus. Approximately 100 people attend this popular Service. Chairs are provided but we encourage you to bring your own lawn chair. (Note the grounds and pavilion will be available prior to the event, if you would like to bring a picnic.) We will also be



Congregation Or Shalom

recognizing our new members during the Service. We look forward to seeing everyone! In addition, we will honor Taylor Gourdier, the Warren Weisswasser Social Action Fund scholarship recipient.

Community Yizkor Service

September 19, 2018, 4:30 PM

Or Shalom is 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. The Service will be led by the synagogue’s Ritual Committee Chair, Robert Spaulding and his wife Tova Clayman.

High Holy Days

At Temple Emanuel Of Greater New Haven

The High Holy Days are a time of joy and reflection at Temple Emanuel. The schedule of services and related activities for 2018/5779 is as follows:

Sunday, September 9	8 pm	Erev Rosh Hashanah
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Monday, September 10	9:45 am	Rosh Hashanah Children’s Service*
	10 am	Rosh Hashanah 1st Day Service
Kiddush after the service, followed by Tashlich		
Tuesday, September 11	10 am	Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day Service
Kiddush after the service		
Tuesday, September 18	8 pm	Kol Nidrei/Erev Yom Kippur Service
Wednesday, September 19	9:45 am	Yom Kippur Children’s Service*
	10 am	Yom Kippur Morning Service
	4:15 pm	Mincha/Yom Kippur Afternoon Service
	approx. 5:45 pm	Yizkor/Memorial Service
		Neilah/Concluding Service Havdalah Service
Break Fast to follow		
Sunday, September 23	9:30 am	Sukkot family program, Sukkah building and potluck lunch in the Sukkah
	6:30 pm	Erev Sukkot Service
Sunday, October 23	6:00 pm	Erev Simchat Torah/Consecration Service

*Children’s High Holy Day Services are intended for children in grades preK-5. Younger children are welcome to attend if accompanied by an adult. Reservations are necessary.

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Guest passes are available, contact the office (guest tickets are required for security purposes).

Temple Emanuel is located at 150 Derby Avenue in Orange, www.tegnh.org.

Orange Congregational Church Resumes Schedule

Orange Congregational Church located at 205 Meeting House Lane in Orange will resume its regular weekly worship schedule for the fall on Sunday September 2, 2018 with an 8:00 a.m. service in the Chapel and a 10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. Every Sunday from 9:30-11:30 a.m. there is a child-care experienced Crib Room Attendant for all birth to Pre-K children whose parents or guardians are attending the 10 a.m. worship service.

Sunday, September 9th will be our “Welcome Back” Sunday with music from our Senior Choir. Our church school programming Bible Literacy Adventure Stations (B.L.A.S.T) will begin for the church year and run during the 10:00 a.m. service; this year’s theme is “Courage”. Also, during the September 9th service, children may bring their backpacks in for a blessing and, after worship, the Generosity Team will coordinate a potluck on the Orange Town Green (in case of inclement weather, it will take place in the John Ho Dining Room).

There will be a youth table at coffee hour during September for those students in grades 6th-12th who are returning or would like to join our youth program. Junior Choir is also accepting new members for students in Grade 2 and up; they practice weekly after church on Sundays and perform once a month and on church holidays. Confirmation for 7th & 8th graders begins



Orange Congregational Church

on September 19 with an orientation for parents and sponsors; interested families need to contact the church office before September 5.

Our regular Bible study group “God Is Still Talking” (G.I.S.T.) will begin meeting again on Sunday mornings at 8:15 a.m. Fellowship Breakfasts meet on the third Thursday of the month at 8:00 a.m. at Chip’s Restaurant to hear different speakers. Also, the Widow and Widowers Club of Orange meet at the church on Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m. in the Katherine Knight Room; all widows and widowers are welcome. Our Music on the Green series will begin on Sunday, November 11th at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary with a dulcimer performance from Ted Yoder.

Please contact the church office at 203-795-9749 for more information on any of our events or programs. We are an Open & Affirming congregation and we are happy to have you join us, as our church community begins an exciting new season!

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Friends & Family Bowling Night

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd kicks off the school year with a Friends & Family Bowl Event. Please join us for our CGS Family Bowl event at the Amity Family Bowling Center, 30 Seldon Street, Woodbridge, CT from 7 PM to 9 PM on Saturday September 15th, 2018. This fun event for all is open to all ages from 5 through 105 years old, no Bowling experience is necessary. Bring yourself, family and friends for fellowship and fun with open lane bowling. The cost is \$20/person, \$10/kid under 12 years old, \$60 maximum per family, which gets you a bowling ball, shoes, soda, and popcorn. Cash bar and grill are available. Monies will be collected at the door, first come first served.

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Road, Orange, Connecticut. For more information about The Church of the Good Shepherd’s service times and many other programs please call the Parish Office at (203) 795-6577, email us at thegoodspeherd@optonline.net, visit our website at www.thegoodshepherdoranged.org, and, of course, check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/cgsoranged for frequent postings.

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Coping With Loss

Precious Blood Parish in Milford is hosting a Bereavement Support Group for people to gather together to help cope with the loss of a loved one. The 10-week session begins on Thursday, September 27th from 1:00-3:00pm in the St. Agnes Church Hall located at 400 Merwin Avenue in Milford. The

group meets every Thursday until December 8th. Anyone coping with the loss of a loved one, recently or years ago, is welcome.

To learn more and register, call the Ellen at (203) 283-1934 or Margaret at (203) 874-2376, www.preciousblood-parishmilford.org.

Mishkan Israel To Host Annual Reform Selichot Service

On Saturday, September 1st at 7:00 p.m., members of Reform Congregations in Cheshire, Hamden, Orange and Southbury will come together at Congregation Mishkan Israel in Hamden for the Annual Union Selichot Service for area Reform Congregations.

Selichot, an inspirational evening service held prior to Rosh Hashanah, culminates the process of repentance and forgiveness. The annual service is a once-a-year opportunity to be together as part of a bigger Jewish community

and family. Rabbis, Cantors, Choirs, and soloists from participating congregations will lead the prayers, songs and study of psalms.

The community is invited. Congregation Mishkan Israel is located at 785 Ridge Road in Hamden. We are the 14th oldest congregation in the United States, and the oldest continuously operating one in New England. For more information, call the synagogue office at (203) 288-3877 or visit www.cmihamden.org.

Holy Infant Church Women's Guild News

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild held its annual Installation Dinner this past May. Officers installed for the coming year are President, Linda D'Andrea; Vice-President, Joyce Mauro; Treasurer, Margherita Lisi; Recording Secretary, Lisa Stackpole; and Corresponding Secretary, Margaret Siena. At the dinner, the Guild awarded 2 \$1000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors. They are Alexandra Justo, who will attend Sacred Heart University, majoring in Social Work/Catholic Studies and Grace Whitman who will attend Providence College, majoring in Biology.

Upcoming events for the Guild include its 75th annual Membership Tea to be held on Sunday, Sept.9. Benediction will be in the church at 2:30 pm followed by tea in the Guild Hall. Dues for joining the Guild are \$10. The dues are used for projects such as scholarships, Midnight Run, Baptismal gowns, Orange Health Care Center visits, and church improvements.

The Guild's first general meeting of the year will be on Tuesday, September 11 at 6:30 pm in the Guild Hall. Court-



Holy Infant Church

ney Huggins, RD, from Shop Rite will be giving a cooking demonstration and tasting of a healthy recipe.

The Guild will be participating in the Gala Preview for a Great Cause event on Thursday, Oct. 4, 10 am - 9 pm, at the new Boscov's store at the CT Post Mall. Be among the first to see the store before its grand opening! Admission tickets to this exciting event are \$5 each. Your entire donation will go to the Women's Guild. There will be refreshments, entertainment, and a free gift.

Tickets will be available for purchase after all Masses in September and by calling the Rectory at (203)799-2379.



15th Annual Saint Basil Greek Cultural Fair


St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church in New Haven will hold its 15th annual Greek Cultural Fair, the parish's major fund-raising effort, from September 20 through September 23 on the parish grounds at 1 Tower Lane. Hours are 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. daily (Thursday - Sunday).

Souvlaki and gyro will be freshly grilled, and the cooks of the parish will prepare traditional spinach (spanakopita) and cheese (tyropita) pies, fresh salad, pastries and coffee. The menu will also include moussaka, (layers of

eggplant, tomato, and ground meat with a Bechamel sauce and pastichio (baked macaroni with ground meat in a cheese sauce). There will be homemade traditional pastries -- baklava, galaktoboureko, and karydopita -- as well as koulourakia (cookies) and rice pudding., as well as Greek coffee and frappe. All food will be available for take-out as well.

A Greek marketplace will feature icons, books and small gifts.

Call 203-387-9504 or 203-606-2240 for information.



Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?

MATTHEW 6:26

CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY EVENTS

Homebound Delivery Service

Are you a book lover who is unable to leave your home? If so, the Library will bring the books to you! Orange residents who are homebound may contact the Library to arrange for regular library book delivery service to their home at no charge. Call the Library's Head of Circulation Services, Samantha Jasulavic, at 203-891-2170 or email sjasulavic@casememoriallibrary.org for more information.

Events For Adults

Adult Make & Take Workshop: African Mud Cloth Totes

Saturday, September 8, 11 a.m.

Learn about bogolanfini, also known as African mud cloth, and create a mud cloth-inspired tote using bleach. Registration is required. Space is limited. Please bring a box to take home your tote.

Cooking Demonstration: Taste of the Island

Monday, September 24, 6:30 p.m.

Join local chef Kashia Cave for a cooking demonstration as she highlights the flavors of her homeland, Trinidad and Tobago. Sample brown stew chicken, coconut rice, and pineapple salad. Registration is required. Space is limited. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Technology Basics: Email for New Users

Tuesday, September 25, 10:30 a.m.

Have you always wanted to email but don't know how? In this class, you'll create a free email account using Gmail and learn to send, receive, and organize email messages. Registration is required. Space is limited. Laptops will be provided to registrants for use during this class.

Jazz Concert: Songs from Classic American Films

Saturday, October 20, 2 p.m.

Jim Clark Quartet will entertain us with memorable songs from some of the most beloved (and some more obscure) American films. Registration is required. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

Book Discussions

Books & Breakfast: Morning Discussion Group

Thursday, September 20, 10 a.m.

Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng. Led by Carol Davidson.

Mystery Book Discussion Group

Thursday, September 27, 7 p.m.

Bluebird, Bluebird by Attica Locke. Led by Samantha Jasulavic.

The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

Thursday, October 25, 7 p.m.



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Frankenstein by Mary Shelley. Led by Toby Zabinski.

Fall Film Series

Victoria & Abdul

Monday, September 17, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, September 19, 1 p.m.

Queen Victoria strikes up an unlikely friendship with a young Indian clerk named Abdul Karim. PG-13. 1 hr. 51 min. Registration is required.

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society

Monday, October 1, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, October 3, 1 p.m.

A writer forms an unexpected bond with the residents of Guernsey Island in the aftermath of World War II, when she decides to write a book about their experiences during the war. 2 hr. 4 min. Registration is required.

Book Club

Monday, October 15, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, October 17, 1 p.m.

Four lifelong friends have their lives forever changed after reading 50 Shades of Grey in their monthly book club. PG-13. 1 hr. 44 min. Registration is required.

Chappaquiddick

Monday, October 29, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, October 31, 1 p.m.

A depiction of Ted Kennedy's involvement in the fatal 1969 car accident that claims the life of a young campaign strategist, Mary Jo Kopechne. PG-13. 1 hr. 46 min. Registration is required.

Events For Teens & Tweens

Virtual Reality with Google Cardboard

Wednesday, September 26, 2 p.m.

For students in grades 4-6
Through smartphone apps, learn how to use virtual reality headsets, play games, and explore places. Tweens must bring their own smartphones and be able to download free apps. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Teen Cooking Classes

Wednesday, September 26, 3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 30, 3:30 p.m.
For students in grades 7-12
Learn to cook tasty treats with ShopRite's Registered Dietician Courtney Huggins. Please notify the Library of any food allergies or restrictions at least 24 hours in advance of the program. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone Interactive Movie

Saturday, October 6, 1 p.m.

For students in grades 4-6
Step into the Wizarding World of Harry Potter and take part in an interactive movie experience. With a bag full of snacks, prompts, and props, tweens will be able to experience the movie like they never have before. Please be aware that cookies, chips, and candy will be served during this program. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Boo Bubbles
Saturday, October 20, 11 a.m.
For students in grades 4-6.
Learn about these bouncing smoke bubbles and get the opportunity to hold and play with them. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Pumpkin Decorating
Saturday, October 20, 1 p.m.
For students in grades 7-12
Create a pumpkin masterpiece! Pumpkins and decorating supplies will be provided. Bring a box to carry home your pumpkin. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Crime Lab with the Discovery Museum
Thursday, October 25, 5:30 p.m.
For students in grades 4-8.
Get ready to delve into some CSI-style science! Observe the scene of a theft and learn about three individual suspects before visiting different stations to test your evidence. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Events For Children
Myth Busters
Tuesday, September 25, 3:30 p.m.

For children ages 7-9
Are Pop Rocks and Coca Cola really dangerous to eat at the same time? Conduct science experiments to decide whether there is truth behind this myth as well as other popular myths. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Flying Ghost Rockets

Thursday, October 4, 5:30 p.m.

For children ages 7-9
Make a Ghost Rocket using our recipe then experiment to give your creation maximum lift off as we learn about Newton's Laws of Motion, NASA, and more. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Owl Pellet Dissection

Wednesday, October 10, 3:30 p.m.

For children ages 7-9
Did you know that owls can't chew their food? Learn about owls and how they eat and digest their food. With this knowledge, dissect an owl pellet to see what animal bones you can find. Registration is required. Space is limited.

OzoBot Bowling Challenge

Thursday, October 11, 6 p.m.

For children ages 6-10
Bowl with tiny robots at this one-of-a-kind STEAM event! Program your way to victory, move by move. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Move & Groove

Saturday, October 13, 11 a.m.

For children ages 0-5
Shake, clap, stomp, play, and sing at this brand new series for little ones and caregivers! Children will learn about following directions, rhyme and rhythm, and creative play through music and movement. Registration is required. Space is limited.

I Spy Fun!

Thursday, October 25, 5:30 p.m.

For children ages 6-8
Hone your observation skills as you complete "I Spy"-themed challenges! Conquer a scavenger hunt with a twist and make a fun craft to take home. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Drama Workshop: Wilma the Witch Spies on the Big Pumpkin

Saturday, October 27, 2 p.m.

For children ages 5-10
A witch plans to make a delicious pie out of a gigantic pumpkin from her garden, but realizes she will need help when it proves too heavy to pull off the vine. Can her friends Ghost, Mummy, and Vampire help save the day? See how the story unfolds – and become part of it! Followed by an art

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Chef Kashia Invites Us to a “Taste of the Island”

You are invited to join Chef Kashia Diaz Cave, a native of Trinidad and Tobago, for an evening of flavorful Caribbean Cooking at the Case Memorial Library on Monday, September 24th, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Kashia grew up in a small fishing village. She spent her vacations at her grandfather’s farm. She watched her aunts and uncle bake bread in the dirt oven, spent time with one grandfather farmer and another grandfather fisherman. She ate food from the land, all in the correct season, and these experiences sparked her passion for the culinary arts.

Kashia is a graduate of Lincoln Culinary Institute and the Italian Culinary Institute for Foreigners in Italy. She is the recipient of numerous awards and

her work is recognized on a national and international level in Europe and the Caribbean. She has been featured in the New Haven Advocate and Hartford Courant. She has also appeared on CT News 12 Fairfield County, WFSB/CBS Channel 3 Better CT and the Rachel Ray show.

Kashia is the Executive Director of My City Kitchen, Inc. As a non-profit group, its mission is to instill healthy eating habits, build self-esteem, foster a sense of belonging, teach kids about food, and encourage them to take an interest in what they eat, where it comes from, and how to prepare it.

The Friends of the Library is pleased to offer this culinary experience, but seating is limited. Register at the library, call 203.891.2170 or register online.

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activity. Registration is required. Space is limited. This drama workshop is generously funded by a grant from the Orange Foundation Trust U/A, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee.

Day of the Dead Skull Painting

Monday, October 29, 3:30 p.m.
For children ages 7-9.

Decorate your own plastic skull to take home after we learn about el Dia de los Muertos and the tradition behind the sugar skulls. Registration is required. Space is limited.

Storytimes

3-5 Year Olds Storytime
Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

Weekly beginning in September. No storytime on September 3 or October 8
Enjoy storytelling, books, music, fingerplays and puppetry at this story time series especially for 3-5-year olds! A story-related craft is offered following each session.

Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Weekly beginning in September
Little ones and their caregivers are invited to this high-energy story time

with Ms. Michelle! We’ll practice nursery rhymes, sing and move together, plus explore touch-and-feel books.

2-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Weekly beginning in September
Audience participation is highly encouraged at this story time session just for 2s. Enjoy books, stories, music and movement, fingerplays and puppetry together.

Preschool STEM Storytime:

Make a Splash!

Thursday, September 27, 3:30 p.m.

For children ages 3-5 - Older siblings are welcome

We’ll read a book together as a group, learn more about the story through our retelling, then make a scientific craft or try some hands-on experiments together.

Art In The Library

September: Watercolors by Millie Farrell, Molly Dineen, Maryann Verinis, and Elizabeth Harlow, jewelry by Sally Ann Endleman and Mary Wolfe, on view September 4-27.

Reception: September 6, 5-7 p.m.

October: Acrylics by Jo Rembish, on view October 2-31.

No reception in October.

Newest Additions To Case Memorial Library

Case Memorial Library, located at 176 Tyler City Road, has added more movies on DVD, Audiobooks and music CDs to its extensive collection. Check them out!

Movies on DVD

The Blacklist, Season 1

Death Hunt

Dolores

EuroTrip

In Her Name

Little Women (2017)

The Midsomer Murders, Season 1

NCIS, Season 1

Paddington 2

Winchester

Audiobooks

Fredrik Backman – Us against You

Laura Bradford – The Silence of the FlansMary

Higgins Clark – Every Breath You Take

Bill Clinton and James Patterson – The President Is Missing

J. A. Jance – Hand of Evil

Lisa Lutz – The Passenger

James Patterson – I, Alex Cross

Annie Proulx – Close Range: Wyoming Stories

Nora Roberts – Secret Star

Nora Roberts – When We Meet

Music on CD

Arctic Monkeys – Tranquility Base Hotel and Casino

Courtney Barnett – Tell Me How You Really Feel

Belly -- Dove

Brent Cobb – Providence Canyon

DJ Koze – Knock Knock

Anderson East – Encore

Joshua Hedley – Mr. Jukebox

Stephen Malkmus and the Jicks – Sparkle Hard

Sting and Shaggy – 44/876

Tracey Thorn – Record

Americanisms



“I’m tired of hearing all this talk from people who don’t understand the process of hard work — like little kids in the back seat asking ‘Are we there yet?’ Get where you’re going one mile-marker at a time.”

—Nick Saban



Stem Taking Schools By Storm

An increased focus on STEM education is one of the most influential initiatives to reach schools in recent years. STEM is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. The world has become increasingly complex and competitive, and today’s youth need to be equipped with the knowledge and skills to evaluate ideas and turn them into productive applications. These are two of the key hallmarks of STEM.

According to the National Science Foundation, STEM subjects include chemistry, computer and information technology science, engineering, geosciences, life sciences, mathematical sciences, physics and astronomy, social sciences (anthropology, economics, psychology and sociology), and STEM education and learning research.

Recognizing that more and more students are gravitating toward STEM-focused fields and that projected STEM job rates are rising steadily, schools have begun to beef up their offerings with regard to STEM subjects. Jobs in mathematics, computer system analysis, systems software, and biomedical engineering are just some of the careers in which anywhere from a 15 to 62 percent increase between 2010 and 2020 is predicted, according to the U.S. Department of Education.

Individuals may believe that STEM study begins in high school, but the success of older students in STEM subjects is often shaped much earlier on. That’s why parents and educators

can do much to cultivate an interest in natural and social sciences as well as in math as early as possible. Here are a few ideas to do just that.

Encourage participation in the community. Various national clubs and science-based organizations have begun to pay more attention to STEM and offer activities that foster a greater love of science, engineering and math. By joining such clubs and organizations, students can learn more about these subjects and reinforce their enjoyment.

Set up an internship or meet-and-greet. Take students to STEM-centered places of employment so they can get a firsthand experience from within the STEM trenches. Provide opportunities for students to chat with people in the field and ask questions about the type of schooling necessary to pursue a particular degree, and if any hobbies and other activities promote STEM learning.

Investigate school-based opportunities. Schools are broadening course offerings and also establishing STEM-based clubs. Students have the opportunity to get involved with other like-minded classmates. If a club isn’t already available, a teacher or a parent can consider volunteering to serve as the head of the club.

STEM is a hot topic of discussion in the world of education. Students can expect to get plenty of exposure to science- and math-related topics both inside and out of the classroom.



Standardized Test Scores May Hold Less Weight Than Before

College and university admissions teams use unique formulas to determine if student candidates are the right fit for their schools. For many years, admissions officers paid considerable attention to applicants’ performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and/or ACT. But things have begun to change, and standardized test scores may no longer carry as much weight as they once did.

Many students struggle with the pressure of college entrance exams like the SAT and ACT. Students who may be high achievers in school may not perform well on standardized tests, or they may perform poorly because of the weight that such tests bear on their academic futures. College applicants may miss out on the opportunity to attend their preferred schools simply because of this one measure of academic prowess. However, many individuals and educators contend that these exams measure test-taking skills rather than academic ability and are therefore not necessarily strong indicators of academic performance.

Many schools have changed their approach to standardized tests and the role such tests play in the college admissions process. According to the admissions department of Harvard

College, the SAT does not factor heavily into a student’s application. And while other schools say a lot of their admitted students have high test scores, these scores are not the primary factor for consideration in the application process. In 2015, George Washington University announced it would no longer require applicants to take the SAT or ACT. As many as 800 four-year colleges and universities in the United States already do not require potential prospective students to take the tests, according to NPR. Schools hope test-free admissions criteria will now capture a more diverse pool of students.

Many attest that the most reliable predictors of college success are a high school student’s grade point average and the rigor of the courses he or she takes. Still, the nonprofit College Board defends the importance of its SAT, offering that “overwhelming evidence shows that SAT scores and high school GPA in combination are the best predictors of college success.”

Students preparing their college applications may rest easier knowing that SAT and ACT scores may no longer bear the same level of importance as they once did in the college admissions process.

Should Schools Reinforce Cursive Writing Skills?

Cursive writing lessons were once mandatory in schools. Many adults can remember cursive writing lessons on lined paper and time spent practicing this aesthetically appealing style of writing.

But thanks to technology and a growing reliance on computers to complete school assignments, hand-writing skills are no longer stressed as much as they once were. In fact, some children never receive cursive writing instruction.

The absence of cursive writing lessons has led to a heated debate. Some people feel cursive writing is archaic and a waste of time, while others believe it is a relevant skill. Here is a look at both sides of the debate.

The Pros Of Cursive Writing

Various experts and educators have weighed in on the lasting benefits of cursive handwriting. Here are just a few of the benefits proponents of cursive writing point to.

Cursive writing stimulates the brain. “Cursive writing helps train the brain to integrate visual and tactile information, and fine motor dexterity,” Dr. William Klemm said in an article in Psychology Today. The skills developed



Cursive writing lessons are disappearing from many schools. How do you feel about this change?

from learning cursive writing cannot be replaced by using a keyboard. In addition, MRIs have revealed an interesting relationship between handwriting and the brain. The brains of people with good handwriting are more active in areas associated with cognition, language and executive function than the brains of those with poor handwriting.

Cursive writing may promote focus. Writing things down by hand forces a person to slow down and formulate his or her thought. Handwritten notes may hold the advantage over computer-typed notes in terms of recollection

of facts.

Cursive writing may help students with dyslexia. Dyslexia is a language processing disorder that can hinder reading, writing, spelling and sometimes even speaking. According to the International Dyslexia Association, when writing cursive, the words jotted down become a unit, rather than a series of separate strokes, and that may contribute to better spelling. And since all lowercase cursive letters begin on the line, fewer of them are likely to be reversed.

The Cons Of Cursive Writing

There are various reasons why people think lessons in cursive writing are unnecessary.

Cursive writing is only used in signatures. Cursive writing is seldom used except for signatures. Even then, e-signing and online transactions have removed the need to write in cursive.

Typing on a keyboard should take precedence. Many parents and educators believe that cursive writing lessons do little to prepare young students for an increasingly digital world. Such opponents of cursive writing suggest keyboarding lessons should take precedence over teaching handwriting skills. Teachers have admitted that cursive writing lessons take a lot of time, and many simply cannot devote classroom time to them.

Digital texts make it obsolete. Some argue that those who do not know how to read in cursive can never understand historical texts or early manuscripts. However, so much has been transcribed into digital texts that this argument is seen by many as outdated.

Cursive writing may be going the way of the dinosaur. But the debate about the value of cursive writing figures to continue.

Orange Soccer Association Spring Soccer Program Registration Form



ORANGE SOCCER ASSOCIATION

P. O. Box 605
Orange, Connecticut 06477

OSA FALL 2018 Soccer Program

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 5th, 2018

Who: Boys and Girls, Residents of Orange, Ages 4 through 12.

When: Sundays, SEPTEMBER 23rd through NOVEMBER 18th 2018

Where: Mary L Tracy School 4 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 6th, 2018
\$10.00 Late fee on any registrations after SEPTEMBER 5th, 2018.

Format: U-5 (Clinic) Divisions will remain coed
PLAY AT 11:30AM-12:30 PM SUNDAYS) at Mary L Tracy

Girls and Boys divisions in the following age groups:
U-6 & 7 division (1st and 2nd grade) PLAY AFTER 12:30 PM
U-8 & 9 division (3rd and 4th grade) PLAY AFTER 12:30 PM
U-10+ division (5th-7th grade) PLAY AFTER 1:00 PM at FWP

****All Amity Travel Players are offered OSA free of charge to play with the U10+ division**

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 1st, 2018 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 Wednesday September 5th, 2018

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 and logos if not already on file must be received no later than Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 5th, 2018.

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

Questions: Contact Janet Lyngdal, Registrar, by email, JCLYNGDAL@GMAIL.COM
OSA Co-Presidents, Tom Pisano 877-2058, tompisanotrane@gmail.com Bill Hoffman 799-1313

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Wednesday SEPTEMBER 5th, 2018



ORANGE SOCCER ASSOCIATION

P. O. Box 605
Orange, Connecticut 06477

OSA FALL 2018 Soccer Program Please Type or Print Legibly

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 18 _____ Fall 17 _____ 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 _____

Youth: MED. LG. ADULT: SM. MED. LG. X-LG. XX-LG.

Parent/Guardian Authorization and Release: I/We hereby authorize our child to participate in the 2017 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 5th

Fee is \$90.00 after SEPTEMBER 5th

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 5th, 2018

Information: Email: Contact Janet Lyngdal, Registrar, by email, JCLYNGDAL@GMAIL.COM,

Please donate to the Orange Soccer Associations Field Development Fund for Orange soccer fields:
\$10 _____ \$20 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ Other: _____

MANDATORY COACHES MEETING TUESDAY 9/18/18 7:30 PM High Plains community Center

Coaching: Will you volunteer as a coach _____

Name: _____ email _____

Sponsors: Are you interested in sponsoring a team (Y/N) _____ (WE NEED SPONSORS)

Company Name: _____ Company Logo (Y/N): _____

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

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

Phone Number: _____

No special requests

BULLETIN BOARD

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

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.

Alzheimer’s and Dementia Family Support Group Meeting, last Tuesday of the month, 6:00pm, JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge in the West Rock Room. For more information, contact Averi Kelly, Ms, R-DMT, 203.389.2911.

Bereavement Support Groups, Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm and Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm, Griffin Hospital, 130 Division Street, Derby, support groups for anyone experiencing the loss of a loved one. Contact Janice Lautier at 203-732-1100 or jlautier@griffinhealth.org to register.

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

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

public is invited.

Orange Arts & Culture Council, meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month, 7:30pm, HPCC, 525 Orange Center Road, check chalk board for meeting room. The public is invited.

Orange Recycling Committee meets every 3rd Wednesday 7:00pm, HPCC conference room, 525 Orange Center Road, public is invited to attend. For more information, email Orangerecyc-cles@gmail.com.

Elm City Kennel Club General Meetings, third Wednesday of each month, except during July and August, 7:00pm, North Haven Recreation Center, 7 Linsley Street, North Haven. For more information, contact New Member Coordinators Maureen Anderson, at 203-430-5229 (maureenanderson@snet.net).

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

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

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

Continuum of Care Needs Caregivers, Would you like to make a difference in someone’s life as a caregiver? Continuum Help at Home is currently looking for individuals to work as a Homemaker, Companion, or Personal Care Attendant. We have full-time, part-time and live-in positions available. Visit www.continuumct.org/events to register and download an application.

Trinity Community Preschool, Enrollment for the 2018/2019 school year is open! - 33 Center Road, Woodbridge, the Preschool offers a nurturing, faith-based early learning environment for children aged 1 – 6 years, Visit www.trinityefc.com/preschool for more information on classes and schedules. For applications or to schedule a visit, contact the Preschool Director at sharonc@trinityefc.com or 203-387-4710 x25. Trinity Community Preschool admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin.

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NAMI Support Group Meeting, meetings begin promptly at 5:30pm and end promptly at 7:00pm, and held at BRIDGES, a community support system, 949 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford (entrance in the rear of the building), conference room on the second floor, on the following dates for 2018: September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4. They are free of charge and facilitator led. Family & Friends welcome.

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Morning Book Club, Thursday, September 6, 2018, 10:30am, The Ellen Aftamonow Woodmont Library, 16 Dixon Street, Milford; The book is “Little Fires Everywhere” by Celeste Ng. The book for October is “Caroline” by Sarah Miller. The group meets the first Thursday monthly. All are welcome. For information call 203-874-5675.

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DEATH NOTICES

Linda Freida Pierce

Linda Freida Pierce, 74, of Orange, beloved wife of 46 years to the late John J. Pierce, passed away peacefully, on July 31, 2018. Born on February 11, 1944 in Flushing, NY, she was the daughter of the late Otto Herman and Freida Rohrs Kregel.

Linda is survived by her children, John K. (Rebecca) Pierce and Melissa Pierce; grandchildren, Emma and Meghan Pierce; and several nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Service was held on August 5, 2018 at the Cody-White Funeral Home, 107 Broad Street, Milford, CT. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Linda's name to St. Jude Children Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105; CT Hospice, 100 Double Beach Rd., Branford, CT 06405, or a charity



Lina Freida Pierce

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TOP 10 MOVIES

1. The Meg (PG-13)

Jason Statham, Bingbing Li
2. Mission: Impossible–Fallout (PG-13)

Tom Cruise, Henry Cavill
3. Christopher Robin (PG)

Ewan McGregor, Hayley Atwell
4. Slender Man (PG-13)

Joey King, Julia Goldani Telles
5. BlacKkKlansman (R)

John David Washington, Adam Driver
6. The Spy Who Dumped Me (R)

Mila Kunis, Kate McKinnon
7. Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again (PG-13)

Lily James, Amanda Seyfried
8. The Equalizer 2 (R)

Denzel Washington, Pedro Pascal
9. Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation (PG)

animated
10. Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13)

Paul Rudd, Evangeline Lilly

TOP 10 V.O.D.

1. Overboard (PG-13)

Anna Faris
2. Ready Player One (PG-13)

Tye Sheridan
3. Rampage (PG-13)

Dwayne Johnson
4. I Feel Pretty (PG-13)

Amy Schumer
5. A Quiet Place (PG-13)

Emily Blunt
6. Tully (R)

Charlize Theron
7. Blockers (R)

Leslie Mann
8. Super Troopers 2 (R)

Jay Chandrasekhar
9. Black Panther (PG-13)

Chadwick Boseman
10. The Miracle Season (PG)

Helen Hunt



Ethan Hawke, Amanda Seyfried
in “First Reformed” [A24]

EDITOR’S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column are available in stores the week of August 20, 2018.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

“Deadpool 2” (R) -- Your favorite fourth-wall-breaking, red-and-black-spandex-wearing, irreverent superhero is back in action in “Deadpool 2.” While recovering with the X-Men after a traumatic near-death experience, Wade/Deadpool (Ryan Reynolds) discovers a boy who is being hunted by time-traveling supercop Cable (Josh Brolin), and is convinced that the kid needs his protection. He suits up to help, with the aid of some random B-level heroes,

including the adorably hot Domino (Zazie Beetz), whose power is simply being lucky. He calls them the X-Force, and yes it’s totally and purposely derivative. It is exactly what you’d expect if you saw the first film, and because Deadpool’s real superpower is not taking himself seriously, it’s a darn good sequel. It’s also perfect for multiple viewings, because there are So Many References.

“First Reformed” (R) -- A preacher in a dying church, Reverend Toller (in a stunningly humane performance by Ethan Hawke) tends to a troubled flock that includes newly pregnant Mary (Amanda Seyfried), whose radical environmentalist husband is in need of counsel. The Reverend Toller provides, but while doing so, must confront his own troubled soul -- he is a former military chaplain who encouraged his son to join the military only to see him killed in action. The religious, environmental and existential themes are heavy, but emotionally borne. Written and directed by the legendary Paul Schrader (“Taxi Driver,” “American Gigolo”).

“Black Water” (R) -- Put on your guilty pleasure hat, because you’re in for a treat: Jean-Claude Van Damme, as CIA agent Scott Wheeler, joining forces with Dolph Lundgren, as German special forces soldier/prisoner Marco, in a convoluted cross/double cross plot set on a submarine, which is a CIA black ops site! I don’t even care that most of the acting is cliché and ham-fisted, nor that you have to suspend your disbelief from the Golden Gate Bridge in order to follow the storyline. It’s cheesy action, and all you need to do is order in the pizza and hot wings and put the beer on ice. High five, and you’re welcome.

1. What group wrote and released the 1979 song “Tragedy”?

2. Which duo released “Rainy Days and Mondays”?

3. Name the artist who co-wrote and released “You Ought to Be with Me.”

4. Who released “Runaway Child, Running Wild”?

5. Name the song that contains this lyric: “Some people go around the world for love, But they may never find what they dream of.”



1. The Bee Gees. The song went to No. 1 in the U.K. and then did the same a month later in the U.S. 2. The Carpenters, in 1971. The song was penned by then unknowns Paul Williams and Roger Nichols, who went on to write hits for many artists. 3. Al Green, in 1972, from his “Call Me” album. The song topped the R&B chart and sold over a million copies. 4. The Temptations, in 1969. The song describes a young boy, alone and frightened on the streets, and tells the boy to go home. 5. “What You Won’t Do for Love,” by Bobby Caldwell, in 1978. Caldwell’s record company went out of its way to hide the fact that he was a blue-eyed soul singer and released the record to R&B stations. The secret came out, however, when Caldwell started performing in public.

Sports Quiz

BY CHRIS RICHCREEK

1. In 2017, Chris Sale became the first Boston Red Sox pitcher to strike out 10 or more batters in 12 games before the All-Star break. Which Boston pitcher did it in 11 games?

2. For six consecutive years (1926-31), Babe Ruth led the American League in home runs. Who broke the streak in 1932?

3. Who holds the NCAA football record for most career receiving yards?

4. New Orleans’ Anthony Davis set a record in 2017 by scoring 52 points in an NBA All-Star Game. Who had held the mark?

5. The Toronto Maple Leafs last reached the Stanley Cup Finals in 1967. How many times since then have they made the conference finals?

6. In 2018, Carli Lloyd became the sixth American woman to score 100 international soccer goals. Name two of the first five.

7. Which trainer holds the record for the most wins at the Kentucky Derby?

1. Pedro Martinez, in 1999. 2. Philadelphia’s Jimmie Foxx, with 58. Ruth hit 41 home runs that season. 3. Corey Davis of Western Michigan, with 5,278 yards (2013-16). 4. Philadelphia’s Wilt Chamberlain had 42 points in the All-Star Game in 1962. 5. Four times (1993, ’94, ’99 and 2002). 6. Abby Wambach, Mia Hamm, Kristine Lilly, Michelle Akers and Tiffany Milbrett. 7. Ben Jones, with six wins.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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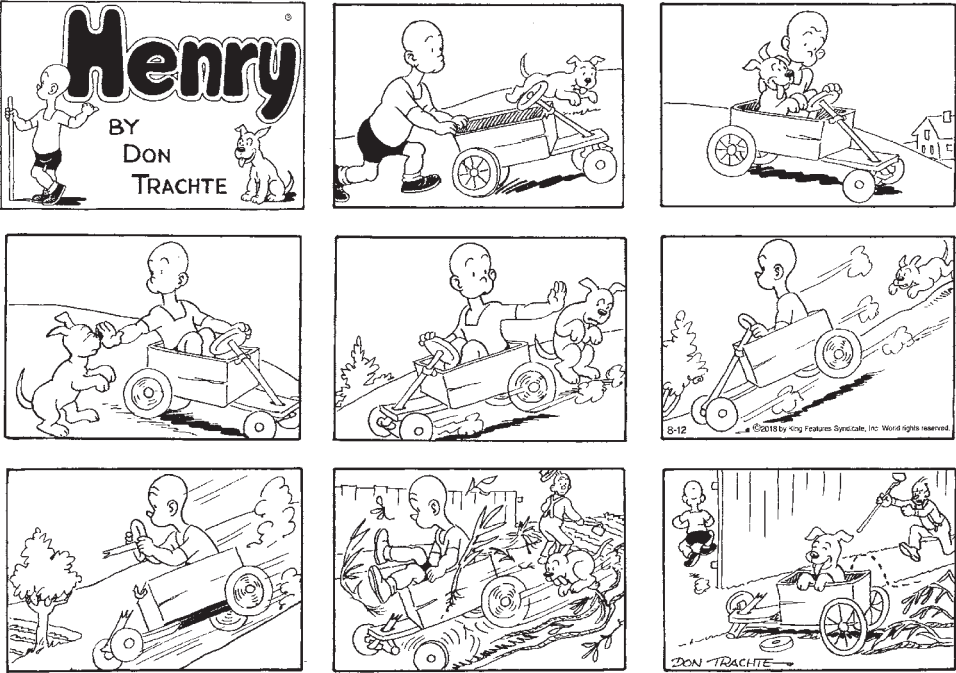
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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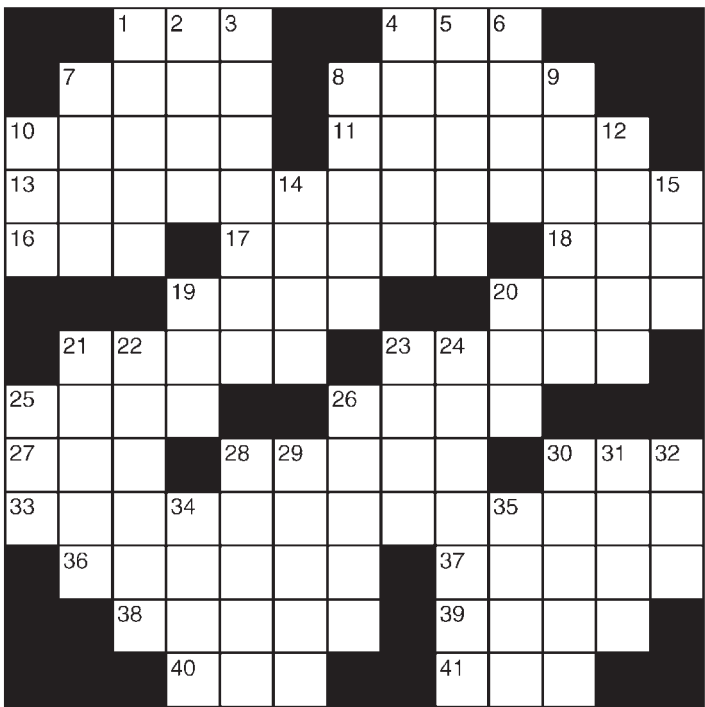
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HOLLYWOOD

BY TONY RIZZO

It looks like movie musicals are making a comeback in a big way. With the success of "La La Land," "Mamma Mia" and its sequel, "Mamma Mia, Here We Go Again" (already over \$250 million), the studios are following suit. "Mamma Mia, Here We Go Again" is the feel-good movie of the year. The Los Angeles Times devoted a front page of its Calendar section to say: "The sequel surpassed the original, no doubt thanks in part to the pairing of Cher and Andy Garcia. The young cast is beautiful and the old pros, that returned, really delivered."

Disney will kick off its musical craze with the live action "Aladdin," directed by Madonna's former husband Guy Ritchie (due out May 24, 2019), then it will unleash the CGI and live action version of "The Lion King," which will have Beyonce as Nala, Donald Glover as Simba, James Earl Jones as his father, Mufasa, and Chiwetel Ejiofor as Scar (coming summer of 2019).

Then come December 2019 we'll finally see the film version of the blockbuster Broadway show "Wicked."

Elton John, Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber will give us an animated "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and finally a film of Lloyd's fourth-longest-running show on Broadway, "Cats," with Oscar-winner Jennifer Hudson as Grizabella, who sings the show-stopping "Memory." The cast also will boast Taylor Swift, James Corden and Ian McKellen.

Lin-Manuel Miranda reacquired the rights to his 2008 Tony Award-winning hit show "In the Heights" from the Weinstein Company (at least something good came from that scandal) and will produce and star in the show. His mega Broadway hit "Hamilton" will



Beyonce [Depositphotos]

be filmed and released to movie theaters, a rare event.

Disney will utilize the elements of its stage production of "The Little Mermaid" for a live-action film, and we also can expect a remake of the Oscar-winning best picture "Oliver," with Ice Cube as Fagan and as producer, as well as a film of Eric Idol's Tony Award-winning best musical "Spamalot."

For those Carole King fans who missed "Beautiful: The Carole King Musical," Tom Hanks has come to the rescue and will produce the film, which also will include many of her greatest songs from her songbook that were not in the original production.

And finally, casting calls are up for Steven Spielberg's reboot of 10-time Oscar winner (including best picture) "West Side Story." Even though the film had stars Natalie Wood and Richard Beymer, Spielberg intends to use unknowns to re-create the magic of the 1961 film.

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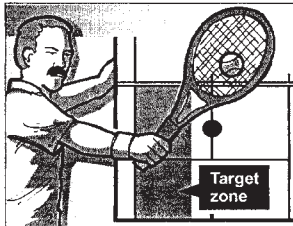
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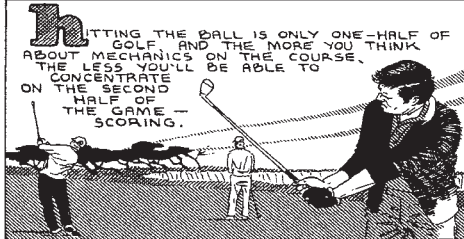
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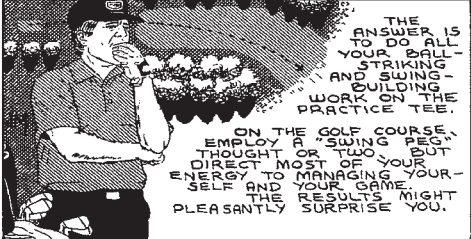
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King Crossword Answers

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How To Create A Great Study Environment At Home

A student's academic performance is influenced by a host of factors, including the learning environment both inside the classroom and at home. While students may have only limited control over the environment in their classrooms, they and their parents can do much to create home study environments that are conducive to learning.

Create a "distraction-free" zone. Today's students are inundated with distractions. Whereas students were once most distracted by radios, televisions and the great outdoors when studying at home, nowadays kids must also find time to focus on their studies with their tablets and smartphones just a stone's throw away. When choosing a study area at home, parents can designate a "distraction-free" zone where no televisions, radios, tablets and smartphones are allowed. Children are increasingly dependent on their smartphones and tablets, and while such devices can sometimes prove useful to students, that benefit is often outweighed by the distraction they present. When kids study at night, be sure they turn off their smartphones and only use their tablets as study aids.

Emphasize organization. Various organization techniques can help kids be more efficient when studying. Encourage kids to separate their learning materials by subject, and keep a calendar or daily planner at home listing when their assignments are due and

which days they will be tested. Encourage youngsters to keep their home study areas tidy as well, as unorganized areas can make it harder to focus or force kids to spend some of their study time cleaning up.

Establish quiet hours at home. Quiet hours at home while kids are studying can help them better absorb their coursework, and that may lead to improved performance in the classroom. While it's important that a kids' study areas remain distraction-free, it can also help if distractions outside those areas are minimized. Keep televisions and other potentially noisy distractions turned off while kids are studying. If you want to catch up on a favorite television show or watch a movie, do so on your tablet instead of the television, connecting earphones so kids are not overhearing anything while they're trying to study.

Keep healthy snacks on hand. Hunger can be just as distracting as electronics or noisy housemates, so keep healthy snacks on hand. In lieu of unhealthy fare like potato chips or empty calories like pretzels, keep your home stocked with fruits and vegetables and protein-rich snacks like Greek yogurt. Such snacks will quell kids' hunger pangs while also providing a boost of energy.

A strong home study environment can help students do their best in the classroom.

ARTS & LEISURE



Artist Jo Rembish will be exhibiting her acrylic paintings at the Case Memorial Library during the month of October. Her work will include landscapes, florals and seascapes. She is a member of the Connecticut Watercolor Society, the Guilford and Clinton Art Leagues. Rembish's paintings can be found in many public and private collections.



THE BROADWAY BOYS headline the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation's annual Evening for the Arts Gala Benefit on Saturday, September 8, 2018, at Fairfield University's Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts. The performance begins at 7 p.m. and is preceded by an Evening for the Arts reception at 6 p.m., which includes complimentary wine and beer, a dessert bar and silent and live auctions. Tickets are available through the Quick Center Box Office: (203) 254-4010, \$45 in advance, \$50 at the door

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Do You Know How To Walk Your Dog?

Walking your dog is great exercise for both of you, and can help keep the pounds off. It will also help with mental and physical stimulation, beneficial for helping resolve other behavior problems. Many dog owners have issues when they try to walk their dog or they don't walk them at all, because the dog misbehaves.

Here are some do's and don'ts so you and your dog can have a leisurely stroll:

Do:

- › When getting ready to go on a walk, call the dog to you; do not go to the dog to put his lead/collar on. If you're walking a puppy, make sure he gets familiar with the lead before you start using it to take him on a walk. Once the dog approaches you, have him sit quietly before putting on his lead or collar. Make sure you leave the door first and return through the door first. Remember, the Leader always leads!
- › Before you set off on your walk with your dog, you need to have him focus on you, not everything else around you. Simply hold the lead by the handle. There should be six feet of loose lead between you and your dog. Start walking. As soon as he gets to you and begins to pull, give a slight tug on the lead and direct him back to you by changing direction.
- › Along the walk, guide your dog to heel. Your dog should walk along side of you or at the back of you. Don't let the dog decide when to heel because once again he would be establishing himself as the leader of the pack.
- › Walk with your shoulders high and your head back, establishing yourself as a confident leader.
- › Walk your dog daily or make sure he gets some type of exercise. An unexercised dog can become hyper

and exhibit destructive behaviors (chewing, digging, etc.) from being bored. Remember that dogs are walkers/travelers by instinct.

- › Watch out for poisonous plants or animals and avoid anything that can be problematic for your dog.
- › Make sure your dog has the proper identification in case he runs away.

Don't:

- › Let the dog walk in front of you. It gives him the impression that he is in charge and is leading you.
- › Let him drag you on a lead or walk you versus you walk him.
- › Let your dog mark all over the place just for the sake of marking. Cue in to whether or not he needs to relieve himself.
- › Use a retractable lead. They make it harder for you to control the dog, and can be dangerous.
- › Let your dog off his lead unless you're in an off-lead dog area. Even then, you need to be careful because other dogs can be unpredictable.
- › Go to the same place every day... mix it up! Your dog will like the variety and the new sights and smells.

What To Bring On a Walk:

Don't leave your house empty handed! Be respectful of your neighbors and their property. Always bring:

- › Water for your dog, particularly if it's warm outside or you are jogging.
- › Bags for when your dog relieves himself (recycle your grocery bags).

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



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A little “wool-gathering” for the usually productive Lamb is all right if it helps you unwind. But be careful; too much daydreaming can put you behind schedule in your work.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A work problem is close to being resolved. Now you can go ahead and celebrate the week, accepting invitations from friends who enjoy your company.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Getting your new plan accepted won’t be a major hassle if you have the facts to back it up. Your supporters are also prepared to help you make your case. Good luck.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Dealing with a pesky job problem might be time-consuming but necessary. The sooner you get this situation settled, the sooner you can move on to other matters.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Career advancement is favored thanks to your impressive work record. On the personal side, you should soon hear some good news about an ailing family member.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) There might be mixed signals from a certain someone who doesn’t seem all that certain about their intentions. Best to sort it all out before it becomes more confusing.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Get all the facts about that investment “opportunity” before you put even one dollar into it. There could be hidden problems that could prove to be costly.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Compromising on a matter you feel strongly about not only ends the impasse, but can be a win-win deal for all. Remember: Scorpions do well with change.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) With all the demands you currently have to deal with, accepting the help of family and friends could be the wisest course to take at this time.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Recent upsetting incidents might have left you with a big gap in your self-assurance. Refill it by spending time with those who know how worthy you really are.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A dispute about money needs to be resolved quickly, before it festers into something more serious. Consider asking an impartial colleague to mediate the matter.

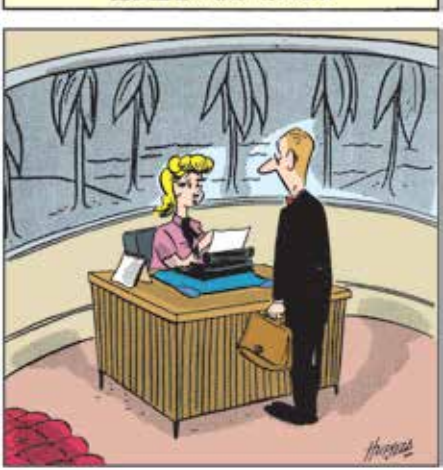
PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A soft approach could be more effective than making a loud demand for the information you need. You might even find yourself with more data than you expected.

BORN THIS WEEK: You’re sought out for the wonderful advice you’re able to offer to others. And sometimes you even take it yourself.

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF-A-DAY



"Mr. Merrill isn't seeing anyone this morning. He broke his glasses."

R.F.D.



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BIRTHDAY CARDS

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Picture is different. 2. Skirt is missing. 3. Card is different. 4. Neckline is different. 5. Card sign is missing. 6. Envelope is missing.

Fat Cat Brought to Tears by Diet

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: Help! My 6-year-old cat, “Misti,” has a serious weight problem, and the veterinarian said she needs to drop several pounds. The vet told me to feed her less, but Misti cries constantly around feeding time and won’t let up until I put more food into her bowl. What else can I do? Are there weight-loss supplements for cats?

-- Helen T., via email

DEAR HELEN: Helping your cat lose weight can be a struggle, but we all know that getting Misti down to a healthier weight will improve her quality of life.

There are several supplements and cat foods formulated specifically for cats that say they help with weight control. One supplement, L-Carnitine, may be helpful, but consult Misti’s vet first for the proper amount to give her.

A calorie-restricted diet is the most effective way for Misti to lose weight. However, according to veterinarian and clinical researcher Dr. Mark E. Peterson, reducing calories alone isn’t effective. You must increase the amount of protein that Misti gets and reduce the amount of carbohydrates. The way to do this is to replace part of her dry food with real meat (plain chicken, steamed and cooled, for example). A high-quality canned food also may help increase protein, but read the labels very carefully.

To make the diet easier on both of you, prepare Misti’s food a few days ahead, separating each day’s fresh and dry food into separate containers. Dole out her meals twice a day. Save a little each time and when she cries for more food, place that small amount into her bowl. That trick, plus the increased protein, will help satiate Misti as she adjusts to the new diet.

SEND YOUR QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS TO ASK@PAWSCORNER.COM.

The Garden Bug

Planting for fall

Late summer is the time to plant starters or seeds of green onions, carrots, beets, lettuce, spinach, radishes, turnips, rutabagas and winter cauliflower (shown).

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