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## Orange Cops Now Making Use of Robber's Vehicle



*By Richard Weizel - Orange Town News Correspondent*

ORANGE - It's almost like that old kid's game of cops and robbers. But this is for real. A Dodge Ram pick-up truck once used by someone to burglarize homes on the west side of Orange is now not only in the hands of the town's Police Department, but is part of the unit's 14-patrol car fleet.

The 2001 vehicle that was seized in connection with the investigation and arrest of an individual who had perpetrated several 2008 Orange burglaries - and was later arrested and prosecuted for the crimes - has been transformed into a police car and is being used for special assignments, said Deputy Police Chief Edward A. Koether. "It is kind of ironic when you think about it," Koether said. "Here's a vehicle that was used by someone in the act of committing crimes and now it's a great new addition to our police department's fleet. But we're thrilled to have it and it will be a great help for events and situations not suited for regular patrol cars."

Koether explained that the department was awarded possession of the vehicle by the courts and after being "thoroughly inspected" by mechanics in the Public Works Department, it was repainted and striped to match the department's gray and black-colored cruisers. Numerous other changes were

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## Orange Town News Named "2010 Business of the Year"

Saffer, Shiffman & Glicks Recognized for Excellence

*By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent*

A hometown newspaper, the owners of a local insurance agency, an attorney and a leadership coach are among the businesses and individuals who are nominated to receive the "2010 Award of Excellence" from the Orange Chamber of Commerce. Janice Lettick, executive director of the Chamber said this year there were more nominations for the awards than ever before. "Each of the recipients has made a positive contribution to the Orange community. We congratulate all of them," she said. The recipients will be honored at the Chamber's Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet on Thursday, September 23rd at the Race Brook Country Club. The event is sponsored by The United Illuminating Company.

The Orange Town News will receive the "Outstanding Business of the Year" award in recognition of its growth and expansion during its five years as the town's community newspaper and its "continued commitment to promoting the local business community." The honor is awarded to a business "working towards the betterment of the community, as a whole or on a specific project resulting in community benefits. The paper's "small town approach" to covering Orange news and events make it the number one source for what's happening in Orange."

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made to turn the vehicle into a police car. Cosmetic upgrades were made to the vehicle, as well as emergency lighting with communication equipment and other accessories added – all funded with about \$4,500 received from the department’s participation with the Connecticut State Police Statewide Narcotics Task Force. “Even though the vehicle has approximately 68,000 miles on it, it should last for several years as its use will be limited to special events that necessitate traffic control for extended periods or transportation of equipment,” said Police Chief Robert Gagne.

Gagne and Koether said the vehicle recently made its debut at the annual Orange Volunteer Firemen’s Carnival, from August 5-8, on the grounds of High Plains Community Center, when it officially became part of the unit’s fleet. “It was used in a very effective manner by officers conducting traffic

duty at the carnival,” Gagne said. “It also provides an excellent and efficient means for transportation of traffic cones, barricades and other traffic and law enforcement equipment during events like the carnival.” Koether said the pick-up vehicle is “far more stable for use to transport equipment than in an

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- Orange Police Chief Robert Gagne**

open trailer” and will also be used extensively at the scene of traffic accidents and other road emergencies.

“It’s a lot easier to transport heavy and cumbersome traffic equipment in that kind of vehicle than in a regular police cruiser,” Koether said. “We’re very fortunate to have been able to take possession of this kind of vehicle at no cost to Orange taxpayers.” Gagne credited his officers, along with officers from the Milford Police Department and the Connecticut State Police Statewide Narcotics Task Force, for “their dedicated work that made acquisition of the vehicle possible.”

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Owner and publisher Rocky Salpento said he is proud to accept the prestigious award which is a reflection of hard work of the "dedicated and innovative staff." "They put their heart and souls into every issue," he said. "The paper's success is a reflection of what a great community Orange is to live and work in. My thanks go out to all members of the Orange community who contribute so much to help make our hometown newspaper something we can all be proud of."

Past recipients of the Outstanding Business of the Year Award include Laurel Estates, Dichello Distributors and Pez Manufacturing Company.

The husband and wife team of Steve and Sally Glick, co-founders of Chamber Insurance Trust (CIT) will be presented the "Business Persons of the Year Award" in recognition of their commitment to make affordable health care insurance available to business owners and their dedication to Chambers of Commerce in Connecticut and Massachusetts. Realizing the need for cost-effective benefit solutions for the local business community, the Glicks founded CIT in 1992, bringing together the collective buying power of chamber members, the local agents within the community and insurance carriers in order to provide affordable benefits. CIT serves businesses and insures thousands of members of Chambers of Commerce in Connecticut and Massachusetts.



Steve Glick said he is "very honored and appreciative" to be given this award in the community in which his business has been located for 25 years. "It's especially nice to be recognized at a time when many businesses are having a difficult time," he said. "It's a good feeling to know that the business community respects the work that we do. Orange is a wonderful community of business owners and business people and I know they appreciate our services."

The Glicks are also leaders in the development of Health and Wellness Councils within the local Chambers of Commerce, lending their expertise and assistance at all levels of program development. Steve has played a major role in the Chamber-to-Chamber fundraising effort that is part of the United Way of Greater New Haven's Neighbor-to-Neighbor Campaign.

The Chamber's "Community Service Award" goes to Michael D. Saffer, Esq., a partner in New Haven's Pellegrino Law Firm in recognition of his community service to the Town of Orange. A resident of Orange for 34 years before moving to West Haven, Saffer has always been an active member of the community, serving on many committees and boards. He is a past president of the Orange Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club of Orange, Inc., and Orange Probus Club, Inc. and past



Mike Saffer

chairman of the Orange Board of Health. Currently, he is a member of the Executive Committee of Milford Hospital's Board of Directors and is on the Development Committee and Professional Advisors Committee of the Community Foundation of Greater New Haven.

Saffer says he is just continuing a family tradition to serve and give back that started with his grandfather. "My grandfather and my dad were always active within their communities," he said. "I feel if the opportunity presents itself it is incumbent to volunteer in your town. It is also a wonderful change of pace from the work-a-day world. I get tremendous satisfaction feeling that I am contributing to the general good of the community and helping to make Orange an even better place to live."

Carolyn Shiffman, PhD, founder of Carolyn Shiffman Consulting is the recipient of the "Director of the Year" award. The award recognizes her efforts to "establish and expand the Orange Women's Leadership Networking Group." Shiffman joined the Orange Chamber in 2006 as an executive coach, helping business, healthcare and higher education professionals to increase productivity and efficiency by developing leadership and management skills. Shortly after joining the Chamber, she helped establish the Orange Women's Leadership Networking Group and was eventually named Chairperson. She is actively involved in Chamber activities, particularly ribbon-cutting ceremonies and "Business After Hours" events. Shiffman said she enjoys working with the Chamber and is "honored to be selected." "I particularly enjoy the women I work with in the Leadership Networking Group and it is satisfying to see the friendships that have developed," she said.



Carolyn Shiffman

Tickets for the Awards Banquet on Thursday, September 23rd at the Race Brook Country Club are \$50 for prime rib; \$45 for chicken or salmon. For ticket information, contact Mary Bialy at 203-795-3328 or by email at mary@orangectchamber.com.



## Beloved Children's Author Inspired MLT Students

By Anne Buley - Orange Town News Correspondent

Eric Carle is paying a visit to Mary L. Tracy School. Well, not exactly. But when Maria Loescher, a pre-K teacher at the historic school, had the opportunity to bring to life the work of the beloved children's author, known best for his richly-illustrated book, "The Very Hungry Caterpillar", she didn't hesitate. She had a unique idea to undertake an art project which would allow her class of special needs students and peer modeling students to create something special to be enjoyed by all. But she needed funding.

After being awarded a grant from the Jamie A. Hulley Foundation which funds programs to enhance curriculum through the arts in schools across the region, she was in business. "My class is made up of students with different disabilities, together with students who serve as peer models for them," says Loescher. "One thing they have in common is that they love to create."

Inspired by Carle's book illustrations, Loescher invited her students, together with their families, to create three giant murals. The group met bi-monthly for an hour from January until June with Kathy Vincent, a professional artist, teacher, and owner of ArtSmart!

The 3 murals—including the children's images of themselves, an ABC

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<u>Upcoming Issue Deadline</u>	<u>Upcoming Issue Dates</u>
September 17th.....	September 24th
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# ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP

## From the Orange Board of Education

Timothy James - Superintendent of Schools & Jeanne Consiglio - Chairperson Orange Board of Ed

### Orange Public Schools Prepare For New School Year

The Orange Public School staff welcomed the students to a new school year on August 30. Everyone was very busy over the summer sprucing up our buildings and setting up the classrooms for the 2010 – 2011 school year!

We received great news regarding our 2010 Connecticut Mastery Test results – they were excellent and an improvement over last year. We will be analyzing the test data over the next few weeks in order to make adjustments to instruction that is intended to further improve student achievement. The Board of Education will discuss the CMT scores in detail at its September meeting.

Curriculum will be the focus of the Board of Education in the coming years and it will be on the Board's agenda at each meeting since the development, revision and refinement of curriculum is an ongoing process. Over the next several months, the work by teachers and administrators to revise the Social Studies curriculum will be complete. The World Language program will also be revised and updated by December 2010 and the current Math program will be assessed to determine if it is meeting the instructional rigor of our curriculum.

Technology that enhances instruction continues to be a priority. Each classroom for grades 3-6 will have a permanently mounted SmartBoard. Library/Media Specialists at each school will continue to train the teachers and paraprofessionals so as to maximize the use of the technology. This has been a great success for both students and teachers.

In keeping with the technology theme and recognizing the importance of our Web site (www.oess.org) as a communication tool, the staff continues to undertake enhancements to the site to make it a single source for all information regarding the District.

Two issues of YOUR SCHOOLS, an online newsletter about programs and activities in our schools, will be prepared and uploaded to the site in November and May. Visit the site often for updates and provide feedback to the District!

With limited funds available to complete capital projects at the schools, the Board of Education's focus has been to expend the funds on energy related projects that will have long term savings. For example, the exterior windows and the siding at Peck Place School have been replaced and projects are underway at other schools to improve the efficiency of the HVAC systems. Take a ride by our schools – they look great!

Thanks to the efforts of two teachers and several parents, the school system will have six First LEGO League teams this year. Each team will construct a Mindstorm robot and create an innovative solution to a national challenge presented by First LEGO league organizers. The teams will compete against other teams in a state tournament in January 2011.

We look forward to a successful school year! Welcome back!



## OBOE National School Lunch Program Eligibility

The Orange Board of Education today announced its policy for determining eligibility of children who may receive free or reduced price meals served under the National School Lunch Program. Local school officials have adopted the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Income Eligibility Guidelines following family size and income criteria for determining eligibility. The following income guidelines will be used in Connecticut from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 (or until new income guidelines are issued by USDA) for determining eligibility of participants for free and reduced price meals and free milk in the Child Nutrition Programs.

To determine annual income: If income is received/ Multiply by:

- Weekly .....x 52,
- Every Two Weeks .....x 26,
- Monthly .....x 12

If income is reported as twice per month, convert to annual income.

Number in Family	FREE MEALS/MILK				REDUCED PRICE MEALS				
	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Every Two Weeks Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income	Number in Family	Annual Gross Income	Monthly Gross Income	Every Two Weeks Gross Income	Weekly Gross Income
1	14,079	1,174	542	271	1	20,036	1,670	771	386
2	18,941	1,579	729	365	2	26,955	2,247	1,037	519
3	23,803	1,984	916	458	3	33,874	2,823	1,303	652
4	28,665	2,389	1,103	552	4	40,793	3,400	1,569	785
5	33,527	2,794	1,290	645	5	47,712	3,976	1,836	918
6	38,389	3,200	1,477	739	6	54,631	4,553	2,102	1,051
7	43,251	3,605	1,664	832	7	61,550	5,130	2,368	1,184
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Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents. To apply for free or reduced price meals, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office at each school. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purposes of determining eligibility, and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year. Application forms for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly known as Food Stamps) or Temporary Family Assistance (TFA) households require the child's name, the child's SNAP/TFA case number and the signature of an adult household member. Households receiving assistance under the SNAP/

TFA programs will be notified of their eligibility and their children will be provided free benefits unless the household notifies the school that it chooses to decline benefits. Households receiving SNAP benefits or TFA for their children should only submit an application if they are not notified of their eligibility by September 1, 2010. Households receiving SNAP benefits or TFA for their children may receive a direct certification letter from the Department of Social Services. These letters will automatically qualify a child for free meals or milk and may be submitted instead of an application to the school. Application forms for all other households require a statement of total household income, household size and names of all household members. The social security number of an adult household member must be included or a statement that the household member does not possess one. The adult household member must also sign the application certifying that the information provided is correct. In certain cases, foster children are also eligible for these benefits. If a family has a foster child living with them who is a legal ward of the State of Connecticut, that child is considered a family of one, and monthly personal income from the State must be reported.

Under the provisions of the policy for determining eligibility for free and reduced price meals, the school principal 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 on an informal basis.

If he/she wishes to make a formal appeal a request either orally or in writing, may be made to Mr. Thomas James, Superintendent of Schools, 637 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477, 203-891-8020 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 above.

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The upcoming school year brings new opportunities for teenagers to make a fresh start and plan for a bright future. Parents can use this time to talk with teens about making smart decisions, including those that impact their lives beyond the classroom. According to the 2009 GfK Roper Youth Report, 68 percent of 8-17-year-olds cite their parents as the No. 1 influence on whether they drink alcohol. Though peer pressure can be difficult for teens, as a parent, your involvement has a significant impact on your child's decisions.

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According to a survey conducted by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the percentage of high school students who drank in the past month has declined 18 percent to a record-low level since tracking began in 1991.

It's our responsibility to help guide youth in making smart decisions about alcohol to ensure the progress persists. For a free parent guide, go to [www.familytalkonline.com](http://www.familytalkonline.com).

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This annual fundraiser, the largest for this volunteer fire association, could not run each year without the many dedicated volunteers who work day and night over weeks and months for this event; from the volunteers who worked selling raffle tickets, to the volunteers who prepped and cooked the food, to those who manned the food tents, and to all the public works employees who set up and broke down the carnival. This whole event runs on the backs of its volunteers.

Without our volunteers the carnival could not have been the success it was. Thank you for your continued support and dedication. OVF volunteers - you're the best! See you next year.

Sincerely,  
Donald Foyer  
Carnival Chairman

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Grace Whitman, a 10-year-old girl from Orange, established the "Laps for Life" fundraiser this summer, intending to swim 1,500 laps to raise money for diabetes and leukemia, diseases from which she has friends who are suffering. She completed her laps in late August and at press time has raised close to \$5,000 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (LLS) and the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF).

Grace did not do it alone. She inspired some other kids in Orange to swim for the causes too. Ellie, Lauren, Colin, and Jack Flaumenhaft (The Fab Flaum Four) joined the cause of kids helping kids. Also helping to raise money and swim for the causes were Jillian Gusciora, Robert Fox, and Julia Hoddinott. To make a donation or for more information about Laps for Life, e-mail [Swimmergirlgracie@yahoo.com](mailto:Swimmergirlgracie@yahoo.com).



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### In the Children's Department

#### Fall Story Hour Schedule:

Sessions for age 2 will be held on Mondays at 10:30 from September 13 to November 29. Session for age 3-5 (includes craft) will be held on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. from September 8 to November 17.

#### New Storytime Program for Babies and Toddlers:

The library will introduce its first "lapsit Storytime" program this fall. "Lapsit storytimes" are for babies and toddlers up to 24 months and will include nursery rhymes, music, and movement. The lapsit program will be held on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. from October 14 to November 18. These sessions are open to Orange residents only. Please pre-register.

#### Music Together with Eniko Jonas:

Friday, September 10, at 11 a.m. A family music and movement program that helps children learn new melodies in major and minor tonalities, and it helps them to visualize and internalize the rhythm and tonal elements of music. Instructor Eniko Jonas is the Director and Certified Teacher of Little Voices Music Together. For babies, toddlers, and children up to age 5. Please pre-register.

### For Teens

#### Attention Teen Summer Reading Participants:

Teens who participated in the library's summer reading program "Feed Your Brains" and completed their 8 books should come to the library to receive their summer reading prize. Teens must show their completed reading record at the adult circulation desk to redeem their gift.

### For Adults

#### AIA Design Awards Traveling Exhibit:

The traveling exhibit of AIA Connecticut's 2009 comprehensive Design Awards program will be featured at the Case Memorial Library in Orange for the month of September. Awards were given to sixteen projects in four categories: residential, preservation, urban design, and built. The Design Awards program of AIA, a non-profit association of architects and allied design professionals, celebrates the accomplishments of Connecticut architects and the excellence of Connecticut architectural projects.

#### How to Win at Blackjack:

Wednesday, September 22, 7 p.m.: Richard Harvey, bestselling blackjack book author, will teach you the most state-of-the-art and effective game strategies today. Mr. Harvey studied theoretical math and statistics in college and is recognized as one of the foremost innovators and authorities in the field. Players of all levels fly hundreds of miles to attend his seminars, but Mr. Harvey will demonstrate his methods for free at the library. All playing levels, including beginner, are welcome. Please pre-register.

#### Banned Books Week Film: To Kill a Mockingbird:

Saturday, September 25, 1 p.m.: To kick off Banned Books Week, the library will show the 1963 classic movie "To Kill a Mockingbird" starring Gregory Peck. Ranked 34 on the American Film Institute's list of the 100 Greatest American Films, "To Kill a Mockingbird" is quite simply one of the finest family-oriented dramas ever made. A beautiful and deeply affecting adaptation of the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Harper Lee, the film retains a timeless quality that transcends its historically dated subject matter and remains powerfully resonant in present-day America with its advocacy of tolerance, justice, integrity, and loving, responsible parenthood. Please pre-register.

#### Social Security Information Session:

Monday, September 27, 4:30 p.m.: Social Security Specialist Maria Grice will discuss how to apply for benefits, what benefits are available, on-line services, Medicare, COLA increases, the future of Social Security and more. Get the answers to all your questions. Pamphlets and brochures will also be available. No registration necessary.

#### Raising Financially Responsible Children:

Wednesday, September 29, 7 p.m.: Learn age-appropriate ways to teach your children to earn and appreciate an allowance; develop good saving and investment habits; separate wants and needs; become disciplined shoppers; and view advertising critically. Based on the best-selling book "Money Doesn't Grow on Trees: A Parent's Guide to Raising Financially Responsible Children." Presented by New York Life Agents Tim Fox and Joe Pinto. Please pre-register.

#### Banned Books Week Reading with Jeff Mock and Tim Parrish:

Thursday, September 30, 7 p.m.: Local authors Jeff Mock and Tim Parrish will read from their works in celebration of Banned Books Week. Mock is the author of a chapbook, "Evening Travelers", and a guidebook for beginning writers, "You Can Write Poetry". His new book, "Ruthless", published December 2009, won the Three Candles Press Open Book Award. Parrish is the author of "Red Stick Men", a collection of stories set in his home town of Baton Rouge. Both Mock and Parrish are Professors of Creative Writing at SCSU. Please pre-register.

*Programs at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, 203-891-2170, are free (except as noted for materials charges) and open to the public. Pre-registration is requested in person or by phone. Reach us on our website: [www.casememoriallibrary.org](http://www.casememoriallibrary.org). Sign up to receive notification of library happenings via the e-newsletter form available in the library or online. The library will be closed Saturday, September 4 through Monday, September 6 in observance of Labor Day. The library's regular hours will resume on Thursday, September 7 and are as follows: Monday - Thursday, 10-8; Friday, 10-5 and Saturday, 10-4.*

## Emerging Artist to Showcase Work at Case Library

by Bradley Williams

Born in Mayagüez, Puerto Rico, Iván Tirado is an emerging artist in both the regional and national scene who has made Milford home. While he is still new to the art world from a public and professional view, he has in fact been involved and drawn to various forms of art since his childhood. His inspirations vary from The Gift of Life, Dance, and his Sense of Love for the Human Form. Drawing on diverse influences, Ivan looks to the work of Edgar Degas and others to give life to Clay, Stone and Wood.

While Iván's heart's fire is lit by the arts, he is also fueled by his mind. By combining his education, his influence through teaching and through his art, Iván hopes that he will inspire passion in the hearts and minds of others. As you take a journey through the art of Iván Tirado, you will find an artist on the rise whose work helps us to see with new vision, dance with a new step and explore inside of us a part of ourselves we have yet to know.

For an inside peak go to [ivantirado.com](http://ivantirado.com) or The Art of Iván Tirado on facebook. Contact Ivan directly at: [artwork@ivantirado.com](mailto:artwork@ivantirado.com). I encourage you to attend Art in the Library at Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road. The Exhibit will be open from September 1st to the 30th and the reception will be held September 15, 5-7pm. Contact: 203-891-2170 for more information. The exhibit will also feature the paintings of George Manning and Photographs by Ron Ward. This will be a fantastic opportunity to come see 3 of our region's most exciting and yet diverse artists.



Iván Tirado

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## CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

### Milford Yacht Club Raises \$10,000 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Kenneth Grahame wrote in *The Wind in the Willows*, "Believe me, my young friend, there is nothing-absolutely nothing – half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats." That spirit was certainly alive at Milford Yacht Club. On Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, Milford Yacht Club hosted the MYC Invitational-Boardman Cup Challenge in conjunction with the Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association. For nearly four decades Milford Yacht Club has been hosting this premier regatta and this year the Club has teamed up with Gary Jobson and The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS). The regatta concluded with an awards dinner during which there were hundreds of magnificent raffle prizes and silent auction items. The evening's highlight was the auctioning of two framed prints donated by LLS and maritime artist and IYRS cofounder, John Mecray, a BVI Charter donated by *The Moorings* and a Kayak donated by *The BIC Corp.* If spectator sports were caloric, ogling this event's endless array of raffle/auction items could have handily negated all those hours on the treadmill in a matter of minutes. A record crowd of guests flocked to Milford Yacht club for this year's MYC Invitational-Boardman Cup Challenge.

Thirty boats, over 300 partiers and an estimated \$10,000.00 raised for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society highlighted a day of racing. The proceeds of this regatta will support The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's mission to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families. As an award winning television commentator for ESPN and noted author, Gary Jobson has served as the Leukemia Cup Regatta's National Chairman for the past 14 years. Event chairman Alan H. Liebnick, DDS of Milford Yacht Club commented, "Milford Yacht Club's membership has a strong commitment to the Leukemia Cup Series and its benefits to The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. As big as this event gets, its success comes down to the individuals who participated, owners that raced, the yacht club members and general community that bought raffle tickets, bid on auction items and bought T-shirts as well as the many volunteers who gave dozens (and for some hundreds) of hours over the last 8 months."



**The Garden Bug**

The National **Chrysanthemum Society** will hold its 67th convention and show Oct. 28-31, 2010. The show will be held at the Sherman Library and Gardens in Corona del Mar. The convention events will be held at the Hyatt Regency Newport Beach Hotel in Newport Beach, California. Go to <http://www.mums.org/> for more information.

"Two Pink Chrysanthemums" by Hasegawa (1892-1905)

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### Birds of Prey and Native American Artifacts at the Orange Country Fair

"Because visitors to the Orange Country Fair have so widely enjoyed the Wingmasters North American Birds of Prey program," said Orange Land Trust (OLT) President Edmund Tucker, "this year we are expanding Sunday's program to include Native American Artifacts." The Fair will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 18th and 19th, at the Fairgrounds on Orange Center Road. Julie Collier of Wingmasters is returning and will be presenting live birds of prey on each day. On Saturday, Sept. 18th, she will do her program Live Birds of Prey of North America and bring several of her birds for the presentation. On Sunday, Sept. 19th, she will present her program on Native American Artifacts and Birds of Prey. Each day there will be four half-hour presentations on the hour – at 11 a.m., 12 noon, 1 p.m., and 2 p.m.

Collier enjoys coming to the Fair each year. "One of the reasons I like working with Land Trusts is that the biggest problem to these birds is loss of habitat, and Land Trusts work to preserve open space much needed by so many birds." She is concerned about the fragmentation of forests and destruction of open space areas. "Native Americans revered birds of prey for their majestic appearance as well as for their hunting prowess," said Collier. "To invoke the spirit of these powerful predators, Native peoples followed the ancient tradition of wearing or carrying bird of prey feathers." On Sunday, Collier will bring four live birds of prey and authentic artifacts and explain how different Native American cultures transformed natural materials into objects of beauty and drama. Among the items will be a turkey-feather cloak and a headdress made of golden eagle feathers.

The OLT will have its own tent again this year. Stop by to view the free programs, get information on walking areas in the Town of Orange, see the photograph display, and purchase pen and ink note cards (packets of 10 cards for \$5.00 each) designed and drawn by Michael O'Bymachow. Proceeds will benefit the OLT.

Collier will have for sale suitable-for-framing art prints of the birds. These sales will benefit her Educational Raptor Center and includes her special work with endangered species and preparing them for release into the wild.

The OLT is a private nonprofit, volunteer organization that is dedicated to preserving natural resources and open space in the Town of Orange. New members are always welcome. Membership registration forms will be available at the tent!

### Bradley Point Garden Club Plans Trip

The Bradley Point Garden Club of West Haven is planning a day trip on Thursday, September 16th to the Westchester Dinner Theatre to see the Tony award-winning musical "Rent". \$80 per person includes the transportation, luncheon, front center aisle seats and gratuities. Bus departs from Orange and West Haven. Reservations are open to the public and can be made by calling Ruth at 203-933-2424.

### Garden Club of Orange Workshops at The Orange Country Fair

Please join us at the Orange Country Fair Flower Tent where our Club members will be offering the following hands-on workshops on Saturday, September 18:

- 2 PM: Dividing Perennials—Gail Nixon, FGCCT Master Landscape Design Consultant, will teach you how to divide perennials and prepare your garden for winter.
- 3 PM: Innovative Creative Designs—award winning floral designer Lana Ho will demonstrate how to make your own creative floral design

And, while you're at the Tent, don't forget to reserve your tickets for the Club's Home for the Holiday House Tour, which will be held on Sunday, December 12! To learn more about the Club, please visit our website at <http://www.orange-ct.gov/gardenclub.html> or contact Teresa Evangeliste at 203-795-3195.



## TOWN DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

### From the Youth Services Coordinator

By John Ulatowski



#### Orange Youth Services Seeking Senior Tutors

Orange Youth Services and Senior Services have combined to offer students, grades 1-12, tutorial/homework help. Youth Services is now looking for senior tutors (55 years & over) who want to help students succeed in their studies starting in October. Subjects being tutored are the following: Language Arts, Reading/comp, writing skills, Science, Math, History, and Study Skills. The group meets every Thursday from 3 to 5 pm at the Case Memorial Library. Tutoring time choices are in two sessions: 3:30 to 4:15 pm & 4:15 to 5:00 pm. Tutors work one-to-one with their students.

#### Youth Services Job Bank Assists Orange Residents

The Orange Youth Services Job Bank provides a service of pre-screened students, ages 13-16, who can be employed by area residents to do a large variety of jobs such as yard work, garden help, washing cars/windows, cleaning attics/basements, snow shoveling, painting, party helper, tutoring, clerical assistance, mother's helper...and more. The Job Bank has been a program that has been very successful over the years in meeting residents' specific employment needs. The program provides area residents with a Job Bank student/parent connection to assist with a successful jobs match.

Please contact John Ulatowski, Youth Services Coordinator at 203-891-4785 or by email at [julatowski@orange-ct.gov](mailto:julatowski@orange-ct.gov).

### OVNA Healthline



The next Orange VNA Blood Pressure Clinic will be held on Thursday, September 9th from 1 pm - 2 pm in its office at 605A Orange Center Road, the former Library. No appointment is necessary.

If you are having problems with your blood pressure or your Doctor would like more frequent monitoring; this is a chance each month to get your blood pressure checked. Also, this an excellent opportunity to get more information and teaching from the VNA nurses on various health issues. The Orange VNA is licensed by the State of Connecticut, certified by Medicare and Accredited by the Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP).

#### FLU CLINICS

Tuesday, September 28th 11am-4pm  
High Plains Community Center Gym  
(by appointment only)

Thursday, October 7th 1pm-3pm  
High Plains Community Center  
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Thursday, October 14th 4:30pm-6:30pm  
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### From the Orange Health Department

By Fred Schumacher



## Mosquitoes Test Positive for West Nile Virus

The State Health Department recently announced that a mosquito tested positive for West Nile Virus (WNV) in Orange. This has been the first positive mosquito identified in Orange since 2005. Fortunately, the mosquito that was identified was a bird biting mosquito.

Residents should be aware that WNV is present in the community; especially in mosquito breeding areas such as wetlands, slow moving brooks and streams and shallow depressions and ponds. Anyone can acquire a WNV infection. Persons over 50 years of age are at the highest risk for serious illness if infected by the virus.

The safest thing to do to avoid contracting the illness is to reduce the risk of being bitten by mosquitoes. Residents are reminded to take the following measures:

Minimize time spent outdoors around dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active.

Be sure door and window screens are tight fitting and in good repair.

Wear shoes, socks, long pants, and a long-sleeved shirt when outdoors for long periods of time, or when mosquitoes are most active. Clothing should be light colored and made of tightly woven materials that keep mosquitoes away from skin.

Use mosquito netting when sleeping outdoors or in an unscreened structure and to protect small babies when outdoors.

Consider the use of mosquito repellent, according to label instructions, when it is necessary to be outdoors.

Dispose of water holding containers such as ceramic pots, used tires and tin cans. Overturn objects that may trap water when not in use such as wheelbarrows and wading pools. Clean clogged roof gutters.

The Orange Health Department provides a modest mosquito control program in an effort to reduce the number of mosquito larva. Larviciding is conducted on a biweekly basis only on Town-owned property. Chemical spraying for adults has never been utilized.

For more information, residents can use the toll free information phone line: 1-866-WNV-LINE or the DEP website at [www.ct.gov/mosquito](http://www.ct.gov/mosquito).

### From the Desk of the Municipal Agent

By Dennis Marsh



## Do You Trust the Wrong People?

TRIAD is a partnership between Orange Seniors, People's United Bank, and the Orange Police Department to raise awareness of safety issues concerning seniors. At a recent TRIAD meeting we discussed how a local senior was placed in an Assisted Living facility by her family. Months later after receiving no payment the facility was forced to take steps to discharge her. It was then discovered that this was a pattern. The woman's son was her power of attorney. He would place her in a facility and fail to pay the monthly fee. So the facility morally was required to turn the case over to Elderly Protective Services, which they did. When the son and his wife became aware of the investigation, they took off to Arizona with the remainder of her money.

As we discussed this event, many of the senior residents on the committee began asking, what is a person to do? Do we trust the wrong people? How can I protect myself from something similar? As a person ages, sometimes they cannot handle their finances. They turn to their family for assistance. And sometimes their family members are the ones they need protection from.

So the Orange TRIAD has assembled a cast of experts to discuss this and similar events. They will discuss how to protect oneself and their assets from fraud and abuse. Our distinguished panel will include representatives from Domestic Violence Service, Orange Police Department, an elder attorney, and more. You will have an opportunity to ask questions of our panel after the one hour presentation.

The program will be presented on Wednesday, October 20, 2010, from 1:00-2:30pm in the Senior Café at the Orange Senior Center. RSVP is a must - so we set you out a chair; please call 891-4788. And feel free to invite a friend!



## ORANGE HOUSE OF WORSHIP EVENTS

### Golf Tournament to Benefit Columbus House

The Orange Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, is sponsoring its 14th Annual Paul Ode Memorial Golf Tournament on Monday, October 4th, at Orange Hills Country Club located at 389 Racebrook Road in Orange. This 18-hole event will begin at 7:30 a.m. for registration and breakfast. The shotgun start begins at 8:30 a.m. and will feature a scramble format. It will conclude with lunch and the distribution of raffle prizes.



Orange Congregational Church

A minimum of fifty percent of the funds raised will be given to support the work of Columbus House, a New Haven based charitable organization that has provided services for homeless adults throughout the region and beyond since 1981. Columbus House programs include emergency shelters as well as transitional and permanent supportive housing combined with comprehensive case management services and street outreach. To learn more about Columbus House, go to its web site at [www.columbushouse.org](http://www.columbushouse.org).

The remainder of the funds will be distributed to a variety of charities.

Players will receive shirts, goody bags, prizes for various events like closest to the pin, longest drive, and a hole-in-one contest, breakfast, on-course refreshments, and lunch. Carts are included as are team photos.

David Rubelmann is heading up the planning for the tournament. Cost will be \$150 per golfer. There is a \$50 discount for a student/parent golfing combo. Lunch is available to non-golfers for \$25. A variety of sponsorships are available including Gold, Silver, Lunch, Breakfast and others. Tee sponsorships are only \$100. All sponsorships are tax deductible.

Anyone interested in playing in the tournament, being a sponsor, or contributing prizes should call the church office at 203-795-9749.

### Holy Infant Woman's Guild to Sponsor Trip

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild is sponsoring a trip to the Mohegan Sun Casino on Wednesday, December 1, 2010. \$65 includes a promotion package with a \$15 food credit and a \$15 betting bonus. Departure from the Holy Infant parking lot is at 8:15 a.m. Leave Mohegan Sun at 2:30 pm for a short drive to Olde Mistick Village. There is a one hour shopping option at the Village. Then see the Christmas musical production of "Crachit's Christmas" at Cornerstone Playhouse. Depart from Mystic at 5:30 pm. A boxed lunch is included on the return trip. For reservations call Elizabeth at 203-799-2379. Payment and reservations will close on Sept 30th. A limited amount of seats are still available.

### Holy Infant Religious Education Update

Our department is currently holding its registration for the 2010/2011 school year. If you are a parishioner at Holy Infant and have a child entering the first grade this September, please contact our office so we can send you a registration packet. Also, our department is holding its annual Back to School Shower. If you would like to make a donation to our program please contact our department. For further information, please contact Mrs. Connie Gustafson, DRE at [infant@sbcglobal.net](mailto:infant@sbcglobal.net) 799-2417.



Holy Infant Church

### Or Shalom to Feature Open Community Yizkor

Congregation Or Shalom, a Conservative synagogue in Orange, is offering all non-members an opportunity to come to a free community-wide Yizkor Memorial Service on Yom Kippur Day (September 18) at 4:30 PM.

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.

Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus, the synagogue's spiritual leader, noted that this is an opportunity for Or Shalom to help fill a void among non-affiliated Jews in and around the Orange community. "Everyone should have the opportunity to come say Yizkor for their departed relatives and we hope they will come and take advantage of this opportunity," Wainhaus said.

**Opening Doors:** Congregation Or Shalom is once again offering their "Opening Doors" program for children in Kindergarten through Grade 2 in the Fall. Young families may enroll their children in the Sunday School program without the requirement of membership in the synagogue. Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus, synagogue spiritual leader, noted that bringing young families within the orbit of the community will stimulate them to open the "doors" to various groups and committees within the synagogue. "Ultimately, we hope they will become part of the Or Shalom Family," Rabbi Wainhaus said.

**Zumba:** Tuesdays at 7:00 pm and Thursdays beginning in October: Join Zumba with coach Robin Allen each week for a one hour class. Call Robin for more information at 203-314-8176.

**Membership:** Special new member rates available. Call the office for more information. 203-799-2341

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

**Services:** Sunday mornings: 9:00 am, Monday mornings: 7:30 am, Thursday mornings: 7:30 am, Friday evenings: 7:00 pm (the first Friday of each month is our Family Service where Rabbi Wainhaus reads the children a story in lieu of a sermon. Following the Service, there will be a dairy Oneg Shabbat-refreshments.) Saturday mornings: 9:30 am. (All events are open to non-members.)



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# Wine Talk

With Ray Spaziani

## Rocky Mountain High!



Colorado's grape-growing regions are among the highest in the world – from 4,000-7,000 feet. Quality grape growing requires an environment where there are hot days and cool nights. The high elevation vineyards ensure this, with cool evenings maintaining acidity and hot days ripening the grapes. There are currently around 750 acres under vine, spread mostly between two viticultural areas, Grand Valley and West Elks. By 1910, there were more than 1,000 farmers with vineyards and the industry was booming. However, Prohibition wiped out the wine industry in these parts. Today there are nearly 60 wineries in the state with more on the way. Vinifera varieties include Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay. Hybrids are also cultivated here, as their winter hardiness makes them exceptional.



This is the wine table before our recent judging of the Colorado Commercial wines for the American Wine Society group called Amenti del Vino. (The friends of wine.)

The wines of Colorado mimic the wines of Chile in that they are grown in very highest areas in the world and some very low areas with great soil and weather conditions. My brother Eugene J Spaziani, former national president of the American Wine Society, first recognized this condition some 25 years ago and started the judging of the wines of Colorado with our American Wine Society organization Amenti Del Vino (The Friends of Wine) at that time. We have just had that judging with 172 entries and encountered some wonderful wines. One of the finest wines with a traditional wine making history is J.A. Balistreri Vineyards which is a family owned and operated winery dedicated to making high quality wines. The Cabernet Franc is one of my favorite varieties and Balistreri is one of the finest I have ever had (together with Joe Goveya's in Wallingford which is also exceptional).



Fellow wine judges Ralph Negri and Barry St. Pierre flank me at the Groton Inn and Suites as we judge the wines of Colorado. The judging was directed and developed by Brother Professor Eugene J. Spaziani who is a former president of the American Wine Society.

Colorado Cellars 2009 Colorado Cabernet Sauvignon is truly an exceptional wine that is produced and bottled by Colorado Cellars LTD, in Palisade, CO (1-800-848-2812). The wine is exceptional and obtainable here in Connecticut. Another great winery is Boulder Creek. They are a small family-owned winery committed to growing fine handcrafted wines. They are produced from grapes grown in Palisade, CO. They have been aged in oak for one year and are full-bodied with dark berry flavors and bright tannins.

Near Denver the Bonacquisti winery makes some wonderful quality wines. They have a super blend that includes Merlot, Syrah, Zin and Cinsault that is quite popular. It is called Red. According to the locals it is D – Red!! Try some wines from Colorado; you will be glad you did!!!

We have the national tasting for wines from Chile and Argentina at the Orange Ale House on September 15 from 6:30 to 9:30. Email me to attend at ray.spaziani@gmail.com/\$32.95 for non members that includes dinner!!! It should be a killer time!!!

Ray Spaziani is the Chapter Director of the New Haven Chapter of the American Wine Society. He teaches wine appreciation classes at Gateway Community College, and is a member of the International Tasting Panel of Amenti Del Vino and Wine Maker Magazine. He is an award winning home wine maker. Email Ray with your wine questions and wine events at Ray.Spaziani@gmail.com.



Members of the Amity High School Class of 1977 got together for an impromptu 33-year backyard barbecue reunion recently. The get-together was held at Jay Jamron's house on Old Tavern Road. Pictured are Orange residents Jay Jamron, (back row) and from left, Tammy Tarantales Costello and Sue King Shaw and former Orange residents, Steve Cohen, Ellen Godfrey McCarthy and Marc Trotz.

## Hulley Arts Foundation Benefit Features Jimmy Buffett Tribute

On Saturday, September 11, 2010 the Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation will hold its Eighth Annual Evening for the Arts Gala Benefit at the Quick Center at Fairfield University. This year's performers are Jimmy Buffett tribute band Parrotbeach. The silent auction preview & frozen margarita-salsa bar reception begins at 6 pm; Parrotbeach performance begins at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$45 at the door. Send a check or money order to Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation, P.O. Box 1208, Orange, CT 06477. For information: call 203-891-8869 or email jamieart@snet.net.



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Picnics, walks and seasonal activities

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As well as a monthly Book Club for Moms and a Moms Night out!!

As a chapter of the MOMS Club International, we support your decision to be a stay-at-home mom, part-time working mom or a mom who works from home.

Our members are all moms like you who are looking to meet other moms while enjoying many of the area attractions.

For more information about the MOMS Club of Orange or to find out how to become a member, please contact:  
Marisol - Membership Vice President at 203-298-9341 or email momsfororange@hotmail.com

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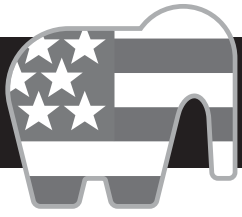
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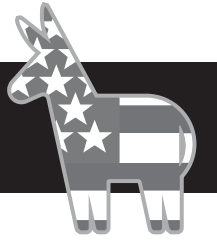
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## OTN ELECTION FEATURE - 14TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT



# Marino Challenging Slossberg for State Senate Seat

By Richard Weizel – Orange Town News Correspondent

ORANGE – Being defeated by a nearly 2-1 margin in his first bid in 2008 to unseat State Sen. Gayle Slossberg, D-Milford for the 14th State Senatorial District seat has not dissuaded Orange Town Attorney Vincent Marino from taking on the popular three-term incumbent again in November. In fact, Marino, 38, of Orange, who gained the GOP nod during a Republican convention in May to challenge Slossberg for the seat that includes Orange, Milford and West Haven, predicted this time he will win.

Slossberg, 45, co-chairwoman of the Government Administration and Election committee, vice-chair of the Public Health committee and vice-chair of the Select Committee on Veteran's Affairs, is seeking re-election after six years representing the district. She is also a member of the legislature's Appropriations Committee.

Marino, a principal in Cohen and Wolf, P.C.'s Litigation and Municipal Groups in Bridgeport, says Slossberg needs to be replaced because she is part of 30 years of Democratic leadership in the state legislature that has resulted in huge deficits and higher taxes "with no end in sight." Slossberg counters that Marino is using the only weapon he has – negative and attack campaigning – which was a strategy "he tried two years ago, but was shown to be a complete failure."

Slossberg said because he has no "real issue" he can stick on her, Marino is trying to lump her in with other Democrats and incumbents on policies she actually opposed. "I am running (again) because we are in tough times and need leaders who aren't afraid to challenge the status quo to move our state in the right direction, regardless of party or politics," Slossberg said. "And that is exactly what I have been doing as state senator. We need to focus on job creation and getting our economy moving again."

"There is only one job creation tax credit program in our state and I wrote it six years ago. It has taken Hartford six years to move in this direction, but I would not give up," she said. "In my time as state senator, I have stood my ground, even against my own party, to uphold what I believe is in the best interests of the people of Milford, Orange and West Haven," Slossberg said. "I voted not once, not twice, but three times against the majority democrat budgets because I believed the spending and taxes were unaffordable. By standing my ground, I saved our state millions of dollars in increased spending and proposed across the board tax increases."

But Marino blasted the incumbent as being part of the Democratic leadership in the General Assembly that has caused huge deficits, rising taxes, but "continues to spend even more. People are fed up with it and want to go in a new direction. Our representatives' failure to act responsibly must be a wake-up call to all of us. Thirty years of Democrat control of our state legislature have led to both a per capita state debt load that is the highest in the country and a tax burden that is among the highest. Government is spending too much money," Marino said. "The problem is that our representatives in Hartford view public service as a career. Instead of fixing the problems facing our state, these representatives are more concerned in self-preservation," Marino said. "This year's election must send a message to the insiders in Hartford, that the people of Connecticut are no longer willing to accept the status quo."

Marino said as a state senator he would be dedicated to reducing government spending and waste, creating a business-friendly environment to encourage job growth, and "protecting our hard earned tax dollars. "The legislature concluded its business for the year, having failed to take any real action to address the financial issues plaguing our State," Marino said. "The majority in Hartford has consistently been unable or unwilling to make the hard decisions to address the budget deficit, control spending and create policies that allow businesses to create jobs."

But Slossberg said she has made some of those hard decisions. "When there was inaction on the budget deficit, I stood up to my own leadership and publicly called for immediate action," she said. "The response was a deficit mitigation plan that still didn't make sense. It included a proposal by the governor (Republican M. Jodi Rell) and the Democratic majority that would have imposed a new tax on hospitals, causing massive layoffs at our hospitals and increased costs to sick people. Despite an all night debate, I refused to support a proposal that moved our state in the wrong direction. "As a result, the proposal was rejected and ultimately a deficit mitigation bill was passed unanimously that did not include new taxes or new spending," Slossberg said.

Both candidates said they oppose the 226-unit affordable housing project being proposed by Hubbell Inc. on its property in Orange and that the state's affordable housing statute needs to be revised or repealed. "I was among those who led the fight in Milford to stop Avalon Bay's affordable housing project (on Wolf Harbor Road), and we did it by fighting and organizing at the grass roots level," Slossberg said. "I have always opposed the statute because it allows developers to take advantage of municipalities and doesn't accomplish the goal of providing real affordable housing for those in need."

Marino agrees with that, but pointed out the Democratic majority in the legislature has still failed to take any action to change or repeal the law. "It's

a terrible statute, poorly written and has forced towns and cities to have these projects rammed down their throats - but while Democrats talk a good game I haven't seen any changes," Marino said. "The only ones who benefit are the greedy developers who get to use the statute as a ruse to build large projects that provide only a portion of so-called affordable housing units ... that aren't even all that affordable."

Orange Selectwoman Trish Pearson, chairman of the Orange Democratic Town Committee, said Slossberg has worked hard for the district the past six years and will be re-elected. "Gayle has been a protector of the people in Orange and beyond and has always put people before politics," Pearson said. "Her goal has always been to make life better for the people of Orange, Milford and West Haven – even when it has meant going against the leadership of those in Hartford."

Pearson rejected Marino's characterization of the incumbent as a tax and spend Democrat. "During the most recent budget process, she stood up and stated you cannot balance the budget by borrowing more money. She knew that was not in the best financial interests of the people," Pearson said. "Gayle is not part of the old guard, she is part of the new genre of public servants who always look for a better solution."

Republican First Selectman Jim Zeoli, however, said Marino has more economic skills and experience than Slossberg, and would be the better choice during tough economic times. "I think Vin Marino is an extremely strong candidate, and has really grown since first running two years ago," Zeoli said. "He has made an effort to learn about what is going on up in Hartford and about the issues that impact the district. His depth in legal knowledge would be a major asset when formulating opinion for votes on bills that will affect the daily lives of so many people in the state."

Marino currently serves as the Governor's representative on the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority and on the Committee for the Compensation of Elected Officials and Judges. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Orange Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Milford Chamber of Commerce. Marino is the former chairman of the Orange Republican Town Committee and is past president of the Orange Young Republicans. With wife Debra, the couple has two children, Lauren, 6 and Jason, 4.

Slossberg has authored and helped pass legislation addressing jobs, government efficiency, support for seniors and veterans, ethics reform, clean contracting and children's' health. Other areas of advocacy include supporting non-profits, education funding, transportation infrastructure and government reform. She lives in Milford with her husband David and their three children, Jeremy, Alex and Rebecca.

**For more information about these candidates, visit their websites:**



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Pictured (l-r): Chuck Berry, Assistant Administrator of the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund; State Representative Ted Graziani, Co-Chairman of the Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs; Paul Tarbox; Jack Monahan, Administrator, Connecticut Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund.

## Paul Tarbox Honored By The American Legion

Paul Tarbox, Committee Clerk of the General Assembly's Veterans Committee, was honored with the "Certificate of Appreciation" award by the American Legion Department of Connecticut at the state's capitol. The award recognizes excellence in legislative service and commitment to the American Legion ideal of "individual obligation to the community, state and nation," as expressed in the Preamble to the American Legion's Constitution.

The award was presented by Jack Monahan and Chuck Berry the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer of the American Legion with State Representative Ted Graziani on behalf of the State Commander of the American Legion, Charles Morrissey accepted the award due to an inability of Tarbox to attend the 92nd Department Convention. "The recognition of Paul Tarbox by the American Legion is entirely fitting. He has been tireless in his work in the legislature and has been a powerful and authoritative voice for veterans," said Jack Monahan, Administrator, Connecticut Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund. "Paul personally embodies key virtues—compassion, integrity, a complete grasp of the issues, diligence, enthusiasm, and an ability to work cooperatively with colleagues. He is widely recognized as one of the most effective legislative staffers in Hartford. The veterans' of the State of Connecticut are well served by the Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs and we appreciate Paul's key role."

"I would like to express my deepest appreciation to the American Legion for this honor," Tarbox stated. "Working on behalf of the many men and women who serve and have served this country is the honor of a lifetime. I am profoundly grateful for all the expressions of thanks and urge everyone to say a prayer for the safety of our service members who are still in harms way."

The convention was held July 8-10 in Rocky Hill. The several hundred assembled delegates represented the more than 160 American Legion posts throughout Connecticut.

Paul Tarbox has been the Clerk of the Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs since January of 2008 and previously served as the Assistant Clerk of the committee prior to that. Tarbox is an Iraqi War Veteran who served in the U.S. Army and the Connecticut National Guard from 1999- 2009.

(*"Carle"* continued from page 3)

poster, and a giant cupcake commemorating Mary L. Tracy's 100th birthday—have been framed and will be permanently displayed (now awaiting principal Ralph Nuzzo's choice for the perfect location) in the hallways of Mary L. Tracy, home to the district's pre-K and Kindergarten students. The families used many steps to create the murals, including working with multi-textural paper, sponges, brillo, and even bubble wrap. They mixed colors, traced, cut shapes, and much more. "Each week the children participated to the greatest extent possible. When they were tapped out, that's where the parents came in," says Loescher. "In the end, though, it was more about the process than the end product."

Projects like this are funded all over the Orange Elementary School and Amity School system, as well as other schools in the region. The foundation is funded entirely by proceeds from its annual benefit concert. This year, the benefit will be held on Saturday, September 11, 2010 at the Regina A. Quick Center at Fairfield University. The benefit will feature the Jimmy Buffett tribute band, Parrotbeach. For more information or to purchase tickets call 203-891-8869 or e-mail [jamiart@snet.net](mailto:jamiart@snet.net). You can also visit the foundation's web site at [www.jamiehulleyartsfund.org](http://www.jamiehulleyartsfund.org).



## Grassy Hill Farm Marks 100-Year Anniversary

By Laura Fantarella – Orange Town News Correspondent

For the past 100 years, a sure sign of summer in Orange is the opening of the Grassy Hill Farm Stand. This year owner Joe Moncheski and his partner Margaret Ryan will celebrate the farm's centennial anniversary with an end of the season cook-out and display of the old photos and farm memorabilia.

The Grassy Hill Farm was started by Moncheski's great-cousins, Stanley and Anastasia Skalzic on the then 45 acres of land they owned on Grassy Hill Road near the Derby Avenue intersection. The property is heavily wooded, and only about five of the acres is used for farming.

Moncheski, who grew up in Ansonia, began working on the farm as a young boy, hoeing and planting tomatoes and vegetables. "I always loved it," said Moncheski, who is now in his 50s. "I would go there everyday after school. Everything was done by hand, planting, spraying fertilizer and picking." By age 15 he was enrolled in Emmett O'Brien Technical School learning mechanics so he'd be able to repair farm equipment. By 16 he was able to purchase his first tractor.

His cousin Stanley and most of the other farmers, worked full-time jobs at the former Farrell Corp. in Ansonia and would get to the farm after their shifts ended. Moncheski also supplements his income by driving a school bus and renting other plots of land in the area to farm. He is known around town as "Midnight Joe" because he likes to farm the fields at night.

Corn and tomatoes were always a Skalzic specialty, a tradition that continues today. "We're known all over the state for our three varieties of corn," said Moncheski. And perhaps best known for its 'same-day' freshness. "We pick the corn fresh to sell every single day," he said. "We never sell any corn after the first day it's picked." Any leftover corn is donated to area shelters. Picking the right amount of corn is an art and Ryan has it down to a science. "We know to pick less if thunderstorms are predicted since less people will be out and the weekends are usually crazy busy," she said.

Not too much has changed on the farm in the past 100 years. It is still run by a small, close-knit group of friends and family who work the fields and the stand. Today Ryan runs the stand with long-time employee Bev Moran, who has worked there for over 30 years. "I started working here when my kids started school and I never left." Days are long, beginning around 8 a.m. as Ryan and Moran begin picking, walking miles of rows and emptying their bounties into bushels that are then loaded into trucks and brought to the stand. Days end around 9 or 10 p.m. Both ladies say they have such a good time together that they can't imagine working anywhere else. In fact, the name of the stand used to be "The Happy Hut." "Everyone is always happy here, we are silly all the time!" Moran said.

And they agree the best part of the job is seeing the customers who drive in and out all day long. "It's like the TV show 'Cheers' where everyone knows your name. We see the same faces every year, every week, sometimes every day," Moran said.

They even have the original "bat cage" mounted by the Skalzics on a tree near the stand. The sign claims the cage holds the "only pair of red bats." Over the years thousands of customers have peered into the cage, only to discover a pair of plastic baseball bats. "Some customers think it's funny, some have gotten mad!" Moran said.

One thing that has changed is the variety of vegetables that line the counter. "We've expanded," Ryan said. "We now have some unusual varieties like zebra and white eggplant, and yellow and 'eight-ball' zucchini." They've also added Japanese eggplant, okra, Swiss chard and kale. And Moncheski has learned how to make the most of the five acres they farm. "We utilize the same row to plant cabbage, tomatoes and lettuce by planting the seeds alongside and between each other," he said.

The farm may well continue another 100 years as the next generation continues the farm tradition. Moncheski's and Ryan's son, Joe Jr. and Ryan's son Ryan Linsley, are already helping out and learning the business.



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By day, Jay Jamron is an unassuming real estate appraiser travelling around the state assessing residential and commercial property values. But at night he throws a bass guitar strap around his neck, climbs onstage at local music venues and well, rocks it like a rock star!



Laura Fantarella

For the past twenty five years, Jamron has been playing with several local rock bands, most currently with "The Fugitives." He started the band more than 15 years ago with fellow musician and guitar player Brian Shaker. On any given night, The Fugitives may be playing in a local bar or restaurant, at a wedding or private party, or maybe at an outdoor festival. Seeing a crowd dancing and enjoying his music is what it's all about for Jamron. "I've always been passionate about the music. I love playing to the crowd and feeding off their energy," he said. "When I was younger it was fun to get on stage and pretend to be a rock star. It was more about the party. Now I do it for fun and for a love of the music. We keep trying to produce the best quality of music we can."

The band meets at least once a week for several hours at a time in Jamron's barn on Orange Center Road to practice and rehearse. They keep their music fresh by mixing rock classics with newer music from bands like No Doubt and Train. Their sets are even sprinkled with original tunes, mostly written by Jamron. "I've been spending more time writing songs," he said. "There are ideas for songs everywhere, songs are all around you. Even something someone says may be inspiration for a song."

The Fugitives have gone through several transformations over the years as musicians came and went. Most recently lead singer Kristine Maksymiuk has joined the band, prompting them to rename it, 'Kristine M and the Fugitives.'

Jamron is a self-taught musician who can also play guitar, drums, piano, keyboard and sing. He became interested in music in his teens while a student at the Orange Junior High School listening to the music of his friends' older brothers. "The Beatles and the Rolling Stones were big influences then," Jamron said. By high school his family moved to Tennessee and Jamron was the new kid in town. "I spent a lot of time in my room practicing," he said. When he entered college at the University of



Jay Jamron

New Hampshire, he met drummer Gary Gemetti and the two continued practicing; Gemetti teaching Jamron how to play drums and Jamron teaching Gemetti how to play guitar. They also hooked up with other musicians and started playing in local bands.

Shortly after college, Jamron came back north, met Shaker and several other musicians and formed his own band, "Outta Nowhere." Early success in the local Connecticut bar and music scene almost convinced Jamron he had found his calling. "At the time I thought maybe I would have a career in music but soon realized how difficult that would be," he said. Reality hit home and with a mortgage, wife, and a child, Jamron devoted his time to building a successful real estate appraisal business and music became a creative outlet and part-time job. As Jamron and the other band members gradually married and started having children, "Outta Nowhere" eventually disbanded and Shaker and Jamron formed The Fugitives.

Like Jamron, the other band members work in other careers by day. Maksymiuk is an attorney, drummer Mark "Sluggo" Slugowski works in plumbing supply, Brian Shaker owns an auto mechanic shop, and Bill D'Andrea is in the computer software business. The band was particularly popular in the 1990s when they performed regularly in bars and restaurants working Thursday through Sunday nights. "It was tough getting home at 2 a.m. and then making it to work the next morning," Jamron said. But the crowds of fans have at times waned in the past few years, maybe because the band members aren't so young anymore, Jamron mused, or perhaps due to the downturn in the state's economy. "Many bars and restaurants have closed and ones that are in business don't spend on entertainment like they once did. I'm not sure following bands is as popular as it once was," he said.

Kristine M and The Fugitives have several upcoming events on the calendar. Their next local gigs will be Sept. 17 at Jakes in Wallingford and October 22 at Olde School in New Haven. For more information, visit [www.thefugitivesband.com](http://www.thefugitivesband.com).



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"Dining with Susan"

By Susan Noonan



## The Pie Hole Pizza Restaurant

Pizza is by far America's most loved and popular food. The result of a recent study about pizza says that nearly every family orders pizza for dinner at least once every week. From the small towns to large cities, you will find pizza restaurants on almost every street corner. Americans consume more than 30 million slices of pizza a day and spend more than \$25 billion dollars every year for this delicious treat. Pizza has become one of the best party foods in America; which brings me to the Pie Hole Pizza Restaurant here in Orange.



I called owner Tom Volpe to let him know I was coming in for dinner. He casually mentioned that he was working on a take-out order for 50 Pizzas! Wow, I thought that must be a really big family! Actually it was a corporate order for a business luncheon. Tom and his lovely wife Sage have owned "Pie Hole" (the name was Sage's idea) since November 2008 and they specialize in "Thin Crust Pizza".

I met a group of friends who are all longtime Orange residents for dinner at Pie Hole and like me; it was their first visit to the restaurant. Needless to say we had a really enjoyable dinner. We were able to bring our own wine and had a chance to sample Tom's thin crust pizza. Everyone was impressed and they all said "this pizza is really good!" In addition to the great pizza with many topping choices, the menu offers appetizers, salads, sandwiches, grinders, calzones and even "Gelato Giuliana" for dessert.

The restaurant is very casual with large booths for seating. Customers place their orders at the counter and the staff delivers it to the table. Its a great place to bring kids of all ages including our special senior population. Lunch specials include a personal size pizza & 20 oz. soda for only \$5.75 or 2 slices & soda for \$4.50. A large cheese pizza is only \$7.50 on Sunday & Monday from 4:00 pm-9:00 pm (max of 5 per customer). The Pie Hole delivers to Orange and parts of Milford & West Haven with a minimum order of \$10.00 with a \$2.00 delivery charge.


I would like to share a comment from a Pie Hole customer: "The pizza Orange has been waiting for, amazing, the pizza at Pie Hole can only be described as an epic masterpiece created by magicians with an oven, I have had pizza in 37 states of the USA & spent 2 years in Italy working at a pizzeria and never had pizza this good, I think if I were a critic I would rate Pie Hole a ten because of the fresh tomato sauce and thin powdered crust". That customer really says it all.

Pie Hole is open 7 days a week; Monday-Thursday from 11:00 am-9:00 pm and Friday & Saturday from 11:00am-10:00 pm. Sunday 4:00 pm-9:00 pm. Starting Sunday, September 12th, the Pie Hole will be opening at 12:00 noon for pizza pick-up and delivery only.

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## HISTORY CORNER

With Ginny Reinhard

### What Could it Be?



Connecticut State Archeologist Nick Bellantoni and Orange First Selectman Jim Zeoli inspect what is believed to be a stone sink dating back to the early 18th century.

With the eye of an eagle, First Selectman Jim Zeoli spotted a large stone object in the front yard of an Orange resident some years ago. Thinking it to be a stone sink from the early 18th century he “watched” it periodically for the possibility of securing it for the Bryan-Andrew house as the “sink” was common in the colonial homes. Often waist high in the buttery or pantry, without plumbing, the sink was placed against an outside wall, in front of a window, with its “drain,” a hole on the backside. In some cases, the window would lift to allow the water to drain outside. One such arrangement can be seen at the Hyland House in Guilford, with a board placed against the wall and lifted when necessary. The existence of a sink and a window is not a given as some families could not afford the window.

However, given permission by the home owner, Jim was able to take a good look at this “sink” and with his background in history knew that he most likely wasn’t looking at a stone sink but an artifact from a period long before the 1639 arrival of the colonists in Milford, the Paugussetts. The term pre-contact is used to denote the original natives before the Europeans and given the area, this artifact could possibly have been used to grind grain, most likely corn. Located on terraced land, overlooking water, would make the growing of corn a distinct possibility with the homes of the Paugussetts safe from flooding, on the higher ground.

Archeology is a specialty and Connecticut is most fortunate to have Nick Bellantoni, the State Archeologist, who is eager and willing to help identify such a find and indeed he met with Jim and the owner of the Orange Town News with me taking notes as they discussed the various possibilities. Mr. Bellantoni stated that often this type of artifact is found on the site of colonial homes and with his watchful eye, found several shards of early pottery in some recently dug soil as he walked the land adjacent to the stone.

Mr. Bellantoni suggested that a “phase 1” survey could be undertaken by his archeological students, with a series of test pits dug every 10 feet, being 2 foot square, creating a timeline with the hope of discovering other Native American artifacts or stone shards. As with the archeological dig at the Bryan-Andrew house several years ago, items found in the layers of the earth helped to identify the history of the area, its inhabitants, wild and domestic animals and, in this case, the possible origin of the carved sedimentary rock, 24” x 24” with a circular center having a depth of 9½”.

The area, was once part of the Clark family seed farm, with its vast seed trial fields and some of the houses, still standing, were part of the extensive Clark family that founded Associated Seed Growers which became known

as Asgrow, a worldwide company. Previously to the establishment of the Milford Colony in 1639 and Bryan’s Farms in 1700, a tribe known as Paugussett led by the sachem, Ansantawae inhabited the lands along the Wepawaug River. The lands spread from Charles Island to the “Two Mile” Brook into Derby with some historians including a portion of New Haven passing through the lower part of Woodbridge with the Housatonic River forming an additional boundary.

There were several purchases by Rev. Peter Prudden’s group including nearly all the present towns of Orange, Milford and part of Woodbridge as the colonists sought to increase their settlement with three of them using the Two Mile Brook (path) as a boundary on the north, east and south. We often hear about the early settlers taking Native American lands, but in this case the land was an insurance policy for the Paugussetts against marauding Mohawks who were continually raiding their territory.

In the summer of 1648, the Mohawks, who had been quiet for some time, attacked the Milford Paugussetts in an attempt to capture their fort on the Housatonic River but were driven off with heavy losses. The story goes that one of the young braves was tied to a stake and left to die in the salt meadows but finding him unconscious, Thomas Hine released him, fed him and put him ashore on the other side of the Housatonic River. For this act, the Mohawks respected the Hine family.

After a period of time, the Paugussetts complained that they had sold a great deal of their land. Although they had the fort and burial grounds at Turkey Hill, they were granted an additional 100 acres along the banks of the Housatonic where fishing and hunting was plentiful. The original Turkey Hill is the steep hill that rises from the Housatonic River opposite Two Mile Island and according to a statistical account by Rev. Erastus Scranton, in 1835, Ephraim Strong, Benjamin Fenn and John Gunn were appointed by the town to take care of the Indians at Turkey Hill and to prosecute any person who would cut timber, fence in or trespass the area thus given. By 1710, only 12 families lived on the “hill” according to Scranton.

Judging by the smiles on Nick Bellantoni and Jim Zeoli, the “find” is significant to the history of Orange (North Milford) and its future is in the hands of an expert who, with his vast experience, will endeavor to place it in its proper time period. Given the myriad of tool making methods of Native Americans, this might prove a bit daunting but one thing is sure, archeologist Nick and selectman Jim have reached into the past with another piece of the puzzle.

*Ginny Reinhard is the president of the Orange Historical Society.*



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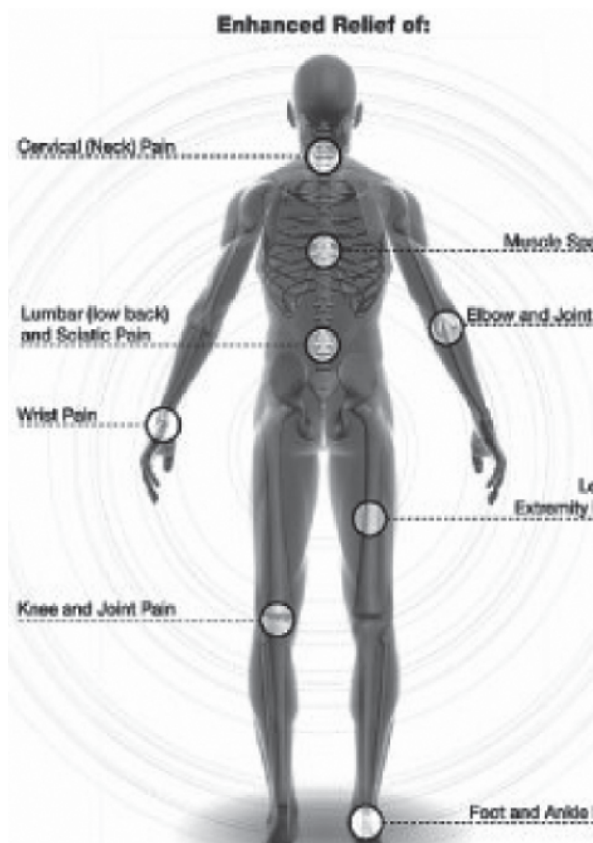
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Ana de la Reguera

**Q:** I can't tell you how excited I am that the fall shows are about to start up. Can you give me a little scoop as to what I can expect on my favorite show, "Castle"? -- Drew D., via e-mail

**A:** The ABC Monday night comedy/suspense/detective drama returns with a bang on Sept. 20. I spoke recently with **Jon Huertas**, who plays Detective Javier Esposito, and he gave me a sneak peek at Season Three.

"For my character in particular, I'm going to have a little bit of an on-screen romance with another member of the cast," he said. "Also, for the first episode, there's a big surprise. In the murder we are investigating, our first suspect surprises everybody. You also are going to see a lot more fleshing out of the satellite characters -- my character and Dr. Lanie Parish -- there's going to be a lot more of that."

(If you're curious as to whom Jon was referring when he mentioned the suspect on the season opener who will surprise everyone, read our full interview at [www.celebrityextraonline.com](http://www.celebrityextraonline.com).)

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**Q:** I know there is talk that **Danny McBride** could be coming to "The Office" to fill the void when **Steve Carell** leaves, and I think that's a great idea, but I hope it won't interfere with his hilarious HBO series, "Eastbound and Down." When does Season Two start, and can you tell me anything about it? -- Sam M., Miami

**A:** **Ana de la Reguera**, who co-starred with **Jack Black** in "Nacho Libre," comes to the show as a series regular (when it returns on Sept. 26) as a lounge singer whom Kenny Powers meets in Mexico. Ana gave me the scoop: "After Kenny leaves

April at the gas station, he basically disappears and wants to start over. He wants to go to a new world, so he goes to Mexico. He's in a completely new culture. His weaknesses are much bigger. I'm a singer, and he thinks we have a connection because I sing **Bob Seger** songs, covers, but in Spanish the whole time."

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**Q:** Why didn't **Sylvester Stallone** cast **Jean-Claude Van Damme** in his summer blockbuster, "The Expendables"? He seems like a perfect fit! -- Denny J., via e-mail

**A:** I agree, and so did Sly. However, Jean-Claude did not. According to Sylvester (in a recent interview in Britain's Sunday Times), he asked Jean-Claude to be in the movie: "I wanted to set Jean-Claude against **Jet Li**, but he didn't want to lose to Jet. He didn't think that was cool. But that's why it would be cool -- to have Jean-Claude beaten by the other man."

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**Q:** How is **Michael Douglas** doing? I read he has cancer! -- Trudy G., Altoona, Pa.

**A:** Doctors discovered a tumor in the throat of the 65-year-old actor, for which he'll have to undergo eight weeks of radiation and chemotherapy. His doctors expect him to make a full recovery.

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## ARTS AND LEISURE

### Art in the Library September Exhibits

The Case Memorial Library in Orange will exhibit the portraits and figure painting of George Manning, watercolorist, the sculptures of Ivan Tirado and the Photography of Ron Ward throughout the month of September. (Sept. 1-30.)

George is a self taught artist and an active member of the local art community with ties to the Hamden Art League, North Haven Art Guild, Brush and Palette Club, Connecticut Watercolor Society as well as Lyme Art Association. He has won numerous awards for his paintings which hang in both public and private collections. For more information concern George's paintings or information concerning commissioned paintings call 203-234-7742.

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Ron Ward is a local artist who has won several Fine Arts awards for his photographic work in nature and wildlife. His passion for photography has made him realize that life is a series of singular moments up to now that need to be captured for the moments to come.

The exhibition reception will be held Wednesday September 15th from 5-7PM. All exhibits can be seen during library hours throughout the month, September 1-30, 2010.



### Orange Players To Hold Auditions

The Orange Players will hold open auditions for adult men and women for its fall production of the musical, *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*, on September 7th and 8th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the High Plains Community Center at 525 Orange Center Road. Callbacks, if needed, will be held September 9th at 7:00 p.m. Performance dates are November 5, 6, 12 & 13, 2010. Those auditioning are asked to prepare a comedic, up-tempo song which shows your vocal ability and personality. An accompanist will be provided. Candidates may also be asked to read from the script which will be provided. Interested parties are also welcome to attend the General Membership meeting on September 1, 2010 at the High Plains Community Center where director Ian Galligan will further discuss the auditions and production. For more information, call Suzanne Powers at 203-520-1805 or visit [www.orangeplayers.net](http://www.orangeplayers.net).

### THEATER REVIEW

### Revisiting "A Little Night Music" on Broadway

By Zander Opper

The prospect of revisiting a show with new replacements can be a tricky proposition. Will they live up to the originals? How different will they be? In my experience, the results have ranged from disappointments to utter revelations (my favorites: Sandy Duncan as Roxie Hart in "Chicago" and the sadly departed Dixie Carter as Maria Callas in "Master Class"). Returning to the Walter Kerr Theatre to see the new stars, Bernadette Peters and Elaine Stritch, in "A Little Night Music," I did not know what to expect. Fortunately, I'm glad to report that Peters and Stritch are weaving a spell onstage (in the roles originated by, respectfully, Catherine Zeta-Jones and Angela Lansbury) that turns "A Little Night Music" into quite a different experience than it was when I first saw it in February. Bernadette Peters and Elaine Stritch are Stephen Sondheim icons and they bring that history with them, resulting in transforming a revival that I was vaguely indifferent to at my first visit into a magical evening of theatre. Indeed, if there ever was a must-see show on Broadway, this is it: "A Little Night Music" at the Walter Kerr Theatre should be required viewing for anyone even remotely interested in musical theatre, for an opportunity like this doesn't come around very often, but, when it does, you simply must grab it.



Zander Opper

Looking just as lovely as ever, the eternally youthful Bernadette Peters plays the role of Desiree in a manner that is in sharp contrast to Catherine Zeta-Jones' Tony Award winning portrayal. Zeta-Jones was very self-assured and brought an abundance of humor to the role, only really letting her strong facade down in her lovely rendition of "Send in the Clowns." Peters brings a vulnerability, even a fragility, to the part that was missing from her predecessor's performance—one truly feels that her desire to rekindle her love with Frederik (Alexander Hanson, who is even stronger than he was in February) matters deeply to her and, when Peters delivers "Send in the Clowns," it's as if her whole life has been shattered, with the moment being so heartbreaking that words cannot begin to do it justice. This is not to say, though, that Peters' performance lacks a sense of comedy—she is deliriously funny when she needs to be, and her reading of Hugh Wheeler's lines (especially in Act II) is full of wit and a sly humor. Peters has been a Broadway musical leading lady for decades, and she brings that experience to the role in a way that Zeta-Jones couldn't quite manage, delectable as she was.

As for Elaine Stritch, while she is not as warm and lovable as the enchanting Angela Lansbury, it is just as amazing to see her onstage as it was to see Lansbury. Having started out in musicals in the late 1940's and early 1950's (she was Ethel Merman's understudy in "Call Me Madam" in 1950), the sense of history being played out in Stritch's every gesture, line and lyric is astounding. Nobody can deliver a withering remark like this actress can and even her smallest facial expression can stop the show. Stritch shines in her solo, "Liaisons," and, in Act II, when she recounts a story about breaking up with her first lover and how she now wonders if he could have been "the love of my life," the moment is heart stopping. Elaine Stritch has long been one of my all-time favorites and it is truly an event to see her again in a musical.

I'm also pleased to note that rest of the cast has gotten even better than they were the first time, with Erin Davie—in the choice role of Charlotte—now, happily, getting just as many laughs in the first half as she does in Act II. But Bernadette Peters and Elaine Stritch are, naturally, the performers who make it mandatory for a revisit (or even a first visit) to "A Little Night Music," and I must confess that the idea of Peters and Stritch together in a Sondheim musical was one of those impossible pairings that musical theatre fanatics previously could only have dreamt about. By all means, get yourself to the Walter Kerr Theatre to see "A Little Night Music," for this is truly one for the books. Tickets can be ordered by calling Telecharge at (212) 239-6200 or by going to [www.NightMusicOnBroadway.com](http://www.NightMusicOnBroadway.com).

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## Country Fair Books Available

The Orange Country Fair will be held Saturday, September 18-Sunday, September 19. Fair books are now available at the library, town hall, and local farm stands. Information about events as well as entry forms can also be found at the fair website, [www.orangectfair.com](http://www.orangectfair.com).

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The Jeremy Saxe Memorial Amity Boys Soccer Alumni game will be played Saturday September 4, 2010 with a rain date of Monday September 6th, Labor Day. Participating Alumni are asked to donate \$30 to play which will include a commemorative game shirt. A portion of the donations will be going to the Jeremy Saxe Scholarship Fund. We will also be accepting additional donations for the scholarship. Please confirm your attendance by August 27th by contacting Coach Marchitto through Amity High School Athletic Department or email coachmike008@gmail.com.

### Orange Park and Recreation

There will be a number of Preschool, Youth and Adult programs being held this Fall. Registration for all land-based programs for residents will begin on Monday, September 13th and registration for non-residents will begin on Monday, September 20th.

Preschool programs include Nerfkins, Storytime Creations (new program), Lil' Sportz, Karate Kitties and the Toddler Playgroup (many improvements made).

Youth programs being offered are Floor Hockey, Girl Power, Karate, Multi-Sports, Drama, Hip Hop Jazz, Tennis, Golf, SoccerTikes, Guitar Lessons, OPR Basketball and OPR Flag Football.

The Adult programs are, "Not Just Yoga", Evening Aerobics, Dance and Fun Workout and Yoga. A new Zumba class is coming to OPR, the dates and times are TBD. Please keep an eye out for all information around the end of September and beginning of October.

Look for our fall brochure which should arrive in early September. It will feature all of our fall programs and upcoming events. For more program information visit us online at [www.orange-ct.gov](http://www.orange-ct.gov).



The Amity Rugby Team at the Connecticut High School Rugby Championships at Yale in July. Pictured: Front row (l-r): Zack Stone, Tyler Bishop, Xurong Liu, Eddie Walsh; Back row (l-r): Ed Walsh (manager/coach), Tyler Webster, Joe Ianniello, Bob Bishop (coach), Nathan Gallow (head coach). Missing: Peter Litwin, Chris Ko, Alex Carpenter, and Evan Varco.

### Amity Rugby Club Begins New Season

By Anne Buley – Orange Town News Correspondent

Baseball, football, soccer, lacrosse, basketball, swimming, track and field, wrestling, you name it. When you think of Amity High School boys' athletics, these popular sports come to mind. But one of the newest sports clubs being talked about at Amity High School is Rugby. That's right, Rugby.

In fact, Rugby, which originated at Rugby College in England in the 1800s, is one of the fastest growing sports in the country at the high school level. And it's certainly catching on in Connecticut. Fourteen organized clubs from Greenwich and Wilton to Cheshire and Southington, and now Amity, have all collectively created the Connecticut Rugby Union. The Union is a parent group that is trying to grow the sport and build awareness. "Rugby is a good fit for a lot of young men," says Ed Walsh, team organizer and parent, adding that boys who are, perhaps, not big enough for football or who just missed the cut from the baseball team, for instance, would be good candidates to try rugby. "It helps if you are quick and tough," he says, "but if you come to practice and are physically fit you will play."

Rugby is often described as a cross between soccer and football. "Rugby is what they were playing when they discovered football," says Walsh, who explains that like football, rugby is a contact sport, but like soccer, the only time the players stop is if one team scores. "Rugby will get you into great shape," he contends.

After a few years of trying to get the rugby club started, in March the boys finally became an organized team, coached by Nathan Gallow, who played American football his entire life, including on a full scholarship at Missouri Western University. Gallow began playing rugby after college on a club level and was an assistant rugby coach at San Diego State and the University of San Diego. After meeting his wife, an Amity grad and "rugger" at SCSU, the couple moved back to Connecticut.

The club partnered with Madison High School (in order to meet the 15-player requirement) to take on Cheshire, Simsbury and Staples. The club also partnered with Simsbury to take on Springfield, Mass.

All high-school-aged boys are welcome and encouraged to join the club, learn about the sport, and participate. In the fall, the team will practice and participate in scrimmages to learn the game. Official team games will begin in April. For more information about joining the team, those interested can become a friend of the team on Facebook, go to the team's website at [www.amityrugby.org](http://www.amityrugby.org), or call 203-671-7372.

Rugby, which was eliminated from the Olympics in the early 1920s, will return to the Olympics in Rio de Janeiro in 2016. Most colleges across the country have organized Rugby clubs and it's growing at the high school level. In fact, two Amity grads, Joe Ianniello and Evan Varco, are heading off this fall to the University of Hartford where they will both play rugby, an opportunity they pursued only after being introduced to the sport at Amity. "Rugby is currently under the radar," concludes Walsh. "It's a great opportunity for boys to be part of a great sport."

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## STUDENT NEWS



### Nick Hirth Receives the American Legion Scholarship

Nick Hirth was awarded the \$1,100 American Legion Post 127 Scholarship for 2010 in a ceremony at the Post Hall. Post Commander Larry Czajkowski and Post Member Trevor Davis (Nick's grandfather) presented Nick with the Scholarship, Wednesday night 8/11. Nick graduated from Amity High School and has received the Donnely Scholarship Memorial Award, Richard Bourdeau Memorial Scholarship, Albert J Seymour Memorial Award among other awards this year. Nick will be attending the University of Connecticut in September. The American Legion Scholarship Fund is administered by the Orange Foundation Trust.



From left to right: Roy Hirth, Commander Larry Czajkowski, Nick Hirth, Trevor Davis, Pamela Davis Hirth.  
Picture by: Tom Hurley.

### Nettleton to Attend SCSU

Christina L. Nettleton, daughter of Edward L. Nettleton of 787 Derby Milford Road, Orange graduated on June 5, 2010 from the Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall, in Milford and plans to attend Southern State University in the fall. Ms. Nettleton was the recipient of the President's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award and the Michael J. Adanti Memorial Community Fund Award at the Senior Awards Ceremony.

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## SOCIETY NEWS



### Riordan/Lucibello Set for September Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Riordan announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Emily Susan Riordan, to Mario Vincent Lucibello, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mario Lucibello. The future bride is a Graduate of the University of Connecticut and Quinnipiac School of Law. She is managing partner with the law firm Riordan, Cutting & Shore, LLP. The future groom is also a graduate of the University of Connecticut and a candidate for graduation with a Master's Degree in Taxation from The University of New Haven in December. He is a Certified Public Accountant with the firm Greenhaus, Riordan & Co., LLP.

The wedding will take place on Saturday, September 25, 2010 at St. Mary's in Derby with an evening reception at the Branford House of the University of Connecticut at Avery Point in Groton. The university holds a special place in their hearts as that is where they first met. A honeymoon is planned for Maui, Hawaii.



### Rhodes-Masse Wed

Thomas and Barbara Rhodes of Simpsonville, SC announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaelyn Michele to Brian Robert Masse, son of Roger and Beth Masse of Dracut, MA.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mario and Patrizia Moccia and the late Joseph and Georgine Rhoads of Orange, CT.

Jaelyn and Brian graduated from the University of Notre Dame. They will reside in Boston after their wedding on September 5th, 2010.

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## ORANGE BUSINESS ROUNDUP

### Exploring Entrepreneurship in Orange

Orange, CT - The Orange Economic Development Corporation, working in partnership with the Town of Orange and WBDC (Women's Business Development Center) are pleased to present the 2nd installment of a 4-part workshop designed to support the Entrepreneurial Spirit of area residents.

On September 22, 2010, WBDC will conduct a workshop entitled, "Exploring Entrepreneurship". Workshop attendees will have the opportunity to discuss their entrepreneurial ideas/visions and investigate the feasibility of turning them into reality. This is a perfect opportunity for aspiring business owners to learn what they need to get started and to recognize starting your own business requires more than just a good idea.

WBDC is the leader of entrepreneurial and financial training for women in Connecticut. WBDC reaches women from all economic backgrounds through a proven combination of business training, mentoring, technical assistance, promotional support, general information, and resource referrals. It is, as well, responsive to each entrepreneur's individual needs, from their early years of operation through periods of growth.

WBDC, through education and training, is fueling one of the most powerful economic engines in the state—women-owned businesses. (Of note, 20% of their clients are men.) Its goal for 2010-2011 is to continue growing WBDC's capacity, thereby impacting the lives of those seeking to achieve the dream of economic self-reliance through entrepreneurship. Evident in the words of a WBDC program graduate, "WBDC routinely exceeds expectations, instills motivation, nurtures self-confidence, and generates success for its clients."

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Funding for this activity has been made available from the town's Orange Economic Development Commission. Armand Cantafio, Chairman of the Orange Economic Development Commission said, "The economic development commission is pleased to be able to support this endeavor. Starting a business is a very exciting yet daunting experience. We recognize that individuals interested in starting up their own business have a lot of questions which is why we sought to align ourselves with one of Connecticut's premier business development organizations."

The "Exploring Entrepreneurship" program will be held at Case Memorial Library at 333 Tyler City Road, Orange on Wednesday, September 22, 2010 from 6:00 pm till 8:00 pm. The public is invited to attend, free of charge. Reservations are required and you may register by contacting the Orange Economic Development Corporation at (203) 891-1045 or WBDC (203) 353-1750 or registering online at [www.ctwbdc.org](http://www.ctwbdc.org).

Paul Grimmer, Executive Director of the Orange Economic Development Corporation said, "Opening and operating a new business takes a lot of hard work and effort. We hope that by providing this opportunity to aspiring business owners, we make their goals a bit easier to reach." Paul Grimmer also says, "While this program will be presented by WBDC, both men and women are invited to attend."

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### Orange Chamber of Commerce Elects New Officers

The Orange Chamber of Commerce recently elected its officers for the 2010-2011 Board of Directors.

**David W. Metzger**, elected President, is the owner of Sign-A-Rama, along with his wife Barbara. Sign-A-Rama has been serving Orange and the surrounding communities with visual marketing solutions for over 11 years. David has been a member of the Orange Chamber since he opened Sign-A-Rama. Prior to owning Sign-A-Rama, David held senior Sales and Marketing management positions for several marquee companies including SBC, SNET, Memorex and Levi Strauss & Co.



President  
Dave Metzger

**Rocky Salpento**, elected Vice President, is the Owner/Publisher of the Orange Town News. He has been an active member of the Orange Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for three years. He is a member of the Chamber's Communications/Marketing Committee. Rocky serves as the current co-chairman of the Legislative Action Committee and he was the moderator for the Chamber's "Legislative Breakfast" held in January. He is a lifelong Orange resident.



Vice President  
Rocky Salpento

**Carolyn Shiffman, PhD**, elected Secretary, joined the Orange Chamber in 2006 as an executive coach who works with business, healthcare and higher education professionals. Carolyn established her consulting and coaching practice to assist individuals and organizations to increase their productivity and efficiency through developing leadership skills. Carolyn recently accepted a position as the Program Director of the Bachelor of Science in Health Science at Sacred Heart University. In addition she teaches at Post University in their online MBA program. Carolyn chairs the Chamber's Orange Women's Leadership Networking Group.



Secretary  
Carolyn Shiffman

**Rudy Zimmermann**, elected Treasurer, has been a member of the Orange Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for the past 5 years. He also is a counselor with the New Haven chapter of SCORE – Counselors to America's Small Businesses and additionally is a board member of Columbus House whose goal is to serve the homeless in the New Haven area. After 35 years of employment with Bayer Pharmaceuticals, formerly located in West Haven and Orange, Rudy retired as Director of Engineering.



Treasurer  
Rudy Zimmermann

At-large members of the Orange Chamber Board of Directors include: Robert Archambault, Associate Member; Ronald Capozziello, Peoples United Bank; Antonio Cervone, Liberty Mutual Group; Michele Collins, Around the Towns; Deepak Dadlani, Diamond Designs; Frank Donroe, Church of the Good Shepherd; Paul Grimmer, Orange Economic Development Corporation; David Katz, Brueggers Bagels; Don Lewis, Associate Member; Vincent Marino, Esq., Cohen and Wolf, PC; Leslie Marsh, Cruise Planners; Nicholas Mastrangelo, Weichert Realtors; Phil Noto, Urgent Care Center; Michael Paolini, Michael Paolini, CPA; Brian Reeves, FastSigns; Bob Reid, R.J. Reid Associates; Michael Richetelli, Colonial Properties; Rick Roberts, Freeman Roberts Associates; Frank Rogers, Frank Woodruff Rogers Agency, Inc.; Michael Shiner, Fresh Concepts; Maureen Voghel, Laurel Estates Assisted Living Community and Richard Zorena, UBS.

The new officers assume their positions September 1, 2010 and will be formally recognized at the Chamber's Annual Meeting & Awards of Excellence Dinner, Thursday, September 23, 2010 at the Race Brook Country Club.

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## New England Ballet Announces Dance & Theatre Program

New England Ballet Company in partnership with Milford Recreation Department Adaptive Programs is pleased to announce a dance and theatre program for school-age children of all abilities, culminating in a special performance of the Nutcracker Suite on stage with mentors and New England Ballet Company dancers on December 17th. This unique effort is adaptive for individuals of all abilities. Those in wheelchairs are encouraged to bring a helper. No dance experience is required, just the joy of expression. Formal dance will be taught in a 45-minute class with routines to be performed on stage. The Theatre class will rotate through visual arts, dance and movement, and music and voice each week during a 90 minute session. Professionals, along with mentors, will teach and guide students to target skills needed in each discipline. This inclusion program is designed to enhance socialization and build self esteem in a caring and fun atmosphere. The end performance will be a holiday show, featuring selections from Nutcracker in a story ballet and special musical selections sung by theatre program participants. This will be an exciting experience, professionally costumed and staged, and including dancing dolls, soldiers fighting giant mice, and a beautiful magical ending. Classes begin September 13th and run through December 15th and the evening performance at Parsons Auditorium on December 17th. The 15-week dance program is \$150 with classes after school Monday, Tuesday, or Thursday. Saturday classes may be added if there is sufficient interest. Theatre is \$200 and classes will be on Wednesday. Scholarships are available for Milford residents. Contact Debra Marchese, City of Milford Recreation Department Adaptive Program Coordinator, for more information at 203-550-2520. Intake is recommended. Registration is underway at the City of Milford Recreation Department in the Parsons Building, 70 West River Street. Middle and high school students are encouraged to apply to the Milford Recreation Department to participate as mentors for this and other Adaptive Programming.

## Get Ready to Cruise News

By Leslie Marsh



### Back to School, or What My Kids Learned on Their Summer Vacations

By Leslie Marsh, Elite Cruise Counselor

Back to school - three words that conjure up so many images: excitement, fear, shopping, homework. This time of year always brings back memories of getting my kids ready for school. As a matter of fact, by the time you read this, my baby will be getting acclimated to Barcelona where she will spend the semester studying. This time of year also brings back fond memories of our summer vacations, some of which were spent on a cruise. Not only did we have a great time on these cruises, but as I reflect back, they were a great family learning experience as well.

Onboard, the kids saw how a ship navigates away from a pier and out to sea. They saw the pilot's boat pull alongside a sailing ship to allow the pilot to disembark. They learned about the roles of the officers on a ship and learned nautical terms. In the dining rooms, they learned about dress codes, got to try international cuisine and were delighted by the naughtiness of the maitre d' who taught them how to flip a spoon into a glass of water. They learned about other countries from crew members. As a family, we took Italian lessons, participated in ship-wide scavenger hunts and joined in some silly but fun family games. We laughed and laughed as we watched my husband try to beat the other Dads up onto the stage wearing lipstick, but learned that competition wasn't always about winning, it was fun too!

Visiting ports was always an experience. At the ruins of Tulum, we learned about ancient Mayan culture. In Cozumel, we learned about the power of a hurricane when we saw the destruction from Hurricane Wilma. In Grand Cayman, we learned about treating a jelly fish sting when I got stung while snorkeling. On another Grand Cayman visit, we all kissed a stingray for good luck. We've seen the most amazing fish while snorkeling. In Jamaica, we climbed Dunns River Falls. We discovered paradise together at Magen's Bay in St. Thomas and in St. John, we learned about the ecology of a coral reef.

A cruise is a great family vacation. It provides the opportunity to learn and have fun at the same time. As a family, we've learned to appreciate new places and cultures. As a parent, I've learned to cherish the memories we made with our kids.

Leslie Marsh owns Cruise Planners of Orange. You can reach her at 203-799-2367 or email [leslie@getreadytocruise.com](mailto:leslie@getreadytocruise.com).

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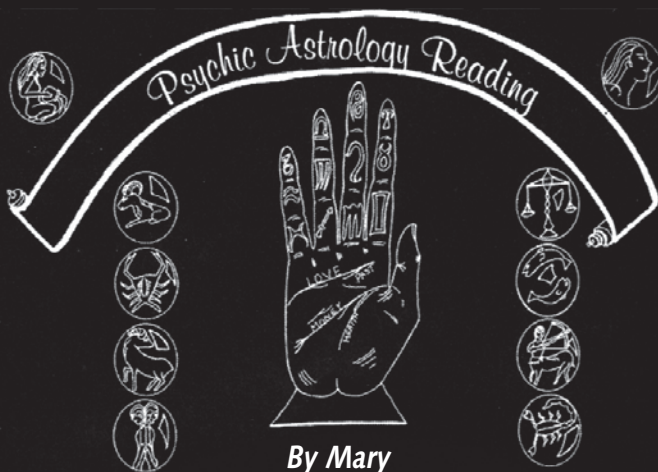
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## HAPPENINGS AT THE ORANGE SENIOR CENTER

By Joanne Byrne

### See "Memphis" on Broadway

The Orange Senior Center has just booked a block of orchestra tickets to see the Broadway Musical, "Memphis" on Wednesday, May 4, 2011 for the matinee performance. "Memphis" is one of the hottest shows on Broadway and winner of several Tony Awards including Best Musical. From the underground dance clubs of the 1950's in Memphis, Tennessee comes a white DJ who wants to change the world and a black club singer who is ready for her big break. Memphis is filled with laughter, soaring emotion, and roof-raising rock 'n roll. You will leave the theater singing and dancing! Before going to the theater, have lunch at Pietrasanta Restaurant, where you can order off the menu. The total amount of the trip including orchestra seat tickets to "Memphis", transportation on a deluxe motorcoach, lunch at Pietrasanta and all gratuities is \$189 per person. A deposit of \$100 is needed by September 22 to hold a ticket. The balance will be due April 1, 2011. Call the Orange Senior Center at 203-891-4784 for more information or to make a reservation.

### Trip to Foxwoods

Like to play the slots or bingo? Join the senior center on a day trip to Foxwoods in Ledyard on Tuesday, September 21. The bus leaves the senior center at 8 am sharp. Receive a bonus packet (worth \$25) when you arrive at the casino with a free bet and coupons for lunch. Be back to the center around 5:30 pm. Cost: \$22 for transportation and driver's gratuity. Sign up before September 10.

### Computer Classes

There are a few places left in some of the senior center computer classes which start the week of September 6. Word Processing, which is taught on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 has openings. This class is for people with a little experience using the computer. Students learn the techniques of letter writing and document handling. They become familiar with the use of different fonts, type sizes, and colors, as well as learn how to use bullets, tables and clip art. The class on Organizing & Editing Digital Photos Using Picasa on Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:30 has openings. This is a hands-on course introducing the student to the world of digital photography, and how to transfer, find, organize, edit, print and share photos using a free downloadable program from Google's website. This class is for people who have modest experience using the computer. All other computer classes are filled and have waiting lists. The fee for each course is \$35 for 6 weeks. Each class is 2 hours and taught by an experienced and knowledgeable instructor. Call the senior center (203-891-4784) to register or for more information.

### Cabaret Night in September

Come to the September 16 Cabaret Night in the senior café from 5:30 to 7 pm. Good 2 Go, with singer Mike Ciulla and Guitarist Ron Murray, will entertain with their superb harmonies, upbeat music and engaging comedy. Tickets are \$5 and must be purchased in advance. Coffee and dessert are served. Don't miss this one!

### Friday at the Movies

Come see "Extraordinary Measures," starring Harrison Ford and Brendan Fraser on Friday, September 17 at 1 pm in the senior lounge. This drama, based on a true life story, centers on the efforts of John and Aileen Crowley to find a researcher who might have a cure for their two children's rare genetic disorder, Pompe Disease. A compelling movie that you will not want to miss. Popcorn and soda served. Call the center to register.

### Men's Club

Henry Dana Rotman, author of "On My Watch" will speak at the next Men's Club on Thursday, September 23 at 10:30 am. in the senior lounge. Dana was a Third Assistant Engineer on the SS Remsen Heights, a 6,000HP Victory class steamship. He spent 12 months sailing on three trips around the world on this ship. The book is an account of those days of watch standing, some quiet when the most exciting event was winding the engine room clock while other watches were hours of unending demand on men and machines. Woven through the book is a love story of Dana and his wife Nancy. Dana will be talking about his book. Coffee and refreshments served. Call the center to register.

### OVNA Health Chat

Join Maria Biondi, a nurse from the Orange VNA in the senior lounge on Tuesday, September 14 at 10:30 am for a discussion on "Managing Your Cholesterol." This is a common health dilemma for many as they grow older. Come learn what you can do to get yours under control. Call to register.

### September Hike

On September 13, hikers will go to Lighthouse Point in New Haven. This area has sandy beaches, a rocky shoreline and woodlands. Each fall there is a daily hawk watch as the area is one of the premier locations in southern New England for observing migrating hawks, eagles and falcons as well as good numbers of songbirds. Hikes are led by Richard Wright. Hikers meet under the High Plains Pavilion at 9 am and carpool to the site of the hike. Hikes are not difficult and can be managed by most walkers. Call to register.

## Orange Senior Health and Safety Fair

The Ninth Annual Orange Senior Health and Safety Fair will be held on Friday, September 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon in the gymnasium at High Plains Community Center at 525 Orange Center Road. Orange Community Services, Orange VNA, Weichert Realty, and Coldwell Banker Realty are sponsoring this event. Approximately 35 vendors from the Greater New Haven area representing health and social services, housing options, insurance companies, banking services, emergency response systems, wellness programs, adult day care, and municipal services will provide information about products and services that benefit older adults. The Lion's Club will provide vision screening. Blood pressure and diabetes screenings will also be offered. Fasting is not necessary for diabetes screening. Lunch will be provided for the first 200 participants. There will be a raffle and refreshments will be served.

## Laurel Estates Calendar



All events are free and are open to the public. Some require an RSVP. For more information on any of the events below, please contact Briana at 203-795-3117 or visit us online at [www.Laurel-Estates.com](http://www.Laurel-Estates.com).

- Every Thursday from 11 am-12 pm - Generations Stitch Club- Calling all knitters, crocheters, embroiderers and seamstresses of all ages and experience levels, join us for a gathering of good company and fiber fun. Come to learn, come to teach, come to play!
- Every Thursday at 1:30 pm - Wellness Clinic - Stop by for a free blood pressure reading and/or weight measurement by one of our Registered Nurses.
- Tuesday, September 7th at 2 pm - Total Joint Replacement Surgery Options Seminar with Dr. Manati of the Hospital of St. Raphael- See what today's surgical practices and technology can offer you! Please RSVP at 203-795-3117.
- Monday, September 13th thru Friday, October 15th - Fall Art Show - In celebrating National Assisted Living Week, we are focusing our attention on the many forms of art one encounters in life. Have your own encounter by stopping by at any time to peruse the sculptures and hanging artwork on display at our community.
- Tuesday, September 14th at 11 am - Tastefully Simple Hors D'oeuvres Taste-Testing Party - join us to try delectables like "Nana's Apple Cake", "Bountiful Beer Bread", "Key Lime Cheese Ball", and "Dreamy Irish Frozen Dessert", then if you like, purchase your favorites! Please RSVP at 203-795-3117.
- Wednesday, September 15th at 2 pm - LIFE Study Discussion w/ Yale University's Dr. Mautner - Do you have trouble getting in or out of a car or chair? Walking outside your home? Climbing stairs? Do you want to maintain your independence as long as possible? Come learn about an exciting new study that can improve your quality of life! Please RSVP at 203-795-3117.
- Tuesday, September 21st at 6 pm - KookeeUkies Ukulele Lessons for Beginners/Jam Session - ANYONE can learn to play the ukulele! Don't believe us? Come see for yourself when the KookeeUkies come to town! Please RSVP at 203-795-3117.
- Wednesday, September 22nd at 3:30 pm - Agency on Aging 'Choices' Program Presentation - healthcare insurance assistance, legal assistance, transportation, and prescription assistance are just some of the benefits available to all CT seniors over age 60. Come see what YOUR choices are! Please RSVP at 203-795-3117.



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## Back to School – Teen Economics 101

By Roberta L. Nestor

Having just come home from my first “college road trip”, I can’t emphasize enough the need to teach your teen about the value of money. It’s not just the tuition, books, room and board. It is all of the extra expenses: special “bucks” accounts for Starbucks (planted on every campus) or a handful of other “fast food” chains, cell phone costs, parking passes, laundry, car expenses .... All combined will feel like a second mortgage payment. With more money to spend and more opportunities to spend it, your teen can easily get into financial trouble. They need you to guide them and give them the self-confidence and skills he or she will need to manage their money in the real world.

### Lesson 1: Managing earnings from a job

No matter if this is babysitting or a job at the mall – encourage your teen to get a part time job that will enable him or her to earn money for their expenses. Here are few things you should discuss when they begin working:

## Dollars and sense

Agree on what your child’s pay should be used for. Now that your teen is working, they will be able to help out with car insurance or clothing expenses – or better yet, how about putting aside a portion of each paycheck for that “college spending account”?

Talk to them about taxes. The response to FICA from my daughter and her first paycheck was “how do I fix this so they can’t take out taxes”? This is a tough one, especially when the teen expects to get all of that withholding back. It begins the discussion of tax filing and claiming dependents, I have found the understanding of our complex tax system is very hard for a teen to understand.

It is never too early to introduce the “pay yourself first” concept. Perhaps 5% of pay goes into savings for the future. This is a great goal to encourage savings for their first apartment or home purchase.

Teens, just like adults, will easily grasp the segmentation of money. Dissect each paycheck. For example, setting aside for 10% for taxes; 50% for college spending account; 5% for future – leaves them with 35% for spending. It is important to allow them to have a taste of financial independence.

### Lesson 2: How to be credit wise

Not too long ago credit card companies started to require an adult to cosign any credit card application for anyone under age 21. Regardless of whether you will allow your teen to have a credit card or not, it is critical to educate them on credit card and ATM card use.

Start with the difference between a credit card and ATM card. Go to your bank and have them explain their ATM rules. A surprising number of teens believe that just because their ATM card may have the VISA logo on that it will act as a credit card. ATM cards should only be used for cash transactions.

If you allow your teen a credit card for emergencies, start with a low credit limit

(\$500). Review the credit card agreement so that they understand how interest is charged, grace periods and what fees may be involved.

Agree on how the bill will be paid and the consequences of not paying (simple as taking away the card).

Recent changes in credit card billing statements show you how long it will take to pay off a balance if you only make the minimum monthly payment. It is very important to review these numbers so that they will see for themselves the amount of excess interest (money) they will lose by not paying balances in full each month.

If you don’t think your teen can handle this, start with a prepaid credit card but be aware of any fees these cards may have, however they do not have interest or debt accrual.

### Lesson # 3 Budgeting

This is perhaps the most difficult to show your teen and only because most households have not set themselves up with a budget plan. I remember telling mine that the item she wanted was not in the “budget”, she told me that we don’t even have a budget. From that point on I made an effort to go over our household budget each month. When your child goes to college they will need to implement a real life budget that is realistic.

First step is to figure out where the money to pay for expenses will be coming from. Will it be money from their college savings account, money you deposit each month or from a part time job?

Critical for anyone to clearly understand the difference between needs and wants. For example, buying groceries to eat is a need. Going out to dinner is a want.

It only takes one envelope labeled “receipts” for your child to maintain for one month for them to realize and analyze what they are spending their money on – often more on wants than needs.

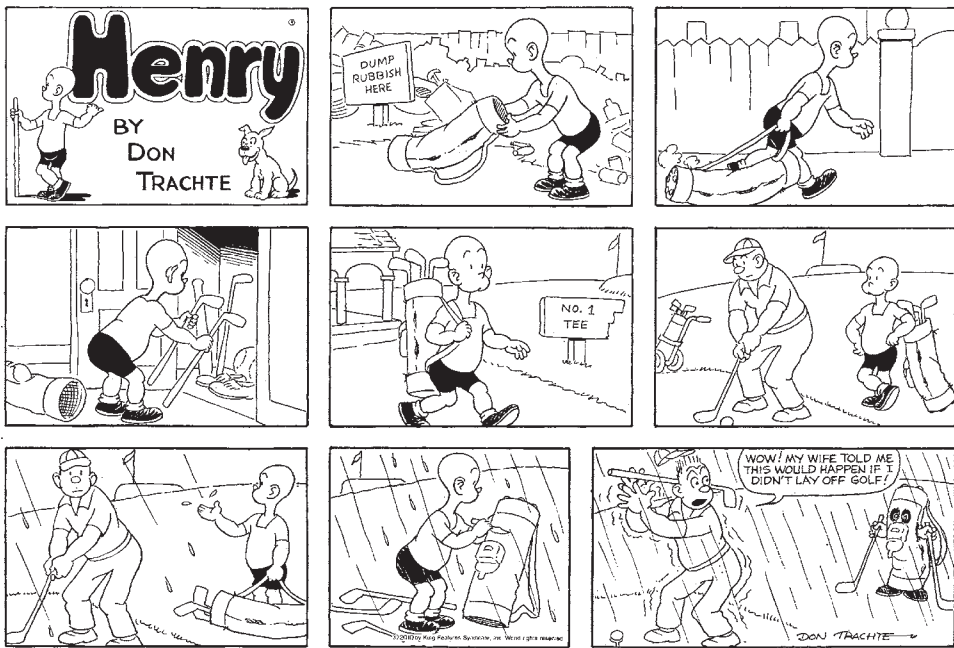
Make sure they know they can come to you for advice (not money) if they are having financial difficulties. You want to be able to help them stay on track and identify excess spending.

There are many more financial lessons you will need to teach your teen and the sooner the better. Websites like www.familyeducation.com, www.parentingteens.com or www.moneyinstructor.com are all useful and many have recommendations for books. Our teens are the new generation of our future and they have so far been pegged as the “I want it now” generation. As parents, it is our responsibility to help them develop healthy and realistic attitudes about money. As an adviser I have had several occasions to work with young adults with inheritances and court awards, they get it. They just need someone to set them on the right road.

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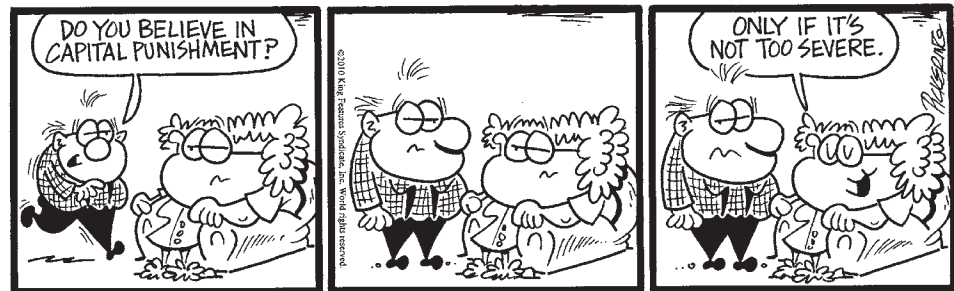


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The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



King Crossword

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- 7 Animal
- 12 Sleep phenom
- 13 Bill's partner
- 14 White-colored thrush (Var.)
- 15 Sphere
- 16 Quasimodo, notably
- 18 Tramcar contents
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- 20 MacDonald's place
- 22 Ages and ages
- 23 Hardy cabbage
- 27 Help
- 29 Penn pal
- 31 Be a goldbrick
- 34 Material for blue shoes
- 35 Addicted
- 37 Likely
- 38 Longings
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- 41 Fly fast
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- 58 Sen. Kennedy
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- 10 — Today
- 11 Sleuth
- 12 Antlered animal
- 17 Minimal change
- 21 Report card data
- 23 Hardly dexterous one
- 24 Brewery product
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- 26 Before
- 28 Mamie's man
- 30 Kreskin's claim
- 31 Bashful
- 32 Weeding tool
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- 40 October birthstones
- 42 Square dance group
- 43 Preach, maybe
- 44 "Oops"
- 45 Not us
- 46 Distort
- 48 Overactive one
- 49 Khan title
- 50 Slight amount
- 51 Bkpr.

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Jill Jackson's HOLLYWOOD

**HOLLYWOOD** ... Time out from the present. Looking back, lets look at some "ages." When Angela Lansbury played Laurence Harvey's mother in "The Manchurian Candidate," she was only three years older than Larry. ... When Barbara Bel Geddes played Larry Hagman's mother in "Dallas," she actually was only nine years older than Hagman. ... Sean Connery played Harrison Ford's father in "Indiana Jones." Sean was only 12 years older than Ford. ... And Richard Ney played Greer Garson's son in "Mrs. Miniver." He was a great deal younger, but a few years later, in real life, they were married.

And look at this! When Sean Connery and Catherine Zeta-Jones co-starred in "Entrapment," he was 39 years older. ... In "A Perfect Murder," Michael Douglas was 28 years older than his screen wife, Gwyneth Paltrow. ... Jack Nicholson was 26 years older than Helen Hunt in "As Good As It Gets." ... In "Mad Dog and Glory," Robert DeNiro was 27 years older than Uma Thurman. ... Gary Cooper was 26 years older than Patricia Neal when they made "The Fountainhead." They fell in love off-screen, as well as on. ... In "Charade," Cary Grant was 25 years older than Audrey Hepburn, and in "Rio Bravo," John Wayne was 24 years older than Angie Dickenson. ... Isn't it strange: A male can be many, many years older than a female in a relationship and nothing is made of it, BUT let the femme be a lot older, and the tongues do wag.

**LOVE AFFAIRS THAT STARTED ON FILM SETS:** Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall in "It Happened One Night." ... Ryan O'Neal and Ali MacGraw in "Love Story" ... Burt Reynolds and Sally Field in "Smokey and The Bandit." ... Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman in "Far and Away." ... Warren Beatty and

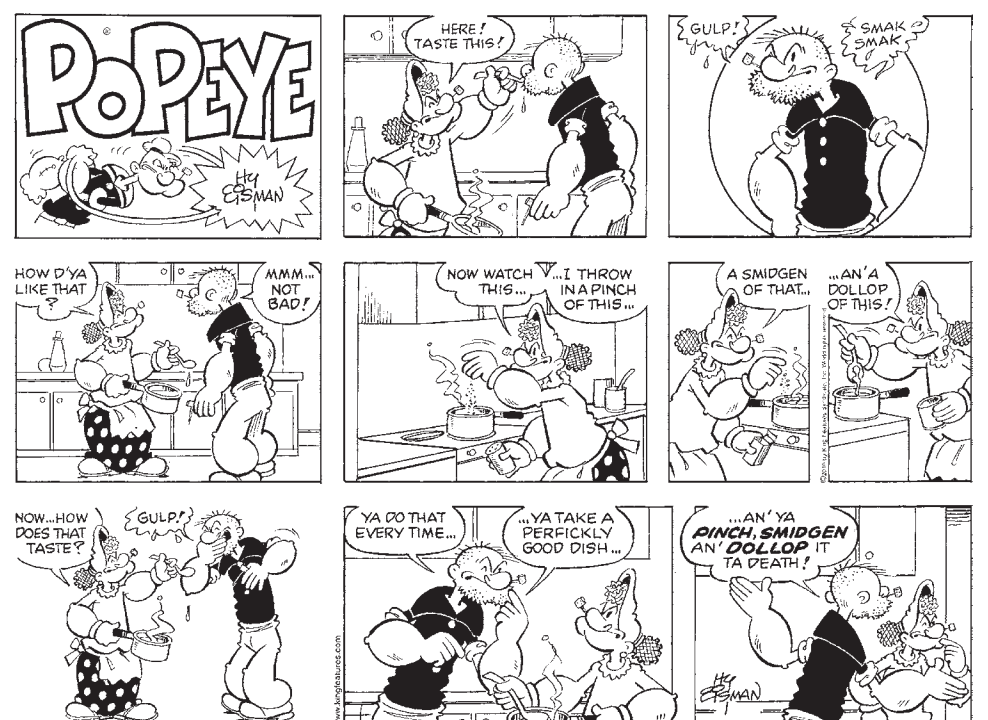


Gwyneth Paltrow

Annette Bening in "Bugsy." ... Clark Gable and Loretta Young in "The Call of the Wild" (they supposedly had a child together). ... Bette Davis and Gary Merrill in "All About Eve." ... Mary Steenburgen and Malcolm MacDowell in "Time After Time." ... Yves Montand and Marilyn Monroe in "Let's Make Love."

**STARS ON THEIR LOOKS:** Marlon Brando: "I have eyes like a dead pig." ... Charles Laughton: "I have a face like the behind of an elephant." ... Charles Bronson: "I look like a quarry someone has dynamited." ... Sylvester Stallone: "I built my body to carry my brain around in." ... Gwyneth Paltrow: "Beauty to me is like being comfortable in your skin, either that or a kick-ass red lipstick." ... David Niven: "I look like a cross between 2 pounds of halibut and an explosion in an old clothes closet"

**BITS 'N' PIECES:** With all her successes, Judy Garland once flunked an audition for a role in "Our Gang" (also known as "The Little Rascals"). ... AND I still think Garbo's is the most gorgeous female face to ever hit the screen!





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The large eat in kitchen has a skylight and a breakfast nook with sliders to the deck. The master bedroom has shiny parquet floors, 2 skylights, cathedral ceilings, large lighted closets and ceramic master bath with a skylight.

The three remaining bedrooms are very good sizes and have 2 full baths in their own wing. In addition to this space mentioned there are also 2 extra rooms for toys, office, craft, sewing or workshop.

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# ENTERTAINMENT



- 1. The Expendables (R)**  
Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham
- 2. Eat Pray Love (PG-13)**  
Julia Roberts, James Franco
- 3. The Other Guys (PG-13)**  
Will Ferrell, Mark Wahlberg
- 4. Inception (PG-13)**  
Leonardo DiCaprio, Ken Watanabe
- 5. Scott Pilgrim vs. the World (PG-13)**  
Michael Cera, Mary Elizabeth Winstead
- 6. Despicable Me (PG)**  
animated
- 7. Step Up 3D (PG-13)**  
Adam G. Sevani, Sharni Vinson
- 8. Salt (PG-13)**  
Angelina Jolie, Liev Schreiber
- 9. Dinner for Schmucks (PG-13)**  
Steve Carell, Paul Rudd
- 10. Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore (PG-13)**  
James Marsden, Nick Nolte (voices)



- 1. Clash of the Titans (PG-13)**  
(Warner)
- 2. Batman: Under the Red Hood (PG-13)**  
(Warner)
- 3. Repo Men (R)**  
(Universal)
- 4. Cop Out (R)**  
(Warner)
- 5. The Bounty Hunter (PG-13)**  
(Sony)
- 6. Percy Jackson & The Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG)**  
(20th Century Fox)
- 7. Losers (PG-13)**  
(Warner)
- 8. Avatar (PG-13)**  
(20th Century Fox)
- 9. Hot Tub Time Machine (NR)**  
(20th Century Fox)
- 10. Alice in Wonderland (PG)**  
(Buena Vista)



- Top 10 Pop Singles**

  - 1. Eminem feat. Rihanna**  
"Love the Way You Lie"
  - 2. Taio Cruz**  
"Dynamite"
  - 3. Taylor Swift**  
"Mine"
  - 4. Katy Perry feat. Snoop Dogg**  
"California Gurls"
  - 5. Enrique Iglesias feat. Pitbull**  
"I Like It"
  - 6. B.o.B. feat. Hayley Williams of Paramore**  
"Airplanes"
  - 7. Mike Posner**  
"Cooler Than Me"
  - 8. Usher feat. Pitbull**  
"DJ Got Us Fallin' In Love"
  - 9. Katy Perry**  
"Teenage Dream"
  - 10. Jason Derulo**  
"Ridin' Solo"

**Top 10 Country Singles**

  - 1. Zac Brown Band**  
"Free"
  - 2. Keith Urban**  
"I'm In"
  - 3. Blake Shelton**  
"All About Tonight"
  - 4. Jerrod Niemann**  
"Lover, Lover"
  - 5. Lee Brice**  
"Love Like Crazy"
  - 6. Carrie Underwood**  
"Undo It"
  - 7. Billy Currington**  
"Pretty Good At Drinkin' Beer"
  - 8. Lady Antebellum**  
"Our Kind Of Love"
  - 9. Uncle Kracker**  
"Smile"
  - 10. Luke Bryan**  
"Rain Is a Good Thing"
- Carrie Underwood*



John Belushi

## PICKS OF THE WEEK

Unless you're champing at the bit to get "Marmaduke" on DVD, there really aren't any notable movie releases this week. However, we are on the cusp of Back to School season, so to get you in the mood, here's a list of some of classic school movies you might want to revisit:

**"Goodbye, Mr. Chips" (Unrated)** -- Robert Donat won the Best Actor Oscar in 1939 (beating out James Stewart, Clark Gable and Laurence Olivier) for his performance as the headmaster of an English boarding school. "Goodbye Mr. Chips" tells the story of Mr. Chipping, spanning his 50 years at the fictional school, from his first day as an unsure Latin teacher to a wizened old headmaster beloved by thousands. The enchanting Greer Garson made her first film appearance as Chipping's young wife, who tragically dies in childbirth. Although the film can be a little heavy-handed with sentimentality, it is a heartwarming and entertaining

movie from Hollywood's Golden Age that still holds up today.

**"Fast Times at Ridgemont High" (Rated R)** -- Before John Hughes showed up and ruined the teen movie genre (yeah, I said it!), there was "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" -- a film more true-to-life than anything that hack ever churned out. It also launched the careers of Cameron Crowe, Amy Heckerling, Sean Penn, Judge Reinhold and Jennifer Jason Leigh. And let's face it, most guys from my generation saw that movie at least 10 times just for that scene with Phoebe Cates coming out of the swimming pool wearing that awesome red bikini.

**"Rock 'N' Roll High School" (Rated PG)** -- The Ramones bring down Vince Lombardi High School with the Power of Their Rock in this low-budget Roger Corman cult classic. The acting is horrible, the jokes are cheesy, but it doesn't matter. The movie has such a frantic, anarchic energy to it that you can't stop watching.

**"National Lampoon's Animal House" (Rated R)** -- The movie that spawned a thousand high-school cafeteria food fights and made John Belushi a movie star, "Animal House" is the greatest college comedy ever made. Its story about a fraternity of losers, slobs and outcasts getting revenge on the snooty rich kids has been used as a template for hundreds of films ever since.

**"Back to School" (Rated PG-13)** -- How can I do a Back to School feature and NOT include this Rodney Dangerfield comedy classic? Rodney stars as Thornton Melon, a rich guy who returns to college in order to get closer to his son. He's so rich he gets NASA and Kurt Vonnegut Jr. to do his homework for him. But Melon's hijinks have a price, and he learns there are some things money can't buy.

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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate   ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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# Salome's Stars

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Cupid is strong in the Aries aspect this week, with the cherub opening romantic possibilities for single Lambs, and strengthening ties 'twixt loving pairs already in a caring relationship.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Your dramatic flair might make things more interesting as you recount an event to your colleagues. But be careful not to exaggerate reality to the point that facts and fancy combine to form fiction.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** You love to talk, and this week you should get lots of chances to share your thoughts with people who will not only pay attention to what you have to say, but will want to hear more.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** The pattern of recent changes could begin to shift from mostly workplace-related events to more personal matters. Continue to keep an open mind as you prepare to deal with them.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** An opportunity for work-related travel could be just what the Terrific Tabby needs to get a new perspective on a balky situation. The trip could also prove to be personally rewarding.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** You might want to suggest resolving an old disagreement before it can affect a matter expected to come up for

discussion. It's always best to start with a clean slate.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** The week favors combining dollops of creativity and practicality to work out both professional and personal problems. A longtime friend could have something of note to suggest.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Some surprising facts could come to light if you decide to probe deeper into an "opportunity" than you might usually do. What you'll learn could determine what you'll earn.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Someone close to you might seek your counsel. Hear him/her out, but hold the line at giving actual advice until you get credible answers to all your questions.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** What seems to be an overwhelming workplace project can be dealt with quite well if you handle one category at a time. Things will soon begin to fall into place.

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** A personal matter might need more of your time than you had expected. Try to prioritize between your many outside commitments and your domestic responsibilities.

**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** A developing situation still needs more time to grow, and more time to study before you can plunge in and make some attention-getting waves. Patience is best for wise Pisceans.

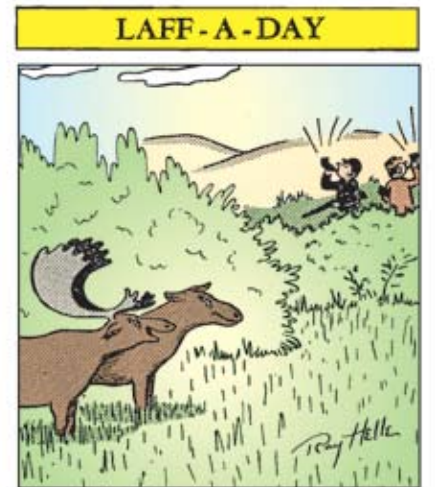
**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a gift for organization that would make you a fine archivist. (Are you listening out there, Library of Congress?)



**MISTER BREGER** By Dave Breger



"Look! Isn't that what you call an eagle or something?"



"Listen! They're playing OUR song."

**HUBERT** - - By Dick Wingert



"I finally got that stain out of your pink dress."

## Birding Bits

BY Cindy Brook

### Seed Tips

1. Freeze seed for a full 24 hours to kill bugs, moths and other creepy-crawly things and their eggs.
2. Try safflower seed if you don't want nuisance birds like grackles.
3. Use hulled sunflower hearts or chips to avoid messy hulls under your feeders.

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**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Girl's bow is missing. 2. Tire is black. 3. Sign is different. 4. Mom's pants are black. 5. Radio dials are missing. 6. Shrub is gone.

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9. Germany
10. Portugal

\*developed nations  
Source: The Daily Beast

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**top ten**

**Worst-Quality Auto Brands**

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