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Three Weeks In, Amity Reports Its First Infection

BY BETTINA THIEL
ORANGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Amity School Supt. Dr. Jennifer Byars informed the school community on Friday, September 18, that a member of the community had tested positive for coronavirus. In her letter to parents Dr. Byars did not specify whether the affected person was a student or a teacher. All she said was that the person had been attending school four days prior, on Monday of that week.

"The affected person has been instructed to remain home in self-isolation for 10 days and has been provided with additional instructions to follow prior to returning to school," she wrote. "Family members have also been instructed to self-quarantine and get tested." The students were expected to return to school as of this week.

Since they were first alerted to the

case through a state data site, the Orange Health Department has reached out to anyone considered a "close contact," which typically means people who have been in the vicinity of the infected person for more than 15 minutes. That can be those listed on the sports roster of an athlete, the classmates of a student or similar groups.

"With cohorting [as is being done in the elementary and middle schools] contact tracing is much easier," said Orange Health Director Dr. Amir Mohammad. The younger students are staying together in one classroom for much of the day, while at Amity the students are moving from class to class.

That is one reason why Dr. Mohammad is encouraging the high school to keep operating in the hybrid model, he said, with only a portion of the student

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Last Call To Join The Orange Army

Be Part of the "Fire Truck \$50K Challenge"

"Neighbors helping neighbors" is more than a motto for the Orange Volunteer Fire Department (OVFD), it's the calling card of all Orange Citizens. To chip in. To help out. To be there when a neighbor – perhaps unknown at the outset – is in time of need.

Today Orange stands proud of this achievement in support of its neighbors, the OVFD. From a family supporting the "challenge" with a lemonade stand, which raised a substantial amount for the firefighters, to business and individual Platinum sponsors and with everyone in between, our community has stepped up. Right now, "THE ORANGE ARMY" stands at 546 donors strong and has contributed over \$120,000.

"It's been impressive," stated Project Chairman Jim Leahy, Vice-Chairman

of the Orange Board of Finance. "We started with an idea. We organized. We set up a GoFundMe website. We put up colorful signs. We stood at the Dump. And we asked people to join us." And the key success factor? "Hard work. Organization. Getting the word out," said Leahy. "Doing one good thing EVERY Day."

Project Chairman Jim Leahy supports the LAST CALL to help the "Fire Truck \$50K Challenge".

"Think of it," Leahy amplified, "Orange has the Carnival. Orange has the Town Fair. Both are historic & long-standing events. Recently, Orange added this amazing July 4th event. And, all of these events celebrate our Town with mighty Fireworks that

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amazes both our kids and the kid-within-every-adult alike. So special.”

Of course, Orange is more than these established events, as they are more the reflection of the Town’s inner spirit. The Town was built -- historically and by necessity -- on taking care of its own. Be it family. Be it your Church or your Synagogue. Your school. Your neighbor. And that spirit is far more silent than showy, a quiet reserve which only adds to its authenticity.

That’s Orange.

As we wind down this project in the days ahead, we ask you to join the Team. It’s LAST CALL. Join THE ORANGE ARMY. Become involved in “Fire Truck \$50K Challenge.” By doing so, you’ll make a measurable difference.

Every contribution – no matter the size -- is valued. The link to the GoFundMe page is on the Town website www.orange-ct.gov or on the OVFD website www.orangevfd.org. Checks can be mailed directly: OVFD, P.O. Box 878, Orange, CT 06477.



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- A **Testamentary Trust** is a Trust created in a Will. Although you create it when you sign your Will, it is not activated until after you have died. Management and administration of a Testamentary Trust is supervised by the Probate Court.
- A **Revocable Trust**, also called a Living Trust, is activated when you sign it. Management and supervision is handled privately. The Probate Court is not involved unless Court intervention is requested by a beneficiary or other party in interest. Because it is revocable, you can change it any time you choose.
- An **Irrevocable Trust** is also activated when you sign it and is a separate taxpayer. Since that is the case, putting an asset into an Irrevocable Trust gets it out of your name. This is done for tax planning or asset protection purposes. As the name suggests, an Irrevocable Trust cannot be changed any time you choose, which allows it to accomplish tax and asset protection goals.
- A trust for young children or grandchildren is created to allow a more experienced and more sophisticated person to make investment and spending decisions for young children or grandchildren until they are at least 18, but more typically until they are 25, 30, 35, or even older.
- A **Special Needs Trust (SNT)** is created for a person with a disability. Assets in the SNT can be used for the disabled beneficiary to supplement what he/she receives from a government benefit program such as SSI or Medicaid (Title XIX). The assets in the SNT are not deemed owned by or available to the beneficiary.

If you have questions about Trusts, we would be happy to speak with you during a no-charge initial consultation, no matter how long it lasts.



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Don't Fall Behind in 2020

BY ROBERTA L NESTOR

"Disruption" seems to be another new phrase for 2020. Did any of us plan for our lives to be this disrupted for such a long period of time? We understand that each of us are all in the same boat these days and that as families, we are experiencing extreme circumstances. As the world keeps turning, many of us have stood still. We are waking up and realizing the many things we haven't tended to in 2020 and how easy it is to neglect important things.

Don't let yourself fall behind on these important matters:

1. The date for being able to file for Free Application for Student Aid (FASFA) is October 1, 2020. This applies to anyone who is a high school senior or older and planning on or already attending college. Do not wait to file! FASFA has a limited budget and aid is first come, first served. The high unemployment rate in the U.S. may translate into more families needing federal aid.
2. Contributions to your ROTH or other non-employer sponsored retirement plans should continue. If you are under age 50, you can contribute a maximum ROTH contribution of \$6,000 and if you are over age 50, you can contribute a maximum of \$7,000. We all have to continue to save for our future and most ROTH plans are flexible with low minimums.
3. If you are experiencing job insecurity and concerned you might be forced to take an early retirement – do not wait until it happens. Meet with your financial advisor so you will have an idea of what income would be available to you in the event of an unplanned retirement.
4. Don't forget about contributions to 529 College Savings Plans—all that money we are not spending on children's activities (sports, dance classes, etc.) can be re-allocated into their college savings plans. Remember if you have the CT State CHET plan, up to \$10,000 of 529 contributions can be deducted from your CT state tax return (this is for contributions through 12/31/2020).
5. 2020 tax returns may look different for self-employed individuals

as there may be fewer tax deductions—lack of meetings, conferences, entertainment, advertising, and other work-related expenses that you probably did not incur this year. Talk to your tax advisor about offsetting expenses you normally would have had by contributing to a retirement plan. SEPS and Single-K plans are unique to self-employed individuals.

6. When is the last time you had your will reviewed? Is everything up to date? Check your 401k and other investment plans to make sure your beneficiaries are current and express what you want to happen in the event of death.
7. Do you have a current Power of Attorney? Does your family know about it? COVID-19 also brought to light the issues involving the appointment of a Health Care Agent. If you are unable to make medical decisions for yourself, who will?
8. Do you have a living will? This is a legal document that tells others what your personal choices are about end-of-life medical treatment. It spells out the procedures you want (or do not want) used to prolong life if you are unable to communicate this directly to your doctors.

There are endless "things" that have slipped through the cracks this year; however, there is still time before the end of the year to make sure you don't fall behind.

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

FROM OUR READERS

Student Supports
Maloney Re-Election

As a student and resident of Milford, I fully support James Maroney’s reelection bid for State Senate. Aside from being one of the most friendly and accessible public figures in Hartford, Senator Maroney is passionate about serving his constituents. If you have a question about any aspect of the state politics, Senator Maroney will be sure to send you a genuine response as quickly as possible.

In addition, as chair of the Veteran’s Affairs and General Law committees, Senator Maroney has introduced and passed numerous pieces of legislation with overwhelming bipartisan support. In times of severe political polarization, Senator Maroney is exactly what Connecticut needs at the Capitol. It is impossible to find someone in Hartford on either side of the aisle that does not speak highly about James’ work ethic.

Senator Maroney is a valued representative of the 14th State Senate district and it is vital that he gets reelected on November 3, 2020.
Matt Zancewicz

One Party Rule In
Connecticut Has Failed

In the aftermath of the Great Recession of 2008, both Barack Obama (2009 to 2017) and Donald Trump (2017 to present) led one of the longest economic recoveries in history. Unfortunately, this recovery was thwarted by the COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020. There has been much debate about who deserves credit, but both Presidents deserve some credit for this consistent growth prior to the pandemic and both bear some responsibility for the unprecedented growth in federal deficits generated in fueling this growth.

During the period of sustained economic growth from 2009 to 2019, the nation’s personal income levels grew annually by an average rate of nearly 2.2%. During this same period of time, Connecticut’s personal income

levels grew by slightly more than .7% annually or approximately a third of the national growth rate. The Connecticut personal income growth rate was the lowest in the country (50th). If the personal income levels of our residents had grown at the national average over the aforementioned period of time, incomes would be approximately 16% higher at the end of the period. If Connecticut feels less affordable than it did a decade ago, this is one of the reasons why.

Other indicators such as employment growth and real gross state product during this same period were close to the worst in the country as well. Connecticut simply did not share in the robust economic growth of the rest of the nation. Of course, this is the result of our state’s overspending, crushing debt, high taxes, unfriendly business policies and misguided public policy. We simply cannot afford another decade of these harmful policies that have been implemented through “one party” domination of Connecticut.

In a post-COVID-19 environment, we all should hope for another period of economic growth regardless of who is elected President in the November election. If we have learned anything in the past decade though, Connecticut’s one party-controlled state legislature has proven to be inept regardless of which party occupies the White House. As residents of Connecticut, we shouldn’t expect different results if we continue to elect the same party to majority rule of our state.

Before it is too late, Connecticut needs to reduce wasteful spending, eliminate fraud and abuse, solve our crushing health care costs, do away with crippling regulations and stop the seemingly never-ending pandering to special interests. We must also strategically reduce taxes wherever and whenever possible in harmony with getting our long-term debt burden un-

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body in school at a time. With fewer students in the building, the school can reduce the risk of the virus ripping through the community. He said the high school will probably have to keep teaching in the hybrid model until a vaccination is widely available.

The health department did not require the school to close as a result of that one case, and Dr. Muhammad was not aware that any other cases had occurred since then. “I hope we can prolong in-person learning as long as possible,” he said.

A few parents, after receiving the information, decided to pull their students from in-person learning and join the remote learning group instead. “We had a handful of additional requests at the high school,” Dr. Byars said.

Dr. Muhammad emphasized the responsibility of every individual to help keep the community at large moving

forward. “We must all participate in this,” he said. The adults should model responsible behavior, and the students should understand that they cannot party or congregate without putting the whole community in jeopardy.

“Don’t send them to school when they are not feeling well,” he advised parents. “And when they test positive, please inform the school immediately.” The faster they can start contact tracing, the better the chance of reducing the spread.

In her letter Dr. Byars reiterated common symptoms that occur with COVID 19:

- ✓ Fever of 100.4 F;
- ✓ Chills or shaking chills;
- ✓ Uncontrolled new cough (not due to chronic condition);
- ✓ Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath;
- ✓ New loss of taste or smell.

People need to remember that we are dealing with a highly contagious virus, Dr. Muhammad said.

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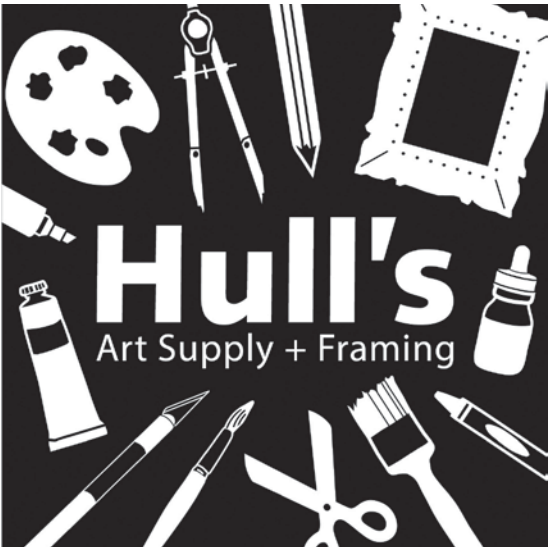
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der control. This is not an impossible task if we elect the right individuals. There are numerous historical examples of states that have reversed course and gotten their state economies back on track. It won’t happen overnight but the alternative is another decade of failure like the last one and no one can afford this regardless of what political party one traditionally supports.

Dan DeBarba

Editors Note: Dan DeBarba is the Republican Party and Independent Party endorsed candidate for the Connecticut House of Representatives from the 114th district.

Senator Maroney is a True Leader

I have known James Maroney a long time and can attest first-hand to his character, his competence, and his compassion for others. His tireless effort to try and do what is right to create opportunity for everyone is an inspiration.

A small business owner by day, he helps students and families prepare and plan for college and the future. In

his spare time, he brews beer for his friends to share. No matter what he is doing, he applies passion and intellect.

As a State Senator, he has accepted an enormous amount of responsibility. He sits on 8 committees, is Chairman of General Law, Chairman of Veterans Affairs, and Deputy Majority Leader.

In true leadership fashion, he capitalized on his committee assignments to create impact and opportunity for everyone. He sponsored, or co-sponsored, into law several important bills. For me, the one that stands out is the Military-to-Machinist Program, signed into law last year.

My father was a Marine, who had his military career cut short by a knee injury after Vietnam. For many Veterans, the transition back into regular life is a constant struggle that can take decades. For too many, it never happens at all. Before he passed last year, I asked my father what he thought of the idea. He said, “Something like that could change someone’s life.” I think that says it all.

By using his influence to create opportunities that will improve lives, Senator Maroney is performing the role of an elected official exactly as it

should be. I proudly support James Maroney for reelection as State Senator in the 14th District.

Jay ZammIELLO

Welander’s Experience Covers a Wide Range

I have been following the local races, and I noted Dan DeBarba’s Facebook post which was dated September 7th. He includes this statement, “In November, we need to elect men and women to the State Legislature with experience in finance, business, healthcare and getting things done. Let those candidates trying to build political resumes put in the effort to build real world resumes before we hand our future over to them.”

It struck me as odd, knowing that his opponent is Mary Welander. If he is, indeed, referencing Mary Welander in this statement, then I’m concerned that he is maligning women who have chosen to put their careers on pause to raise their children, and subsequently maligning the many mothers in Orange, Derby, and Woodbridge who have chosen that path for themselves and their families. It also shows that he has trivialized Ms. Welander’s ca-

pabilities as a public servant.

Ms. Welander’s experience covers a wide range: she serves on the Board of Education, is the Co-President of the Executive Board at Race Brook School’s PTA, works with Sandy Hook Promise, raises three children, and volunteers regularly. “Getting things done” — Mr. DeBarba, I encourage you to see how much women get done while juggling tasks and roles. And if he’s referencing Ms. Welander, then he is discounting her professional work experience prior to pausing her career in order to raise her children and volunteer in multiple capacities. Her roles have indeed touched finance, business, and healthcare.

Misjudging Ms. Welander’s work and her experience is a mistake. Her work ethic, dedication, and empathy are exactly what the 114th district needs. I would also implore anyone to think twice about underestimating mothers, especially in this season where we are facing a pandemic, entirely new school environments, and various crises. They are more than capable, and they certainly get things done.

Roo Powell

“A wind has blown the rain away and blown the sky away and all the leaves away, and the trees stand. I think, I too, have known autumn too long.” — E.E. CUMMINGS



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DeBarba Receives Independent Party Nomination

The Independent Party of Connecticut, the third largest political party in the state, has nominated Dan DeBarba for State Representative of the 114th district. DeBarba was also unanimously nominated as the Republican candidate in May. Therefore, he will appear on both the Republican Party and Independent Party lines on the ballot in the November election.

DeBarba thanked the Independent Party for its nomination. He said, “I plan to make Connecticut a better place for all residents. I will do all I can to be a strong, level-headed, and fiscally responsible public servant. I am grateful that the Independent Party of Connecticut has nominated me for State Representative of the 114th district.”

DeBarba is a longtime Orange resident and his three children are graduates of Amity High School. DeBarba is the former president of Norwalk and



Dan DeBarba

Danbury Hospitals and is currently the chief financial officer of a large health-care system in New York. Additionally, he and his wife own a small business in the area.

James Maroney Earns Independent Party Endorsement

James Maroney, candidate for the 14th state Senate District has earned the endorsement of Connecticut’s Independent Party for the 2020 election. “I am humbled to receive the endorsement of the Independent Party for a second time for the 14th state Senate district,” said Maroney. “I was honored two years ago to receive the endorsement and I have worked hard to justify that trust and to be an Independent voice for our community. I pledge to continue to work hard to represent the needs of our community, above partisan politics, in Hartford as your state Senator.”



James Maroney

James Maroney was first elected to represent the 14th District in 2018. Before being elected to the Senate, he was a State Representative for the 119th District from 2012-2014, where he served on the Higher Education Committee. Prior to politics, Maroney was a past president and founding member of the Milford Education Foundation and also served on the Milford Board of Education. Maroney founded First Choice College Placement in January of 1999, which aims to make young people’s higher edu-

cation dreams come to fruition. First Choice College Placement also makes community service a priority and offers a number of educational seminars, donates to scholarships, and makes practice SAT and ACT tests available to the community.

Maroney is running for a second term to represent the 14th District in the State Senate including the towns of Milford, Orange, West Haven and Woodbridge.

Welander Endorsed By Working Families Party, Others

Mary Welander has received several new endorsements in her campaign to become the next State Representative in the 114th Assembly District (which includes the towns of Derby, Orange, and Woodbridge). The following groups and organizations have announced their support for Welander:

- ✓ AFL-CIO;
- ✓ American Federation of Teachers (AFT) Connecticut;
- ✓ CSEA SEIU Local 2001;
- ✓ CT Against Gun Violence;
- ✓ Uniformed Professional Fire Fighters Association of Connecticut;
- ✓ Working Families Party.

“The decision to endorse [Mary’s] candidacy was made because of [her] commitment to working families and advocating for issues that are important to AFT Connecticut’s members,” said Teri Merisitis, a legislative advocate for AFT Connecticut. “Clearly, this election is very important to the people of Connecticut. We need strong leadership that will help turn this State around.”

In addition to her involvement with the non-profit Sandy Hook Promise and the Orange Board of Education, Mary Welander is also a co-president of the Race Brook School PTA.



Mary Welander

“I am honored to be the recipient of endorsements from such a diverse group of organizations, particularly from the American Federation of Teachers,” said Welander. “Speaking as a member of both the Board of Education for Orange and Sandy Hook Promise, our children’s schools have been a major focus of my public life and of this campaign. I know we can create safe, stimulating learning environments for students, and I’m so thankful that I have the support of groups that share that same focus.”

Anderson Wins Independent Party Endorsement

Bryan Neil Anderson, Democratic challenger for State Representative in the Milford-Orange 119th District, was chosen by Independent Party members as their nominee in a decision over incumbent Republican State Rep. Kathy Kennedy.

“I am honored to have been voted by Independents as their choice for State Representative. Both my opponent and I collected petition signatures from registered voters in the 119th District to create a new line on the ballot for the Independent Party, and then competed for their endorsement. Clearly, my record as Alderman of voting to cut taxes year after year and passing fiscally responsible budgets, while working to protect the environment, enhance education and public safety prevailed. As State Representative, I will listen to constituents, putting people above partisan politics as I’ve always done, and then use my voice and experience to make our towns the envy of Connecticut.”

The Independent Party of Connecticut is the third largest party in the state. It aligns with candidates



Bryan Neil Anderson

and office holders who are fiscally responsible, and who demonstrate an independence of thought in working to implement the best policies over partisan politics. This election cycle they endorsed a mix of Republican and Democratic legislators and challengers throughout Connecticut.

Anderson will appear on the Democratic and Independent ballot lines in the November 3rd election.

VOTE ON NOVEMBER 3RD

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS



Scouts Hold Successful Drive for School Supplies

Junior Girl Scout Troop held a drive by school supply collection for the local Orange elementary school this Sunday at High Plains Community Center. The Troop made signs and waved American flags. The event was also advertised online by troop leader Sarah Gallipoli. The girls successfully filled 7 bags for the schools with items such as: crayons, markers, hand sanitizer, wipes, and disposable masks. Great job, Girls.

Woodbridge Historical Society to Host Outdoor Open House

The members of the Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society headquartered at the historic Thomas Darling Museum will host its first Open House this year. While the interior of the Thomas Darling House remains off-limits to visitors, masked AWHHS Board members and volunteers have been at work cataloging, filing, and other projects similar to the ones many of our members are probably pursuing in their own attics now.

However, we're anxious to do something for the community during this time, so we've planned an Outdoor Open House! You'll be able to examine

some of our interesting collections (with even the mannequins socially distanced), walk through the well-ventilated (aka drafty) Horse Barn with its antique farm implements, see a cider-making demonstration, participate in a site tour, go on a scenic walk. There will even be a Story Time for children and a tag sale table to find a treasure. The event is on Sunday, October 18th from 2 to 4 PM, at 1907 Litchfield Turnpike, Woodbridge CT. For more information and a schedule of events of the day, please visit www.woodbridgehistory.org. Put it on your Calendar!



Orange Cub Scout Pack 922 Continues To Grow

Throughout the past six months Pack 922 has stayed focused on maintaining a sense of community and in late May began to reconnect the scouts through different events. Using multiple virtual platforms, scouts were able to complete their achievements and even participate in a synchronized at home camping night where they shared their experiences through images and videos.

On June 28th the Scouts of Pack 922, along with their den leaders and cub master, held the annual Blue and Gold Banquet via a zoom meeting. Normally this event would have been held in April, but with the quarantine in full effect the pack held off. During the banquet, den leaders shared the accomplishments of their scouts as they rose to new ranks within the pack. Most scouts were in attendance and even some special guests were able to make an appearance and share in the achievements of our pack. Congratulations to all the scouts for a terrific year despite being

unable to be with one another for the last few months.

The annual rocket launch normally takes place at the yearly Farnoree camp out, but this year it was cancelled due to COVID-19. That did not stop the pack from coming together when things were safer and enjoying a tradition. Here are some of the scouts at a summer rocket launch on August 5th at the High Plain Community Center fields. Some of those rockets soared through the air at incredible speeds and heights. The scouts present enjoyed the time to come together and practiced safe practices by wearing masks and social distancing when possible.

On August 17th the Webelo den had its first meeting where they worked on the Stronger, Faster, Higher Achievement as a group. Scouts were socially distanced outside at the upper pavilion at High Plains Community Center and worked individually on accomplishing the tasks as a den.

Establish Winter Habitats For Backyard Animals

Preparing a property for winter involves putting away lawn furniture, raking leaves and removing any annual plants that have shriveled up and spent the last of their energy. It can be tempting to want to clean up completely and leave a blank slate in the yard. But by doing so, you may be robbing wildlife of the resources they need to overwinter.

The nature and conservation resource In Habitat says plants and animals depend on one another to survive. During the winter, animals may struggle to find adequate shelter and food, especially when there is a lack of sufficient plant matter available.

In turn, these animals may actually take up home in people's residences, turning into pests in the process. Bats, field mice and even opossums and raccoons may move indoors into attics or basements, leaving behind waste and damage if they can't find adequate shelter outdoors.

Homeowners concerned about potential pest infestations can take steps to ensure animals have places to bed down and escape the cold in their yards this winter. These tips can help local wildlife when the temperatures dip.

Leave parts of the yard wild. Animals can make a nest in leaves or piles

of brushwood. Just make sure piles left out are away from the home so curious critters don't try to get inside. Leave the task of tidying up shrubs and garden borders until spring, as shrubs can be dense areas to hide for both insects and animals.

Consider planting animal food sources prior to winter. Plants like elderberry, holly, mulberry, sumac, and crabapple will grow in colder months and animals can enjoy them as a vital food staple.

Don't forget water sources. Provide access to fresh water and replace as needed if the water freezes. For homeowners with fish ponds in their

backyards, use a hot pot to melt a hole in the top of the pond and allow gases that have accumulated underneath to escape. This allows oxygen to reach fish and frogs in the pond.

Leave bird, squirrel or bat houses in the yard. This is a fun and crafty project that can ward off winter boredom while also providing a safe place for local wildlife to shelter in winter.

Animals and insects need some extra help staying comfortable when cool temperatures arrive. Leaving some clean-up tasks for the spring ensures that there are plenty of backyard habitats available to local wildlife.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Bloomin' Bucks
with Brent and Becky's Bulbs
The Garden Club of
Orange Fundraiser

With the cancelation of many of the Garden Club's fundraisers like the Holiday House Tour and the Country Fair sale of mums, The Garden Club of Orange has teamed up with a bulb company called Brent and Becky's Bulbs from Gloucester, VA for a fundraiser. For every order over \$25, The Garden Club of Orange benefits and receives 25% of the total purchase. This is a great way for Orange residents and friends of the club to help us raise funds while they can beautify their landscapes. Just log onto www.bloominbucks.com and find The Gar-

den Club of Orange from the drop-down menu and then hit GO! This will take you to the Brent and Becky website where you will find bulbs, plants, perennials, supplements, books, tools and so much more!. If you prefer to shop from a catalogue, just call 877-661-2852 and have one sent to your home. Thank you all in advance for supporting our club!

The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT, NEGC and the NGC. For membership information, contact Joanne Eisenman at (203) 878-9597.



Network Of Executive Women
Accepting Scholarship Apps

For over 40 years, the Network of Executive Women (NEW) has been dedicated to helping support the educational goals of women in need, and who are returning to school to improve their lives and their financial security. Despite the incredible demands made on these women, they commit themselves to furthering their education in pursuit of a better life for themselves and their families.

To be eligible, applicants must demonstrate a financial need, and have had an interruption of their education. They must be returning, continuing, or commencing undergraduate schooling or other types of training to further their educational goals and/or enhance their job skills. In addition to these requirements,

applicants must reside in New Haven or Fairfield Counties. Please note that 2020 high school graduates are not eligible.

The deadline for submitting applications is Tuesday, October 20, 2020. For questions and to request an application, please email Lauren Tropp at NEWscholarship277@gmail.com. Applications are not available online.

Scholarship finalists will be interviewed by the NEW Scholarship Committee, and will be awarded at our December 1st luncheon. Scholarships are funded through NEW sponsored events, member participation and private donations.

To learn more about NEW and the scholarship program, go to: networkofexecutivewomen.org/scholarships.

Tips For Planting
Fall Vegetables

Tending to backyard vegetable gardens can fill many hours of enjoyable downtime in the great outdoors. What's more, the bounty produced by such gardens provides healthy, fresh foods to gardeners and their loved ones.

Although spring and summer are widely seen as the peak of gardening season, the mild temperatures of autumn can be a prime time for planting vegetables as well. Certain late-season treats like carrots, kale, spinach, and turnips can thrive in fall gardens. Many different foods are quick crops that can go from seed to table in about six weeks. When sown in early fall, these vegetables will be ready to put on the table for mid-October feasts. Beets, green onions, broccoli, and cabbages can be planted in late summer for fall harvest. Gardeners who live in hardiness zones eight through 10 (the southern portion of the United States) can plant fall vegetables as late as December. Many of these plants can tolerate light frost, which may even help sweeten the vegetables.

A handful of unique factors need to be taken into consideration when planning fall vegetable gardens.

The summertime location of the garden may still be adequate, but be

sure to choose a location that gets eight full hours of sunlight per day.

If using an existing garden site, clear out any detritus from summer plants and any weeds that have sprouted. If you are planting a new garden, remove any turf before tilling the soil.

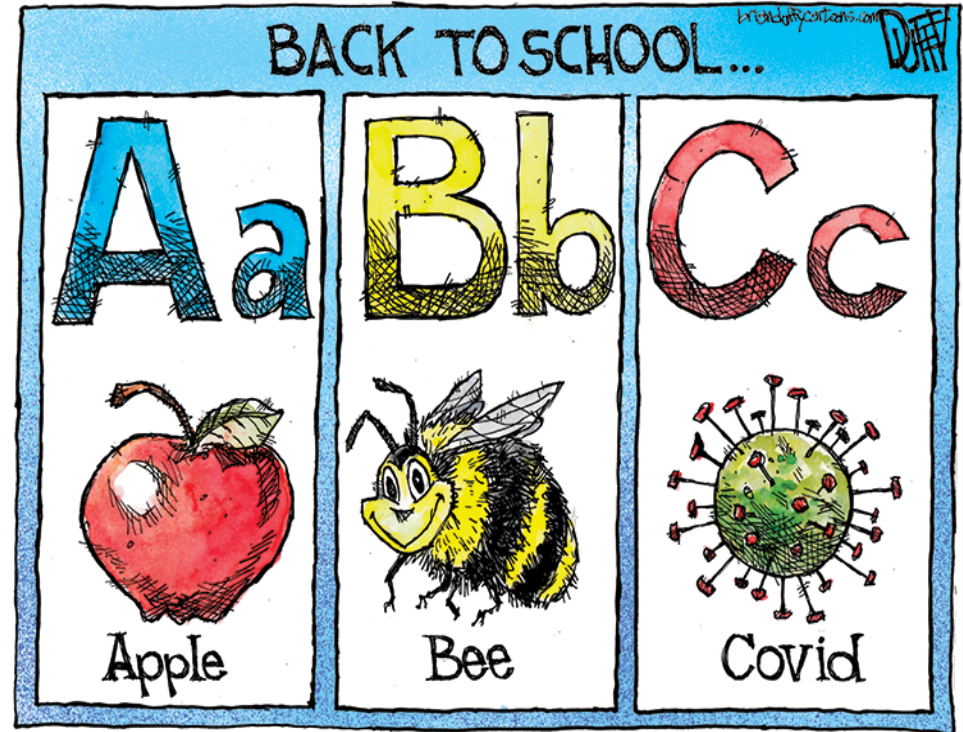
Amend the soil with sand, compost, manure fertilizer, and any other nutrients needed depending on the types of vegetables you intend to grow.

While fall vegetables can be grown successfully from seeds, it may be more time-friendly to work from larger transplants, advises the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension.

Some plants may need a little protection as they grow if temperatures begin to dip. Cover with a blanket, cardboard box or plastic tunnel to insulate.

Remember to water according to the vegetables planted and to keep an eye on readiness for vegetables. Turnips, beets, rutabagas, and carrots can be dug out when the roots are plump and crisp.

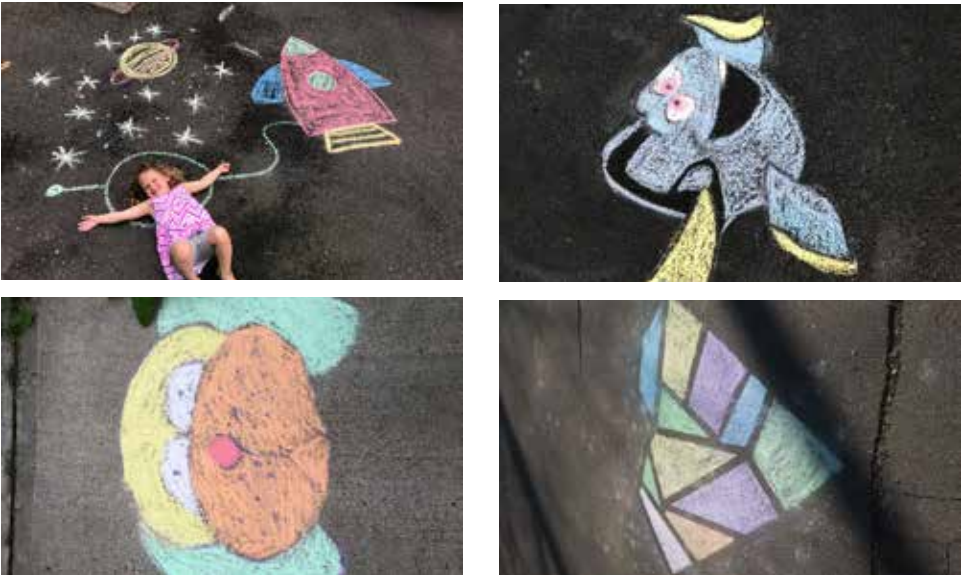
Vegetable gardens need not cease when the last days of summer vanish. Fall produce is delicious and can be easily planted and harvested even after the first frost.



TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

Youth Services

BY JESSICA SIMONE, MSW, ORANGE YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR



Chalk Challenge

Some of our winners from the Youth Services Chalk Challenge! So much talent and so much fun. Thank you to all who participated. Happy to have supported local restaurants: Gabriele's, Chip's, Puerto Vallarta, Eli's, Prime 16, Coromandel, Outback Steakhouse, China Pavilion and Dip Top.

Pumpkin Carving Contest

Orange Youth Services is offering a Pumpkin Carving Contest for this Fall season! Have fun carving your pumpkin at home and then email in a photo! This is for any/all Orange families with student-age children. The top 5 pumpkins will win a prize. The deadline for submissions is Friday, November 6th, 2020. Email in your photos to the Youth Services Coordinator, Jessica Simone, at jsimone@orange-ct.gov.

Medicare Plans and Energy Assistance

BY DENISE STEIN

Once again it is that time of the year for Medicare Plans and Energy Assistance. Orange Community Services, located in the High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, will be having a number of seminars to inform you about the plans available. On October 26, Jeffrey Comen will present Medicare Made Clear at 1:00. At 2:30 Marc Figlar will present Aetna. Other dates and plans are: November 2, Connecticutcare, United Healthcare, November 9, Anthem November 16, Carepartners, November 23 and Wellcare on November 30. Social Distancing will be enforced and seats will be limited. It is imperative that you make a reservation. Energy Assistance starts October 1; if interested please call the office at 203-891-4788 for an appointment to complete your application.



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Leadership and initiative by The Duz Family illustrate the Town’s spirit.

THE ORANGE ARMY to the Rescue

“FIRE TRUCK \$50K CHALLENGE” MARCHES TO \$121K!

One day in August, project chairman Jim Leahy bumped into a lemonade stand on Lambert Road. “What is this?” he thought. Much to his surprise a family had opened a lemonade stand in support of the “Fire Truck \$50K Challenge.” What better illustrates the community and Team Spirit we have here in Orange! “When I saw the signs & the family, my heart soared. I can STILL feel it in my spirit.” Leahy recalled.

Colorful & detailed homemade SIGNS galore! And they initiated this effort on their own.

Today, “THE ORANGE ARMY” of supporters stands tall at 546 strong. 53 Businesses & Organizations have stepped up to the call & joined in. 493 Individuals & families have reported for duty and heeded the call to support the members of the Orange Volunteer Fire Department (OVFD).

It’s been an amazing run. Starting with a modest idea at a May Orange Board of Finance meeting that ‘We can do something,’ the “Fire Truck \$50K Challenge” now has \$121,216 in volunteer contributions, a figure that covers almost the entire “gap” in their operating revenue from the cancellation of the August Orange Fireman’s Carnival.

THE ORANGE ARMY is led by the Leadership sponsors of 5 Platinum (\$5K each), 2 GOLD (\$2.5K each), and 26 members of all-volunteer marching group of the “2% Club” (\$1K each).

THE ORANGE ARMY started small and had an initial \$50K target to make

the October payment on a recent Fire Truck purchase. Back then, we wondered aloud about the economy & whether this goal was beyond our reach. Today, the ARMY has grown with members enlisting new members, and developed into a modern-day GI-ANT of financial support for the OVFD who – let’s face it – willingly & unpaid come to your homes when you have an emergency, such as a fire.

“Neighbors helping neighbors” is more than a motto for the OVFD, it’s the calling card of all Orange Citizens. To chip in. To help out. To be there when a neighbor – perhaps unknown at the outset – is in time of need.

As we wind down this ragingly successful project in the days ahead it’s not too late to Join the Team. It’s LAST CALL. Join THE ORANGE ARMY. Be involved in “Fire Truck \$50K Challenge.” By doing so, you’ll make a measurable difference and forever be part of THE ORANGE ARMY to support the OVFD members who – themselves – so willingly give and contribute mightily to what Orange is and to the community that we are.

The link to the GoFundMe page is on the Town website at www.orange-ct.gov or at the OVFD website www.orangevfd.org. Checks can be mailed directly: OVFD, P.O. Box 878, Orange, CT 06477.

Every contribution – no matter the size -- is valued. Your donation shows you “have the backs” of the OVFD just as they support us when we have an emergency.

Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of October 2020



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

5th	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm	Town Hall
	Country Fair Cmte	7:30 pm	Exhibit Hall
6th	Economic Development Comm	5:30 pm	Town Hall
	Town Plan & Zoning Comm	7:00 pm	Town Hall
7th	Conservation Comm	7:00 pm	HPCC
8th	Community Services Comm	7:00 pm	HPCC
	OGAT	7:30 pm	Town Hall
10th	Elderly Housing Liaison Cmte	12 noon	Silverbrook Estates
13th	Traffic Authority	4:30 pm	Police Dept.
	Board of Police Comm	4:30 pm	Police Dept.
	Inland Wetlands Comm	7:30 pm	Town Hall
14th	Board of Selectmen	7:00 pm	Town Hall
15th	Case Memorial Library Comm	7:00 pm	Case Mem Library
19th	Family Counseling	9:00 am	HPCC
	Amity Board of Education	6:30 pm	Woodbridge
	Board of Health	7:00 pm	HPCC
	Orange Board of Education	7:00 pm	Mary L. Tracy Sch.
	Board of Finance	7:00 pm	Town Hall
20th	Town Plan & Zoning Comm	7:00 pm	Town Hall
21st	CERT	7:00 pm	HPCC
	Recycling Cmte	7:00 pm	HPCC
22nd	Water Pollution Control Authority	6:00 pm	Town Hall
	Bond Construction Oversight Cmte	7:00 pm	Town Hall
23rd	Emergency Management	8:00 am	Police Station
26th	Youth Services	7:30 pm	HPCC
28th	Park & Recreation Comm	7:30 pm	Town Hall

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LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Jessica Scandiffio Affiliates With Coldwell Banker Realty

Coldwell Banker Realty in Connecticut is pleased to announce that Jessica Scandiffio, formerly of Real Living Real Estate, has affiliated with the Coldwell Banker Realty office in Orange. As an affiliated real estate agent, Jessica will provide residential real estate services in New Haven County and the surrounding communities.

“Jessica’s passion for real estate, excellent customer service skills and attention to detail perfectly align with the standard of excellence upheld by Coldwell Banker Realty,” said Aileen DeFeo, Branch Vice President of the Woodbridge + Orange offices. “We are looking forward to watching Jessica grow her existing business using the tools and technology Coldwell Banker offers its agents.”

“Working in the “corporate world” for the past 30 years, I’ve learned to be persistent while maintaining my personal integrity. I’ve learned to listen to the questions and concerns of my customers while also working alongside them to accomplish our business goal. In 2017, I decided to pursue my passion of Real Estate. Since then, I’ve been very successful in closing the sale/purchase of many homes in the New Haven county area. I love being part of my clients’ dream to seek and purchase their dream home. I realize the many challenges that arise in buying/selling a home. My ultimate goal is to ensure this process is successful and produces minimal stress to my clients.



Jessica Scandiffio

I look forward to working with you,” states Scandiffio.

Scandiffio is a member of National Association of Realtors, Member of Connecticut Association of Realtors and a Member of New Haven & Middlesex Board of Realtors.

Jessica Scandiffio can be contacted at jessica.scandiffio@cbrealty.com or at 203-671-6405.

Coldwell Banker Realty in Connecticut and Westchester County, New York, a leading residential real estate brokerage company, operates approximately 46 offices with over 2,660 affiliated agents. Coldwell Banker Realty is part of NRT LLC, the nation’s largest residential real estate brokerage company. For more information, visit ColdwellBankerHomes.com.



State Farm Teams Up With OVFD To Serve Up Kitchen Safety

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and State Farm Agent Kevin Piscitelli are teaming up with the Orange Volunteer Fire Department to support Fire Prevention Week, an annual public awareness campaign promoting home fire safety.

State Farm Agents are delivering Fire Prevention Week toolkits to more than 2500 fire departments across the country, including Orange VFD. Each toolkit includes resources for Fire Prevention Week (October 4-10, 2020), including brochures, magnets, posters and more. The Fire Department will be sharing these resources with schools and communities this fall in support of the campaign.

This year’s Fire Prevention Week campaign, “Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen” focuses on cooking fire safety. Home cooking fires represent the leading cause of all fires with nearly half – 49 percent – happening in the kitchen. Unattended cooking is the

leading cause of these fires.

“The good news is that the majority of kitchen fires are highly preventable,” said State Farm Agent Kevin Piscitelli. “These great kits will help our fire departments spread the news to always stay focused when you’re in the kitchen and never leave the kitchen unattended.”

Key messages around this year’s Fire Prevention Week campaign will include the following:

Keep a close eye on what you’re cooking; never leave cooking unattended;

Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — at least three feet away from your stovetop;

Be on alert. If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol, don’t use the stove or stovetop.

For more information about Fire Prevention Week and this year’s theme, “Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen,” visit fpw.org.

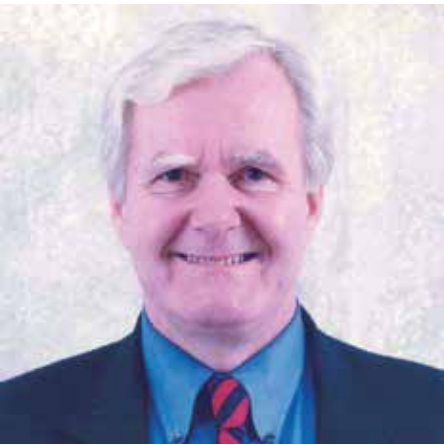
Frank Hoinsky Real Estate Joins Real Living Wareck D’Ostilio

Real Living Wareck D’Ostilio partners John Wareck and Frank D’Ostilio proudly welcome the firm of Frank Hoinsky Real Estate to the company.

“We are delighted to have Frank and his team join our Woodbridge office,” said Frank D’Ostilio. “Mr. Hoinsky brings his sons William Hoinsky and Robert Hoinsky along with Realtor Catherine Delgado with him to RLWD.”

“This is a great fit and a logical extension of our marketplace. Frank Hoinsky Real Estate is an incredibly successful company with years of servicing satisfied clients with all their real estate needs,” said John Wareck.

Frank Hoinsky has over 35 years of experience in residential and commercial sales and rentals throughout the Valley area and Fairfield County. With his company based in Ansonia, Frank Hoinsky’s name has been synonymous with number one customer service for 30 years.



Frank Hoinsky

“I wanted to join a company that had similar goals. My team and I are excited to be affiliated with this progressive and growing company,” said Hoinsky.

Real Living Wareck D’Ostilio has offices in New Haven, Milford, Woodbridge and Branford and is part of the Real Living Network of Home Services of America, a Berkshire Hathaway Affiliate.

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OCC Nursery School Is Back

Top: The 3-year old students at OCC Nursery School happily play in their new sandbox

Bottom: The four-year old class at OCC Nursery School enjoys their new playscape as the new school year begins



Orange Resident Roman Sivion submitted this picture of a giant mushroom found off Turkey Hill Road.



Orange Little League

ANNUAL ELECTION

Orange Little League, Inc., a non profit organization providing baseball and softball to Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge youth, will be holding an election for the positions listed below. Interested candidates may apply to be nominated as officers/directors of the organization. The election will take place 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28 at the Paugusett Pool Club, 1 Club Road in Orange. In order to be eligible, the deadline to enter your name for a position is October 2, 2020. The terms of office are one year. Candidates must submit to and pass a criminal background check.

If you are interested in running for any position, please contact **BOTH Chris Wetmore**, Nominating Committee Chairman at wetmore52@gmail.com **AND Mike Visnic**, President at OLL1@optonline.net. Subject Line: OLL Elections

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

The positions are:

• President	• Communications Director	• Coaching Coordinator
• Treasurer	• VP Hardball	• VP Softball
• Secretary	• Player Agent Hardball	• Player Agent Softball
• Facilities Director	• Fundraising Hardball	• Fundraising Softball
• Safety Officer	• Umpire in Chief Hardball	• Umpire in Chief Softball
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Location: Temple Beth Sholom, 1809 Whitney Avenue, Hamden (in the parking lot)
Cost: Small Copy Boxes (18 x 12 x 12 inches or smaller) - \$10 per box; Large Banker Boxes (18 x 18 x 24 inches or larger) - \$20 per box.
Also Available:
Hard Drive Destruction & Computer Recycling - \$20 each;
CRT Computer Monitors - \$20 each;
Hard Drive Only - \$10 each.
All items should be in a box that can easily be picked up. Paper items only. No trash bags, paper bags, etc. No trash or non-paper items. No CDs, X-Rays, etc. Paper clips and staples CAN be shredded.
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Congregation Beth El – Keser Israel Events

Outdoor Services

(weather permitting)
› Sundays 9:00 am**
› Mondays 5:45 pm**
› Fridays 6:00 pm
› Saturdays 9:30 am
** also available via Zoom, like other daily services
In case of bad weather, services move inside. Washrooms are available if needed. So that records can be kept for possible contact tracing, RSVP to bekitefilla@gmail.com or jjtilsen@beki.org.

munity is welcome for holiday services beginning Friday evening, October 2 in the courtyard. Morning services for the First Day of Sukkot will be on Saturday, October 3 in the parking lot and for the Second Day, Sunday, October 4—with lulav & etrog—in the sukkah, also starting at 9:30 am.
Yizkor will be recited at Shemini Atseret during the morning service in the parking lot on Saturday, October 10. Simhat Torah services will be in the parking lot at 9:30 am on Sunday morning, October 11.

Children’s Services

Children’s Havura (up to age 5) and K-2 Kehila hold outdoor Shabbat services in the BEKI courtyard. For more information, consult Youth & Family Programming Director Annie Norman-Schiff, anormanschiff@beki.org.



Yaron Lew



Gadiel Robbins

Family Programs

A Family Sukkot Party will be held Tuesday, October 6, 5:30-7:00 pm in a Woodbridge backyard. Games, room to run around, and individually packaged snacks will be provided. Feel free to bring your own picnic dinner as well. Each family will be able to shake the lulav and say blessings in the sukkah one at a time. Email anormanschiff@beki.org for information.
USY “Sukkah Hopscotch” will be at BEKI on Wednesday, October 7, from 4-6 pm. This event is a socially distanced alternative to the usual “Sukkah Hop” during which everyone squeezes into small sukkah spaces in BEKI backyards. All high schoolers are welcome.

October Schmoozes

Yaron Lew will offer Stories of Growing Up on a Kibbutz on Wednesday, October 21. Executive Vice President at Lauretano Sign Group in Terryville, he is also BEKI’s President.
On Wednesday, October 28, Gadiel Robbins will share his Jewish Journey. A BEKI Board member, he is an Associate Professor in the School of Business at Southern Connecticut State University, where his focus is Management and Sustainability. From 8:00 to 9:00 pm on Zoom, BEKI Schmoozes include a presentation and time for questions. To request the link, email office@beki.org.

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Congregation Or Shalom announces the continuation of ZUMBA GOLD on Tuesday nights at 7 PM. ZUMBA Gold is an easy to follow dance movement program that incorporates music from every decade to create an upbeat and fun exercise class. Burn lots of calories, meet new friends, and have a blast. No experience needed and classes are on a drop-in basis. Contact Robin at zumbarobin@gmail.com or call 203-314-8176 or temple office at

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Psalm 28:8,9



What To Do To Prepare Your Garden For Winter

Gardens provide an idyllic escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. In fact, many gardening enthusiasts typically cannot wait for the spring thaw so they can spend the next several months tending to their plants under the warm sun. But a gardener’s work is never truly done, and the work to make gardens stun in the spring actually begins during the preceding fall.

Preparing gardens for winter is an important step that can help homeowners ensure their gardens return to full strength in the spring. The tasks necessary to prepare gardens for winter may depend on what homeowners are planting, but the following are some general maintenance suggestions that can keep gardens safe this winter.

Remove weeds and debris. Weeds and debris are unsightly and detrimental to plant life in spring, but they also can be harmful in the winter. Weeds and debris left to linger in gardens through the winter provide overwintering spots for insects and can contribute to disease. So it’s imperative that weeds and debris are removed before the ground hardens in winter. Don’t wait until the ground hardens, as that can make it hard to remove the roots of weeds, adversely affecting the garden as a result.

Prepare the soil. The Farmer’s Almanac advises homeowners to gently till the soil in their gardens so they can expose any insects before they settle

in for the winter. Once garden soil is exposed, add a layer of compost, leaves, aged manure, and, if necessary, lime, gently tilling it into the soil. According to the North Carolina Cooperative Extension, the only accurate way to determine if lawn or garden soil needs lime is to test it. Lime makes soil less acidic and reduces soil pH. Low soil pH makes it hard for certain plants to grow, but acidic soil is ideal when growing blueberries. Test the soil for lime and amend it depending on what you hope to grow in the spring so it’s ready to thrive when winter ends.

Remove dead or diseased plants. Dead or diseased plants should not be left in the garden through the winter. These plants can attract insects and are vulnerable to disease, which can make it hard for the garden to thrive in the spring.

Protect fruit trees. If you have fruit trees, install mouse guards around the base to prevent mice and voles from killing the trees over the winter. If left to their own devices over the winter, mice and voles may eat the bark of fruit trees, killing the trees as a result. The Farmer’s Almanac notes that mouse guards made of fine mesh hardware cloth can effectively protect fruit trees from hungry mice and voles over the winter.

A gardener’s work is never done, and the work to create beautiful spring gardens begins in the fall.



How To Recognize When You Can Stop Mowing

Each weekend in spring, summer and fall, millions of homeowners fire up their mowers and cut the grass in their yards. A few hours spent mowing the lawn can be a great time to get some sun and some exercise in the great outdoors.

As fall gradually transitions to winter, homeowners may wonder when to stop mowing their lawns. Each lawn is different, and when to stop mowing may depend on a host of factors, including local climate and the type of turf. In addition to climate and turf, homeowners can keep an eye on these conditions to determine when the time is right to put their mowers away for the winter.

Frost: Warm-season grasses typically go dormant after a couple of significant frosts. Homeowners can jot down each frost during fall. Frosts are most noticeable in the early morning hours, so be sure to check lawn conditions each morning as the weather begins to grow cold. Frost may be noticeable without even going outside, but homeowners may need to go outside to check on chilly mornings or on days when the previous night was especially cold. If you must go outside, stay off the grass to protect it. Two or three frosts might be enough to make warm-season grasses go dormant for the winter. Cool-season grasses may keep growing and require mowing even after a few frosts, so it’s imperative that homeowners determine which type of grass is in their yards.

Soil temperature: If it’s hard to determine if frosts have occurred, homeowners can try checking the temperature of their soil to decide if they need to keep mowing. The lawn care experts at Pennington recommend homeowners continue mowing warm-season grasses so long as they keep growing. Lawns may not grow as quickly in fall as they do in spring or summer, and growth may not be as visible to the naked eye during this time of year as it is in other times. Homeowners can routinely check soil temperature to determine if their grasses have stopped growing. Warm-season grasses tend to stop growing once the soil temperature is consistently at 55 F or below, while cool-season grasses tend to stop when temperatures are 45 F or lower.

Falling leaves have long been a barometer used by homeowners to determine if they need to keep mowing their lawns. That’s not necessarily a reliable metric, as grass can still keep growing even if leaves have been falling for weeks. In addition, using a mulching mower when leaves begin falling is a great way to provide the lawn with nutrients it can use throughout the winter. Some trees shed their leaves more quickly than others, but it’s a good rule of thumb that lawns will need to keep being mowed if trees are still retaining more than half their leaves.

A host of factors can help homeowners determine when it’s safe to put their mowers away for the winter.



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Get Ahead Of Chimney Repair This Season

Woodburning fireplaces or fuel stoves can add warmth and ambiance to a home. These appliances are particularly coveted in the cooler months when people spend more time indoors. Maintenance is necessary in order for fireplaces and stoves to function safely, and that upkeep must include paying close attention to the functionality of the chimney.

Chimneys are designed to last for decades. Cracks and spalling in brick chimneys are common concerns that can cause significant damage if left unchecked.

Chimney maintenance involves more than cleaning the flue. Rather than running the risk of costly repairs, which can cost several thousand dollars, homeowners can take some simple steps to keep their chimneys in tip-top shape. Certain components of chimney maintenance are do-it-yourself tasks, while others may be better left to the professionals.

Start from the inside and ensure that dampers are working properly. When using fireplaces and other appliances, dampers need to be open to allow smoke to vent outside; otherwise, smoke will be trapped in the home and could lead to carbon monoxide buildup. Dampers need to be fixed or replaced if they are not operational. Replacement fireplace dampers should be snug and not have any gaps, states Vertical Chimney Care.

Conduct a visual inspection of the chimney to check for any cracks or

spalling. Spalling is the wearing away of masonry due to water, weather and time. If enough of the material erodes, that erosion can adversely affect the structural integrity of the chimney. Some repairs can be made by patching up cracks or replacing missing bricks. Chimney tuckpointing is the process of repairing mortar.

Think about waterproofing the chimney to prevent damage. A water sealant applied to the outside of the chimney can prevent moisture from breaking down the masonry.

Inspect and replace the chimney cap if it is worn out. A chimney cap is a contraption that sits atop the chimney to allow the smoke to vent while also preventing critters and water from going inside the flue, helping to extend the flue life. The chimney cap attaches to the flue liner, so outside dimensions should be taken to ensure the cap is the right size for the chimney.

Have the chimney swept. Sweeping helps remove the soot and debris that clings to the inside of the flue, known as creosote. The amount of time the fireplace is used will determine how often the chimney must be cleaned. Generally speaking, the chimney liner needs to be cleaned if it has 1/8-inch or more of soot.

Regular inspection and maintenance can help keep a chimney working safely for decades. For those who do not like working at such an elevation, leave exterior chimney repair to a certified professional.



Signs Your Gutters Are In Need Of Repair

Fall is a great time to tackle projects around the house. The weather each fall allows homeowners to make improvements to their homes' exteriors without worrying about extreme heat or cold, while interior projects like painting are made easier because homeowners can open the windows to allow for proper ventilation.

Fall also marks a great time to prepare for upcoming projects that can make winter work that much easier. For example, fall is a great time to take stock of your gutters so you can address any issues before leaves begin to fall or the first snowstorm touches down. Compromised gutters can contribute to water issues in basements and adversely affect a home's foundation if not addressed immediately, so it behooves homeowners to learn the signs that gutters are in need of repair or replacement.

Gutters hanging off the home: Gutters were once installed predominantly with spikes. However, many industry professionals now install gutters with hanger brackets. Why the change? Spikes loosen over time, leading to the gutters hanging off the home. That can contribute to serious issues if left untreated. Gutters hanging off the home need not necessarily be replaced, but rather secured to the home, ideally with hanger brackets instead of spikes. Brackets hook into the front of the gutter and are then screwed into the fascia of a home. A professional who specializes in gutter repair can perform this task relatively

quickly, and it's an inexpensive yet highly effective solution.


Gutter separation: Gutters that are no longer fastened together can leak and contribute to issues that affect the home's foundation, siding and appearance. Clogs and the accumulation of debris can cause gutters to separate because they are not designed to hold too much weight. Replacement of separated gutters may or may not be necessary depending on how big the problem is and the condition of the existing gutters. If replacement is not necessary, separated gutters may be remedied by securing the joints, another relatively simple and inexpensive fix.

Peeling exterior paint: Paint that appears to be peeling off of your home may indicate that water is seeping over the edge of the gutter closest to your home. When that happens, water is coming down the side of the house, causing the paint to peel. In such instances, replacing the gutters is often necessary.

Basement flooding: Not all signs of deteriorating gutters are outside a home. Many a homeowner has been flummoxed by flooding in their basements, and such flooding can be caused by aging, ineffective gutters. That's because deteriorating gutters sometimes allow water to leak near the foundation of a home, contributing to basement flooding.

Fall is an ideal time to inspect gutters and have any issues fixed before leaves begin to fall or harsh winter weather arrives.

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The Case Memorial Library is here to serve the community. On September 28th, 2020 we will open the library with limited hours and occupancy. We will continue to provide curbside service during our regular hours of operation.

Library doors will be open as follows:

- › Monday through Saturday: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
- › Monday and Thursday evenings: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Masks are required at all times while you are in the building.

Study and meeting rooms are not available and there is limited seating. We ask everyone to observe social distancing.

We are currently providing the following services:

- › Our public computers may be used by appointment. Call 203-891-2170 or email reference@casememoriallibrary.org to make an appointment. Time slots for computer use are 10-11 a.m., 2-3 p.m., 3:30-4:30 p.m., and 6:00-7:00 p.m. (Monday and Thursday evenings only).
- › Holds can be placed on library materials through our online catalog, by phone, or by email. When the items you request are available, we will call you to schedule a curbside pickup or you can come in to pick up the items. Hours for curbside pickup are Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- › Printing is available.
- › Copiers are available.

We have online programs that are free and open to the public.

EVENTS FOR ADULTS
Online Mystery Book Discussion

Thursday, October 22, 1 p.m.

Join Librarian Samantha Jasulavic for an online discussion of *I'll Be Gone in the Dark* by Michelle McNamara. This discussion will take place on Zoom- please note that registration is required, as for online security reasons only registered attendees will be able to attend this event. Registered attendees will receive a Zoom link via email before the event. Please call the library or contact Samantha at sjasulavic@casememoriallibrary.org to place



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a hold on a copy of the book.

EVENTS FOR CHILDREN
Monet Bridge Fingerpainting

Kit pickup: Wednesday, October 7-Saturday, October 10

For children ages 3-5. Create a vibrant work of art inspired by Monet's "The Water Lily Pond." Please be advised that children's hands will come into contact with fingerpaint. Smocks will not be provided.

Glow in the Dark Jack-o'-Lanterns

Kit pickup: Wednesday, October 14-Saturday, October 17

For children in grades 1-3. Craft a luminous jack-o'-lantern the easy way! You supply the pumpkin (ideally 3-4 lbs.) and we'll take care of the rest. This activity is best enjoyed outdoors.

Halloween Paint Rocket Art

Kit pickup: Wednesday, October 21-Saturday, October 24

For children in grades 1-3. Paint a Halloween masterpiece using rocket science! Please note: this is a potentially messy outdoor activity. Participants' skin may come into contact with effervescent tablets and washable tempera paint mixed with water.

Online 3-5 Year Olds Storytime

Mondays, October 5, 19, and 26, 10:30 a.m.

For children ages 3-5. Preschoolers are invited to join Ms. Michelle for stories, music, and movement! Registration is required. Please note: All registrants with a valid email address will be sent a link for storytime. For security reasons, we are unable to

admit non-registrants to this program.

Online Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20, and 27, 10:30 a.m.

For babies and toddlers up to two years old. Little ones and their caregivers are invited to this virtual sto-

rytime with Ms. Michelle! We'll play with puppets, sing our favorite songs, explore books together, and more. Registration is required. Please note: All registrants with a valid email address will be sent a link for storytime. For security reasons, we are unable to admit non-registrants to this program.

Online 2-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, and 28, 10:30 a.m.

For children ages 2-3. Experience music and movement, dive into picture books, and sing your favorite songs with Ms. Michelle! Registration is required. Please note: All registrants with a valid email address will be sent a link for storytime. For security reasons, we are unable to admit non-registrants to this program.

The Library will be closed Monday, October 12, for Columbus Day.



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Something For Everyone

The Case Memorial Friends of the Library will host two events, a mini-book sale, followed by a musical program, featuring "The Elderly Brothers," on Sunday, October 11 in the parking lot at the side of the Library. In the event of rain, both programs will be rescheduled for Sunday, October 18.

The mini-book sale will be held from 10:00am-12:00pm. In accordance with CT safety measures, social distancing will be observed, and customers are asked to wear masks. Gloves will be provided. A limited number of people will be allowed to browse at any one

time. A variety of books will be arranged on tables and carts. Prices are very reasonable, and cash and checks will be accepted. Please bring your own shopping bags.

Proceeds from the book sale are used to support a variety of programs for the community. At 1:00pm, a musical program featuring "The Elderly Brothers" will be performed at the same location and open to the Community. Attendees are asked to wear masks, bring chairs and observe social distancing when setting up seating arrangements.

FROM THE SENIOR CENTER

BY DENNIS MARSH

All senior center activities, classes and trips are canceled. Please check the senior center website at www.orange-ct.gov/782/community-services for further information or feel free to call the senior center office at (203) 891-4784.

Virtual Classes

If you would like to participate in David Chandler's **Tai Chi**, or Danielle Pettit's **Zumba** via Zoom—call the office with your email and we will ask the instructor to email you an invite.

If you would like to participate in **Chair Exercise** while at home, visit the Town Website at orange-ct.gov and under Departments you will see a link to the Senior Center. There you will find the Chair Exercise video: <https://media.discovervideo.com/show?vg=2e01f56ca0&vt=1&ch=f0ba0e7d06>. Chair Exercise has resumed Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays at 11:00am. Details are subject to change as warranted.

Join Suzanne Anderson for a weekly **Arts & Crafts** video on the Town website at <http://orange-ct.gov/783/Orange-Senior-Center>.

If you would like to learn how to use **Peapod** with Josh, visit this link: <https://youtu.be/fWUN7ILGwRM>.

Classes

In order to begin to reopen the senior center for activities we must adhere to state guidelines. At this point in time we must wear facial coverages and practice 6 feet of social distancing.

You also will be asked the questions of the Community Services COVID-19 Screen form. All classes must be signed up for in advance in the senior center office. Instructors will be responsible for checking students in. If you do not pay for the class in advance, the instructor will direct you to the office to make payment and answer the questions on the COVID questionnaire.

Some classes are coming back, and others are planned to be back:

Afghan Ladies - 4th Monday at 1:00pm in Senior Lounge. Next meeting is September 28;

Bocce meets Wednesdays at 10:00am at the Bocce Court;

Fitness - Tuesday & Thursday at 8:30am with Danielle in Gym starting October 1;

Laughter Yoga meets Wednesday at 11:00am in the Pavilion;

Painting & Drawing - Tuesday at 9:30am in room 8 starting October 6;

Yoga Monday with Andrea at 9:00am in room 4 starting October 5;

Yoga Wednesday with Andrea at 9:30am in room 3 starting October 7;

Zumba Gold Friday with Danielle at 8:30am in Gym starting October 2;

Fall Computer Classes with Josh, minimum of 6 people required for both classes - **Intro Computers** October 7—28, 5-7:00pm \$35, **Intermediate iPad** November 4—December 2, 5-7:00pm \$35.

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AARP Safe Driving Courses

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OVNA Flu Clinic

OVNA 2020 Flu clinics will be every Wednesday in October at the HPCC Gym from 10am-3pm, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21 and 10/28. Bring a pen (to fill out form), your insurance card, and wear short sleeves. We ask all participants to wear masks and maintain 6 ft social distancing. Also, they are offering by appointment only flu shots at the OVNA for those who are unable to attend the clinics.

Be aware the insurances the OVNA accept are Aetna, Anthem, BC/BS and Medicare.

Medicare Seminars

Join us on October 26 at 1:00pm when Jeffrey Comen presents Medicare Made Clear. Come hear what is new for 2021. Marc Figlar will later present Aetna at 2:00pm.

Marc Figlar will present Connecticut Care on November 2, United Health Care on November 9, Anthem on November 16, Carepartners November 23, and Wellcare November 30 all at 1:00pm.

Remember, we will be maintaining social distance and wearing facial coverings. Seating is limited due to Covid so you will need to preregister at (203) 891-4788.

Trips

All Senior Center trips through 2020 are canceled.



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The students of Audrey Galer are displaying their works on Saturday, October 17th from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Orange CT Town Pavilion on Orange Center Road Fairgrounds.

The Pavilion is covered but if the weather is extremely rainy/windy we will have our reception the following day, Sunday, October 18 between 1:00 and 4:00. The Public is invited.

For more information or questions, call Audrey at 203-795-3695 or 203-707-8985 or e/mail agwaterworks@optonline.net.

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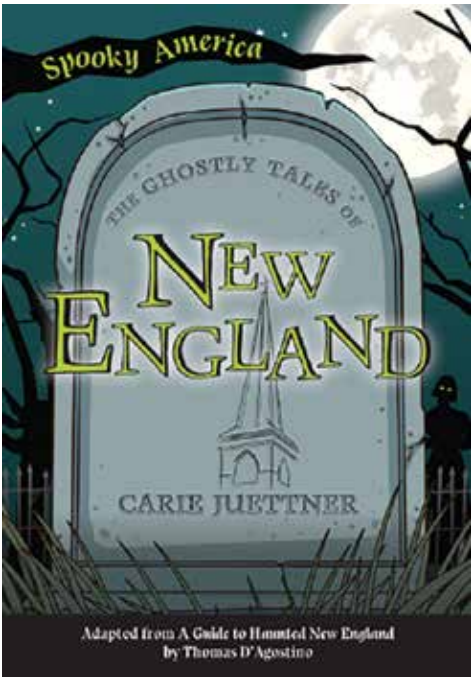
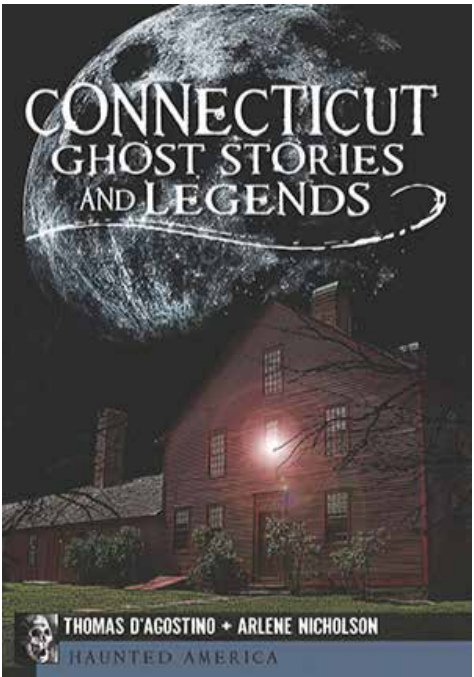
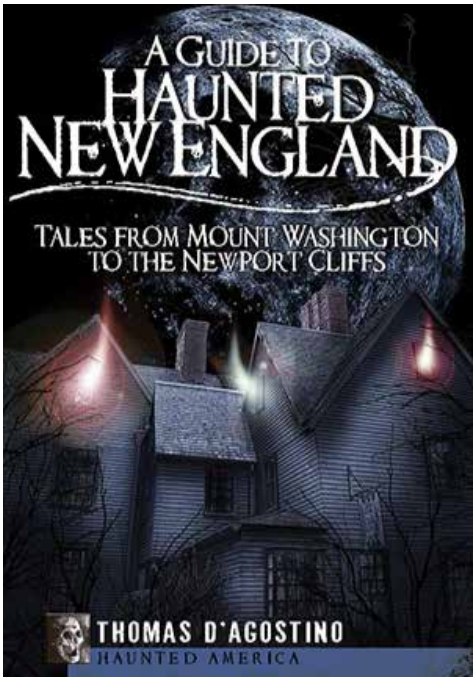
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HISTORY CORNER



BY GINNY REINHARD

Where Should We Go Today?



Nathan Hale Homestead

I hope you were able to visit some of the towns I highlighted in my last article. I understand from a friend that upon visiting a site, the shopkeepers, that were approached, were so excited to be asked to sign the Connecticut 169 Book which I told you gives a short story about each of the towns in our State. So here goes with some more stories and don't forget, a copy of the Connecticut 169 Book is available from the Orange Historical Society at the Academy, 605 Orange Center Road, on Saturdays from 10-3 and remember to take it with you when you "cruise" around Connecticut.

Now I am going to take you to



Tolland County where the leaves are turning their beautiful fall colors and the air is brisk and clear. One of the towns is Tolland, settled in 1715, 20 miles northeast of Hartford. This lovely rural and hilly town was part of Windsor and incorporated as Connecticut's 49th town in 1722. Designated as the county seat in 1785 led residents to build a courthouse and a jail which is located on the Tolland Green. The district features historic homes and buildings exhibiting typical features of Colonial Connecticut with additional homes with the Italianate, Federal and Greek influence.

The idea behind the Connecticut 169 Book is to encourage folks to travel to all of the towns and while doing so, seek out a business or town hall employee to make a note on the town page to show that it was visited. Unfortunately, the historical society buildings, including the jail, are

closed now but there is a little corner store, built in 1815, that offers antiques, candies, jewelry, toys and books with the name Tolland Red & White, 46 Tolland Green. Its history features the original corner store supplying everything but dental work, a harness shop, a workshop for a local inventor and a company that made hoops for hoop skirts.

Hopefully, the historical society will once again be able to open its buildings which included a 1720 homestead, a mirror image of our own Bryan-Andrew House.

Andover may be a small town but a mighty force during the Revolutionary War. Volunteers for Washington's army are part of its history with General Rochambeau riding through town to meet with him in Wethersfield. The Kingsbury family offered him a cool drink on his way and Washington followed the same route on his

way to Newport. Rochambeau later brought his troops through Andover on the old Route 6 describing it as "a pretty little valley where several brooks flow into the river (Hop River). After his victory in New York, part of his army spent the winter in tents near the First Congregational Church off Route 6.

In 1873, the Air Line rail from Boston to New Haven ran through Andover, so named as its route was as the crow flies. Today the Airline Rail Trail follows the

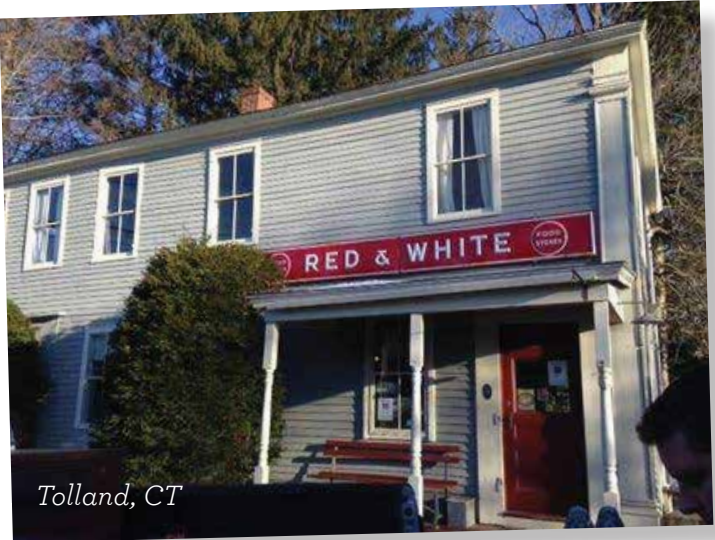
old tracks with biking, hiking, horseback riding from East Hampton to Willimantic to Andover and onto Bolton and Vernon. The scenic covered bridge spans Route 316 with trails offering views of rivers, swamps and bridges which were once tall, railroad trestles.

Bolton also figured into the Revolutionary War with a road. Yes, a road. The trails once belonging to the Native Mohegans meeting at what is called Bolton Notch. The most famous of these trails in known as "Ye Olde Connecticut Path." It was this route that traders and settlers took from the Bay Colony to settle in Connecticut. This inland route was safe from any British Naval surprise attack which then made it the first choice for marching the Colonial and French armies from Boston to their destinations south camping in Bolton. Both Washington and Rochambeau stayed at the Bolon Heritage Farm House several times... yes, Washington did sleep here folks. That route was designated the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route in 2012.

Bolton, according to their section of the Connecticut 169 Book boasts many interesting places to visit; Bolton Lake for Kayaking, Bolton Notch State Park for hiking, Fish Family Ice Cream Shop, Hop River Trail, a Veteran's Memorial and not to be left out, Munson's Chocolates!

Now this one you probably know. Coventry. The Mohegans called the area Wongumbaug or crooked pond for the curved shape of the 380-acre glacial lake in the center of town. During the early 18th century, the town

was mostly agrarian centered around the 2nd Church on the Boston Turnpike and the 1st Church on the Windham Turnpike. Its most famous townsman was none other than Nathan Hale who was hung by the British in 1776 as a spy. There are several tales about this young teacher and how he met his demise but to get the whole story, one must visit his



Tolland, CT

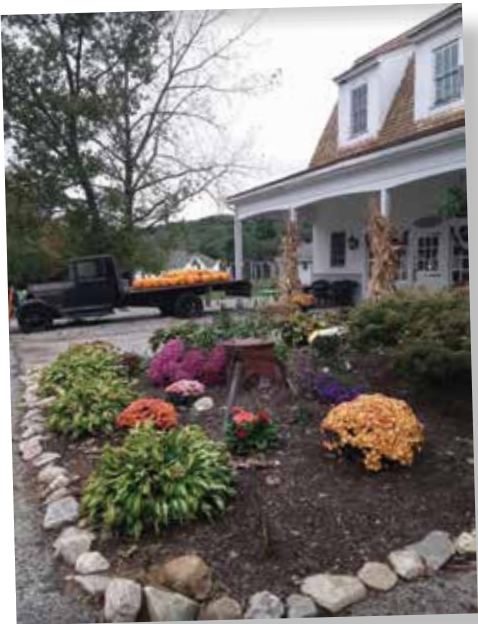
homestead.

In the summer and into the fall, The Coventry Farmer's Market is set up on Sundays adjacent to the Hale homestead. Filled with produce, hand-made items, mom & pop shops and food trucks, this market is a must see, no don't just see it, walk around the various tents and avail yourself of good eats.

Coventry was the home to Lorenzo Dow, a revivalist preacher who was called crazy for his methods of luring crowds to his camp meetings. But to another side of Coventry is the over 100 men who responded to the Lexington Alarm in 1775 with the town providing substantial amounts of clothing, cider, and pork for the Continental Army. In fact, Jeremiah Ripley kept a military provisioning depot on Ripley Hill Road to serve the armed forces.

From the early 1800s Coventry Village was a hub of manufacturing with 15 water-powered mills on the Mill Brook. By 1870, more than 50 mill buildings were located there making wool carding machinery, handmade paper, cotton shirting, wool flannel, iron forgings, percussion caps, woolen hats, wagons, paper boxes, cider vinegar and the list goes on. By 1813, the Coventry Glass Works was producing pocket bottles, medicine containers, and collectible whisky flasks decorated with railroad scenes and busts of George Washington, Andrew Jackson, and Lafayette.

Adelma Simmons developed herbal gardening into a popular hobby showcasing her Caprilands Farm. Hundreds of us attended her luncheons and lectures and what we at the historical society know about herbs and herbal foods, we learned from her. The potato lovage soup that we serve at the Bryan-Andrew House was one of her delicacies as lovage was not well-known down here but grown at her farm. We now grow and dry our own for sale at the Academy. Well, this should take you about 2 weeks to "cruise" so by the time you finish your visits, I will have more places for you to conquer... remember to bring your book with you!



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