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Pictured are Rita DiCapua, Liz Castiline-Gannon and Lucille Stock.

# Liz Castilline-Gannon Settling in as Maplewood Executive Director

#### **By Laura Fantarella** Orange Town News Correspondent

Maplewood at Orange has long felt like home to Liz Castiline-Gannon, who resides in Hamden with her husband Terry and 3 year old daughter Cecilia, so settling into her new role as its Executive Director feels like a natural transition. Castiline-Gannon came to the senior living community nearly seven years ago as its Community Relations Director, where she was the first contact for seniors considering moving to an assisted living facility.

Since January, Castiline-Gannon's responsibilities have increased to oversee all of Maplewood's staff and operations. "My plan is to continue what we've been doing. I love supporting the staff and the residents and their families. They are an extension of my own family and I truly want to give everyone the best care and experience they can have here at Maplewood," Castiline-Gannon said. Indeed, it is Castiline-Gannon's warm and welcoming nature that makes Maplewood at Orange the loving environment it is, says Corporate Marketing Director Kim Bragoli. "Liz is very family-oriented and she brings heart to her job. Everyone feels so comfortable and at home here because of the tone she sets. She treats everyone as though they are an extended part of her family." Actually, some of Gannon's family is at Maplewood – her 93-year old grandmother

## Firelite Shopping Center Zone Change Denied

**By Laura Fantarella** Orange Town News Correspondent

Although two Town Plan and Zoning Commissioners saw amending the zoning regulations to invite a mixeduse development as an opportunity to revitalize the struggling Firelite Shopping Center, three commissioners feared the use could be too intense for the area.

The application for a text change to allow residential units in the town's

shopping center districts was presented by Attorney Marjorie Shansky on behalf of 35 Old Tavern Road LLC, owner of the six-acre Firelite Shopping Center. The zone change would have allowed up to 15 units per acre, possibly as many as 90 one and two-bedroom apartments at the Firelite site. The amended regulations would have required the ground floor, or 25 percent of the center to be dedicated commercial space and the two upper levels to be residential. In

her presentation, Shansky pointed out that amending the regulations is in keeping with the updated Town Plan of Conservation and Development which seeks to diversify housing to include hired Glenn Chalder of Planimetrics to provide planning assistance to draft the amendment in the town's best interest. According to TPZC Chair Ozzie Parente, among the changes to the developer's proposal was a requirement that ten percent of the residential units be dedicated as affordable to comply with state mandates, and restrictions that would make the amendment specific to the Firelite Center. It also clearly defines the area as having a "town

center-like feel" with sidewalks, pedestrian walkways and landscaping. "We also wanted to make sure any new regulations would not be applicable to properties on the Boston Post Road," Parente said.

A handful of residents, most of who live in the vicinity of Racebrook Road, attended the meetings and wrote letters opposing the project. Most cited increased traffic and congestion at the five-way intersection bordering the shopping center. Jim

Hatrick, a third-generation Orange native, said a mixed use development would create "more traffic, more sirens and more lights in what is already the busiest part of town." "This isn't an ox and plow plan anymore; this is a whole other realm. Think about this and use your heart," he urged the Commission. Commissioners Judy Smith, Ralph Aschettino and Kevin Cornell voted



Rita DiCapua has been a resident for years. "Everyone here calls Rita 'Mama' and Liz treats everyone like she treats 'Mama'" Bragoli said.

Like DiCapua, a new resident may

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more affordable and senior housing in town.

The plan was denied after four months of public hearings that began in June and several hours of discussion among the commissioners before the vote took place. Commissioners even

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## Kennedy and Ferraro: "Grocery Tax is Back; Hurting CT Families"

State Reps. Kathy Kennedy (R-119) and Charles Ferraro (R-117), along with Senate and House Republican colleagues, announced newly released details on a grocery store tax included in the Democrat state budget set to go into effect October 1, 2019 which could potentially encompass all cooked food from a rotisserie chicken to eight ounces of soup. The Democrat-approved 7.35% tax will be applied to a long list of food items that have never been taxed when sold in grocery stores before, according to the state Department of Revenue Services policy statement issued the week of September 23.

The tax will apply to not only prepared meals such as sandwiches, deli salads, pizza and hot buffet items, but also small packages of snacks, loose baked goods, wrapped salads, small servings of ice cream, and meal replacement bars. It also applies to fountain drinks including coffee and any beverage sold with a taxable "meal."

"The revealing details of this new tax hike are truly frightening and will



State Representatives Charles Ferraro and Kathy Kennedy at the State Capitol.

hurt the working-and middle-class families of Milford and Orange, taking more and more out of people's wallets every day," said Rep. Kennedy. "The grocery tax will punish the very people who can afford it the least."

"This is deeply concerning that this

news comes out after we debated the state budget during the session," said Rep. Ferraro. "The majority party crafted this state budget and included this language that will hurt all Connecticut families. Will they fix it or continue to pass tax increases that

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against the plan citing the change would allow a use too intensive for the area. "I don't think a town as small as Orange needs to be all things to all people," Cornell said. "We don't need to provide every product that's out there." Smith felt that it is up to the commission to curb possible intensive projects in the planning stages. "This is the time to consider a different product; it is an amendment for a use never before allowed. I like the concept but the problem is the intensity and density," she said. "To potentially have 90 units on six acres is not my idea of a town center. I agree we need to evolve as a town but to go from what's there now to 90 residential units is a drastic change with a negative impact on the surrounding community."

Aschettino maintained the zone change would invite a project that was inconsistent with his vision of what a town center should be – a central location that might include bars, shops and restaurants where people gather. "This is an apartment complex," he said. "It's a residential development disguised as a commercial development."

Parente and Commissioner Paul

Kaplan had a different view of the application, stating that particularly after adopting Chalder's revisions, a site plan submitted by a developer would look very much like the commission's vision for the area. "I see this as an opportunity. If we are not prepared to approve this or something like this, we may never get a chance for a town center," Parente said. "This is a chance to open the door to something new, something more vibrant and successful in a spot that has been beaten down and underutilized for so long." Parente countered commissioners' concerns about density by stressing that the

punish working families?"

Both Kennedy and Ferraro mentioned how Gov. Lamont assured Connecticut residents in February that the grocery tax proposal was dead. In fact, Gov. Lamont says it was 'never alive.'

Earlier this year, Democrat lawmakers labeled the new tax as only a 1% tax increase on items already taxed at 6.35%, but the DRS statement clarifies that the new 7.35% tax will also apply to many food items that have never been taxed before when sold in grocery stores.

The DRS document explains that items sold at restaurants and eateries currently taxed at 6.35% will see a 1% tax increase. It also clarifies that the total 7.35% tax rate will also be effective in grocery stores, "which previously taxed meals in a different manner than other eating establishments."

Read the Department of Revenue Services memo here: https:// www.cthousegop.com/wp-content/ uploads/2019/09/Meal.Tax\_.DRS\_. Memo\_.pdf.

plan before them was only for a text amendment, and not an actual site plan. "Safety and traffic issues are concerns that would be addressed by a developer in a site plan proposal. We would have the chance to deny a site plan down the road if traffic and safety studies identified the project could not support the 15 units per acre," he said.

Robert Sachs, a principal in 35 Old Tavern Road Associates, purchased the six-acre property in August of 2018 for \$3.8 million. Once a thriving, busy center that housed eateries and retail shops, it is now vacant and slated for demolition.

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



### Thank You Goes Out to Two Caring Town Residents

I would like to thank the two gentleman that helped me at the Orange Farmer's Market on August 29th. I have MS and was walking back to my truck after picking up a pizza, lost my footing and had a fall. I was unable to get up by myself. Two men came to help me to get up and then assured I safely got to my truck. I did not think to ask their names but wanted to let them know how grateful I am for their help. It means a lot that there are kind and caring people like this in our community.

#### Mike Maddern

### Two Voting Locations A Necessary Expense

For many years, there have been 2 voting locations in our town- Mary L. Tracy School and High Plains Community Center. Recently I became aware that voting in this year's election will be limited to only a single location-High Plains Community Center. Apparently, because there was a rainy day last election and some cars got stuck in the mud, the number of locations to vote has been reduced to one. Although High Plains is a central location in our town, given the criticality of voting and elections in our country, I believe that more locations make it easier for everyone to vote.

An over- crowded, single location will result in lines that could discourage voters. Since Election Day is not a national holiday, many people who work, cannot take off a few hours to wait in line to vote. Furthermore, people may arrive at their former voting location, resulting in much confusion. I hope I'm wrong, but I suspect that many people will chose to leave and not exercise their right to vote.

If the intent is to reduce some expense, that is a poor excuse for compromising our democracy by potentially suppressing voters' participation. I sincerely hope that those who thought this was a good idea, will quickly reconsider!

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## SCHA Welcomes Visiting Student From Poland

SCHA (Southern Connecticut Hebrew Academy) is thrilled to start the first day of school with a special visiting student from Poland, Noemi Stankowska. Noemi (12) attends the Lauder-Morasha School in Warsaw, Poland. She came to the USA to spend the summer in a Jewish camp to strengthen her commitment to Torah and mitzvot. SCHA has decided to enroll Neomi as its student to deepen her Jewish experience. Together with 240 other Jewish children from Greater New Haven, she will have the exceptional opportunity to taste an in-depth learning of Jewish texts and enjoy the excellent general education provided at SCHA.

Noemi Stankowska is a granddaughter of David Sterbach who was a Holocaust survivor. He was sent to Siberia and after the war returned to Poland. He decided to stay in Poland and help to rebuild its Jewish community. He passed away two years ago at the age of 99. Noemi's father, Mr. Albert Stankowska continues his father's effort to rebuild Jewish life in Poland. He is also the director of a newly established Warsaw Ghetto Museum in Warsaw. The museum is currently under construction and it will open in 2023, on the 80th anniversary commemoration of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. The museum is actively searching for relics, objects of historical value, documents, photographs, or letters related to the Warsaw Ghetto for its permanent exhibition. If you're interested in providing the museum such items please contact SCHA.

The school community welcomes Noemi with much enthusiasm and takes this opportunity to wish all its students and staff a great school year.

## Howard Jacobson Scholarship Award

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Amity Regional High School is pleased to announce that senior, Sophia Wang, was one of three young female inventors featured in Hasbro's recently released promotional video for its newest game "Ms. Monopoly". As part of the promotion Hasbro gifted Sophia with one of the first versions of the game. Inside the box was a letter announcing that Hasbro was giving Sophia \$20,580 to be used toward improving her invention.

Sophia is part of the Amity Regional High School's Science Research Program and has been working on her invention of a real time sinkhole detection system for the past three years. Sophia realized the need for a better detection system during her freshman year and has been working hard to engineer and improve her system ever since. Her invention has awarded her many opportunities including two trips to the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair where just this past spring she earned first award; the ability to compete in the National Invention Convention this past year where she took first place for her grade level; and most recently an invitation to the Korea Science and Engineering Fair that is taking place this fall.

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### Achievements Colby College

Waterville, ME -- Jack D. Pletter of Orange enrolled at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, this fall. Before classes began September 4, Pletter took part in a weeklong orientation that included an introduction to academic and intellectual life at Colby, participation in an outdoor education trip (COOT), and an address by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Professor of Sociology and African-American Studies Cheryl Townsend Gilkes at Colby's 202nd Convocation. A graduate of Amity Regional High School, Pletter is the son of Timothy Pletter and Nili Harpaz-Pletter of Orange, Conn.

The class is the second to enter Colby with the College's pledge that an admitted student whose family income is \$60,000 or less, with assets typical for that income range, will attend with no parent or guardian financial contribution. This is just one part of the Colby Commitment, which provides that each admitted student's demonstrated financial need will be met without student loans.

### Loyola University Maryland

Baltimore, MD -- Kelly Shaw, from Orange, is now a member of the class of 2023 at Loyola University Maryland. As first-year students embark on their college experience, they will all take part in Loyola's living learning program, Messina.

### Dean's List Fairleigh Dickinson University

Madison, NJ -- Katelyn Ide, of Orange, CT, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham Campus in Madison, NJ, has been named to the Honors List for the Spring 2019 semester. To qualify for the Honors List, a student must carry a 3.5 or better grade point average out of a possible 4.0 and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 letter-graded hours (four courses).

#### University of Alabama

Tuscaloosa, AL -- A total of 477 students enrolled during the 2019 summer term at The University of Alabama

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## Spooky October Markets

DOLLARS AND SENSE

#### By Roberta L Nestor

What is it about the markets in October that make investors jittery? Despite recent years of having somewhat mild October markets, investors still show hesitation at this time of year. What exactly is the "October Effect"? The October effect is a perceived market anomaly that stocks tend to decline during the month of October. The October effect is considered mainly to be a psychological expectation rather than an actual phenomenon as most statistics go against the theory. Some investors may be nervous during October because the dates of some large historical market crashes occurred during this month.

For over 100 years, October has been the spookiest month for the stock market and that dates back to the "Panic of 1907". That particular financial crisis took place in mid-October and over three weeks the New York Stock Exchange lost nearly 50% from its peak the year previous. The headlines were all about the economic recession, run on the banks and trust companies, illiquid markets and the downfall of the Knickerbocker Trust Company which was New York's 3rd largest trust. The panic spread and many large, and small businesses went bankrupt. Just replace Knickerbocker with Lehman Brothers and you could have been reading the headlines of 2008!

More often the history books focus on the Crash of 1929, also known as Black Monday, there the crash actually started on Monday, October 28th and continued through the 29th. That absorbed \$30 billion dollars of investors' wealth and was the onset to the Great Depression. The next Black Monday was on October 19th, 1987. A precipitous one day drop of 22.60%. That was the worst one day drop in history, and now the next largest loss of wealth -\$604 million dollars. That crash was enough to spook investors as they went running to the safety of banks. For years to come, October was known as the largest renewal of CDs in history. Then there was a mini crash on Friday, October 13th in 1989. This resulted from a fall out from global markets and the bankruptcy of United Airlines. Fast forward to October 27th, 1997 when a global crash was brought on by

the economic crisis in Asia. This crash is known for the number of points lost on the Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA) as it still ranks as the 8th largest point drop in history. Similar economic crises arose on October 9th, 2002 and on October 11th in 2007 when the DJIA experienced a 20% decline from the peak of the previous year. If the markets themselves are not spooked, investors certainly have been over the years.

Let's add some perspective to the spooky month of October. Since the market's inception there have been domestic and now international events that have occurred. And, going forward there will always be domestic and international events that will most likely affect our markets. It is a part of investing, markets tend to react to events. Today, world markets are intertwined as a result of globalization of industries, banking and businesses. However, our markets have historically survived depressions, several recessions, a global financial crisis, a tech bubble that investors will never forget, we have survived wars, terrorist attacks, embargos, gas shortages and oil shortages. In recent years the United States bond rating was downgraded and we had a government shut-down, but the markets continued to march forward. There will always be something happening in our economic world and you can be sure future events will likely continue to affect our markets, even if it isn't the month of October.

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## Cluster Housing Public Hearing Postponed

#### By Laura Fantarella Orange Town News Correspondent

The Inland Wetlands Commission faced a disgruntled crowd earlier this month when they learned a public hearing regarding a cluster housing application was not going to happen.

Commission Chair Rick Mangione told the more than fifty people crammed into the basement of Town Hall that the Board did not have the necessary paperwork to permit the public hearing to take place. "I learned about this as I walked in the door," Mangione said to the assembled crowd who collectively groaned upon hearing the news.

The application for a public hearing, submitted by Miland LLC, NB LLC and Genvest, LLC, proposes a residential development of 10 multi-family residential buildings and a single community building on more than 22.5 acres. The parcel adjoins the Wilbur Cross parkway which fronts on Turkey Hill Road and includes an undeveloped portion of Cranberry Lane.

Signs urging residents to turn out at the public hearing to oppose the cluster housing plan had been placed on lawns and town spaces weeks before the meeting was to take place. All the seats were taken and people lined the walls expecting to hear the details of the plan. When told the hearing was cancelled, several residents stood and addressed the board, complaining that everyone was inconvenienced by the last minute change of plans and demanding answers.

Town Attorney Barbara Schellenberg told the crowd the mix up was "an unintentional oversight on the part of staff" and they could not hold the meeting. Proceeding without the necessary paperwork could jeopardize any legal proceedings down the road if the Commission's decision is appealed in court. "In order to protect everyone's rights, including those who might appeal as well as the public, the public hearing must be rescheduled,"

wetlands and zoning application. First Selectman Jim Zeoli, maintains the confusion stemmed from different protocols for each board. For a zoning application, the developers or their associates are responsible for notifying neighbors, but in the case of wetlands applications, the town must inform the surrounding property owners. "It was an error and sometimes people make errors," he said.

For several decades, the town's former Wetlands Enforcement Officer R. Scott Allen handled the necessary paperwork for Wetland's applications, but Allen retired earlier this year. A new Wetlands/Zoning Assistant is currently training to assume responsibilities for both departments.

According to Jeff Gordon, president, Codespoti Associates, and a representative for the project, the developers even provided the town with all the names and addresses of the abutting property owners. "It is in the town's own code that homeowners must be notified no less than 15 days prior to a meeting of any wetlands application that could impact their property. They never did it," Gordon said. "It was the town's obligation, not ours."

The current Wetland's application is not the first time the developers submitted a proposal for the Turkey Hill site. Last year they presented a plan to the Town's Plan and Zoning Commission requesting a text change in zoning regulations that would permit a Cottage Project Development Area for those aged 55 and up. The zone change would have allowed construction of about 40 one and two-bedroom residential units priced in the \$300,000-\$400,000 range. The plan called for a walkable community that would feature recreational amenities, private walking trails, community buildings and passive outdoor recreation. The TPZC unanimously denied the application, citing the project was not a good fit for a residential zone.

In anticipation of public interest, three public hearings have been scheduled to take place at the High Plains Community Center beginning on October 3. "Everyone will have a chance to be heard," Schellenberg said.





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Schellenberg said.

According to the town's code and regulations, the owners of all properties abutting a proposed development must be notified of an impending





## **Goat Pilot Program**

**By Laura Fantarella** Orange Town News Correspondent

A unique and eco-friendly solution to tame invasive plant growth in the town's open space areas got the go ahead from the Board of Selectmen earlier this month. The Board unanimously approved a pilot program presented by Conservation Commission vice chair Sharon Ewen to use a herd of goats to eat fast-growing plants that are running wild.

Ewen proposed hiring her Tyler City neighbor, John Suraci, to head up the "goatscaping" project, using the herd of goats he keeps fenced on his own property. The plan is expected to cost approximately \$140 a week, most of which will be spent on providing electric fencing and shelter to keep the goats safe from predators. According to Ewen, the town's many open space trails are becoming overrun with Japanese knotweed, bittersweet, bayberry and poison ivy, threatening water systems and food supplies for animals. "It is an environmentally sound and cost-effective method of controlling invasive species," Ewen said, adding that it is too labor intensive for the town to use the Public Works Department for the job. "You need to walk the open space land and see how bad it is," Ewen said to the Board.

Suraci told the Board his goats can clear about one third of an acre of his property in less than 40 hours, often grazing well into the night. "They do a lot of work and they don't complain!" Suraci said. The goats will start with clearing the Ewen Farm Preserve located between St. John's Drive and Lambert Road, which Suraci expects will take a few weeks to complete. The Board will decide whether to move the goats to other open spaces depending on the success of the "goatscaping."

The Board's approval is contingent on insurance and contract approval. They also asked that Ewen present a detailed report to the Board after the Ewen Preserve is cleared and keep them informed months down the road to see if the invasive species grow back.



## Did You Know? Changes to Connecticut Living Trust Laws

The 2019 session of the Connecticut legislature made significant changes to Connecticut law concerning trusts, including revocable trusts (also called "living trusts"). Here are just a few important changes:

**Change 1:** The adoption of the Uniform Trust Code ("UTC"), a statute previously adopted by many other States. The UTC becomes effective January 1, 2020, but many of its provisions will apply to trusts that were signed before January 1. The UTC will govern the way trusts are created, administered, and terminated. The UTC contains detailed rules concerning notice to beneficiaries, non-judicial settlement agreements, liability of trustees, and claims by creditors, as examples. The person creating the trust (called a "settlor") can opt out of certain parts of the UTC, but other parts are mandatory.

**Change 2:** A second change was the adoption of the Connecticut Uniform Directed Trust Act. This allows a settlor to divide responsibilities, naming one person to make distribution decisions, for example, while a different person is named to make investment decisions.

**Change 3:** A third change was the adoption of the Connecticut Qualified Dispositions in Trust Act. This allows a settlor to put assets into an irrevocable trust in a manner that protects those assets from the claims of many creditors of the settlor. Many other States have adopted these "asset protection trusts". Connecticut now joins that group.

NOTE: Many of our previous cautions about myths and truths concerning revocable trusts remain. Even with a revocable trust, you still need to file a Connecticut Estate Tax Return with the Probate Court, you still are subject to statutory Probate Court fees, the assets in the trust remain 'available" to you if you need help from Medicaid with long-term care costs, and the trust, by itself, does nothing to reduce estate taxes.

If you are interested in learning more about the changes in Connecticut trust law, please visit our website and read our blog for recent posts.



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## **Orange Fire Department Warns Against False Fund-Raisers**

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Orange residents are being warned not to respond to solicitation letters from the "Volunteer Firefighters Association." Those letters are not from the Orange Volunteer Fire Department.

Fire Chief Vaughan Dumas said he has received reports of people receiving the official-look-

ing letters that include the resident's name and a "Pledge Reminder Payment Coupon." He warned that the letters are untrue.

"We didn't send the letters and we don't get anything from them," said Dumas. "We've asked them to stop soliciting

our residents, but they continue to ask for money. None of those funds come back to Orange."

The letters are emblazoned with "Volunteer Firefighters Association" across the top. After a personalized greeting, the letter says, "Our records indicate that we have had no response from you" and urges the recipient to mail their pledge. The coupon includes a confirmation number, a pledge date and an address in Milwaukee. "It all looks very legitimate, but it isn't," said Dumas.

Dumas said donations are very important to the Orange Volunteer Fire Department because the department runs on donations. Its largest fund-raiser is the Fireman's Carnival during the first weekend in August, but

other contributions are appreciated and needed. Any solicitation letter from the

Orange Volunteer Fire Department will have the department's name on it and will include an Orange address, Dumas said. People who want to con-

tribute can mail donations directly to the department at P.O. Box 878 in Orange, Conn., 06744.

The Orange Volunteer Fire Association provides fire protection to residents and businesses in Orange and, through mutual aid, surrounding towns. Members receive training in fire

suppression, rescue, hazardous materials response, homeland security issues and other emergency services.

Operating strictly with revenues from fund-raisers and donations, the Orange Volunteer Fire Department is one of the remaining few all-volunteer incorporated fire departments in Connecticut. Active members are on-call to serve the community on a 24-hour/seven-day basis, responding from stations on Orange Center Road and Boston Post Road.

In addition, the fire company offers public education services including lectures, demonstrations and training. For information about membership, donations or public education, call (203) 891-4703, click on https://www. orangevfd.org or find us on Facebook.

## **Orange Recycling Committee Announces Next Shredding Day**

The Orange Recycling Committee has announced the next paper shredding and mattress recycling event for Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to Noon at the front parking lot of High Plains Community Center (HPCC). The committee will once again be joined by the Mattress Recycling Council collecting used mattresses and box springs.

The secure, on-site paper shredding service will once again be handled by Affordable Solutions, owned and operated by Orange resident Joe Johnston. Residents may bring bags or boxes filled with documents for shredding and volunteers from the Orange Recycling Committee will deposit them into the shredding truck. This service is generously funded by the Rotary Club of Orange. Residents may show their appreciation by donating to the Orange Rotary Scholarship Fund. Rotarians will be on hand to collect donations.

Residents may also bring mattresses and box springs for recycling. This

free service is made possible through a partnership with the Mattress Recycling Council's Bye Bye Mattress Program. Dry mattresses (of all sizes) and box springs will be accepted. However, mattresses from futons/sofa beds or waterbeds; mattresses infested with bed bugs; wet, damaged or excessively soiled mattresses; sleeping bag or mattress pads/toppers, are not part of the program.

For residents who need assistance getting mattresses and box springs to the event, members of the Orange Lions Club will pick-up these items from residences, given they are outside and dry or in a garage for easy access, as volunteers will not enter individual homes. Anyone interested in this pick-up service should contact Ken Lenz at 203-795-3906. The fee for pick-up is \$10 per mattress or box spring. Payment is by cash or check made out to Orange Lions Charities, and all proceeds are considered a charitable donation.

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## **Register To Vote & Complete Absentee Ballot Applications**

Patrick O'Sullivan, Orange Town



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Clerk, is urging all students to register to vote prior to leaving for school or college and, if needed, complete an application for Absentee Ballot.

"One of the greatest ways we can demonstrate our commitment to our democracy is to exercise our right to a free and secret vote," O'Sullivan stated, "when you look at other countries you immediately recognize it is not something that we should ever take for granted."

Any U.S. citizen, 17 years of age, may apply for admission as an elector by pre-registering and will become an elector on the day of their 18th birthday.

istration application at Town Hall weekdays from 8:30 am to 4:30pm. You can also download a voter registration application and or an application for absentee ballot from the Town of Orange website: www.orange-ct.gov. Go to the Town Clerk page for the Absentee Ballot application.

You may complete the voter reg-

Go to the Registrar of Voters page for a voter registration application Down Load, print and mail to the Orange Town Hall.

This year, Election Day is November 5, 2019. Voters will be exercising their Constitutional right to vote for: First Selectman;

> Selectmen;

- Tax Collector;
- Board of Finance; >
- Board of Education;
- Town Plan & Zoning;
- Town Plan & Zoning (Deferred Term):
- Constable;
- Amity Regional Board of Educa-> tion; and
- > Amity Regional Board of Education (To Fill the Vacancy for Two Years). October 4th, is the first day absentee ballots may be issued by the Town. Clerk. For those individuals voting by absentee ballot, they must first submit a completed application for absentee ballot, which can be done now.

plication, the Town Clerk will mail the actual absentee ballot to you; please be sure to have an accurate college address. In order for your vote to be counted, please follow the instructions carefully; the completed absentee ballot must be received by the Town Clerk by Election Day.

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

If you have any questions and for further information, call the Registrar of Voters Office at 203-891-4715/4716, or the Town Clerk's Office at 203-891-4730.

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From the Fire Marshal



# Fire Prevention Week

The week of October 6-12, 2019 is Fire Prevention Week. Since 1922, this event has been observed on the Sunday through Saturday period in which October 9 falls. It is an opportunity to alert and educate the public as to the importance of fire safety and each citizen's role in fire prevention. Originally, it was a one-day event celebrated on October 9, 1911 on the 40th anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire by the group known today as the International Fire Marshals Association. It is held to commemorate firefighters and to advance fire prevention awareness. The observance was extended to a week in a proclamation by President Calvin Coolidge in 1922 and is the longest running public health and safety event on record. Every President of the United States, since 1925, has signed a proclamation declaring a national observance during this week. The 2019 theme for Fire Prevention week is "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice Your Escape!" Home fires continue to pose a threat. In 2017, U.S. fire departments responded to 357,000 home structure fires. During 2012-2016, an average of seven people died in a home fire each day. The hope of the campaign is to inform the public about these important actions to take to remain safe.

Smoke alarms save lives. The chance of dying in a home fire is cut nearly in half by having a functioning smoke alarm. The majority of these fires occur at night and many believe that they will be awakened by the smell of smoke. However, poisonous gases and smoke can numb the senses and cause a deeper sleep. An alarm can alert occupants to the presence of a fire and allow for an escape. Install smoke alarms on every level and in every sleeping room. Test the alarms each month and change the batteries when daylight savings time occurs. In a typical home fire, there may be only a few minutes to escape safely after the smoke alarm is activated. Each family should have a home escape plan. This includes properly installed and maintained smoke alarms, two ways out of each room, a meeting place outside the home and a designated person to aid children, older adults and those with disabilities to awaken and leave the home, closing doors as they leave. The plan should be practiced. Then, in case of smoke, go low and get out fast. Never go back for people, pets or possessions. Call 911 from a cell or neighbor's phone. When away from home and inside a building, look for exits. Immediately leave the area, if an alarm system sounds.

Cooking is the leading cause of home fires and injuries. Unattended cooking in the kitchen is the main reason. Stay in the kitchen if broiling, frying, grilling or boiling food. More cooking equipment fires occur on Thanksgiving Day than any other day. Keep anything that might catch fire away from the stovetop.

During the winter months, heating equipment is one of the leading sources of home fires and space heaters are the most responsible. Use only heaters listed by a qualified testing laboratory. Keep flammable objects at least three feet from fireplaces and other heating equipment. Have furnaces and chimneys cleaned and inspected once a year.

In conjunction with Fire Prevention Week, Orange Fire Marshal Tim Smith has announced that the 2019 **Connecticut Fire Prevention Poster** Contest, a statewide competition for fourth and fifth graders has begun. The contest is a cooperative effort of elementary school teachers and the sponsors: Connecticut Fire Marshals Association, Office of The State Fire Marshal, Connecticut Fire Chiefs Association, Connecticut Board of Education, Connecticut Department of **Energy & Environmental Protection** and Connecticut FAIR Plan (representing the insurance industry). The theme is "Fire Prevention - Everyone/Everyday". A winning poster will be chosen from each county and that student will receive a cash award of \$150.00. Posters will be exhibited in locations throughout Connecticut, including the State Capitol. From these, one poster will be chosen to be reproduced and distributed as Connecticut's 2019 Fire Prevention Poster. The statewide winner will be awarded an additional \$750.00 and his or her school will receive \$500.00. A luncheon, where the state winner is announced, will be held for county winners, parents, teachers, principals, local fire marshals and other guests. Fire safety education is important as a means of preventing injuries, death and economic loss. The contest brings awareness to children, who are a valuable link in the chain of communication; taking information home to the family and suggesting ways to reduce damage and prevent

## Youth Services

by Jessica Simone, MSW, Orange Youth Services Coordinator

Raymour & Flanigan will be hosting "Sunday Fundays" every Sunday in October. They will be held on 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27 from 2-4pm. This is for ALL AGES! Orange's own Suzanne Anderson will guide the arts and crafts and Raymour & Flanigan will provide snacks and refreshments.

Funtober at the Fairground will be held on Saturday, October 26th from 1-3pm at HPCC (rain date 10/27). Activities will include Trunk or Treat, a costume parade with awards for best costume (by age group), photo booth, games, crafts, and more! Music provided by Entertainment Unlimited. Pizza, hot dogs, hot and cold drinks will be sold. This event is for Orange residents only. For more information, call (203) 891-4790. Come out and show us your costumes!

Youth Services is offering a babysitting course with a First Aid certification. The course is for Orange students, ages 12-14, and will be held on Tuesday, November 5th, from 9:00am-1:45pm. The cost will be \$31, which will cover materials, lunch and the certification. \*\*Space is limited so contact Jessica for an application (203) 891-4785.

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## Town of Orange Meetings for the Month of October 2019



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

	1st	Economic Development Comm5:30 pm Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
	2nd	Conservation Comm7:00 pm Board of Selectmen	HPCC Town Hall
	3rd	Inland Wetlands Comm (Special Meeting)6:00 pm	HPCC
	7th	Traffic Authority (Special Meeting)4:30 pm Board of Police Comm (Special Meeting)4:30 pm Zoning Board of Appeals	Police Dept. Police Dept. Town Hall Exhibit Hall
	10th	Elderly Housing Liaison Cmte12 noon Community Services Comm7:00 pm OGAT7:30 pm	Silverbrook Estates HPCC Town Hall
	15th	Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm	Town Hall
	16th	CERT7:00 pm Recycling Cmte7:00 pm	HPCC HPCC
	17th	Case Memorial Library Comm7:00 pm	Case Mem. Library
	21st	Family Counseling Advisory Council9:00 am Amity Board of Education6:30 pm Orange Board of Education7:00 pm Board of Finance7:00 pm Board of Health	HPCC Mid Schl, Bethany Mary L. Tracy Schl Town Hall HPCC
	23rd	Safety Comm9:00 am Park & Recreation Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
	24th	WPCA6:00 pm Bond Construction7:00 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
	25th	Emergency Management Cmte8:00 am	Police Station
	28th	Youth Services Comm7:30 pm	HPCC
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A Legislative Update

by State Sentaor James Maroney



## Your Voice Counts: Why You Should Submit New Law Ideas

During the previous legislative session, a constituent from our community came to me with a problem. This individual talked to me about the need for affordable Internet access. Thanks to their input, I got right to work communicating with Comcast which resulted in an expansion of Comcast's Internet Essentials Program. This expansion will benefit low income earners resulting in nearly 191,000 households across our state, which includes low income households, seniors and individuals with disabilities, being connected.

This is a prime example of the power of constituent feedback.

Log onto any social media platform, and I'm sure you'll see your friends and neighbors sharing their views, thoughts, opinions and ideas on how our government could run more seamlessly. Some may express feeling silenced, or may even feel as though their viewpoints don't matter to state lawmakers. I understand, and want to ensure residents in our community never feel that way. That is why I welcome and encourage your feedback and participation.

Much like the aforementioned constituent that came to me with an issue, only to see it resolved, your feedback can bring about necessary changes and improvements. With the 2020 legislative session beginning in February, I am focusing more of my attention on crafting bills for next year and cannot do it alone.

Next year is a short session, lasting from February to May. During next year's session, only committees can introduce bills. As co-chair of the Veterans Affairs and Aging Committees, and a member of four other committees, I look forward to these committees producing legislation that will not only see the House and Senate Floor and eventually get the Governor's signature, but specifically benefit the people of Orange and the surrounding towns and cities in the 14th state Senate District.

There are several ways to get in touch with me to share ideas for laws. First, you can contact me through my webpage at www.senatedems.ct.gov/ maroney-contact, and drop a line or two expressing your concerns. Second, you can fill out the legislative survey on my webpage by visiting www.senatedems.ct.gov/maroney-survey. There you can provide information on issues you feel need to be addressed. Another great way to get in touch with me and share your ideas is to meet with me Thursday mornings.

Each Thursday, I hold office hours from 8 am-9 am in the 14th State Senate district. I hold my office hours in Orange at the Starbucks located on 538 Boston Post Road the third Thursday of each month. I welcome you to swing by, grab a cup of coffee and let me know what is on your mind.

These interactions are incredibly advantageous to our community, as they lead to legislation that benefits our state and district. I am encouraged to see residents in this community already reach out with ideas and I am grateful for their participation. I look forward to getting even more work done in 2020, and I'm pleased to know we are working collaboratively to make the 14th District an even better place to live for working families, veterans, seniors and our youth. I hope to hear from you soon. From the House Republican Leader

by Themis Klarides



## October's Regressive Grocery Tax

On October 1st shoppers will be paying a 7.35% tax on some groceries, but not others. In the latest budget, the tax exemption for groceries was quietly altered. When some democrats proposed raising the tax by one percent on meals at restaurants, they justified the increase as a luxury tax.

Eating out is a choice, and if people can afford to go to a restaurant, they should not feel the impact of a one percent tax on meals. When the language was drafted however, they included "grocery stores" as one of the entities that sells meals subject to additional taxation. Meals unfortunately is defined as all "food products which are furnished . . . in a form and in such portions that they are ready for immediate consumption." Every food product, therefore, in a grocery store is now subject to tax scrutiny.

So what foods at a grocery store are in a form that is immediately consumable? The Department of Revenue Service has issued a non-binding, advisory opinion which lists some examples, such as five or less muffins, donuts and bagels, salads in packaging 8 ounces or less, cans of soup, nutrition bars, cooked rack of ribs or rotisserie chickens, sandwiches, and popsicles. Because this opinion is advisory only, grocery stores are left to determine what items will be subject to tax. With a possible tax audit over their shoulder, grocery stores are going to air on the side of caution and put a 7.35% sales tax on any items that might fall under this definition.

To add more confusion, if a shopper purchases any of these items along with sodas, bottled water or other beverages, those beverage items will now become taxable at 7.35% whereas if purchased alone, they'd be subject to no taxation. Why? Because the new law taxes all "meals" sold by a "grocery store" "and spiritous, . . . soft drinks, sodas or beverages . . . inconnection therewith." So now the new taxation may impact other items in your cart because of something else in your cart.

Because this 7.35% tax on groceries targets small portioned food items, I am concerned for what this means for the people and families of Connecticut. What will be the impact on our senior citizens, empty-nesters and young men and women living alone? Over the last decade, Connecticut's tax policy has crept in to every moment of our daily lives and driven long time residents to move out of state. I share the public's frustration with these regressive taxes and the government's continued need for more of your hard earned tax dollars. Please call your legislators and tell them exactly how these taxes will impact the lives of you and your family.

## American Cancer Society Needs Volunteer Drivers

The American Cancer Society is in need of volunteer drivers to support the Road To Recovery<sup>®</sup> program, which provides cancer patients with free rides to treatment. This year, an estimated 21,950 Connecticut residents will be diagnosed with cancer, and for some getting to treatments can be their biggest roadblock. A successful transportation assistance program can be a tremendous, potentially life-saving asset to the com-American munity. That's why volunteer-Society ing for the American Cancer Society's Road To Recovery program is so important. "Every day, thousands of cancer patients need a ride to and from their treatments," said Samantha Martinez, program manager, American Cancer Society. "Even the best treatment can't work if a cancer patient can't get there." Volunteer drivers are needed to help give cancer patients a much-needed lift.

The organization screens and trains all volunteer drivers, and coordinates the rides for patients. Volunteer drivers

were named to the Dean's List with an academic record of 3.5 or above or the President's List with an academic record of 4.0 (all As). The UA Dean's and President's lists recognize full-time undergraduate students. The lists do not apply to graduate students or to undergraduate students who take less than a full course load. Those from Orange who made the Dean's List are: Michael Gefter and Ryan Gunning.

#### **Enrollments** Lehigh University

The members of the Class of 2023 represent 42 U.S. states and territories,

of Columbia, and 26 countries, and is also one of the most diverse and competitive classes ever admitted to Lehigh. Lehigh is thrilled to count Spencer Shepard of Orange, CT among the 80,000+ members of the Lehigh family.

including Puerto Rico and the District

### **Graduations** Fairleigh Dickinson University

Madison, NJ -- Katelyn Ide, of Orange, CT, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham Campus, located in Madison, NJ, has graduated with a BA in Communication Studies as of May 2019. donate their time and can provide as many rides as they want. All drivers must have:

- > A current, valid driver's license;
- A good driving record;
- Access to a safe and reliable vehicle;

 Regular desktop, laptop, or tablet computer access; and

 Proof of car insurance. The American Cancer Society stands shoulder to shoulder with cancer patients and those supporting them, focused on improving patient access to quality care, including transportation.

To learn more about volunteering for the Road To Recovery program, visit cancer.org or call us at 1-800-227-2345.

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## LOCAL BUSINESS

## Hugendubel Named to Best Real Estate Professionals List

Wayne Hugendubel affiliated with the Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office in Orange, was named to the 2019 REAL Trends America's Best Real Estate Professionals list once again, a ranking report that identifies the most productive real estate agents by state and metropolitan area based on closed transaction sides and sales volume. Wayne has consistently received this honor since 2015.

More than 14,000 real estate professionals from every state are featured. To qualify for inclusion, an individual agent must have closed at least 50 transaction sides or \$20 million in sales volume in 2018. For real estate agent teams, the minimum is 75 transaction sides or \$30 million in closed sales volume.

"Those individual agents and teams who make up the 2019 America's Best Real Estate Professionals represent less than 1.5 percent of all Realtors® in the country yet account for over 12 percent of the closed transactions and more than 22 percent of all the sales volume closed last year," says Murray.

"This is an exciting honor and recognition for Wayne. He deserves this honor for all his hard work and dedication," said Aileen DeFeo, Vice President, Brokerage Manager for Coldwell Banker, Orange and Woodbridge.

"With this release of the 2019 America's Best Real Estate Professionals list, Wayne and an elite group of real estate agents across the country are receiving

## "Fire Marshal" From Page 11

fires. The Orange Fire Marshal's Office would like to thank the students, administrators and teachers from the Peck Place, Race Brook and Turkey Hill schools for their support and participation.



Wayne Hugenduel

well-deserved recognition. These sales associates are far above average and have built enormously successful small businesses in an extremely competitive field," says Steve Murray, president of REAL Trends.

"Congratulations to Wayne and everyone who made the America's Best list," says Tom Ferry, owner and founder of Tom Ferry International. "There are multiple ways to become successful in real estate. Yet, despite the differences, the real estate professionals on this list have one thing in common—they are the best. Great job from everyone at Tom Ferry International."

Wayne Hugendubel can be reached at (203) 605-2946 or stop by his office located at 236 Boston Post Road in Orange.

safety, assistance with changing batteries in existing smoke or carbon monoxide alarms, or help when installing a battery powered detector, please contact the Orange Fire Marshal's Office at 203-981-4711 Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm or visit the website at www.orange-

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## Diamond Designs: "Jewelers for Children Superhero Challenge"

Diamond Designs of Orange is using social media and challenging other jewelers throughout the country to participate in "Jewelers for Children Superhero Challenge". Similar to the Ice Bucket Challenge that circulated the internet a few years ago, Jewelers for Children (JFC) is the industry's charity, generously supported by those who create and sell fine jewelry and watches. Manufacturers, retail jewelers, trade associations, watch companies and those who provide professional services to the jewelry industry unite on behalf of children.

Dee Dadlani, owner of Diamond



Jim Zeoli



Designs explains, "Since 1999, more

than \$ 50 million has been invested in special programs to reach children

whose lives have been devastated by

catastrophic illness or life-threatening

abuse and neglect. JFC Day is sched-

uled for Saturday, September 28th. Di-

amond Designs has already collected

almost \$4,000 for the charity. We hope

to keep it going and double the amount."

DiamondDesignsCT to see more from

Dee and his children on the challenge.

There is a link on the page for contri-

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## Handyman Matters Now Open In Orange

The newest member of the Orange Chamber of Commerce and the first Handyman Matters in Connecticut is open for business at 233 Boston Post Road, Orange. A ribbon –cutting will be held on Tuesday, September 24th, 2019, at 11:00 am. Handyman Matters leads the industry in interior and exterior home repairs and remodeling. With a service guarantee and high standards for customer care, Handyman Matters is the first to call with any home improvement needs.

A nationally known franchise, Handyman Matters has always put the customer first. "I am excited to have the opportunity to take care of customers at a higher level than most companies in the home improvement industry," said Elnur Nasibov "this is a chance for me to show people that their homes can be taken care of fairly and ethically." Each craftsman who works under the Handyman Matters is an expert in all aspects of home repairs and renovations. "We have established a happy, repeat customer base with our services provided on time with competent, clean and courteous craftsman," says Elnur.

Other than providing a top-quality and affordable service to the community, Handyman Matters of Orange holds the philosophy of charity to a high standard.

Handyman Matters is your one-stop home improvement and repairs ally. Let Handyman Matters to help you run your home more smoothly with a wide range of professional services. To contact Handyman Matters of Orange call 475-330-8179 or visit https:// handymanmatters.com/offices/orange or call 475-330-8179..

Jody Dietch

## Orange Chamber To Host First Selectman Debate

The Orange Chamber of Commerce will host the town's First Selectman Debate on October 23, 2019, 6:30 p.m. at the Grassy Hill Country Club, 411 Clark Lane, Orange.

This year there are two candidates running for the First Selectman's office: the incumbent Republican, Jim Zeoli, who has held the position for 14 years, and the Democratic challenger, Jodi Dietch, former Board of Education member who currently serves as Chair of the Democratic Town Committee. Danial May, Provost and Senior Vice President at the University of New Haven will be moderating the debate. The public may submit their questions to director@orangectchamber.com.

The event is free and open to the public thanks to the Orange Chamber of Commerce, the Orange Republican Town Committee, and the Orange Democratic Town Committee stepping up to sponsor the debate.



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## Traditional Irish Music Session With Don Mead

P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann

All-Ireland harmonica aficionado Don Meade will join the P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann traditional music session on Thursday, October 17, at St. Gabriel's Church Hall, 26 Broadway, Milford, CT, 7:45 pm. Admission is free. Musicians, dancCatskills Irish Arts Week in New York, and remains on the teaching staff. He was a traditional music columnist for ten years for the "Irish Voice", and is coordinator and host of the popular Blarney Star Concert Series at NYU's Glucksman Ireland House, presenting



## Ashley Davis Band to Perform in Concert

The Ashley Davis Band will perform in a concert co-sponsored by the P.V. O'Donnell Branch of Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann and the Irish Heritage Society of Milford (IHSM) on Friday, October 11, at the IHSM Clubhouse, 131 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford, CT, at 7 p.m.

An internationally recognized recording artist and songwriter, Ashley has collaborated with such musical luminaries as the Chieftains' Paddy Moloney, fiddle player Eileen Ivers, Joannie Madden, singer-songwriters John Doyle and John Spillane, and the "First Lady of Celtic Music," Moya Brennan.

Ashley will be joined by renowned traditional fiddle player Colin Farrell, who has played and recorded with an array of iconic musicians in Europe and

the U.S. including Karen Casey, John Doyle, and Lúnasa, with whom he is currently playing.

Dave Curley, a multi-instrumentalist, singer and dancer, rounds out the trio. He regularly performs with Grammy Award winner Moya Brennan of Clannad and has recorded with producer Donal Lunny and Grammy Award Winners Ron Block, Jeff Taylor and Buddy Greene.

The P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas and the IHSM invite lovers of Irish music to join them on October 11 for a celebration of traditional Irish music in Milford. Admission is \$10. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door if space allows. Contact Amy Lacy at 203-258-2634 or at amyjlacey2@gmail. com for information and to purchase tickets.



ers, singers and guests are welcomed. BYOB.

Don has been presenting the finest Irish and Irish-American traditional musicians to New York audiences for over 25 years. In addition to the harmonica, he is a master of many instruments including the banjo, guitar, mandolin and fiddle. Don served as the first Artistic Director of the

the finest Irish traditional musicians to New York audiences. He continues to play regularly at concerts, dances and sessions throughout the New York area.

Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann was founded in 1951 in Ireland to promote Irish traditional music, song, dance and language worldwide. For information on the session, call 203-876-9937.



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## Art In The Library **October Exhibit**

"A Celebration of Life in Acrylics and Quilts" will be exhibited at the Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, CT during the month of October. The Art in the Library Committee of the Case Memorial Library sponsors and makes monthly art exhibits possible as a service to both the artists and the general public.

Acrylics done by David Byrne and Quilts created by Joanne Byrne will be on exhibit for the whole month. Prior to retirement, David was a family dentist with a practice in Milford and Joanne was the Coordinator of Senior Services for the Town of Orange. David's paintings capture some of the quintessential moments of life and Joanne's quilts reflect the beauty and brilliance of nature. The exhibit will run the entire month of October. A Reception will be held on Thursday, October 17 from 5 to 7. Come witness a 'celebration of life.'

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# Some Things Never Change...



Scobie's Store Orange Center Road across from the convenience store.



Note the salutation. Also, for ease of understanding the author's letter and my comments, I will use italics for the content of the letter.

#### Gentlemen:

The buildings under petition were built at two different times, the first or rear section a good many years ago; age unknown to us; the second or front section was built about 1915. Both have been in constant use as such ever since.

In 1938, at the date when the Orange Zoning Code became effective, part of them was under lease to \_\_\_\_\_\_ for

\_\_\_\_\_. During the fall of 1937 and spring of 1938 several tons of commercial

that the geographical, commercial and shopping center of Orange was on Orange Center Road.

The only business zone of Orange was placed 300 feet either side of the Milford Turnpike<sup>\*</sup>. Near one end were the Wilson H. Lee Printing Plant<sup>\*\*</sup> and the Oasis restaurant<sup>\*\*\*</sup>. At the other end near Bull Hill Lane were two small stores, in between were numberless garages, gasoline

and repair stations, Indian Riv a rustic furniture works,

several tourist homes, lunch spots, taverns and a few manufacturing plants.

The letter reminds zoning that Orange Center Road with its water storage tanks, grocery store, school, firehouse, and cemetery, it could hardly be called residential and to quote, "most certainly undesirable and inappropriate for residential purposes. The last new home was built in the neighborhood in 1917. There seems to be great rush or demand for the surrounding land for homes. I believe you will agree that the classification as residential was unwarranted, arbitrary, inappropriate and exactly opposite of its use, nature and adaptability. Mr. Ransom's explanations, then and since, cajoled our objections and lulled us into a false idea of Sections 8 & 9 dealing with Existing and Nonconforming Uses. We have just begun to know the different intents and actual legal interpretation of Sections 8 & 9. For the past year, I have tried without avail to adapt to the present needs and requests of the townspeople. I respectfully petition you to set aside the Zoning Board's Classification as Residential AA as arbitrary, unwarranted, contrary to actual use or fact, public requirements



Green's Luncheonette upper end of Indian River Road at Racebrook Road

he left in the summer of 1638 to be a preacher in Wethersfield. There he met Thomas Tibbals who had traveled into the area along the Wepawaug River. It wasn't long after that the colony of Milford was born.

With the colony came rules, rules that decided who would have the power to elect officers and manage the plantation. The Bible was the code of laws and only church members were given the right of "free planters." So where did the non-church members live? Changes to this edict came later as more members joined the colony and a 2nd church was established. This 2nd church met with obstacles from the "First Church" after attempting to obtain an acceptable associate minister to the Rev. Whittelsey who they thought unacceptable. The Calvinistic group demanded that the church fulfill an agreement and in declining, an open break occurred and the 2nd church was established. Change appeared to be necessary but ministers who were invited to the 2nd church were either fined, imprisoned or expelled from town. Rev. Benajah Case from Simsbury attempted to preach in 1742 but found himself in

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and adaptability." Phew. That was certainly a letter of intent to change the opinion of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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Some things do change but that is not a bad thing with respect to history. Not all changes are bad. Take the first colony of Milford established in 1639 with its leader, Peter Prudden. Rev. Prudden had lived with the New Haven colony for over a year when a difficult position. A writ was issued charging him with violating a law of the colony. His trial lasted two days and he was imprisoned in the county jail. A change did come in May of 1747 when Job Prudden, the great-grandson of Rev. Peter Prudden became minister serving the 2nd Church until 1774.

Sometime change comes in the form of ownership as with Charles Island. When the colony of Milford was established, one George Hubbard was allotted the island with the provision that he only use it for tobacco raising and that he should not sell to the Indians, English or Dutch. The venture was a failure. Next came Richard Bryan, one of the original colonists. In 1657 Charles Deal received permission from the town to purchase Poquehaug or Milford Island for planting.

In 1868, George Miles leased part of the island to set up a plant for the manufacture of fish oil and fertilizer. This company made a superior product winning many awards for the oil produced. In 1870 a lightweight contest was scheduled for the island but only one fighter showed up. When two lightweight fighters were chosen, the Milford streets became alive with fight

product was stored.

The letter goes on to describe an area in town that would most likely be identified but the descriptions of businesses in the town are not associated with the appeal but a general description of others used to make its case. It would appear that the area's zoning was changing and the following is the information that was used to persuade the Zoning Appeals to rescind.

Opposite Old Grassy Hill Road was the telephone exchange and south of that is the town's main grocery store, post office, school, firehouse, poultry and dairy farm of Joseph and Henry Clark. On the opposite side of Orange Center Road are water-storage tanks, a cemetery, Congregational Church and a two-family house. All of these were arbitrarily classed as residential zone A in spite of the fact fans smashing windows and terrifying the little village.

A train arrived with 5 militia companies and twenty-two New Haven policemen to quell the uproar. After a flurry of combat, the crowd surrendered. Eighty-eight men were detained and eighty-one were locked up. Those who could put up the bond were allowed to return home, but those less fortunate remained incarcerated.

Boy, times, they are a changing. \*Milford Turnpike was the name for the Post Road

\*\*Wilson H. Lee was a manufacturing company where Home Depot is today \*\*\*Oasis Restaurant was located at the southwest corner of the Post Road at South Orange Center Road (currently where Prime 16 and CT Orthopaedics is located)







Race Brook School PTA hosted the annual Paugy Back To School Bash On Sunday Septembers 8th. A great time was had by everyone that attended including school Mascot Racey the Racoon.

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## Lions Club To Hold Comedy Night Fundraiser

The Orange Lions will host a standup comedy show on Saturday, October 19, 2019 at the St. Barbara's Church social hall, 480 Racebrook Road, Orange. The doors open for the evening's event at 7 p.m., and the comedy show starts at 8 p.m. This event is for a mature audience. Seating is on a first-come-firstseated basis. Guests may bring their own al-FRNATION coholic or non-alcoholic beverages and food. The Lions will provide snacks, ice and set-ups, with desserts and coffee being served at the end of the event.

Featured will be three professional stand-up comedians with headliner Craig "The Fig" Figueiredo, the lovely Jo-Jo Collins, and insanely funny Jimique Straker (as seen on Def Comedy Jam, ComicView, Live at the Apollo, and winner of multiple comedy com-

petitions all across the country). Tickets are \$35 per person available from any Orange Lion's Club member, or can be purchased online at https://bpt. me/4316597 with an added service fee. Before the comedy show there will be a raffle drawing for several baskets. All net proceeds raised at Comedy Night go to

the Orange Lions Charities, which supports blindness aid and prevention, disaster relief and for many community causes. For questions call Ken Lenz at (203) 795-3906 or Mike Muttitt at (203) 799-7818.



## Jewish Genealogical Society of CT Hosts Jennifer Zinck

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Connecticut hosts Jennifer Zinck on Sunday, October 20, 2019, at 1:30 pm, at Temple Sinai, 4 West Hartford Road, Newington. The topic of the presentation is "Genealogical Resources to Grow Your Family Tree". The program is free and open to the public.

Have you explored all of the resources that might contain details about the lives of your ancestors or could there be more waiting, yet to be discovered? Learn about records that provide clues and explore tips and tricks to help you grow your family's story.

Jennifer Zinck is a professional genealogist who specializes in Connecticut research and DNA for genealogy. Jennifer is currently serving her second term as the President of the Connecticut Professional Genealogist Council. Jennifer enjoys sharing her passion for family history with all ages, from school children to seniors.

Please visit our website, www.jgsct. org, for additional information.

## For the Love of Therapy Animals Club

Animal Assisted Therapy Services (AaTs) is a non-profit organization with a mission to build the human/ animal connection as a motivator for therapeutic and recreational purposes. Animal Assisted Therapy Services is located at 4 Oxford Road, Building D, Milford.

Based on the success of the summer program, "For the Love of Therapy Dogs!", AaTs is expanding the concept this Fall into a weekly course for children in grades 4-5 and 6-8. In addition to our canine partners, exciting new friends are arriving with the addition of an eco-friendly fish tank, two rescue der the supervision of AaTs trainers and therapists, the club members will discover first-hand the unconditional love, joy, and healing animals bring to residents and patients!

"For the Love of Therapy Animals Club" meets Tuesday, 4-6pm, grades 4-5 and Friday, 3:30-5:30pm, grades 6-8. The program runs in eight-week sessions year-round beginning September 24. Cost is \$250/session. Call (203) 804-5343 or email beth.patella@ aatsct.org for more information and registration.

Key Components of "For the Love of Therapy Animals Club":

## Club Meeting

Woodbridge Happiness

Join Bernie Siegel, M.D. & Lionel Ketchian for a discussion on Happiness for our well-being. Lionel Ketchian is the co-host with Dr. Bernie Siegel on Mind Health Matters radio programs. Lionel is also the co-host on "The Happiness Show," broadcast on TV by Cablevision of Connecticut.

Take part in getting valuable tools and techniques for making your life the best it can be. Suffered enough? Do you really need to suffer anymore? Are you ready to learn to Be Happy? Being Happy will help you, suffer less and evolve spiritually. External events are difficult for us without the right tools to deal with the turbulence that we all experience in life. Master these strategies to lessen your suffering. Your happiness can empower you and keep you on track. Learn to have the peace of mind you need and experience happiness now.

Everyone is welcome; meetings are free and no reservations are required. Meet some wonderful people using happiness in their lives.

**Date & Time:** Tuesday, October 22nd from 6:00 to 7:45 PM.

**Place:** The Woodbridge Town Library located at 10 Newton Road, Woodbridge. For further info, e-mail PrintLRK@ aol.com, call 203-258-7777 or www. HappinessClub.com. bunnies, guinea pigs, and hamsters.

This program is for "animal lovers" who enjoy learning more about the development, training, and role of Credentialed Therapy Dogs and small animals. Each week provides hands-on learning that includes training, handling skills, and care for the animal's overall well-being.

The emphasis is on the connection between nature, animals, farms, food and a healthy style of living. The garden at the AaTs Center is tended by participants during spring, summer, and fall and provides delicious healthy food prepared in our kitchen for both animals and humans!

Regular therapeutic visits to assisted living facilities in the community will be scheduled throughout the year with the dogs or small animals. Un★ Foster love and care for animals;

- ℅ Acquaintance with the profession of training therapy dogs and small animals;
- ☞ Experience handling AaTs Credentialed Therapy Dogs and small Animals;
- ★ Learn how basic training shapes an animal's behavior;
- ℅ Understand the communication and body language between humans and animals;
- ℅ Introduce volunteer and career opportunities that involve animals;
- Provide Animal Assisted Therapy visits within the community under the supervision of AaTs trainers and therapists; and
- Promote positive social interactions among peers who share common goals and interests.



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

**Shelton Art League** (formerly Bridgeport Art League), meetings on the 3rd Monday of the month, noon, Shelton Community Center, 41 Church Street, Shelton, CT, 2nd floor, room #2, a diverse group of artists, future meetings include acrylic landscape, watercolor and oil painting demos. Visit http://www. sheltonartleague.org for additional information. Guests are always welcome.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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**Running Water for Africa 5K Race/** Walk, 1 Mile Walk, October 5, 2019, Foran High School, 80 Foran Road, Milford. Registration 7:30am, race begins at 9am' 5K run/walk plus an untimed 1 mile walk; also a kids fun run; Great food and raffle prizes. Uganda Farmers Inc. is a nonprofit organization that brings clean, running water to remote villages in Africa. This is the organization's main fundraising event, proceeds are for a new water catchment project in the village of Bwindi, Uganda. Please join us at our event this year to help give the gift of water to over 2,000 people! To register go to runsignup.com/race/CT/Milford/ RunningWaterForAfrica5K.

**Autumn Tavern Night**, Saturday, October 12, 2019, 5pm–9pm, Derby Historical Society, 37 Elm Street, Ansonia; enjoy fare piled high and authentic desserts baked before you in our fireplace; artist on location for live-action sketches, music, cash raffles, best outfit prize, and more! \*21 and over - drinks are on us\* Tickets: \$20.00/pp. For Tickets call 203-735-1908. \*Rain date – October 13th

**Music on the Menu,** Sunday, October 27, 2019, 4-6 pm featuring David Scrimenti; Music and light supper at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 283 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford. Tickets \$10.00 each, call church office for tickets 203-874-2701.

## **SEEKING CRAFTERS + VENDORS**





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Applications: mrslindareilly@gmail.com or Linda at 203-387-1051 \$60.00 for a 6-foot table space and \$90.00 for 12 feet of display area. Proceeds benefit the Youth Service Awards, Church Food Pantry & other ministry projects. Guild's monthly meeting will be on Tuesday, October 8 at 6:45 pm in the Guild Hall. The featured speaker will be a healthcare professional from Yale New Haven Hospital. The topic will be breast health and wellness as October is National Breast Cancer month.

On Sunday, October 13th at 1:30pm, the Guild will be having a public rosary service outside in front of the church. If there is rain, the service will be inside the church.

The Guild will be participating in Boscov's Friends Helping Friends shopping event on Wednesday, October 16th. Tickets are \$5 each for this special shopping event. There will be refreshments, give aways, and discounts at Boscov's throughout the day. Tickets are available at the church rectory or by calling (203)799-



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The Guild's annual Pasta Dinner will be on Thursday, October 24th from 5 - 7 pm in the school gym at 450 Racebrook Road. Tickets are \$12 per adult, \$5 for children over 6, \$3 for children under 6 and \$30 maximum per family. Pasta, meatballs, salad, bread, desserts, coffee, tea, soft drinks will be on the menu. There will be basket raffles and a 50/50 drawing.





## Congregation Beth El - Keser Israel Events

Fall Holy Day Services Tuesday, 8 October: Kol Nidre Services 6:15 to 8:30 pm

**Wednesday, 9 October**: Yom Kippur Services 9:00 am to 2:30 pm Including Children's <u>Havura</u>, K-2 Kehila, Junior Congregation, Learners' Service

Study Sessions 3:00 to 4:15 pm, followed by Minha

Concluding Services 5:30 pm to 7:03 pm

Sunday, 13 October: Erev Sukkot Minha & Maariv 5:45 to 6:20 pm Monday, 14 October: [Columbus

Day] First Day Sukkot Services 9:15 am to 11:45 am

Minha & Maariv 5:45 to 6:20 pm **Tuesday, 15 October:** Second Day Sukkot Services 9:15 am to 11:35 am Minha 6:00 to 6:20 pm

**Sunday, 20 October:** Hoshana Rabba Shaharit 9:00 am to 11:10 am Minha & Maariv 5:45 to 6:15 pm

**Monday, 21 October:**Shemini Atseret Services 9:15 am to 12:00 pm Minha 5:45 to 6:00 pm Erev Simhat Torah 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

**Tuesday, 22 October:** Simhat Torah Services 9:15 am to 12:30 pm Minha 5:45 to 6:05 pm

### Joyous Sukkot Celebrations

BEKI's annual Family Sukka Hop, an invitation to a succession of sukka parties in Westville, is on Columbus



Congregation Beth El-Keser Israel

Day, Monday, October 14 from 3:00 to 5:30 pm.

The annual Pizza in the Hut is Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30 pm, \$10 for adults, \$5 under 12, family max \$30. Reservations required by October 11 to office@beki.org or 203.389.2108 x114.

### Through BEKI Eyes: Photographs of Synagogues

This exhibition is the latest edition of BEKI's high holiday show, drawing on the experiences of BEKI travelers who record their impressions of synagogues near and far with photography. This year's exhibition includes photographs from synagogues less often visited, including the countries of Georgia, Morocco, and India. The exhibition, which will be on view until late October, is open to the public by appointment.

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## **Congregation B'nai Jacob Adult Education Fall 2019**

## **Guest Speakers**

Sunday, October 27, 10 AM Adina Hoffman: "Till We Have Built Jerusalem: Architects of a New City"

Award winning essayist and biographer Adina Hoffman will discuss her book "Till We Have Built Jerusalem," a gripping and intimate journey into the lives of three very different architects who helped shape modern Jerusalem. A powerful rumination on memory and forgetting, place and displacement, the book uncovers multiple layers of one great city's buried history as it asks what it means, in Jerusalem and everywhere, to be foreign and to belong. A \$10 donation to CBJ is suggested for non-members.



Adina Hoffman

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Reservations are limited. Priority for members and their guests. Payment Before 10/10: Per person - \$54 including bus; \$25 museum only. Payment After 10/10: Per person - \$72 including bus; \$36 museum only. RSVP and questions: CBJ office 203-389-2111 or cbj.recptionist@gmail.com.

### CBJ Book Group

Wednesday, December 4, 7:30 pm in the library

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## The First Church Of Christ October Special Events

The First Church of Woodbridge is holding the 2nd annual Arts and Music Weekend on October 18-20, in the Meeting House and Parish House at 5 Meeting House Lane. The weekend will kick off on Friday, the 18th with a Gallery Opening Reception of art works from community artists from 6-7:30 p. m. The artwork will be on display throughout the weekend. The St. Luke's Steel Drum Band will perform from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the Meeting House.

On Saturday, the 19th from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. there will be a variety of events on the Green in cooperation with other Woodbridge organizations. From 4 – 5 p.m., Nenad Ivovic, award-winning Yale pianist and current First Church organist, will present a piano recital entitled "Brahms in the Afternoon" in the Meeting House followed by a reception in the Parish House. From 7-9 p.m. There will be a Square Dance for all ages held in the Woodbridge Center gym.

On Sunday, the 21st there will be special music at our 10 a.m. service featuring the Bell Choir, Senior Choir, and a piano-organ duet with Faye Chen and Nenad Ivovich.

The First Church Men's Fellow-

ship 6th annual Food Drive to benefit Spooner House continues through October 27th. See the contact information below to inquire about dropoff times.

We also invite the community to join us for the following weekly services and special events:

**Sunday Services** – 10 a.m. including our **Intergenerational Service** the first Sunday of each month. Nursery care for small children is available during the Sunday services.

**Church School** - Sunday at 10 a.m. the second through fifth Sundays during the school year, presently with children aged 3-6 with older children helping with the younger children until we hire a new Director of Christian Education.

**Middle School Youth Group** for 5th – 8th graders will be performing later in the school year.

**Weekly Bible Study** - Wednesday, 10-11 a.m., in the Parish House. We study both Old and New Testament passages based on the Lectionary.

**Boy Scout Troop 907** – meets weekly on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

For more information on these events, please contact us at (203) 389-2119 or office@uccw.

## High Holy Days At Temple Emanuel

YOM KIPPUR 5780/2019 AND BEYOND

EREV YOM KIPPUR SERVICE (KOL NIDREI) Tuesday, October 8 at 8:00 pm

**SUKKOT** Monday, October 14 (office will be closed)



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## Or Shalom's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Kristallnacht Commemoration

On August 9th, 1940, a ship called the S.S. Quanza left Portugal, filled with Jewish refugees frantically trying to escape Nazi-occupied Europe. The ship docked at Vera Cruz, Mexico, where their visas indicated that they would be allowed to land. The Mexican authorities, however, questioned the validity of the visas of 86 of the refugees and prohibited them from coming ashore. One of the passengers, a teenager, said in a telegram to his family, "...We are trapped on this boat and we must now go back to hell." Before heading back to Europe, the SS Quanza anchored briefly at Norfolk harbor, Virginia, to load up on coal. That refueling stop reversed the fate of the refugees: A Virginian maritime lawyer by the name of Jacob Morewitz, upon learning of their plight, worked feverishly to find a way to enable their rescue. He succeeded. And those 86 refugees never forgot what he did for them. How were the passengers of the SS Quanza saved? Come, learn and discuss! On Sunday morning November 17, 2019, 9 AM, Congregation Or Shalom, 205 Old Grassy Hill Road, Orange

will honor the courageous activism of Jacob Morewitz at its 13th Annual Kristallnacht Community Commemoration.

The highlight of the morning's program will take place when members of the Morewitz family receive a U.S. Senate Commendation from Senator Richard Blumenthal on behalf of their late father & grandfather. Guest speakers will include: Michael Dobbs of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum and author of the new book, "The Unwanted"; Victoria Redel, daughter of a Quanza survivor, and author of a book based on the ship's story. In addition, the new and acclaimed documentary on the story of the SS Quanza, "Nobody Wants Us", will be screened by its filmmaker Laura Seltzer-Duny. All are welcome. Free and open to the public. This program is made possible by a generous donation from the Men's Club Yellow Candle Fund. Please join us for this exciting community event! Free parking and shuttle bus will be available at High Plains Community Center.

YOM KIPPUR MORNING SERVICE

Wednesday, October 9 at 10:00 am

- Children's Yom Kippur Service at 9:45 am\*
- Yom Kippur Study Session with Bennett Lovett-Graff at 1:00 pm (approximately)
- Mincha (afternoon service) at 4:00 pm
- Yizkor at 5:30 pm (approximately), followed by Neila and Havdalah.
- > Break-the-Fast after the service

#### EREV SUKKOT

Sunday, October 13

- Sukkah build and Sukkot Family Program at 9:30 am followed by Potluck Lunch in the Sukkah
- Erev Sukkot Service at 6:30 pm

**EREV SIMCHAT TORAH SERVICE** Sunday, October 20 at 6:00 pm

#### SIMCHAT TORAH

Monday, October 21 (office will be closed)

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

Please contact the TE office at 203-397-3000 or office@tegnh.org for details. All are welcome - guest tickets are available and are necessary for security purposes. Temple Emanuel is located at 150 Derby Avenue in Orange.

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## Did you know you can register for events online?

Registration for events opens three weeks in advance of the event date online at casememoriallibrary.org/events.

## Fall Book Sale

Members' Night:

Thursday, November 7, 4-7 p.m.

### Open to the Public:

Friday, November 8, 1-4 p.m. Saturday, November 9, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

The Friends of the Library Book Sale begins on Thursday, November 7 with a Members' Night. New members are welcome to join the night of the sale. The book sale will be open to the general public on Friday, November 8 and Saturday, November 9.

### **Events For Adults** Concert: Lost Acres String Band

Saturday, October 5, 2 p.m.

The Lost Acres String Band serves up a rich stew of songs and instrumentals from a wide variety of musical traditions with the added spice of some exotic originals. A typical show includes blues, rags, old-time and contemporary fiddle tunes, Hispanic waltzes from the old Southwest, a classic string-band number by The Mississippi Sheiks, swing tunes from the 1930s, and a Ray Charles instrumental. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Registration is required and begins Saturday, September 14.

### An Evening with Alasdair Neale

Thursday, October 10, 7 p.m. Join us for an illuminating evening with Alasdair Neale, New Haven Symphony Orchestra's newest conductor. Maestro Neale will share music from the fall season at NHSO as well as the passion and stories behind the orchestra's fall repertoire. Sponsored by the Orange Arts and Culture Council. Registration is required, through the Library, and begins Thursday, Septem-



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ber 19 at 7 a.m.

### Fall Film Series

Registration is highly recommended for all films. Registration opens three weeks in advance of the film screening. All Wednesday afternoon screenings are shown with subtitles.

#### **Best of Enemies**

Monday, October 28, 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 30, 1 p.m.

Based on a true story, centered on the unlikely relationship between Ann Atwater, an outspoken civil rights activist, and C.P. Ellis, a local Ku Klux Klan leader who reluctantly co-chaired a community summit, battling over the desegregation of schools in Durham, North Carolina during the racially-charged summer of 1971. 2 hr. 12 min. PG-13. Registration is required and begins Monday, October 7.

### Yesterday

Monday, November 18, 7 p.m. Wednesday, November 20, 1 p.m.

A struggling musician realizes he's the only person on Earth who can remember The Beatles after waking up in an alternate timeline where they never existed. 1 hr. 56 min. PG-13. Registration is required and begins Monday, October 28. November 18.

### Book Discussions The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

*Thursday, October 24, 7 p.m.* "Inheritance" by Dani Shapiro. Led

by Toby Zabinski. Registration is requested.

### Mystery Book Discussion Group

Thursday, November 14, 7 p.m.

"Miracle Creek" by Angie Kim. Led by Librarian Samantha Jasulavic. Registration is requested.

### **Events For Teens** Teen Cupcake

Decorating Class Tuesday, October 15, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

For teens in grades 7-12. Learn to make buttercream frosting and decorate cupcakes with ShopRite's Registered Dietician Courtney Huggins. Please notify the Library of any food restrictions at least 24 hours in advance of the program. Space is limited. Registration is required and begins Tuesday, September 24.

### Teen Pumpkin Craft

Wednesday, October 23, 3:30-4:30 p.m. For teens in grades 7-12.

Create a pumpkin masterpiece! Pumpkins and decorating supplies will For children and tweens in grades 1-6.

Children and tweens will learn about this strategic board game and play against each other. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, September 25.

### Vampire Slime

Thursday, October 24, 5:30 p.m.

For children in grades 1-3.

Whip up a batch of this spooky slime with a scientific twist. Registration is required and begins Thursday, October 24.

### Storytimes Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

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

## 2-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

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

## 3-5 Year Olds Storytime

Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

No storytime on Labor Day or Columbus Day.

Enjoy storytelling, books, music, fingerplays, and puppetry at this story time series especially for 3-5-year olds! A story-related craft is offered following each session.

## Art In The Library

**October:** Artwork by David and Joanne Byrne. Reception: Thursday, October 17, 5-7 p.m.

## Services

Homebound Delivery Service

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

#### The Farewell

Monday, December 9, 7 p.m. Wednesday, December 11, 1 p.m.

A Chinese family discovers their grandmother has only a short while left to live and decide to keep her in the dark, scheduling a wedding to gather before she dies. 1 hr. 40 min. PG. Registration is required and begins Monday, be provided. Please bring a box to carry home your pumpkin. Space is limited. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, October 2.

Events For Children & Tweens Chess Club Wednesday, October 16, 3:45 p.m.

"Imagination has brought mankind through the dark ages to its present state of civilization. Imagination led Columbus to discover America. Imagination led Franklin to discover electricity." — L. FRANK BAUM



### James Jaworski

James Jaworski, 85, of Orange, beloved husband of Patricia Jaworski, passed away peacefully on August 11, 2019. Born on July 7, 1934 in Providence, RI, he was the son of the late Olga and James J. Jaworski, Sr.

Along with his loving wife, Jim is survived by his children, Lynn (James) Cummings and James (Anne) Jaworski; grandchildren, James William Cummings, Jr., Chloe Elizabeth Cummings, and Jack Patrick Jaworski; siblings, Richard (Barbara) Jaworski and Katherine Jaworski; brother-in-law, William Wildprett; sister-in-law, Claire (George) Binns; and eight nieces and nephews. Jim proudly served in the United States Army Signal Corps., graduated from the University of Rhode Island, and was an industrial engineer at both Armstrong rubber company in New Haven and Peoples Bank in Bridgeport.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on August 17, 2019, at Holy Infant Church, 450 Racebrook Road, Orange. Interment was private. The family is being compassionately cared for by the staff at the Cody-White Funeral Home, 107 Broad Street Milford, CT 06460. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice. To leave online condolences, please visit www.codywhitefuneralservice.com.

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initially come to Maplewood relatively independent but seeking more social interaction, but may require more services as they age. "We have different areas of the facility that provide more services, including Alzheimer's and memory care. Residents don't need to move out as their needs change, we can support them as they age under one roof," Castiline-Gannon said. Castiline-Gannon typically has years of interaction with the residents and their families.

Castiline-Gannon's promotion coincided with the completion of a major renovation at the facility so it was a perfect time for a fresh start with a new leader at the helm. "We know it's a hard decision for a senior to leave their family home because they need support so we don't want cookie-cutter properties," she said. "We want each residence to reflect the culture of the community we are moving into. While care is our first priority, we also want our residents to be proud to call this home so we take care to ensure the spaces are always modern and comfortable and there are beautiful gardens and spaces to enjoy time with family and friends."

Part of what makes Maplewood at Orange unique is its many activities and the interaction between the Orange community and the Maplewood residents. Castiline-Gannon finds that many friends and family members often participate in Maplewood's events. "This is a very vibrant facility and I like to welcome outsiders to our community and make them feel at home here," she said.

Castiline-Gannon always loved spending time with older adults and knew she wanted a career working with them. After graduating with a degree in Sociology from Quinnipiac University she began working in medical sales but it wasn't until she visited one of her accounts -- an assisted living facility -that she realized she'd found her calling. "It was my first experience in a senior

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living community and I loved what it was all about," she said.

Since February, Maplewood is at full capacity with a waiting list. If you or a loved one are interested in learning more, please contact Liz at Maplewood at Orange - 203-795-3117.



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1. It Chapter Two (R) Jessica Chastain, James McAvoy 2. Hustlers (R) Constance Wu, Jennifer Lopez 3. Angel Has Fallen (R) Gerard Butler, Frederick Schmidt 4. Good Boys (R) Jacob Tremblay, Keith L. Williams 5. The Lion King (PG) animated 6. Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw (PG-13) Dwayne Johnson, Jason Statham 7. Overcomer (PG) Alex Kendrick, Shari Rigby 8. The Goldfinch (R) Oakes Fegley, Ansel Elgort 9. The Peanut Butter Falcon (PG-13) Shia LaBeouf, Dakota Johnson 10. Dora and the Lost City of Gold (PG) Isabela Moner, Eugenio Derbez





Jessie Buckley in "Wild Rose" [NEON]

## PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Wild Rose" (R) -- It's not hard to like Rose-Lynn (Jessie Buckley), a working-class girl in Glasgow, Scotland, with big dreams of being a country music singer in Nashville. Boy, does she have the pipes for it, too, but the path to stardom requires more than just "three chords and the truth." For one, she's just been released from jail and must take a job cleaning houses to satisfy her work requirement. She's also a single mom whose own disapproving mother (Julie Walters) has been raising her two kids. Buckley plays Rose-Lynn perfectly, as cheerful and magnetic, both captivating onstage and an explosive firecracker with a microfuse. Either way, her enthusiasm is infectious. Plus, the movie takes some refreshing turns -- just when you think you know where the story is going, you don't.



1. Men in Black: International (PG-13) Chris Hemsworth 2. Rocketman (R) Taron Egerton 3. Ma (R) Octavia Spencer

4. The Secret Life of Pets 2 (PG) animated

> 5. Godzilla: King of the Monsters (PG-13) Kyle Chandler

6. Avengers: Endgame (PG-13) Robert Downey Jr.

7. The Hustle (PG-13) Anne Hathaway
8. Booksmart (R) Kaitlyn Dever
9. It (R) Bill Skarsgard
10. A Dog's Journey (PG) Josh Gad

see her, but she exists. Shayne Blackwell

(Alan Ritchson), an MMA fighter who fell from grace, is the only person who can see Holly. In order to become visible again, she uses her shadowy talents to lift Shayne back to the lofty heights from which he fell, complete with career and the girl (Megan Fox). But as the pair help each other gain what they had lost, victory and visibility begin to take on new meanings. The movie itself is not so incredible as the concept: It's a supernatural, sport-specific romance. That alone

> "Dark Phoenix" (PG-13) -- The last in the X-Men series, "Dark Phoenix" is the saga of one Jean Grey (Sophie Turner), telekinetic and psychic known as Phoenix, whose powers intensify exponentially after she's exposed to a celestial flare. As Phoenix tries to control the malevolent force inside her, a shapeshifting alien named Vuk (Jessica Chastain) shows up in an attempt to subvert her newfound powers. Phoenix turns on her fellow X-Men as she wrestles against Vuk's influence and the truth of what she is becoming, or perhaps has been all along: The Dark Phoenix. The general consensus in my row of the theater is that it was a disappointing waste of what could have been a killer story. I agree, and with lackluster performances and nothing particularly compelling onscreen, I can safely advise you to pass.

rates a spot in the Friday-night rotation.

- 1. What Donovan song caused an old school friend to leave the army?
- 2. Name the artist who released a rock album with the title "Success Hasn't Spoiled Me Yet."
- Which duo wrote and released "Harlem Shuffle"?
   Who released "I'm Not Gonna Let It Bother Me Tonight"?
- 5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "When the moon is in the Seventh House and Jupiter aligns with Mars, Then peace will guide the planets."

i. "Epistle to Dippy," 1967, was a pacifist message that Donovan's buddy heard loud and clear. After "looking through crystal spectacles," the real "Tippy," left the Fittish Army, E. Rick Springfield, in 1968. Armong other songs, the album contained "Don't all clear in a spectacles," the real "Tippy," left the Fittish Army, E. Rick Springfield, in 1968. Armong other songs, the album contained "Don't Talk to Strangers" and "Calling All Cirls." 3. Bob & Earl, in 1968. The Rolling Stones followed up in 1986 with a music "Don't Talk to Strangers" and "Calling All Cirls." 3. Bob & Earl, in 1978. 5. "Aquartus/Left the Sunshine In," From the 1967 rock wide on a don't for the spring of 1969. The count experiment of No. 5. 4. Atlanta Rhythm Section, in 1978. 5. "Aquartus/Left the Sunshine In," From the 1967 rock musical "Hair" The single by The 5th Dimension topped the Billboard's Hot 100 chart for six weeks in the spring of 1969. The counterculture musical "Hair" Centercon a group of bohemian highes trying to avoid the Vietnam War draft.

## **Sports Quiz**

#### By Chris Richcreek

- 1. Pitcher Freddy Peralta set a Milwaukee Brewers rookie record in 2018 for most strikeouts in a game (13). Name two of the four pitchers who had held the franchise mark of 12.
- 2. In 2004, Arizona's Randy Johnson became the oldest major-league pitcher to throw a perfect game. How old was he?
- 3. The all-time leader for touchdown receptions in the NFL playoffs is Jerry Rice, with 22. Name either of the two players tied for No. 2.
- 4. Who was the last men's college basketball player before Murray State's Ja Morant in 2019 to notch a triple-double in an NCAA Tournament game?
- 5. The Carolina Hurricanes have reached the NHL Stanley Cup playoffs six times since 1998. How many of those times did they advance to at least the conference finals?
- 6. Alex Morgan tied a Women's World Cup soccer single-game record in 2019 with five goals in a game. Who else holds the mark?
- 7. Name either of the two fighters George Foreman defeated between winning the heavyweight boxing titles from Joe Frazier in January 1973 and losing them to Muhammad Ali in October 1974.`

1. Teddy Higuera (1985), Juan Nieves (1986), Cal Eldred (1992) and Steve Woodard (1997). 2. He was 40 years old. 3. Rob Gronkowski and John Stallworth, with 12 each. 4. Draymond Green of Michigan State, in 2012 (24 points, 12 rebounds, 10 assists). 5. Four times. 6. Michelle Åkers, who did it in 1991. 7. Jose Roman and Ken Norton.



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<ul> <li>Moderate</li> <li>Challenging</li> <li>HOO BOY!</li> <li>© 2019 King Features Synd., Inc.</li> </ul>								

**"Above the Shadows" (NR)** -- Holly (Olivia Thirlby) was once a real person, but she faded into oblivion, becoming invisible for all practical purposes. No one can **"Bodied" (R)** -- Part of the new You-Tube Premium content, "Bodied" stars Calum Worthy as Adam, a graduate student at a very progressive college who, in the course of researching his thesis, becomes embroiled in a battle rap -- and impresses. His success leads to greater opportunities, but at the cost of his mainstream identity. The rap battles are impressive -- the right mix of vulgar and trashy meets clever wit.





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By Tony Rizzo Summer is over, and now it's the season of the sequels. Currently on big screens are "It: Chapter Two," with James McAvoy, Jessica Chastain, Bill Hader and "It" himself, Bill Skarsgard; and "Rambo: Last Blood," with Rambo himself, Sylvester Stallone. Oct. 18 brings "Zombieland: Double Tap," with Woody Harrelson, Emma Stone, Bill Murray, Abigail Breslin and Jesse Eisenberg, and "Maleficent: Mistress of Evil," with Angelina Jolie, Elle Fanning and Chiwetel Ejiofor.

"Terminator: Dark Fate," with Arnold Schwarzenegger and Linda Hamilton returning to the franchise, drops Nov. 1, and Nov. 8 brings "Doctor Sleep," the sequel to the 1980 Jack Nicholson classic "The Shining," with Ewan McGregor (as Danny Torrance) and Rebecca Ferguson.

Waiting in the wings are: "Top Gun: Maverick" (June 26), "Coming to America 2," with Eddie Murphy, Arsenio Hall, John Amos and James Earl Jones (December 2020) and another "Tomb Raider," with Alicia Vikander (March 2021). Then there's "The Accountant 2" (Ben Affleck may return), "Gladiator 2," "The Craft 2," "The Labyrinth 2" (the Jim Henson fantasy starred David Bowie and Jennifer Connelly), "The Passion of the Christ: Resurrection" (the Mel Gibson top-grossing R-rated film of all time), "The Rocketeer 2," "The Edge of Tomorrow 2," with Tom Cruise and Emily Blunt returning, "Master and Commander 2," again with Russell Crowe, "9 to 5: Part 2," with new ladies (although Jane Fonda, Dolly Parton and Lily Tomlin say they're intending to be in it), "Call Me by Your Name 2" and "RoboCop Returns," to name just some. Whew!

Aaron Paul returns in "El Camino: A Breaking Bad Movie," due to release



Ewan McGregor in "Doctor Sleep" [Warner Bros. Entertainment]

Oct. 11 on Netflix, with plans to air on AMC at a later date. Also, Amazon is creating a TV series from "The Lord of the Rings" franchise starring Will Poulter ("Maze Runner," "The Revenant)." All this brings new meaning to "everything old is new again" and the French phrase deja vu!

Billy Crystal has written and will direct a romantic comedy in which he's in a September/May relationship with Tiffany Haddish in "Here Today." We first saw Haddish in the TV series "The Carmichael Show" (2015-2017) before she broke out into film in "Girl Trip." Haddish can now be seen in "The Kitchen" and has "Like a Boss," with Rose Byrne and Salma Hayek, coming in June.

Oscar-winning director Guillermo del Toro (for "The Shape of Water") will direct Bradley Cooper, Cate Blanchett and Rooney Mara in the remake of the 1947 Tyrone Power noir film "Nightmare Alley."

Good luck to Richard Linklater, who filmed "Boyhood" over 13 years and is now shooting the Stephen Sondheim/ George Furth musical "Merrily We Roll Along" over the next 20 years. He's 59 now and will be 79 when it's done ... we should all live so long!

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The sights and smells of Autumn filled the Mary L. Tracy classrooms and hallways September 27th! Apple Day was a day filled with hands-on learning: science, taste tests, graphing, predicting, baking, literature, and much more. The orchard of red clothing added to the school spirit and united staff and students as they celebrated MLT's first theme day. Thank you to the many parent volunteers for giving up their time to assist in the classrooms, the PTO for purchasing the apples that were used in a variety of ways, and the MLT kitchen staff for making homemade Apple Crisp for all 233 students.













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## Bark Bytes... By Vicki & Richard Horowitz



## How to Help Our **Dogs Age Gracefully**

Our dogs give us so much throughout their lives, including love, companionship, loyalty and protection. As dogs age, they rely on us to provide a little extra patience, attention and care to accommodate their changing needs.

By letting your senior dog set its own limits, they will help you understand their new needs for care. Avoid pampering them, and allow them to maintain their independence and dignity wherever they can.

Have your veterinarian examine your dog to rule out any age-related underlying health problems. Ask your vet about what to expect with your aging dog and how you can help your dog continue to feel relaxed and comfortable.

Below are some tips for understanding and managing the changing needs of your senior companion:

## Loss of hearing

- ★ Age-related deafness in dogs is relatively common and is often one of the first changes owners often recognize in their senior dog.
- 🖮 Tune in to their other senses, like sight and smell, to communicate with them. Introduce hand signals to convey simple commands. Be sure they are always consistent, obviously different from other signals, and visible from a distance.
- 🖮 Try to get your dog's attention with a high-pitched whistle or a handclap.
- 🖮 If your dog is totally deaf, try using light to communicate with them, such as flicking a lamp on/off or using a flashlight.

## Loss of sight

- ₩ As dogs age they can develop sight-related issues, such as cataracts.
- 🖮 Dogs with poor or no vision can learn to adjust quickly if they con-

noise phobias, and increased vocalization can develop or worsen in older dogs.

## Visitors and household activity

- 🖮 Elderly dogs may not enjoy the extra hustle and bustle around the holidays or if workpeople come to your home.
- 🖮 If your aging dog is cranky around visitors, lead them to a quiet place in your home where they won't be bothered and can feel secure.

## Children

- ℅ Remind children to be respectful of your older dog. Because of their achy joints and loss of hearing or sight, older dogs are sometimes more wary of children and their high-energy activities.
- ℅ Always provide supervision when dogs (of any age) and kids are together.
- 🖮 Avoid discipline for aging-related behaviors
- ☆ Your aging dog can't help themselves if they accidentally soil in the house or is crabby around children.
- 🖮 If they make a mistake, just tend to the situation-i.e., take them outside to toilet more frequently or guide them to their quiet place in the house-and take steps to avoid such occurrences in the future.

### Barriers for safety and protection

- 🖮 A secured baby gate will prevent your unsteady older dog from risking a fall on stairways and will protect areas of your home from toileting accidents.
- 🖮 Keep their mind, body and spirit sharp
- 🖮 Take time to work with your dog on basic obedience a few times a week to help keep them in shape both physically and mentally. 🖮 Never push your dog to exert themselves more than they are able. Watch their body language and breathing patterns for signs that they may be getting tired.

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- tinue living in familiar surroundings. Avoid rearranging your furniture so your dog can continue to navigate in your home.
- 🖮 Use your voice to guide your dog to you.

### Sleeping habits

- 🕷 Realize that your senior dog will likely sleep longer and more deeply.
- 🖮 A senior dog may startle more easily if its hearing and sight aren't what they used to be.
- 🗯 Less able to cope with stress or changes to their routine
- 🖮 All dogs, but especially older dogs, thrive on structure and routine. Keep your senior dog's routine in place as much as possible to keep them stress free.
- 🖮 Separation anxiety, aggression,

Your aging dog deserves your unflagging affection, understanding and love. As you continue to care for them, remember that you are giving back to them as much as they have been giving you.

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





ARIES (March 21 to April 19) An upcoming trip could create some problems with your schedule unless you tie up as many loose ends as possible before you head out the door. Ask a friend or colleague to help you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Being eager to start a new project is fine. However, moving ahead without knowing what actually will be expected of you could cause a problem down the line. Ask some questions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Getting through some recent challenges in good shape might give you a false sense of security. Don't relax your guard. You need to be prepared for what else could happen.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Caution is still advised, even though you think you're as prepared as you need to be. Keep in mind that change is in your aspect, and you should expect the unexpected.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Lion's gift of persuasion helps you get your points across, even to some of your most negative naysayers. An old friend might seek you out for some advice.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Being sure of your convictions is fine. But leave some room for dissenting opinions. You might learn something that could help you avoid a possible problem later on.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Getting good legal advice on what your rights actually are is the first step toward resolving that pesky problem so that it doesn't re-emerge at a later date. Good luck.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November** 21) Longtime relationships work well this week, whether they're personal or professional. It's a good time to invite new friends and colleagues into your life.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to De**cember 21)** This is a good week to do the research that will help you uncover those irrefutable facts that can back you up on your new venture when you most need it.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January **19)** Change is an important factor in your aspect this week and could affect something you might have thought was immune to any sort of adjustment or "alteration."

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February** 18) Being asked to share someone's deeply personal confidence might be flattering, but accepting could be unwise. Decline gracefully but firmly.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) As wise as you are, you could still be misled by someone who seems to be sincere but might not be. Take more time to assess the situation before making any commitments.

BORN THIS WEEK: You like to face challenges that others might try to avoid, and by so doing, you set an example of courage for all.

## Does My Dog Have Arthritis?

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** My black Lab, "Gordon," is almost 12 years old. He has always been energetic, but

lately on our walks he seems to get tired easily, slows down his walk, and whines from time

able to alleviate his pain -- many of which are the same treatments used for humans, albeit in smaller doses.

There's no cure for the condition, but he still has years of life ahead and will be close to his



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#### by Mike Marland



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to time. His hind legs seem to be stiff and he has a harder time laying down in his pet bed. Do you think he has arthritis? Will it affect his



old self with treatment. In addition to medication, arthri-

tis symptoms can be eased by using heating

life? -- Jeff in Silver Spring, Maryland

DEAR JEFF: He does seem to be showing symptoms of arthritis. Jot down everything you see Gordon doing that seems different or "off," and take those notes and your dog to the veterinarian. The vet can evaluate Gordon for arthritis -- an inflammation of the joints seen frequently in older pets -- and rule out any other underlying conditions.

If Gordon has arthritis, there are lots of medicines and therapies avail-

pads or cold packs. Regular exercise keeps blood flowing to the joints and eases discomfort. And it can keep Gordon's weight down, which will ease the stress on his joints.

Many owners have had good results by changing their pet's diet. Dog foods formulated for senior pets can keep his nutrition on point. Allergen-free dog foods may yield good results, too. Try working with his vet to tweak Gordon's diet a bit and see if there's any improvement.

Send your questions or comments to ask@pawscorner.com.

Source: Business Insider survey

Differences: 1. Man's sweater is black. 2. Plant is fuller. 3. Picture is missing. 4. Boy is taller. 5. Earring is missing. 6. Boy's right arm is hidden.

3arden Leave your lawn messy Your well-tended yard might please you, but messy is better for garden bugs and feathered friends. As leaves fall and decay, they enrich the soil and provide places for insects and birds to forage for food such as salamanders, snails, worms, and toads. You can use fallen branches to build a brush pile that can provide shelter for birds, rabbits, snakes and other wildlife. Let the seed heads of native wildflowers remain to feed birds through the winter. -B. Weaver Source: www.audubon.org

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