

# UI Offers Holiday Safety and Efficiency Tips

United Illuminating, a subsidiary of AVANGRID Inc. (NYSE: AGR), reminds customers to follow some simple electrical safety and efficiency tips to ensure this holiday season is filled with safety, comfort and joy. "The holidays are a time for celebration, and you can help keep the holidays joyful by acting now to head off preventable accidents and bill surprises," said Joe Thomas, UI's Vice President for Electric System Operations. "A warm, safe home is the greatest gift for our families and

friends as we gather for the holidays." UI offers the following tips to help customers keep their homes safe, warm and energy efficient as they "deck the halls" for the holidays.

### Decorations

Dry Christmas tree limbs and hot lights can be a dangerous combination. If you have a live tree, keep it fresh. Before you put the tree in its stand, cut

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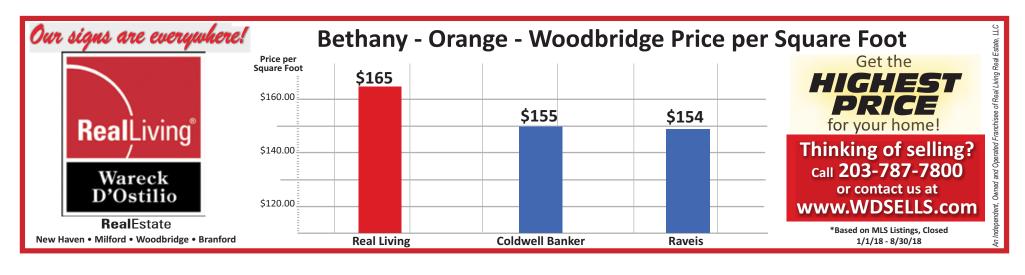
### Race Brook School Honors Our Veterans

On Friday morning, November 9th, the students and staff of Race Brook School in Orange held their special annual Veteran's Day assembly to honor the men and women in the military who have served our country. The veterans were honored with a warm welcome and very attentive behavior of over 400 elementary students during the hour-long assembly. The assembly and the activities afterwards were planned and organized by the Veterans Day Committee: Kellie Martino, Kathy Battles, Janet Greenspan, and Tina Denton. Kellie Martino and school principal, Mike Gray, began the assembly with a special thank you to attending veterans for their service and sacrifice to our country. Student Council was also able to provide \$400 in collected donations for House of Heroes, an organization that accepts donations to assist veterans with much needed home repairs.

The majority of the attending veterans were relatives and friends of the school's families. A poignant onscreen MS PowerPoint presentation displayed photos of veterans with identifying captions while the school's music teacher, Marie Olden played accom-

panying patriot music on the piano. The children sang well-rehearsed songs to pay tribute to the veterans during the assembly. They also wrote heartfelt poems and letters of gratitude and handed them out to their guests during the assembly. Adriel A., a fifth grader, states, "I wanted to thank the veterans for risking their lives, so we can be happy and safe."

The veteran guests were further honored in the classrooms after the assembly where they had the opportunity to share their backgrounds in serving our country and answer questions for students. Many of the veterans shared treasured memorabilia of their service, including uniforms, medals, and scrapbook photos. The veteran guests continued their conversations during a continental breakfast reception provided by the Student Council. The guests were very touched by the school's efforts to acknowledge all of the veterans as patriots and heroes who showed courage and strength and made many sacrifices for the freedom of our country. Fifth grader Remmy C. states, "It's important to honor the veterans for putting their lives in danger to give us wonderful freedoms."











### Gathering Of The Greens

#### By Bonnie Pettengill Pelaccia

Back in another century when I was a child, we made our Christmas wreaths by hand and hiked deep into the woods to gather the materials. The whole process took time, lots of time, but we didn't mind. We had no television or computers or smart phones or social media to distract us and ready-made wreaths were few and far between and besides we couldn't afford them.

There was no official date to begin the gathering of the greens, just an instinct akin to creatures knowing when to prepare for hibernation. Several of us siblings set out with clippers, a small saw and bags to transport our booty back home where we had already prepared the frames by bending old wire coat hangers into circles.

Wreath making began with a search in the forest for the fixings. Waxy green laurel leaves, armfuls of wispy white and scotch pines, fragrant evergreens with densely packed needles and bleeding resin from broken branches, flower like cedars bearing beautiful blue berries, thorny bushes with bright red berries and sharp, serrated leaves on silver branches and, yes, even the precious, protected, diminutive ground hugging princess pine considered an endangered species although we didn't know it at the time and probably wouldn't have cared. It was "our" woods after

all! We knew it intimately. Familiar with every rocky outcrop and ledge where we could squeeze under and into served as perfect hiding places during an intense game of cowboys and Indians or hide and seek. We made our own rich adventures and fun when money was scarce but imagination bountiful.

Arriving back home after hours of tramping through thick under brush and stands of bear branched beech, maple and oak adorned with clinging brown, withered leaves, we got busy wiring a generous foundation of mixed pines followed by laurel leaves, berries and pine cones gathered during our foray. Last to be wired onto the wreath was a large, red homemade bow. It was beautiful. Anticipation of Christmas mounted as we stapled pine boughs and large red, green, blue and yellow glass Christmas lights around the entry door and windows of our ramshackle house that sheltered eight rambunctious children and two overworked parents.

Christmas, with all its smells and sights and sounds and sentiments transformed the ordinary and ornery into breathtaking beauty from the simple tasks and treasures we gladly gathered in a spirit of fun and adventure and we felt rich beyond measure. Today I'll take my grandchildren out to edges of our back yard and continue the tradition of gathering the greens.



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fail to see that the Toy Closet program is a year-round program, NOT just a holiday season program. That being said, we are hoping to collect as many toys as possible to donate to the program. Please call with any questions, and we thank you for your support. To donate a toy, you can drop it off at either Kaoud Rugs of Orange and Guilford or Material Girls of Orange. (No plush or stuffed animals). Note: People that make a purchase and donate a toy will receive a free gift at Material Girls when they mention this article.





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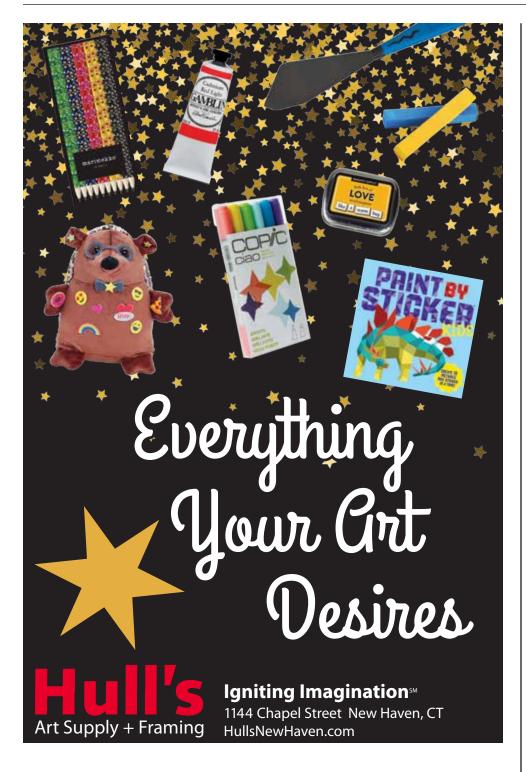
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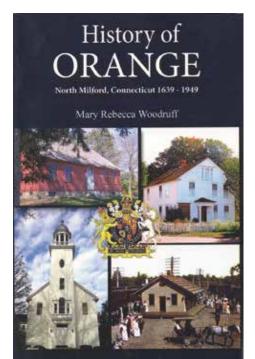
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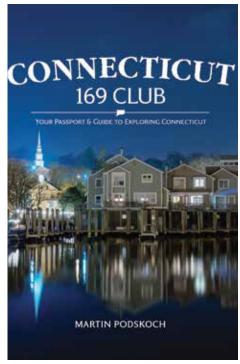




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The Orange Historical Society has two books on Orange for sale at the Academy. The "169 Club Visitor's Guide" is recently published with 169 towns represented as a State of CT Tour Guide. Our own Ginny Reinhard, President of the Orange Historical Society, wrote the pages for Orange and as the book's publisher tours the state, the individual city/town authors try to attend to sign books purchased.

January 28th at 7:00 will be the Orange Book Signing at the Case Memorial Library. The Academy, located at 605 Orange Center Road, is open on Saturdays from 10-3 and has the book for sale. It is hard cover and will make a wonderful gift for the holidays. Also, the Orange History book is available as well.



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<u>Upcoming Issue Date</u>	<u>Upcoming Issue Deadline</u>
January 11   New Year's Issue	January 4
February 8   Valentine's Day Issue	February 1
March 8   St, Patrick's Day Issue	March 1
Note: Copy due by 4:00p.m. Thank you.	

### FROM OUR READERS

#### To the Amity Community

The Amity Board of Education and the Amity School District were shocked and saddened by the fears and concerns reported by the students and community members about the anti-Semitic behaviors they have experienced in both school and the community. The students feel unsafe because of these hurtful and hateful acts against them and their community.

The Amity School District will not tolerate this type of harassment and will invtestigate and take disciplinary action against students who demonstrate unacceptable behavior. We will also cooperate and coordinate with the local police department in some of these investigations.

The district will take a leadership role in partnering with the community, including religious leaders, elected officials, advocacy groups such as the Anti-Defamation League, state and federal officials, youth groups and other people of good will in a comprehensive effort to address this issue in our schools and community.

The most critical members of this partnership are the students, families, and staff of our schools. We sincerely

welcome their involvement. Our goal is to make the Amity Schools and community the inclusive, tolerant, and safe community we all demand it should become again.

James A. Connelly Interim Superintendent of Schools

#### **Orange Nativity Display**

It's another year and we are very grateful to be able to set up the nativity scene for the eighth year. Thanks to our wonderful crew and the American Legion Post #127 members we were able to display it for the town to enjoy. Many encouraging comments are received in reminding everyone of the true meaning of Christmas.

To continue having this display, we would appreciate any donations to cover repairs and needed materials that occur yearly. After many years of enjoying this display there are areas that need to be refurbished. Contributions may be made out to the Orange Nativity Fund and sent to:

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### ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP







Left: Ryan Laemel, Senior Associate, Rocky Mountain Institute. Right: Annelies Gamble, Senior Associate, WTI

# Two Amity Graduates Make Forbes 30 Under 30 List

Ryan Laemel, 26, is the righthand man at the think tank Rocky Mountain Institute for founder Amory Lovins. Ryan Laemel leads its Urban Mobility Lab, and is focused on partnering with the Indian city of Pune to implement solutions for traffic management, public transit and electric mobility. At Yale, he created the first university-based internal carbon pricing program.

Annelies Gamble, 27, was the first

woman ever to join WTI's investment team in its three-plus decades when she started in August 2016. She's sourced and co-led its investments in mPharma, Terminal.io and Kobo360, while working with investments in Africa including Andela, Flutterwave, Mines.io, Tala and Tizeti. Gamble previously worked at Dropbox, where she spent three years as a founding member of its product analytics team.



# Turkey Hill School Student Council Help Those In Need

The Turkey Hill School Student Council has been very busy helping those in need. They hosted two events in November to benefit the Orange Food Bank and the Columbus House Homeless Shelter in New Haven.

The Turkey Hill School Student Council hosted a food drive for the Orange Food Bank. Donations were collected from November 12th to November 16th. Student council members in grades 3-6 planned and coordinated this food drive. They created flyers and made posters to advertise the event. They worked to collect the donations each morning and categorize them for delivery. THS collected enough canned and boxed food items

to fill a whole car! This drive was a very big success! On Monday, November 19th the donations were picked up from Turkey Hill in time to fill Thanksgiving food baskets.

On November 16th the student council hosted a pajama day for students and staff. All that participated made a donation to the Columbus House Homeless Shelter in New Haven. In total our school raised \$710 which the Columbus House uses to buys gift cards to fast food restaurants for those in need.

We send a huge thank you to all of our students and families who donated to help others in need this holiday season!





## Storytelling Through Life Experiences

#### By Ellen Ginsberg

Turkey Hill School sixth-graders in Mrs. Ginsberg's Literacy class recently participated in a four-part series of writing workshops with author and illustrator Sanna Stanley. Our visiting artist, Ms. Stanley, has been working with Connecticut students for almost 20 years, guiding them to unlock their creative potential.

Each workshop was an invitation to engage in the writing process. The students began by writing a Rambling Autobiography, an invitation for the students to share their own life experiences and get a feel for different writing voices and styles. The class also explored how word choice affects how a piece is interpreted. By creating word pairings from a random set of words, they discovered the tone that the varying word choice created. In addition, Sanna introduced a method from Ancient Greece/Rome that was used by orators to remember the hundreds of lines of their poems. The

class used this visualization method of building space to recollect and reconstruct a space from personal experience, by walking through a familiar space (in their imagination), making sensory connections, and then writing out what was experienced and remembered

As the students wrote during each of the workshops, Ms. Stanley offered supportive words of encouragement and students eagerly shared their creative writing with the class. Mrs. Ginsberg said, "We are extremely fortunate to have received a grant from the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation to enhance our curriculum through the arts. The students were so responsive to these writing experiences with Sanna Stanley. They later reflected how valuable their participation was in terms of strengthening their identities as writers."

For more information about the foundation, visit the Website at jamie-hulleyartsfund.org.

## STUDENT NEWS

## Achievements Melissa Pantalone Inducted Into The Honor Society

Baton Rouge, LA -- Melissa Pan-

Of Phi Kappa Phi

talone of Orange, Connecticut, was recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline collegiate honor society. Pantalone is pursuing a degree in Nursing at The University of Texas at Arlington. Pantalone is among approximately 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter.

Only the top 10 percent of seniors

and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible

for membership. Graduate students in the top 10 percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff and alumni who have achieved scholarly distinction.

### Honor Roll Notre Dame High School

Notre Dame High School in West Haven, CT has named the following Orange students to its Quarter 1 Honor Roll: First Honors: Class of 2019, Steven Ayala, Colton Varholak, Class of 2021, Jonah Dohr, Dohyeon (Steven) Yeo; and Class of 2022, Anthony Young. Second Honors: Class of 2019, Kamron Bell; Class of 2021, Nicholas Richetelli; and Class of 2022, Alan Lonez.

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## Orange Pre-School Blind Lottery

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The Orange Elementary School System is now accepting names for the "Blind Lottery" for our 2019-20 Pre-School Program located at Mary L. Tracy School. We have a "limited number" of openings available for 3-yr. and 4-yr. old children who will have the opportunity to participate as community peers in our integrated special education pre-school program. Our Pre-School Program enriches each child's social, emotional, physical, cognitive, intellectual, and creative abilities through early academic and social experiences. It is designed to prepare the children for early success and school readiness.

The Pre-School Program follows the district's school year calendar: the AM class is held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and the PM class is held from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Each classroom consists of both 3-yr. and 4-yr. old students. Class sizes are limited to a total of 12 students per class, which includes our special education students. By law, students with special needs identified with an IEP are placed in the Pre-School Program by the Department of Special Services thru the PPT process.

Community peer children are selected thru the "Blind Lottery". The total cost of tuition for the community peers will be \$3,250. This fee-based Pre-School Program is held 5-days a week, for 3 hours a day. If a family qualifies for the State's Free and Reduced Lunch Program, they may be eligible for tuition assistance. No transportation is provided for general education community peers.

In order to participate in the lottery your child must be 3 years old but not older than 4 years old by December 31st, 2019. All children must be toilet trained and a bona-fide Orange resident. If a child's birthday falls between September thru December, they will be able to start on their third birthday.

The blind lottery is conducted in two stages. One: All names are 'picked out of a hat' by age group for the limited number of available spaces, with the remaining names drawn and placed on a waiting list. Two: the 2nd drawing will decide if your child attends the AM or PM class to balance each classroom with an equal amount of 3-yr. and 4-yr. old students.

If you want your child to participate in the Blind Lottery, please call the Special Services Dept. (203-891-8023) between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to place your child on the list. We will be accepting names for the blind lottery up until 4:00 p.m., Thursday, January 31, 2019. Parents will be notified of their child's lottery results by February 8, 2019 thru the mail.

Your tuition deposit of \$325 is due by March 8th to secure a space in the class for your child. Registration paperwork must be completed by April 5th, 2019. Your deposit is the first month's tuition for September. Tuition payments are due on the first of the preceding month, e.g. tuition for October will be due September 1st. Any further questions call the Special Services Dept. (203-891-8023) at the Orange Board of Education.

### Attention Teachers!

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

You can also send us your pictures.

(Parental consent required)

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### DOLLARS AND SENSE

## Gifts That Keep Giving

By Roberta L. Nestor

We all love to give our children and grandchildren the "special gifts" or the "must have" items that appear on their list. However, the price tag on some of the popular tech items have sky-rocketed over the past years. And, perhaps your young person has all of the tech they could possibly want.

Try something different this holiday season! Chances are your child or grandchild already has a 529 College Savings Plan. These plans allow anyone to contribute on behalf of the child. The attraction of 529 plans is that they grow completely tax free\* as long as the funds are used for higher education expenses; room and board, tuition, books, even trade or technical schools. The Tax Cuts & Jobs Act that went into effect this year actually expanded access to 529 plans for private K-12 schools (up to \$10,000 a year can be withdrawn for private tuition).

If you are a parent who hasn't established a 529 plan, maybe you have hesitated thinking it would be unaffordable or that you need a large sum to get it going. Not true! The CT CHET plan will let you start with as little as \$50 and an on-going commitment to \$50 a month. There is also the question, "what if my child doesn't go to college"? You can change the beneficiary on a 529 and pass funds down to a sibling, cousin, niece or any relative – anyone can be the beneficiary regardless of age.

While it is unlikely that parents will be able to save enough to cover all college costs, whatever you can save helps enormously – especially when it comes to all the "extras". Remember, a 529 plan can be established by anyone, for anyone. Meaning, if your grandchild doesn't have one yet – you can open the account on their behalf.

Another idea, think ROTH! If the special young people in your life are grown and just starting out in their careers, or even just working part time for extra savings – you can open a ROTH IRA for them. You have to be careful not to over contribute as the contribution maximum is 100% of wages (W-2 earnings) up to a maximum of \$5,500 for a 2018 contribution and \$6,000 for 2019 contributions. You have until April 15, 2019 to make a contribution for 2018.

The greatest attraction of ROTH IRAs is that the accumulation and use of funds (in accordance with IRS rules) is completely tax free. Sometimes it's not how much you invest, it is how long you have to invest. Consider an

annual \$500 contribution that grows at a hypothetical rate of 4% for 40 years – that would mean saving \$1.76 a day; over 40 years it could be worth over \$50,000, and all tax free if withdrawn in accordance with IRS rules.

What financial gifts might not work anymore? Savings bonds or bank savings accounts. While in the past, US Savings Bonds may have been attractive, today's low interest rate environment should make you think twice. Series I Bonds issued from November 1, 2018 through April 30, 2019 will earn a rate of 2.83%. Interest on savings bonds compounds semi-annually and will continue to accrue for 30 years. You can redeem savings bonds after 12 months, however, if you redeem the bond before it is five years old, you will lose the last three months of interest. As for traditional bank savings accounts, the interest is virtually non-existent.

Happy shopping and best wishes to all for a joyous holiday season!

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### From the Fire Marshal



## Tips For A Safe **Holiday Season!**

Winter holidays are a time for celebration and that means cooking, decorating and entertaining. The Orange Fire Marshal's Office offers some safety guidelines to ensure that the holidays will be pleasant for you and your family.

Cooking fires are the number one cause of home fires and injuries and the leading cause is unattended cooking. Keep anything that can catch fire away from the cooktop. Stay nearby when frying, boiling or broiling food. Have a lid available to smother small grease fires. If baking or roasting, check regularly and use a timer. In case of an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the oven door closed.

All decorations displayed throughout the home should be fire resistant or non-combustible and located a safe distance from any heat source. If smoking is permitted in the home, provide a safe place for smokers to discard their cigarettes. Place all used ashtrays in the sink and wet down the contents to prevent an accidental fire. One of the most common causes of accidental home fires during the holiday season is unattended candles. December is the peak time of year for candle fires. Many times, candles are knocked over by children or pets, causing injuries and fires. Before lighting any candle, secure it in a properly fitting holder with a wide base to catch the hot, dripping wax and to prevent the candle from tipping over. Keep the wick trimmed to one-quarter inch and extinguish taper and pillar candles when the wick is within two inches of the holder. Votives should be put out before the last half-inch of wax begins to melt. Keep candles at least one foot from combustibles. More than one-half of candle fires were started when flammable material was too close to the candle. NEVER leave candles burning when leaving a room or going to sleep. During a power outage, avoid carrying a lit candle. Use flashlights. As always, be sure matches, lighters and candles are out of the reach of children. And, check that smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are working properly.

Before displaying any electrical decoration, be sure it is tested and approved by a facility such as Underwriter's Laboratory (U.L) or Factory Mutual (F.M.). Use only lights designed and approved for the outdoors when creating an exterior display. Check all light cords and plugs for worn-out or exposed wiring. Replace any damaged

light strings or decorations. Do not overload electrical circuits. Use multi-outlet surge protector power strips when running multiple applications of decorative lights. December and January are the months when most electrical, residential fires occur. Most fires result from old wiring or faulty outlets.

The use of fireplaces and wood-burning stoves for alternative heating sources is at an all time high. Have the fireplace or wood stove flue inspected and cleaned at least once a year. Creosote build up is the number one cause of chimney fires. Check for cracks in the mortar or deterioration of the piping before lighting a fire. Don't forget to open the flue. Make sure that the safety screen or doors are in place to prevent sparks from igniting flammable furnishings or interior finishes. Never use lighter fluid or any other flammable liquid to start a fire. Use kindling and paper which is weighed down to prevent it from flying out of the chimney or fireplace. Once the fire is out, put the cool ashes into a metal container with a lid, outside and away from the home. The container should be placed on a non-combustible surface. To prevent the build-up of carbon monoxide, keep a window slightly open to allow fresh air to enter the home. Electric heaters should be at least three feet from any combustible materials. The use of kerosene heaters is not recommended.

Christmas tree safety begins with the selection of a fresh tree that holds its needles. Trim the trunk at least 1-inch above the original cut before placing the tree in a sturdy stand. For the first watering, fill the stand with hot water to open up the sap channels so the tree consumes water efficiently. Use cool water thereafter. The tree may be kept as long as it remains fresh and moist. Discard when it begins to lose needles and starts to dry. Make sure artificial trees are labeled as fire retardant. Keep a fire extinguisher handy and near an exit. DO NOT attempt to extinguish a fully involved tree fire. Leave the house and call 9-1-1.

Please follow these simple tips for a safe, happy holiday season. For any questions or information about home fire safety, call the Orange Fire Marshal's Office 203-891-4711, Monday to Friday, 8:00 am-4:30 pm or visit the website, www.orangefiremarshal.com.

## Town Of Orange Holiday Hours 2018

In observance of Christmas and New Year's, the Town of Orange holiday hours are as follows with the noted exceptions for those departments providing emergency services:

- Monday, December 24, 2018 All Town Offices and Transfer Station are closed.
- Tuesday, December 25, 2018
- All Town Offices and Transfer Station are closed.
- Monday, December 31, 2018 Town Offices and the Transfer Station will close at 1:00 p.m. The Highway Department will close at 11:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, January 1, 2019** All Town Offices are closed.

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



(S	ubject to Change, Check with Town Clerk's Office,	203-891-4730)
2nd	Conservation Comm7:00 pm Town Plan & Zoning Comm7:00 pm	HPCC Town Hall
7th	Zoning Board of Appeals7:00 pm	Town Hall
8th	Inland Wetlands Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall
9th	OVNA Board of Governors8:30 am Board of Selectmen7:30 pm	Clark Building Town Hall
10th	Community Services Comm7:00 pm OGAT7:30 pm	HPCC Town Hall
14th	Traffic Authority	Police Dept. Police Dept. Woodbridge HPCC
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 Meml Library
22nd	Orange Board of Education7:00 pm Board of Health7:30 pm	Mary L. Tracy Sch. HPCC
23rd	Safety Comm9:00 am Park & Recreation Comm7:30 pm	Town Hall Town Hall
28th	Family Counseling Advisory Council9:00 am Youth Services Advisory Board7:00 pm Board of Finance7:30 pm	HPCC HPCC Town Hall



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# CASE MEMORIAL LIBARY EVENTS

### **Events For Adults**The Connecticut 169 Club

Monday, January 28, 7 p.m.

Join author Marty Podskoch and learn about the CT 169 Club, the travel guide to all 169 of Connecticut's towns. Local contributors Ginny Reinhard of Orange and Martha German of Woodbridge will be present to discuss their towns and sign books. Co-sponsored by the Orange Historical Society, the Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society, and Case Memorial Library.

### Adult Make & Take Workshop: Paper Flowers

Monday, February 4, 7 p.m.

Create your own Icelandic poppies out of crepe paper at this small, handson, paper-crafting workshop. Led by Librarian Rebecca Harlow. All supplies will be provided. For adults and teens ages 16 and up. Registration is required and opens Monday, January 14. Space is limited and fills up quickly.

#### 2019 Oscar Film Series

Our 2019 Oscar Film Series will begin on Monday, February 25. The first three films in our 2019 Oscar Film Series will be announced on Monday, January 28. A complete film schedule will be available on Monday, March 4. Films will include all nominees from the Best Picture and Acting categories as well as other notable selections.

### Book Discussions Mystery Book Discussion Group

Thursday, January 24, 7 p.m.

A Beautiful Place to Die by Malla Nunn. Led by Librarian Samantha Jasulavic. Registration is requested.

### The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

Thursday, February 21, 7 p.m.

Home Fire by Kamila Shamsie. Led by Toby Zabinski. Registration is requested.

### Events For Teens & Tweens

Q-tip Wars

Monday, January 7, 5:30 p.m. For tweens in grades 4-6.

Learn about aerodynamics and play a game of Q-tip Wars. Registration is required and begins Monday, December 17.

#### Teen Cooking Class

Thursday, January 31, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 19, 3:30-4:30 p.m. For students in grades 7-12.

Learn to cook tasty treats with ShopRite's Registered Dietician Court-



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ney Huggins. Please notify the Library of any food allergies or restrictions at least 24 hours in advance of the program. Registration is required and begins three weeks in advance of the program date. Space is limited.

### Teen Craft: Valentine Slime

Wednesday, February 13, 3:30-4 p.m.

For students in grades 7-12.

Make and take Valentine's Day-inspired slime. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, January 23.

### Events For Children Chess Club

Wednesday, December 19, 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 22, 3:30 p.m.

For children and tweens in grades 3-6.

Learn and play chess at our monthly chess club for children and tweens. Registration is required and begins three weeks in advance of the program date.

#### Drama Workshop: The Mouse Bride

Thursday, December 20, 6 p.m.

For children ages 5-10.

Hear the tale of the Mouse Bride then reenact it and complete a fun art activity. This drama workshop is generously funded by a grant from the Orange Foundation Trust U/A, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee. Registration is required. Space is limited.

### Take the Stage: Theater Games and Improvisations with Ingrid Schaeffer

Saturday, January 5, 2 p.m.

For children ages 7-12.

Give your imagination a workout at this special drama workshop led by Ingrid Schaeffer. Registration is required and begins Saturday, December 15.

Citizen Scientists: The

### Oil Spill Challenge

Thursday, January 10, 5:45 p.m.

For children in grades K-2.

Learn about oil spills and discover what the clean-up process is really like at this hands-on STEM lab for young citizen scientists. Registration is required and begins Thursday, December 20.

#### Floam Slime

Wednesday, January 16, 3:30 p.m.

For children ages 7-9.

Learn the science behind making floam and make some floam to take home (that rhymes!) Registration is required and begins Wednesday, December 26.

### Reading and Art Project with Arts for Learning CT

Saturday, January 19, 10:30 a.m.

For children of all ages and their families

Join us for a reading of "Everyone," by Christopher Silas Neal, and join a New Haven artist in creating your very own portion of a mural that will hang at the Library! Registration is required and begins Saturday, December 29.

### Kids' Cooking Class

Wednesday, January 23, 3:45 p.m.

For children ages 5-10.

Learn to cook nutritious, delicious recipes with ShopRite of Milford's Registered Dietician, Courtney Huggins. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, January 2.

#### Minute to Win It Challenge

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

For children in grades K-2.

Put your problem-solving skills to the test! Using common household items, we'll stack, balance, flip, and launch our way through a series of 60-second challenges. Registration is required and begins Thursday, January 3.

#### **Storytimes**

3-5 Year Olds Storytime

Mondays at 10:30 a.m.

No storytime on December 24, January 21, or February 18.

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

### Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

No storytime on December 25.

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.

### Art In The Library December: "Waterworks,"

on view December 1-28.

#### 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.

### Tween Advisory Group (TWAG)

Tell us what to do! Join our tween advisory group (TWAG) and help us make the library a better place for our tweens! As members of TWAG, tweens in grades 4-6 will meet monthly to brainstorm and help plan programs that they want to see at the library, as well as recommend books for our collection. This is a great opportunity for tweens to make their voices heard at the library! The first meeting of TWAG will be held on Tuesday, January 29 at 3:45 p.m. Pizza will be served. Registration is required (so we have enough pizza!) and begins Tuesday, January 8.

"Christmas is a season not only of rejoicing but of reflection." - WINSTON CHURCHILL





### Amity Middle School - Orange Campus



### First Marking Period Honor Roll

### First Honors 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Timothy Antalik Alivia Appleby Adwaya Bali Jillian Barnes Aditi Bhattamishra Mia Bierowski Elizabeth Bodie Daniella Bondar Erin Callahan Grace Cavallaro Luke Chang Haseeb Chaudry Gia Coppola Thomas Denton Luciana Dottori Jacob Ebert Hayden Einbinder Kayleigh Fitzpatrick Raegan French Marissa Green-Angerame Edward Han Connor Hayes Tiernan Hennessy Kyle Iacomacci Peter Ivanov Jeslyn Jacob Zhuoling Jiang Joshua Kang David Ke Meghan Kirck Ellen Ko Selma Krehic Avani Kulkarni Oliver Kusiak Grace Launder Noelle Launder Erec Leszczak Jack Lewis Angelina Li Bridget Lowder Anthony Lucibello Reesa Malish Erica Manandhar Gianna Manuele Devin Maroney Mackenzie Martin Matthew McLeod Jaan Melville Nathaniel Millea Suhail Mohammed Nate Monschein Bridget Morrison Zach Morrow Alan Murray Andie Napolitano Oliver Nappi Justin Palmer Aarav Patel Yana Patel Anton Rathjens Emily Russo Samuel Sender Anthony Stankye Nicholas Tice Caroline Tirollo Leonardo Tregger Lorenzo Tregger Bowen Tullo Ava Wooldridge Annika Yun

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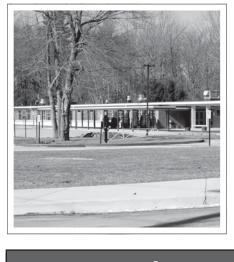
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### Second Honors 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Evelyn Alfaro Samuel Bae Alexa Bonato Cynthia Burns Timothy Cap Caitlyn Carrier Melanie Castillo Pacheco Hayden Chetwynd Lily DeMaio Tyler DeRosa Timothy Duro Kenneth GaNun Sarah Ginsberg Lauren Heenie Ava Holden Cayla Jackel Jenna Kaiser Ryan Kelly Dean Krehic Joslynn Laird Patrick Meng William Mennillo James Morrin Lee Morton Yade Mus Christopher Nam Frank Pena-Abosaid Dillon Pozucek Yasmin Santos Katherine Stage Sophia Vitiello



### Second Honors 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Alana Abrams

Colin Aronin Emily Barretta Kayla Barry Hailey Black Jessa Bohan Ryan Burns Jason Byun Katherine Cesare Clara Cortright Brandon Cysner Nicholas Digiovanni Emilia Dottori Brock Goodwin Yazeed Hasan Jack Hawes Brandon Hutchison Lillian Kaempffer Daniel Kim Dylan Lyons Ryan Magri Grace Mahon Matia Malish Kathryn Marquis Sally Morbidelli Michaela Nunez Savannah Obymachow Sophia Page Cameran Palermo Jesse Palermo Sean Pivovar Sarah Pultz Anna Saccente Isabella Salvatore Luca Santin Marisa Scotti Caitlyn Smith Cassidy Smith Chance Starrett Holly Thorndike Abigail Tirollo

Gabriel Tufano

Peter Turner

Marc Vanschaick

Craig Wezenski

### Citizenship Recognition – 7th Grade

Alivia Appleby
Jillian Barnes
Aditi Bhattamishra
Caitlyn Carrier
Benjamin Del Franco
Thomas Denton
Luciana Dottori
Abigail Fitol
Tiernan Hennessy

Ava Holden
Cayla Jackel
Ellen Ko
Grace Launder
Angelina Li
Anthony Lucibello
Erica Manandhar
Devin Maroney
Suhail Mohammed

Nate Monschein Bridget Morrison Samuel Sender Maxwell Simons Taylor Thomas Lorenzo Tregger Ava Wooldridge Riley Zielinski

### Citizenship Recognition – 8th Grade

Giovanni Bonazzoli Olivia Breving Francis Cavallaro Ana Debassio Claudia Garcia Munoz Jack Hawes Simran Jain Emma Kirck Izabela Kurpios Jennifer Luo Dylan Lyons Grace Mahon

Nicholas Massey
Zoe May
Maggie McDonald
Zshonna Singleton
Cassidy Smith

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## FROM THE SENIOR CENTER



### Kindness Rock Garden

The Orange Arts & Cultural Council and the Orange Senior Center Kindness Rock Garden has moved indoors for the winter. Many of the rocks have been painted by Suzanne Anderson who leads the senior center Arts & Crafts class on Mondays at 1:00pm in the senior center. Please feel free to take a painted rock that speaks to you

or inspires you. If you are so inspired feel free to paint a rock to inspire others. The Kindness Rock Garden is a happy place to find hope, encouragement and peace. Take a rock, leave a rock. Let's spread a little kindness this holiday season. The garden can be enjoyed in the front lobby of the High Plains Community Center.

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# It Is Time For Living Treasure Nominations

Orange is a wonderful town made up of leaders and volunteers. Each year in May the Orange Community Services honors three senior residents who have given so much of themselves for the betterment of our town. Nominations for Living Treasure are received from the community, and a committee of 4 residents pour through the nominations to select 3 to be honored. Past recipients have included Civic Leaders, Lion Club & Rotary Club members, as well as Town Commissioners, and Board members. The selected honorees will be the guest of honors at the annual Living Treasure Award Ceremony scheduled for May 24 at the Race Brook Country.

Now is the time to complete your nomination form and get it in. After all, there have been so many people who have given so much to our town. This is a wonderful opportunity to say thank you and show them just how much we appreciated all they have done. Nomination forms can be found at the Orange Senior Center, Orange Town Hall and the town website: www. http://orange-ct.gov/782/Community-Services. Nominations are due in by March 1, 2019.

### Volunteers Needed

Constellation Hospice is currently seeking office support volunteers who can assist with mailings, scanning, faxing, creating admission packets, etc. in our Orange office, located by the Christmas Tree Shop. We provide

training and orientation, and there is always someone available to guide you! Please call Marie at 203-663-6732 or email her at mkeogh@constellationhs. com. We look forward to hearing from you!

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# FISTORY CORNER BY GINNY REINHARD

# They Weren't Always On The Same Page...

We read about the Revolutionary War in school and with the romance of Paul Revere and others in Massachusetts, it is often believed the war took place up north. Well, it was here in Connecticut too, in fact, in West Haven! Not to confuse you, Orange and West Haven were connected in 1822 many years after the war. West Haven was just that West Haven or West Farms in the early days. We can start with New Haven with it being Connecticut's largest seaport with a college that was considered largest in America at that time in 1765. British General Thomas Gage was suspicious of the college believing it to be "the seminary of Democracy." New Haven was becoming a hot bed of civil disobedience.

During the hatred toward the stamp act where newspapers, wills, deeds, legal documents and the like required a tax stamp, Jared Ingersoll was the brunt of this anger pelting his home with rocks as he was the collector of the tax stamp. Not only was his home attacked but a threat to tear it down completely made officials increasingly nervous. Benedict Arnold, proprietor of an apothecary shop, was not using stamps and overheard one of his employees planning to turn him into British authorities. With haste Arnold led a mob against the man whipping him in the public square. He was arrested and found guilty of cruel and dangerous behavior. To that, fellow townspeople hung, in effigy, the two grand jurymen who convicted him. Not wanting a wholesale riot, Arnold was released.

When war broke out, the lawlessness escalated. Arnold, in his zealousness to support the colonists, had demanded the keys for the powder house on the Green. Six months later, the Reverend Samuel Seabury was kidnapped, parading him through town and with his pro British stance earned him six months in prison. Two other members of the British Loyalists were also kidnapped. The town had indeed become a hotbed with hotheaded colonials taking the law into their own hands, repeatedly. It was feared that Britain would answer these acts with a reprisal, as was Falmouth Maine for a lesser offense.

Many members of New Haven chose to join the British army while others rode both sides of the fence supplying the British troops in Long Island then turning around to join the Continental Army and there were those who played it in reverse. One Samuel Thomas was listed on paper for the Loyalist's Queen's Rangers while being pledged to serve in the CT 6th Regiment. Good thing the two groups didn't engage each other. I think that



would have made a good theme for a comedy routine, maybe a Laurel and Hardy take on war.

New Haven did join in the fight with almost 1000 men for the cause and lost 200 of them but not everyone was on "the same page." In 1777, seventy men were charged with dereliction of duty and 600 did nothing to defend the town in the invasion of 1779. In fact, most of them were busy getting their families together and fleeing. Several prominent men, Loyalists to be sure, held high offices in the town and were on the surface instrumental in the political dealings of the town. Although some were under suspicion, they still were able to maintain their positions reason being that they were prominent, wealthy, educated and were smart enough to keep their Tory ideas to themselves, for the most part. Citizens were increasingly aware that they needed to find their own ways to survive as they distrusted authority and its ability to meet their needs. Merchants suspected of price gauging were boycotted, clergy were ousting parishioners for their Loyalist tendencies and Ezra Stiles, president of Yale, arbitrarily dismissed students who were loyal to the crown.

A true movie theme was created when in 1777, 300 local fishermen rowed across the Sound to Sag Harbor under cloak of darkness to raid upon the enemy with such success that 6 of the enemy were killed, 12 ships were burned and 90 men taken prisoner. Smuggling and privateering were rampant in New Haven with some offenders being tried and sent to New Gate Prison in Granby, a dismal place but not one that was too secure at times. Soon members of West Haven, growing tired of the mayhem joined in the raids but soon discovered that privateering was only another word for highway robbery.

To end this siege of anti-authority, Britain planned a rapid fired raid against the coastal towns of New London, New Haven, Milford, Fairfield and Norwalk staying long enough to give those towns the message that Britain

was here to stay and it was not prudent to continue with the raids upon their ships that were being provided by the privateers, who were quite successful. Hearing of the impending attack, West Haven was not prepared and their coastline would become a target with its myriad of shore points. The state government had not seen it profitable to heed West Haven's calls for help in the past, offering little assistance.

West Haveners constructd small groundworks in various places including West River, Oyster Point and Morris Cove in the hope that they could support the fort built at Black Rock on the eastern shore of New Haven. Illegal trafficking continued but for the most part the citizens of West Haven were fairly safe using a field gun to warn of British ships in the Sound, often going on the shore to watch as the fleet sailed passed. They may have watched as the fleet sailed by but it was not long before bullets were flying in their town.

July 4th, 1779 saw West Haveners celebrating daylong church services with prayers for the army that was struggling and New Haven's first, public parade. As the breezes blew softly on that sultry, summer day, the thought of British ships passing by was doubtful. General David Wooster had gotten word that the British were on the move and pleaded to his friends in New Haven to evacuate but his words were ignored. Thomas Painter, a member of an artillery company stood watch through the night and persuading a few friends to accompany him awaited the possibility of British ships landing in West Haven. It was 2 a.m. when the Sound was full of sails, running close to shore. The British fleet had arrived as was told by General Wooster but unheeded. They dropped anchor not far from Savin Rock. British Major Tryon had planned to start with Black Rock Fort and move west along the shoreline. You see, they had been given landing sites, maps and defenses from local sympathizers so the attack could be swift and deadly but proving a point. However, the plan changed when two local brothers Stephen and Joseph

Prindle assured Tryon that defenses were weak on both sides of the harbor.

Painter fired the alarm, going door to door but he was met with disdain and disbelief that any such raid was pending but by dawn some residents caught on and began to leave, some burying their valuables, others leaving without them. What we do know locally is that when colonial agents went to the Prindle home sometime earlier to give up their pewter\* for bullets, they refused, hiding it in their well. By 5:00 A.M. dozens of boats, loaded with soldiers, were rowing toward the West Haven shore. Fifteen hundred troops were lined up on the West Haven beaches.

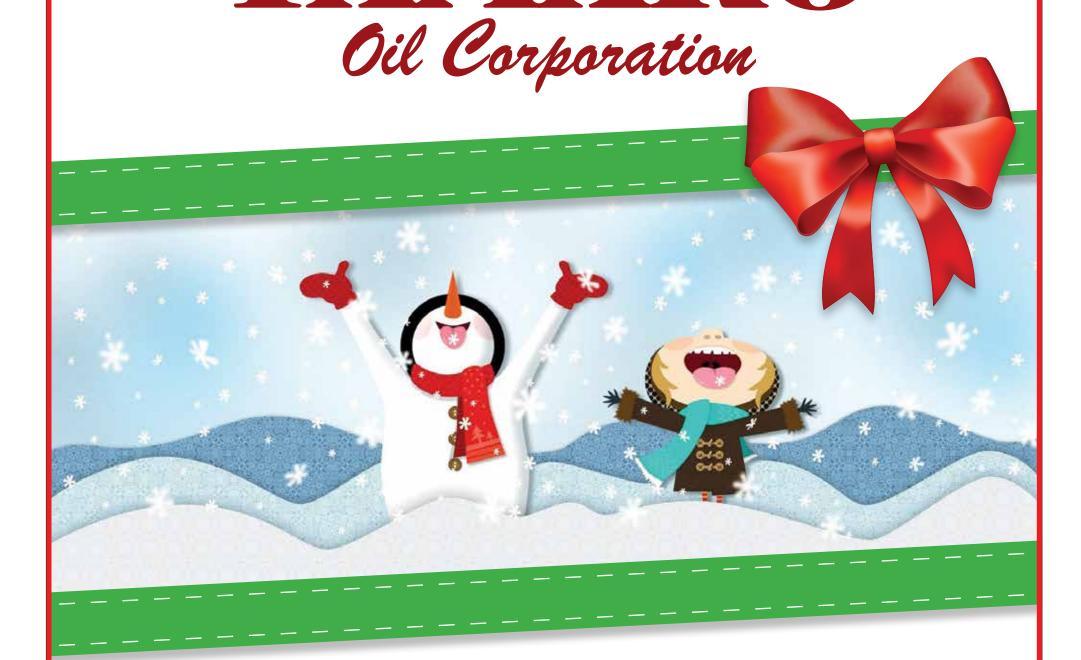
The steeple bell on the Green tolled endlessly with only a few dozen men answering the call. With so little help, Lieutenant Aziel Kimberly knew it would be futile to oppose the enemy directly but chose to go to higher ground and from what is now Savin Avenue would harass the advance guard. The British were unable to keep their ranks tight and the defenders were on the move toward the Green with the enemy close behind, plundering as they went.

As one of the bands of soldier sought refuge from the heat in the First Congregational Church, they saw the Reverend Noah Williston with arms full of documents running out the back door. Local Tories cheered for the soldiers to pursue him but attempting to jump over a stonewall, the Reverend fell breaking his leg. The soldiers jeered and pointed their bayonets at him. Hearing this commotion, British Adjutant William Campbell put an end to the taunting and ordered the regimental surgeon to set the minister's leg. Campbell, a seasoned officer, was in charge of administration, organization and troop discipline in his late 30s from Scotland.

Although outmanned and poorly trained according to British standards, the West Haveners, then supported by 150 colonials forced the enemy to change its route which took them up Forest Road to the Derby Pike. One officer took to Milford Hill to see the oncoming colonials and was shot in the chest by a panicked militiaman. The officer was taken to a nearby home with him asking that his sash, plume and watch be sent to his wife. What personal effects he had were stolen by his aide along with his uniform as he was buried wrapped in a blanket. This officer's name was Campbell. For his act of kindness, Adjutant Campbell was later honored by West Haveners naming their main roadway Campbell Avenue. His grave is located across from UNH marked and tended by local citizens.

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# LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP



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The Orange sales office is home to a growing roster of 119 affiliated real estate agents, and a seven-member staff team providing marketing, managing, and processing support.

In April 2018, the Orange sales offices moved from its previous location on Race Brook Road to its current home at 236 Boston Post Road. The move was in response for additional space and to expand its residential real estate services as well as the office's

commercial real estate, real estate investing and relocation services.

"We're incredibly proud to be awarded the distinction of Orange's Business of the Year," said Aileen DeFeo, branch vice president and brokerage manager, Coldwell Banker Orange sales office. "Our team of affiliated agents and staff continually strive to provide exceptional real estate services to our community members, and this honor reaffirms the trust the community places in us."

With a global reach of over 3,000 offices and a 92,000-agent network, the Orange sales office is positioned to successfully assist residential homebuyers and sellers as well as commercial real estate needs with the backing of a 112 year old, trusted brand.

# Orange Children's Dentistry Opens Its Doors

CHILDREN ARE AT THE CORE OF NEWLY
OPENED DENTAL PRACTICE

A newly opened dental practice will help children brighten their smiles just in time for the holidays. Orange Children's Dentistry held a ribbon cutting ceremony on December 11 to celebrate the dental practice's grand opening. The practice is geared toward children and will serve as a hub for all children dentistry needs.

"Children experience dental visits differently than adults do, and certain parts of their care will stay planted in their memories forever," said Dr. Paula C. Cerqueira, pediatric dentist and founder of Orange Children's Dentistry. "Whether your child has preventative, restorative, or special dentistry needs, we make sure that

they are treated like a family member and that they understand they are in a safe environment."

When Dr. C. decided to open her own dental practice, she set out to ensure that children would receive better care than she received when she was a child. She is confident the environment she has helped create will be welcoming and inviting to children, and should reinforce the idea that the practice was "built from the ground up with children in mind."

Orange Children's Dentistry is located at 518 Boston Post Road, Suite 4-5, Orange, Conn. Visit the Orange Children's Dentistry website at http://orangechildrensdentistry.com/.





Michael Richetelli

Kevin Weirsman

### Weirsman Brokers 32,000sf Industrial Lease

Michael Richetelli, President and Designated Broker of Colonial Properties, Inc., is pleased to announce the completion of the following transaction.

Kevin Weirsman, Vice President, represented the Landlord, 420 Frontage Road LLC, in the leasing of 32,000 SF +/- at 420 Frontage Road in West Haven for a five (5) year base term. Deluxe Wood Cabinetry, LLC leased the prime, high bay warehouse and distribution space for their wholesale kitchen cabinetry business.

"This first class high bay warehouse

and distribution space is in high demand in today's market. This property is ideally situated off of I-95 and will serve the tenant's needs well in their expansion into New Haven County", said Richetelli

Colonial Properties, Inc., founded in 1978, is a full service Commercial and Residential Real Estate Brokerage, located in Orange, CT. The firm handles all types of real estate transactions including the sale and leasing of retail, industrial, office, investment properties, and residential properties, as well as brokering land and business sales.

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UPS	Dec. 17 (for packages delivered by Monday, Dec. 24).	Ship 2-Day Air by Dec. 20 or Next-Day Air as late as Dec. 21 for delivery by Dec. 24. (Saturday delivery is not available in all areas),	UPS Stores nationwide. Go to ups.com or call 800-789-4623 to find a location or schedule pickup.	www.ups.com; 1-800-PICK-UPS
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**Q:** I heard that Roseanne had a heart attack. Is this true? How old is she now? Also, how are the ratings for

her old show doing without her? -- K.A.

**A: Roseanne Barr**, who is said to be 66, didn't have a heart attack. That was a prank played by someone calling a radio show pretending to be Barr's personal assistant. Barr posted on social media that it was fake and that she

As for "The Conners," the new sitcom with the remaining cast members of "Roseanne," it seems to be doing well. In its third week on the air, it was the second highest-rated broadcast on the night it aired.

was spending time at home with family.

**Q:** I just started watching "**Last Man Standing**" again after hearing it was back. Why is there a new actress playing Mandy, one of **Tim Allen's** daughters on the show? -- B.B.

A: After "Last Man Standing" was unexpectedly canceled by ABC, Molly Ephraim, who played middle daughter Mandy, got involved in other endeavors. So, when the show was swept up by FOX and new episodes were ordered, Ephraim wasn't available to film, and the role was recast. Molly McCook, who is the daughter of actor John McCook (Eric on "The Bold and the Beautiful") has stepped into Mandy's shoes and made the role her own.

**Q:** I read about **Miley Cyrus** and **Gerard Butler** losing their homes in the recent California wildfires. Were there any other celebrities whose homes were destroyed? -- V.U.

**A:** From the daytime TV community, **Tracey E. Bregman** (Lauren on



Mandy McCook
[Michael Becker/FOX]

"The Young and the Restless") lost her home of 14 years to the fires in Malibu. She recently appeared on "The Talk" to discuss the loss of her house, but expressed how relieved she was that her family and animals were safe. Eileen Davidson (Ashley on "Y&R") initially thought her home succumbed to the fire, but fortunately it was just her yard that was engulfed in flames and her home was spared.

In addition to Cyrus and Butler, singers **Robin Thicke** and **Neil Young**, as well as reality star **Camille Grammer** lost most if not all of their homes.

**Q:** I heard that **Alec Baldwin's** younger children were in the car when he went ballistic and physically assaulted a driver who stole his parking spot. Is this true? -- S.S.

**A:** Yes, unfortunately, it's been reported that Baldwin's young kids were in his car when another driver took a spot that he was saving. Baldwin allegedly hit **Wojciech Cieszkowski** several times and the police arrested the 60-year-old actor for assault. RadarOnline also reported that Alec's young son tried to run from the scene.

At a hearing for his case, Baldwin was formally charged with attempted assault in the third degree and harassment in the second degree. He is expected back in court sometime in the new year.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com!

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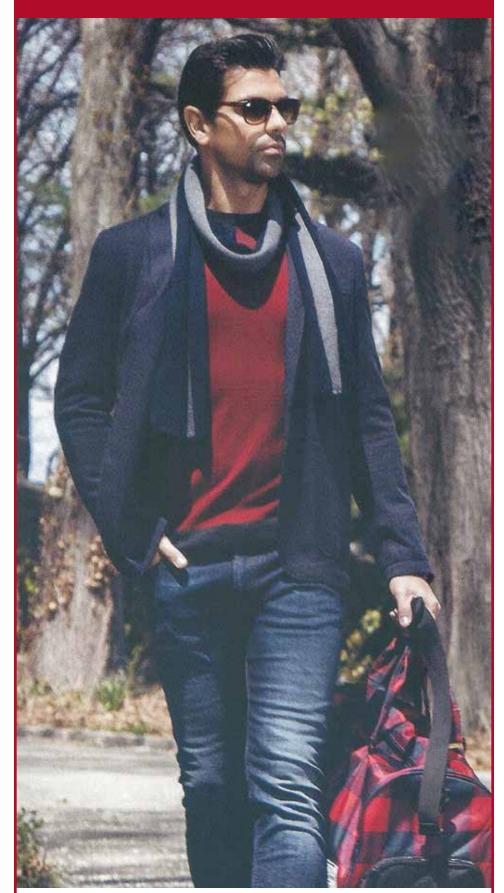
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## ARTS & LEISU



Ella and Claire work on the script for the Turkey Hill School Drama Club's original production of Halloween, again!

## **Turkey Hill School Drama Club Announces Original Show!**

The Turkey Hill School Drama Club is proud to announce this year's production, "Halloween, Again!", an original play written by THS Drama Club Director, Deborah Sansone and four Turkey Hill Students; Claire DeRosa, Josh Rosewater, Gary McVety and Ella Fairty. The club's 9th show will premiere on April 5th at 7:00 p.m. and April 6th at 6:00 p.m.

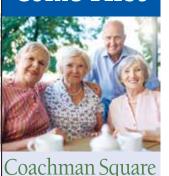
The writing team began meeting once a week in the spring and continued to work through the summer developing characters, discussing plots and writing scenes. "After our show this year, one of the 6th grade actors mentioned that he was inspired to start writing," says Deborah Sansone, THS Drama Club Director. "It gave me the idea to involve the kids not only in the acting and production of the show, but to get them writing their

This year's show is about three middle school girls who bully their friends at a school Halloween party. Before the teachers can do anything about it, a powerful witch casts a spell on the girls, causing them to re-live the night over and over again until they have learned to be kind.

"It's going to be an exciting year for our kids," says Sansone, "We have an original show written by our club and we also received a grant from the Jaime A. Hulley Arts Foundation. We intend to use the funds from the grant to acquire acting and dance instruction to make our show a success."

Tickets to the Turkey Hill School Drama Club's production of "Halloween, Again" will go on sale March 1, 2019 and will be available at Turkey Hill School.





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### ARTS & LEISURE



# Amity HS Art Students Give Back

On December 13th, Amity Regional High School's National Art Honor Society hosted the annual Empty Bowls event. This grass roots event invites our community to help those who are less fortunate in our district. All proceeds will be evenly divided and donated to the Bethany, Orange, and Woodbridge food pantries. The community was invited to the Amity Regional High School Cafeteria for an evening of soup and friends. A minimum donation of

\$10 per patron for a handmade bowl, choice of soup, and bread was requested. The evening would not have been made possible without the National Art Honor Society students making the beautiful bowls, the Advanced Culinary students creating delicious soups, and local donations of bread. We want to thank the Jamie Hulley Foundation for its generous donation that covers our costs in order to help us in sending all donations to the local food pantries.



Photo by Ben Simon

## Students Visit Storm King Art Center

On October 26th students of Amity Regional High School visited Storm King Art Center in New Windsor, New York. Storm King is an outdoor sculpture museum that is located on 500 acres in the Hudson Valley of New York. This trip would not have been possible without the sponsorship of the Jamie Hulley Foundation, Amity Enterprises,

and the National Art Honor Society. Every year the Jamie Hulley Arts Foundation pays for admission to Storm King Art Center for the students of Amity Regional High School's National Art Honor Society. Although it was a chilly day, it was a great trip and the students gain valuable knowledge of outdoor sculpture.



# Featured Art Exhibits Coming To Library

The Case Memorial Library will feature three accomplished local artists, Patty Meglio, Pauli Zambarano, and Lee Heckendorf, in an exhibit in the Meeting Room during the month of January.

Patty Meglio, originally from Orange, is a New England artist specializing in modern impressionism oil painting. Patty paints in and around her home in North Branford and at scenic locations all over New England. She is a member of the Hamden Art League and the Madison Art Society and is an instructor at Artsplace in Cheshire.

Pauli Zambarano, member of the Hamden Art League and past member of the CT Watercolor Society, has been working in watercolors for the past 25 years. Her work has been featured in exhibits in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Lee Heckendorf, a resident of Branford, has been creating and designing jewelry for over fifteen years. She makes one of a kind pieces using crystals, pearls, semi-precious stones, unusual beads and wire. Lee sells her jewelry at New England craft fairs and at local boutiques.

The public is invited to join the artists at an opening reception on Thursday, January 10 from 5-7 pm. The snow date for the reception is January 17. The Case Memorial Library is located at 176 Tyler City Road, Orange. For more information, call the library: 203-891-2170.

# Traditional Irish Music Session With Jeanne Freeman

Fiddler extraordinaire Jeanne Freeman will join the P.V. O'Donnell Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann Irish music session on Thursday, December 20 at St. Gabriel's Church Hall, 26 Broadway, Milford. The free session starts at 7:45 pm. BYOB. Musicians, dancers, singers and guests are welcomed.

Jeanne studied with the late Donegal fiddler P.V. O'Donnell, with whom she played for many years and in 2013 she founded the Connecticut Academy of Irish Music where she teaches fiddle and serves as Director. She has performed as the Irish fiddle soloist with the Hartford Symphony Orchestra at the Bushnell in Hartford and in 2018 was selected Guest Artist for Simsbury Public School's String Festival. In addition to making guest appearances in traditional Irish music sessions throughout the region, Jeanne hosted, for many years, a weekly session in Hartford, a session she now hosts in Middletown, CT. She also teaches privately and has mentored a number of



young players who have competed in the Fleadh Cheoil na nEireann (the All-Ireland Music competition). In 2014, she released her solo debut CD, "The Fiddler You Are."

Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann was founded in 1951 in Ireland to promote Irish traditional music, song, dance and language. Today there are 415 branches worldwide and over two million people attend Comhaltas functions each year. For information on the upcoming session, call 203-876-9973.

# CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS



Nick Musante, LindaBradford, Ellie Torello and Michael Muttitt [Photo by Betty Hadlock]

### Garden Club Receives Lions Club Grant

Lions Club Community Grants Committee Co-Chairs Nick Musante and Michael Muttitt presented Linda Bradford, President of The Garden Club of Orange and Ellie Torello Horticulture Co-Chair Horticulture with a \$75 check at a Lions Club reception held in March. The \$75 grant will be used to purchase metal markers and labels for the Kitchen Herb Garden at the historic Stone Otis House located in

the center of town. The herb garden has been recently restored under the direction of Maryellen Bespuda and members of the Garden Club. The addition of permanent markers will allow visitors to easily identify the 26 varieties of herbs planted.

The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT, NEG & NGC. For membership information, call Joanne Friedrichs at 203-795-4244.





Peck Place School sends a big thank you to the Rotary Club of Orange for spending time and sharing gifts with our 2nd and 3rd graders.

Second grade students listened to a story and received a coloring book while 3rd grade students received their own dictionary!

## Jewish Genealogical Society Meeting

DECEMBER 2018 PROGRAM

Please join the Jewish Genealogical Society of Connecticut on Sunday, December 16, 2018, at 1:30 pm when Alan Shucat presents "History of Jewish Migration, the Diaspora, and Changing National Borders." The presentation will be held at Temple Sinai, 41 West Hartford Road, Newington, CT.

Alan Shuchat is a retired professor of mathematics at Wellesley College. He has researched his family's history for several decades and traced branches back to around 1800.

The program is free and open to the public. For additional information, visit www.jgsct.org.

# **Amity Teen Center Presents 22**nd **Annual Chilly Chili Run**

It's hard to believe, but it is almost time for the New Year's Day Chilly Chili Run to benefit the Amity Teen Center. The 22nd annual 5K Race and Fitness Walk, followed by a hot chili brunch, will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 1st at the High Plains Community Center in Or-

Entry fees are \$27.00 for the 5K Road Race, \$15.00 for runners 12 and under, and \$15.00 for those who want to register for the 5K Fitness Walk. Registrations will be taken online until Tuesday, December 25 at midnight at www.hitekracing. com. Applications for mail in registration are also available at the Orange Park Department at the High Plains

Community Center.

There will also be an Early Packet Pickup and late Registration in person at the High Plains Community Center on Monday, December 31 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Day of Race registrations will begin at 7:30 a.m. in

the gymnasium.

This is the Amity Teen
Center's largest fundraiser
of the year. We are fortunate,
once again, to have People's
United Bank as our Title Sponsor. So, join us on January 1st to
walk or run to celebrate the New Year
and enjoy a hot chili brunch afterward.

For more information, please call Race Director Joe Riccio at (203) 481-7453 or email him at wssac-ct@juno.com.

## Michael Grande Given 'The Knight Of Honor Award'

Michael Grande is a '98 Alumnus of Notre Dame High school in West Haven. He is the managing Partner of TBNG Consulting, a Milford-based IT service company, serving commercial, government and educational clients from NYC to Boston.

Mr. Grande was awarded the 'Knight of Honor Award' by the Notre dame Alumni Association. The award recognizes the individuals who live by the Notre Dame Code and have made a contribution to the school and the community.

His service to Notre Dame began at home following in the footsteps of his father, Philip Grande Sr. '61 and brothers Phil Jr. Jeff '90, and Justin '91.

His recent service centered on his time as member of the Board of Directors providing leadership and



Michael Grande

oversight on several capital campaigns.

Michael lives in Orange, CT with
his wife, Lisa, and their two-year old
daughter, Natalie.



# How NORAD Came to Track Santa Claus

It was the Cold War, and according to legend, a man sat at a desk in Colorado Springs, Colorado, with two telephones on it -- one a direct line to the Pentagon. It wasn't a number in wide circulation, so when the phone rang on Christmas Eve of 1955, the Air Force colonel on duty at the Continental Air Defense Command center could be forgiven for his surprise at hearing a young child on the other end of the line ask: "Is this Santa Claus?"

Fortunately, Col. Harry Shoup, described by his children as "straight-laced and disciplined" in an NPR StoryCorp interview, was a good sport. After an initial bit of irritation, the colonel assumed the persona of Santa and chatted with the child, then spoke to the child's mother. It turns out the very private number to the very important phone on his desk had been misprinted in a Sears ad alongside a photo of Santa Claus, enticing the kiddies to "Call me on my private phone." Col. Shoup's night was just beginning.

The man who would come to be known as "Colonel Santa" instructed some airmen to answer any additional calls, and instead of turning away from this typo, leaned directly into the storm. He contacted the local radio station and reported the current radar location of one very merry sleigh and the operator's eight tiny reindeer.

So began the tradition still carried by the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD). Today the operations center uses complicated satellite systems and powerful radar to track Santa's progress around the world each Christmas Eve. A staff of 1,500 answer more than 140,000 calls and emails, and send updates by the minute to Facebook, Twitter and YouTube. NORAD's dedicated website, www.noradsanta.org, live-tracks Santa's location and offers updates in seven languages so that eager children and weary parents alike can know with certainty when it's time to go to bed!

To track Santa this year, visit www. noradsanta.org, or follow updates by searching for @noradsanta on social media. To speak to a volunteer, call the toll-free number 877-Hi NORAD (877-446-6723).

For more information about NO-RAD's day-to-day job, visit www.norad. mil.

"Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful."

- NORMAN VINCENT PEALE



Orange Community Nursery School families enjoyed their annual Breakfast with Santa. Children enjoyed visiting with Santa and participating in craft activities. Thank you to Chips for donating pancakes and to the many area businesses for their donations for our raffle. Thank you to the parents on the committee for organizing a great event! Thank you for supporting OCNS!



Students from the PM 4s class at OCNS delivered clothes and toys collected by the school to First Church of Christ Woodbridge as a donation for The Stocking Project. Thank you to the OCNS families for their generosity.



The Orange second grade Brownie troop #60274 collected food for the town Food Pantry during the month of October.



### Pair Holiday Movies With Food, Drink

#### By Amy Anderson

Ah, the holiday season. Like ornaments and fir trees, yule logs and fireplaces, here's another classic holiday pairing: Christmas movies and food. Everyone has his or her favorite film -- some an essential part of the family tradition. So check out this list of classic Christmas movies celebrating the food and drinks they inspire:

#### **FROSTY BEVERAGES**

#### "National Lampoon's: Christmas Vacation"

-- Clark Griswold's classic EGGNOG ("it's good, it's good") is the cure for what ails you -- especially if you're having a "full-blown, four-alarm holiday emergency." So when you're overloaded by family or got shorted on your Christmas bonus and you can't take it anymore, pop on this film classic and have a heavily spiked glass of 'nog. It'll have you asking: "Can I refill your eggnog for you?" But with a smile on your face.

**"Love Actually"** -- The way to properly enjoy this English masterpiece is with TEA, of course. Get your prime minister on, and serve it with biscuits (that's cookies, for non-Anglos), but "not the boring ones, with no chocolate." To me, that's perfect!

**"Elf"** -- It's true that "elves try to stick to the four main food groups: candy, candy canes, candy corns and syrup." Well, if a plate of maple syrup spaghetti doesn't get you, here's a fun CANDY COCKTAIL that might: Mix 1 ounce each of peppermint schnapps and marshmallow vodka with simple syrup and crushed ice in a shaker. Serve in a glass rimmed with corn syrup and crushed candy canes. Not into alcoholic beverages? A 2-liter of Coca-Cola will do just fine.

"The Santa Clause" and "Polar Express" (TIE):
-- Whether it's a warm chocolate chip cookie and Judy's perfect hot chocolate -- it took 1,200 years to nail

that recipe -- or bopping along to the "Hot Chocolate Song" aboard a train, there's no more iconic winter quaff than a steamy mug of HOT CHOCOLATE. And that's with marshmallows or whipped cream.

#### **MAIN DISHES**

"How the Grinch Stole Christmas" -- There's only one nosh that'll make your heart grow three sizes, and that's ROAST BEAST. I like mine with a little crusty bread and au jus, just like all the Whos down in Whoville.

"Gremlins" -- Everyone knows not to feed a gremlin after midnight, but if you get your pals together for a retro movie night, be sure to serve roasted CHICKEN DRUMSTICKS to amp up the shenanigans a bit.

"Home Alone" -- It doesn't always have to be a spread at the holidays. For nights when you're by your lonesome and want a quick meal, do like Macaulay Culkin and say your prayers before you sit down for dinner and a movie. In other words, "Bless this highly nutritious, microwaveable MACARONI AND CHEESE dinner."

**"A Christmas Story"** -- Serve ROAST TURKEY and MASHED POTATOES if you're able to keep the dogs out of the kitchen, but don't despair if you can't. You can always order in CHINESE FOOD -- roast duck with fried rice preferred -- for a "fa-ra-ra-ra" feast.

#### **JUST DESERTS**

**"Die Hard"** -- You might remember that Sergeant Powell (Reginald VelJohnson) stops at a convenience store for a heaping helping of junk food, chief among them TWINKIES. The tasty treats make another cameo when Powell describes them to John McClane as being "sugar, enriched flour, partially hydrogenated vegetable oil, polysorbate 60 and Yellow Dye No. 5.



[Warner Home Video] Will Ferrell as Buddy the Elf

Just everything a growing boy needs."

"It's a Wonderful Life" -- Snuggle up with someone who you "love until the day you die," and enjoy a heartwarming film about one man's mark on the world. Serve up a couple CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM SUNDAES -- but no coconut, unless you're into adventure.





### Did You Know?

# **End of Year Planning Considerations**

With the end of the year quickly approaching it is a good time to reflect on what has happened during the last year, and what may happen in the New Year, that will impact your estate planning goals. Here are some things to consider before and after the New Year:

- **Gifting:** an individual may gift up to \$15,000.00 per person per year without having to file a gift tax return. This annual gift exclusion is set to remain at \$15,000.00 in 2019.
- Estate Planning Document Review: the winding down of the year and approach of a New Year is a great time to assess what, if anything, has changed over the past year that could impact your estate plan. For example,
  - Marriages or divorces;
  - Addition of children or grandchildren;
  - Medical issues that may result in long-term care;
  - Deaths
  - Changed relationships with decision makers (such as an Executor or Trustee).
- Beneficiary Designation review: it is also important to review the designated beneficiaries listed for non-probate accounts, such as a 401(k), 403(b), IRA, or life insurance policy, to ensure that the primary and contingent designated beneficiaries reflect your current wishes.



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### Latkes and Magic

Friday, December 7, 2018 - Join us on for a fun-filled evening of Hanukah celebration. We'll light the menorah in the lobby at 7 PM sharp and then gath-



Congregation Or Shalom

er in the Sanctuary for a brief Friday night service. An Oneg Shabbat will follow featuring a magic show, latkes, and chocolate gelt! Children of all ages invited.

#### ZUMBA GOLD AT OR SHALOM

Congregation Or Shalom announces the continuation of ZUMBA GOLD on Tuesday night at 7 PM. ZUMBA Gold is an easy to follow dance movement program that incorporates music from every decade to create an upbeat and fun exercise class. Burn lots of calories, meet new friends, and have a blast. No experience needed and classes are on a drop-in basis. Contact Robin at zumbarobin@gmail.com or call 203-314-8176 or temple office at 203-799-2341.



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...There were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid. Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. LK. 2:8-11





Stan Rutowicz, Tim Wilkins, Marvin Colins, The Three Kings

# The Church of the Good Shepherd Upcoming Events

Join the Church of the Good Shepherd for Joyful Advent and Christmas Worship - December 1st, 2018: The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd welcomes the community to celebrate the Christmas season.

Angels and Shepherds Wanted, No Experience Necessary! Church of the Good Shepherd, 680 Racebrook Road in Orange, is looking for Angels and Shepherds for their annual Christmas Pageant. Rehearsal is Saturday, December 22, at 11 am. Lunch will be served.

Can't make rehearsal? No problem! Come on Sunday, December 23 at 8:45 am to be costumed and participate in this beautiful telling of the Christmas Story. Angels and Shepherds of all ages are encouraged to participate! Questions? Contact Jennifer D'Inzeo at 203-645-8427. Let the Spirit of Christmas in!

Please join us for joyous music, fellowship, and the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ on Monday, December 24th starting with carols at 3:30pm followed by our Christmas Eve Service at 4 pm.

**Sunday service times** include Rite II Holy Eucharist without music at 8 a.m. and Rite II Holy Eucharist with music at 9:30 a.m.

For more information about The Church of the Good Shepherd's many other programs, please call the Parish Office at (203) 795-6577, email us at the goodspheherd@optonline.net, visit our website at www.thegoodshepherdorangect.org, and of course, check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/cgsorangect for frequent postings.

# Trinity Church... You're Invited!

Join us for Sunday School (all ages) at 9am and Worship Service at 10:30am. Sunday mornings at Trinity are a time we gather together to worship God, grow in Christ, and connect with one another. Come for an intergenerational, relational experience that is built around our core values of Worship, Discipleship, and Community. (Note: No Sunday School Classes on December 30.)

**Christmas Eve Service:** Monday, December 24 at 5pm. Bring the whole family and reflect on the true joy of the season.

Youth (7-12th grade): Youth Group meets Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:30pm. Most activities are at church, but some are offsite or on weekends (bowling, hiking, fun!). For details and schedule of activities, visit www.trinityefc.com/youth.

**NextGen Worship Night:** If you are in your 20s or 30s, please join us on the 3rd Friday of each month! We begin at 5:30 PM for music, prayer & a short message, followed by a time of fellowship. Next worship night on January 18.

**Adults:** Ministry activities include bible study, retreats, prayer groups, special events and more! Visit www. trinityefc.com/ministries/adult for more info.

Trinity Church is located at 33 Center Road, Woodbridge. For more information, contact the church office at trinityoffice@trinityefc.com or (203) 387-4711 x10. Also, visit our website at www.trinityefc.com, and check us out on Facebook at www.facebook.com/trinitychurchwoodbridge or Instagram at www.instagram.com/trinityefc.



# HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

# Congregation B'nai Jacob Adult Education Winter 2018

## Special Events Martin Luther King Commemorative Weekend

The Shoreline Soul Gospel Choir led by Angela Clemens, Friday, January 18, 6:30 pm

MLK Friday night service featuring the Shoreline Soul Gospel Choir, led by Angela Clemens, and the Sweet Singers of Congregation B'nai Jacob, led by Cantor Malachi Kanfer. All are welcome to join us for an uplifting night of song and prayer.

Sunday, January 20 at 4 pm, Michael Koskoff, screenwriter

Screening of "Marshall," a major film about the collaboration between a young Thurgood Marshall and a Jewish lawyer to defend an innocent black man in Bridgeport in 1940, against a backdrop of segregation and anti-Semitism. Screenwriter and CT civil rights attorney Michael Koskoff will speak following the film.

### Ongoing Classes The Poetry of Yehuda Amichai

Rabbi Rona Shapiro

Saturday, 1pm, December 15



Congregation B'nai Jacob

Amichai is Israel's poet laureate. He, more than any other poet, captures the paradoxes of faith and love and "Israeliness" in familiar language and bold simile. We will take two Shabbat afternoons to explore a poem or two each time. Poems will be sent out to participants ahead of time, so registration is necessary.

### Learning and Prayer Bread & Torah

EVERY Shabbat Morning Before Services, 9:00 - 9:45am

Rabbi Shapiro explores the weekly Torah portion and how its story relates to our own. This year we will explore the Book of Jonah and the Five Megillot. Lively discussion over bagels and coffee. No experience necessary.



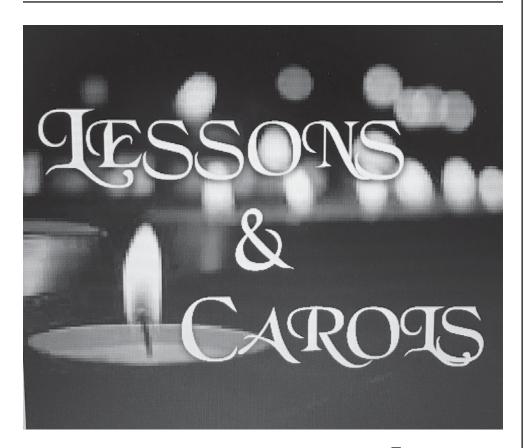
Pictured with the children are (left standing) Kyla Rhoades, Head Teacher, (left kneeling) Stefanie Reed, Lead Toddler Teacher, (center) Pastor Phil Krakowiak, and (right), Debbie Manson Fedorko, Managing Director of Holly Hill Childcare.

# Holly Hill Makes Food Baskets For First Lutheran Church

Thanks to the generosity of the children and parents of Holly Hill Childcare and Learning Center in Orange, several parishioners of the First Lutheran Church enjoyed bountiful Thanksgiving baskets filled with everything needed for a wonderful holiday dinner, along with a grocery gift card.

Debbie Manson Fedorko, manag-

ing director of Holly Hill said, "The Thanksgiving food drive is the perfect opportunity for our staff to teach our youngsters some very valuable lessons...the meaning of caring and sharing and the joy of giving. We are so happy to be able to share with our neighbors at First Lutheran." Church Pastor Phil was overwhelmed when he was presented with the baskets.



# Lessons and Carols Concert

Please join the Precious Blood Parish community of faith on Sunday, December 16th at 2:00pm at St. Agnes Church (400 Merwin Avenue in Milford) for the retelling of the Christmas story through scripture and song.

The choir of St. Mary's Church will offer choral meditations and lead us in favorite songs of the season.

We hope to see you for this joyous moment for prayer and reflection.



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## DEATH NOTICES



### Sally-Ann Pazsak

Sally-Ann Pazsak, 72, of Milford, beloved wife of Alexander Pazsak, passed away peacefully on November 18, 2018. Born on April 13, 1946 in Bridgeport, CT, she was the daughter of the late Frank and SallyAnn (Yish) Chop.

Sally-Ann graduated from Central High School in Bridgeport and went on to retire from the City of Milford after 30 years of service in the accounting department. She was a payroll and insurance expert who was always willing to help everyone. She loved food, impeccable handwriting, and talking. She also enjoyed spontaneous good times, tap dancing, and trips to New Hampshire. Sally-Ann loved Broadway shows and "The Phantom of the Opera" was her favorite. However, nothing brought her more joy than spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She will be missed by her family and many friends.

In addition to her husband Alexander, Sally-Ann is survived by her children, Emory (Eileen) Allaire and Jeannette (Scott) Moran; her grandchildren, Ashleigh, Caitlin and Kevin Allaire, and Thomas and Amanda Moran; her stepchildren, Alex (Liz) Pazsak, Steven (Angela) Pazsak and Brian (Tammi) Pazsak; her step-grandchildren; her siblings, Frank (Barbara) Chop and Beverly (Micky) Birch; several nieces, nephews and cousins; and her dog, Rudy. Sally-Ann was predeceased by her brother, Robert Chop.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on November 24, 2018 at Saint Mary Church, 70 Gulf Street, Milford. Interment followed at King's Highway Cemetery, 271 Cherry Street, Milford.

The Cody-White Funeral Home, 107 Broad Street, Milford, CT handled the arrangements. For those wishing, memorial contributions may be made to CT Hospice, 100 Double Beach Road, Branford, CT 06405. To leave online condolences, please visit www.cody-whitefuneralservice.com.

#### John Powers McGill

John Powers McGill, age 92, passed away peacefully at his home in Orange, CT on Tuesday, October 30, 2018. Born at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Dorchester, Boston on April 28, 1926, he first resided in the Bronx with his parents Charles and Colette and in later years in Fairfield, CT, joined by his sister, Martha.

After graduating from high school at age 17, John joined the Navy, where he served as a submariner from 1943 to 1946, and then went on to UConn, where he met the love of his life, Marcia McGill. They were married for 57 years until her death in November 2008. After graduating in 1951 as an economics major, John worked at Sikorsky Aircraft where he sold everything but the aircraft itself until he retired in 1989.

In his free time, John followed his love of the sea and was an avid small boat sailor who spent many hours navigating harbors from Maine to the Carolinas with Marcia and their friends. After he retired from Sikorsky, John was a tireless advocate for mental health care, in particular through his involvement with Bridges Healthcare as a board member who filled many roles. Most of all, John loved to spend time with his family and friends, listening to their stories and telling his own, listening to music, dancing and discussing politics.

He is survived by his three children, David (Peggy), Sarah (James Silberstein) and Paula; his five grandchildren; his four great grandchildren; his sister, Martha Thornley; and many nieces and nephews. All services were private. In lieu of flowers, his family welcomes donations to Bridges Healthcare, 949 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford, CT 06460 or at www.bridgesct.org. The family was cared for by Cody-White Funeral Home. To leave online condolences, please visit www.codywhitefuneral-service.com.



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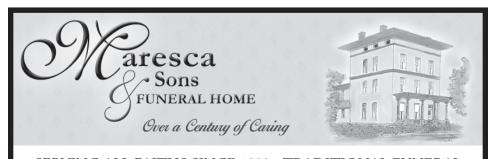
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9. Ant-Man and the Wasp (PG-13)

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10. Hotel Transylvania 3:

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Taissa Farmiga in "The Nun" [Warner Bros.]

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** DVDs reviewed in this column are available in stores the week of December 3, 2018.

### PICKS OF THE WEEK

"The Happytime Murders" (R) -- Brian Henson steps out of the warm and fuzzy Muppets world to the raunchy -- I mean, tauntingly raunchy -- land where puppets and people co-exist. Melissa McCarthy leads as police detective Connie Edwards alongside the puppeteering of Bill Baretta as Phil, a sass-mouth private dick who used to be Edwards' partner. On Phil's latest PI case, puppets start turning up dead, including some cast members of a '90s puppet sitcom called "The Happytime"

Gang." So Edwards and Phil reteam to chase down the culprit. It lacks the charm of a "Who Framed Roger Rabbit" and the satire of "Team America." And it's certainly no "Muppet Movie." While "Happytime" ends up being a repetitive cavalcade of puppet sex and drug jokes, Maya Rudolph still manages to be funny as Phil's ditzy secretary Bubbles.

"Mission: Impossible -- Fallout" **(PG-13)** -- Ethan Hunt (Tom Cruise) returns in another installment of the "Mission: Impossible" franchise, as action-packed as ever and venturing further into breathtaking stunts and heart-stopping locales. Solomon Lane's (Sean Harris) organization is in pieces but still wreaking havoc, this time with missing plutonium that must be recovered by Hunt and his team (Simon Pegg and Ving Rhames return, as well as Alec Baldwin as CIA Director Alan Hunley), with the sometimes-hurtful help of former MI6 agent Ilsa Faust (Rebecca Ferguson). The visuals are stunning, and dang it, that Tom Cruise can still pull off any manner of death-defying stunt ... and look good doing it.

**"The Nun" (R)** -- A cloistered abbey is under duress from a demonic nun, let loose from the bowels of hell through a rent in the very soul of the abbey. In response, the Vatican sends a priest (Demian Bichir) whose backstory includes a troubling exorcism, and Sister Irene (Taissa Farmiga), a novitiate who has a history of disturbing visions ... of a demented nun. It's scary -- mostly jump scares, but some psychological terror, too. It's not reliant on a story so much as the idea that evil nuns are terrifying. If that terrifies you, too, then go ahead and take "The Nun" out for a spin.

- 1. Which British group released "How Long" in
- 2. What is "Daniel" about, by Elton John?
- 3. Which soft-rock group released "Rings"?
- 4. Who had a No. 1 hit with "She Ain't Worth It"?
- 5. Name the 1978 song that contains this lyric:

  "I wish I could've helped you see Just one of your sweet childhood dreams, But though I tried I could not make not one of them come true."

1. Ace. While many thought the song was about adultery, it was about the discovery that a band member was secretly working with another group. 8. The 1973 song is about a veteran who returned to a hero's welcome, when all he really wanted was to be left alone, to go back to the life he'd had before the war. 3. Cymarron, in 1971. The group took its name from a short-lived TV Western, "Cimarron Strip." 4. Glenn Medeiros, in 1990. The song included a rap verse from singer Bobby Brown. 5. The tearjerker "More Like the Movies," by Dr. Hook and the Medicine Show, in which the singer apologizes to his girlfriend. The band's first hit was "Sylvia's Mother," written by Shel Silverstein, in 1972.

### Sports Quiz

By Chris Richcreek

- 1. Who was the last N.L. player before the Marlins' Giancarlo Stanton in 2017 (59 home runs) to hit 50 or more home runs in a season?
- 2. In 2017, Boston's Chris Sale became the fastest pitcher to reach 1,500 strikeouts in major-league history (1,290 innings). Who had been the fastest?
- 3. How many times did the Minnesota Vikings make the playoffs in the 10 seasons (1991-2001) being coached by Dennis Green?
- 4. Who was the last men's basketball player before North Carolina's Joel Berry in 2016-17 to score at least 20 points in back-to-back NCAA championship games?
- 5. How many games did the Washington Capitals win in their inaugural NHL season of 1974-75?
- 6. The Russian men's soccer team won how many games in its World Cup history (1994-2014) before its two-victory run in the 2018 World Cup?
- 7. Who was the first British boxer to win an Olympic gold medal and a professional world title?

1. Prince Fielder belted 50 home runs for the Brewers in 2007. 2. Kerry Wood of the Chicago Cubs reached 1,500 strikeouts in 1,303 innings (1998-2010), 3. Eight of the 10 seasons. 4. UCLA's Bill Walton, in 1972-73. 5. The Capitals won only eight of 80 games (they also had five ties). 6. Two (one win each in 1994 and 2002), 7. James DeGale won the IBF super middleweight title in 2015.

### Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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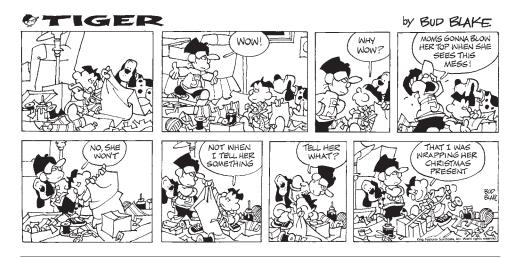
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#### By Tony Rizzo

After Matt Damon's last two films did poorly -- "Downsizing" (\$76 million cost/\$55 million gross) and "Suburbicon" (\$25 million/\$12 million) -- he had a small role in Steven Soderbergh's psychological horror film "Unsane," and then literally lit a fire under his career. For his latest film, "Ford v. Ferrari," with Christian Bale, he plays auto designer and race driver Carroll Shelby, associated with Ford's AC Cobra and Mustang, and allowed them to set his back on fire during the re-creation of a racing accident, filmed at a private Los Angeles airport. After that, we owe it to him to support this one. It arrives June 28.

Oh, the problems of the idle rich and famous. Allegedly, Katie Holmes has been confiding to friends that she's troubled about her 12-year-old daughter, Suri, whom she's parenting with Tom Cruise. Katie worries that she is becoming more like her father every day because Suri is adamant about following her own path, is very bossy and likes to prove her point with over-thetop gestures. Katie ended her marriage with Tom because she didn't want to raise Suri in Scientology, but despite Suri being close to Katie, Tom seems to have had a bigger influence on her, and that includes Scientology.

Meryl Streep, soon to be "Topsy" in "Mary Poppins Returns" (opening Dec. 19), is currently shooting "Little Women," as Aunt March, with Saoirse Ronan, Timothee Chalamet, Emma Watson, Laura Dern and Bob Odenkirk. Then she'll go right into Netflix's "The Laundromat," with Gary Oldman, Antonio Banderas, Alex Pettyfer, David Schwimmer and Will Forte.

Streep was in a relationship with John Cazale, who played Fredo Corle-



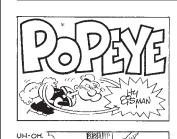
Mamie Gummer [Depositphotos]

one in "The Godfather" (1972), from 1976-1978, when he died of lung cancer. She then wed sculptor Don Gummer, and they have four children. Their daughter Mamie Gummer, now 35, is successfully following in her legendary mother's footsteps as an actress.

Her first film was the 1986 supernatural thriller "Separation," with Meryl, when she was 3 years old. Mamie also appeared with her dynamic mother in "Ricki & The Flash" (2015) and in the current release of "An Actor Prepares," with Jeremy Irons and Jack Huston. She's also appeared in "Evening" (2007), "Side Effects" (2013) and "Cake" (2014), as well as in a recurring role on the TV series "The Good Wife," "Robot Chicken" and HBO's "True Detective."

Sandra Bullock, who won an Oscar for "The Blind Side" (2009), experiences the post-apocalyptic horrors we all fear in Netflix's "The Bird Box," with Sarah Paulson, Tom Hollander and John Malkovich, due Dec. 21. Bullock opened her heart and donated \$100,000 to help save animals that were affected by the recent California fires. You might say it was post-apocalyptic fire money.

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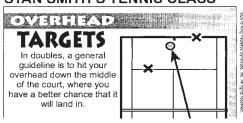
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The Holy Infant Lady Orange Grade 7 Girls Basketball team recently competed in the Milford HoopFest Tourney capturing the Grade 7 Championship. The Lady O defeated Milford in the Championship 28–27. Players on the team include: Mackenzie Martin, Vivian Cain, Kelsey O'Connor, Jillian Barnes, Bridget Lowder, Grace Cavallaro, Ava Holden, Lucci Dottori, Grace Launder, Kylee McLain, and Meghan Kirck.



The Holy Infant Lady Orange Grade 5 Girls Basketball team recently competed in the Milford HoopFest Tourney capturing the Grade 5 Championship. The Lady O defeated West Haven in the Championship 33-21. Players on the team include: Julia DeMaio, Mackenzie Smith, Lily Simons, Addy Pivovar, Ava Storz, Sarah Donegan, Sienna Murphy, Nina Nardecchia, Marlee Lyons and JJ Kirck.



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its base at a 45-degree angle so it can absorb more water. Water the tree liberally — the average tree can consume between a quart and a gallon of water a day. Remove the tree promptly after the holiday, or when it becomes dry.

Consider using LED lights, which produce less heat and use less energy than traditional decorative lights. The cooler-burning LEDs can help reduce the drying effect on the tree.

All lights and cords should be factory tested; check for the UL label on the packaging. Carefully inspect cords, plugs and receptacles for worn or frayed insulation and loose connections. Throw away damaged items.

Keep wires away from toddlers and pets. Push wires toward the center of the tree, and clip them securely to the branches.

Make sure cords are tucked away safely to prevent anyone from tripping over them. However, never run cords under rugs, since they can overheat.

Keep flammable decorations away from the tree's lights. Also make sure that electric window candles do not touch drapes or other flammable objects.

Never use electric lights on metallic trees. Avoid using plastic trees unless they're flame resistant.

Turn holiday lights off before going to sleep and when you leave home. Consider using a programmable timer to turn lighting displays on and off automatically.

Avoid overloading electrical circuits or extension cords. Follow the directions on cord labels regarding connecting light strings and extension cords. If a cord feels hot to the touch, it is overloaded and can cause an electrical fire.

#### **Around the House**

Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and replace batteries as necessary.

Plan escape routes for your family in case of a fire or other emergency.

In the kitchen, keep close watch on your stovetop, grill and oven while in use. Never use them for heating.

#### Outdoors

While decorating the outside of your home, look up and around the area first to identify overhead lines and other hazards.

Never raise ladders, poles or other extended objects into or near power lines. Check to make sure any tree limbs you may come into contact with aren't near power lines. Remember: no power line is safe to touch, ever.

Use only outdoor-approved lights that can withstand cold temperatures, and inspect them for damage.

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### Bark Bytes...

By Vicki & Richard Horowitz





## Protecting Your Dog Against The Winter Blues

No matter if you live where temperatures dip to freezing or if you reside in a milder climate, winter can bring some challenges for both you and your dog. You need to take extra precautions to keep both you and your furry friends safe and cozy regardless of the temperatures.

Know YOUR Dog and the Breed: Certain breeds are born to roam outside for long periods in the cold because their dense coats insulate them. These include:

- ₩ Akitas;
- ★ Alaskan Malamutes;
- ★ Eskimo Dogs;
- ★ Chow Chows;
- ★ Bernese Mountain Dogs;
- ★ German Shepherds;
- ★ Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs;
- ₩ Great Pyrenees;
- ★ Keeshonds;
- ★ Kuvasz;
- ★ Newfoundland;
- ★ Norwegian Elkhounds;
- ★ Saint Bernards;
- ★ Samoyeds;
- ☆ Siberian Huskies;
- ★ And more!

However, just because your dog is strutting around in a fur coat, does not mean he likes the cold. Every dog is different in their tolerance of temperatures whether hot or cold. Two common misconceptions are that all short haired dogs like it hotter than their long-haired friends, or all black dogs have problems tolerating the heat.

What's important as pet parents is that you know how to recognize signs your dog may be cold, including shivering or wanting to hightail it back to the house.

**Check Their Paws:** Although certain breeds have tougher paws than others, ice and snow can get caught in the webbing between their toes

and even cut the toe pads. Just like humans, dogs can get frostbite and hypothermia. Symptoms may include: swelling, blackened or dead skin, and discoloration of the skin (mainly pale, gray or bluish). Consider getting dog booties to protect your pooch's feet.

**Not For Dogs:** If you use ice melt at your home, make sure you get one that is approved for use around pets, or keep your dog off it. Keep your dog clear from antifreeze as it is extremely toxic

**Sunburns:** Whether your dog is at the beach or is catching a light reflection off the snow or ice, be sure to use a pet-safe sunscreen, especially for light-furred and pale-skinned pets.

**Space Heaters:** If you're supplementing your heat with a space heater, keep out of reach of your dog. Pets can be easily burned or accidentally knock it over and cause a fire.

**Frozen Lakes:** If you live near a lake, pond or creek, be sure to keep close eyes on your dog. Dogs have been known to fall through thin ice and get trapped. Ice skating is definitely not a sport for dogs! Also, keep your dog's nails trimmed, reducing the chances of slipping and sliding around.

**Dry Eyes:** The winter months can be drier, causing conjunctivitis, mucoid discharge, or irritated painful eyes. Consult your veterinarian about eye lubricants.

Just as you may be taking your sweaters, coats and scarves out of storage, consider investing in one for your dog!

Vicki and Richard Horowitz, of Woodbridge, 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) Careful, Lamb. Don't let your generous nature lead to some serious overspending as you contemplate your holiday gift-giving. Your social life kicks off into high gear by week's end.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A positive attitude helps you weather annoying but unavoidable changes in holiday plans. Aspects favor new friendships and reinforcement of existing relationships.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Demands on your energy level could be much higher than usual as you prepare for the upcoming holidays. Be sure to pace yourself. Friends and family will be happy to help.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't allow a suddenly icy reaction from a friend or family member to continue without learning what caused it -- and what can be done to restore that once warm and caring relationship.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A relationship seems to be unraveling, mostly from a lack of attention. It might be a good idea to ease up on whatever else you're doing so you can spend more time working to mend it.

### VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

New facts emerge that not only help explain the recent rift with a trusted colleague, but also might provide a chance to wipe the slate clean and make a fresh start in your friendship.

#### LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

A family member's personal situation is, fortunately, resolved in time for you to get back into your hectic round of holiday preparations. An old friend might bring a new friend into your life.

#### SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

Pace yourself in meeting holiday pressures and workplace demands to avoid winding up with a frayed temper and a Scorpian stinger that lashes out at puzzled kith, kin and colleagues.

### **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to De-**

cember 21) A financial matter requires close attention. Also, news from a trusted source provides the means to help sort out a long-standing state of confusion and put it into perspective.

#### **CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January

**19)** This is a good time to reinforce family ties. Make it a priority to assess and resolve all outstanding problems. Start the upcoming holiday season with a full measure of love.

#### **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February**

18) Don't be pressured into a so-called solid-gold investment. Wait until the holiday distractions are over. Then take a harder look at it. You might find that the "gold" is starting to flake off.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A former friend might be trying to heal the breach between you by using a mutual friend as an intermediary. Best advice: Keep an open mind despite any lingering bad feelings.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a way of saying the right thing at the right time. Your friendships are deep and lasting.

### HOW LONG CAN DOG STAY OUT IN WINTER?

by Sam Mazzotta

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** My dog loves to be outside so much that I built a wire run across my backyard so he can stay outside longer while I do chores inside and keep an eye

on him. It's worked really well, and he stays much calmer in his kennel cage overnight. However, the weather is getting much colder, and I'm worried about leaving him outside for

too long. Will he suffer in the cold? Should I put a shelter out for him?

#### -- Caroline S., via email

**DEAR CAROLINE:** Winter can be challenging for pet owners, who want their dogs to get plenty of exercise but worry about the effects of the cold. Here are some ways to determine how long your dog should be outside:

-- Does he have a thick coat? Dogs with thicker or even double coats, like Newfies, tolerate cold much

longer than dogs with thin coats, like Greyhounds.

-- What size is your dog? Smaller dogs, regardless of coat thickness, tend to get chilled faster than large dogs.

> -- How old is he? Very young or old dogs are not able to regulate their body temperature as well as healthy adult dogs.

Always monitor the temperature and weather. Below 45 F, some dogs are uncomfortable. Below freezing, check on your dog much more frequently. If it's windy or raining, it will feel much colder, so take that into account.

Monitor your dog closely and bring him in if he is unhappy or shivering. You can install a sturdy shelter with top and side protection, but treat it only as a temporary shelter that doesn't substitute for bringing your dog into the house to warm up.

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by Mike Marland

Out on a Limb





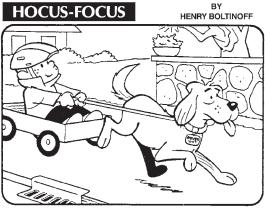




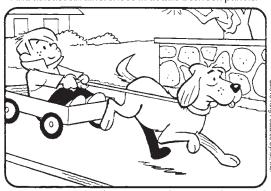


- 1. Gingerbread
- 2. Apple Cider
- 3. Cranberry sauce 4. Fruitcake
  - 5. Candy canes
- 6. Eggnog
- 7. Green bean casserole 8. Peppermint bark
  - 9. Stuffing (or dressing)
  - 10. Figgy pudding

Source: Mental Floss



Find at least six differences in details between panels.





#### Frankincense oil

Frankincense comes from the Boswellia tree. It has a long history in folk medicine in Africa and Asia. In the Bible, it is one of three gifts that the wise men offered to Jesus. It is said to control bleeding, help heal wounds, improve oral health and fight inflammation. Studies have suggested that certain substances in frankincense can treat cancer. - Brenda Weaver

Source: www.medicalnewstoday.com, thetruthaboutcancer.com

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