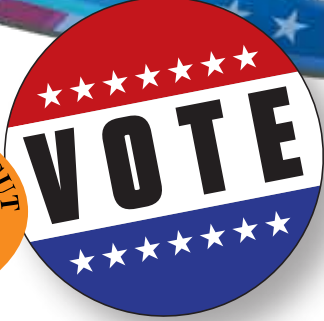


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LT. MAX MARTINS SWORN IN AS NEW ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

In his valedictorian speech to his class at Sacred Heart University, Max Martins declared his ultimate career goal would be to head a small-sized police department. Martins is one step closer to achieving that dream with his most recent appointment as the Orange Police Department's new Assistant Chief. Since joining the department in 1995 as a patrolman, Martins has been steadily working his way up the ladder, serving as a patrol supervisor, detective, and a variety of administrative positions. "I think the only job I haven't done is undercover work," Martins said. He is a certified EMT and has achieved the titles of Sergeant, (2003), Lieutenant (2007) and served as the department's administrative lieutenant prior to his current appointment.

A career in law enforcement appealed to Martins because it suited his hands-on personality and promised new challenges every day. "I started out as a math

major but realized I needed more excitement. I'm a 'go-go-go' type of guy and I like to have my hands in everything. I always liked the police and with policing you never know from day to day what you are going to get. The day flies by," he said. And there was also that popular action crime 'dramedy' in the late 1970s, "Chips," starring macho officer Frank "Ponch" played by actor Erik Estrada that might have had a slight influence on Martin's career choice. Martins graduated first in his class at the police academy and has received several awards from the OPD, including its highest honor, the Lifesaving Medal for his role in saving the life of a runner who collapsed at the Peck Place Road Race several years ago. He recently completed the Command Officers Development course through the Southern Police Institute.

Orange was the first department to

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THREE CANDIDATES SEEK ORANGE FIRST SELECTMAN'S SEAT

By Laura Fantarella - Orange Town News Correspondent

The recent debate between the three candidates for First Selectman, all of whom are Orange natives, seemed to highlight shared visions for the town, rather than differences in their campaign platforms. Concerns about taxes, attracting new business to town to expand the commercial tax base, maintaining high education standards, affordable housing for aging residents and improving the town's buildings and community spaces were the hot topics of the evening. Turn out for the event, held at the Grassy Hill Country Club, exceeded expectations as organizers scrambled to

bring in more chairs and open a partition to expand seating into an adjoining meeting room.

The debate was led by Orange resident and University of New Haven Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Daniel May. May posed a series of questions to incumbent Jim Zeoli, Democrat contender Margaret Novicki and independent candidate Alex DeAngelo who each had two minutes to answer.

Selectman Jim Zeoli presented his many accomplishments during his

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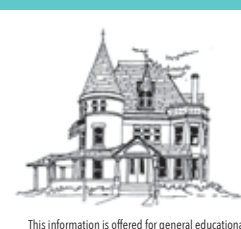
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offer him a position after college and Martins expects to stay for his entire career. Loyalty to the Orange PD is in his DNA. Raised in Bridgeport in a blue collar family, Martins' parents led by example -- once you had a good job, you stuck with it. "They believed that you chose your profession then did your best," Martins said. "This is my place, my family."

Martins has worked under Chief Robert Gagne for nearly all his tenure and credits him with being a stellar role model and mentor. "I've always worked closely with him and I follow his lead. I have plenty to learn and I plan to keep my eyes and ears open," he said. His goals as the new Assistant Chief will be to continue the department's commitment to professionalism by requiring on-going training of its officers, attracting qualified candidates, acquiring the best equipment and newest technology available, updating policies and applying for state and federal grants. He is also involved in coordinating the renovations and systems upgrades that are currently underway at the department's Lambert Road building. The parking lot paving project was recently completed and the renovation of the communication area and installation of new equipment is slated to begin in the coming months.

Some of the challenges Martins sees on the horizon include keeping up with motor vehicle incidents related to the ever-increasing traffic on the Boston Post Road and other main thoroughfares, maintaining a reasonable budget, serving as first responders in a town

recognized as having among the largest populations of octogenarians and nonagenarians in Connecticut and handling the growing opiate epidemic. "When I first came to the department in the 90s, residents were fighting Stew Leonard's coming to town because of the increased traffic the store would bring," Martins recounts. "Traffic was a big issue then and today there's no Stew Leonard's but traffic has increased ten-fold. Traffic is out of control and there's no end in sight." In the coming years the department hopes to add several officers in anticipation of the proposed train station and hotels slated to open on Marsh Hill Road.

Last fall Martins achieved another goal -- moving into the town he polices with his family. "It's pretty good here," Martins said good-naturedly, pointing out that police officers who live in Orange have a vested interest in the town. "Neighbors often come to me with any issues," he said.

Of Martins' appointment, Chief Gagne said, "I have complete confidence in the skills and abilities of Assistant Chief Max Martins. He works extremely hard and is a dedicated and loyal member of the Department. He is the type of person who pays close attention to detail and who gets things done."

Martins replaces former Assistant Chief Tony Cuzzo who retired from the department in September after more than a quarter-century of service to the Town of Orange. Cuzzo left to pursue a new career in the private sector as the COO of Chip's Restaurants, a regional restaurant franchise.

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ORANGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP



During the running clinic on September 30, the Rolling Thunder Club was joined by Steve Cuomo, the founder of this program and International Paralympic Coach, along with his coaching staffs, athletes and their families from Long Island, N.Y.

SPECIAL NEEDS RUNNING CLUB FINDS NEW HOME IN ORANGE

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

An Orange mom and avid runner has started the third chapter of the Rolling Thunder Special Needs Program in the U.S. The Connecticut chapter meets each Saturday morning at 9:30 at the High Plains Community Center Fairgrounds. “Rolling Thunder Special Needs Program is one of the first inclusive running clubs in the USA for all athletes,” said Mimi Washington, founder of the Connecticut chapter. The organization was founded in 1998 by Steve Cuomo in Long Island, N.Y., to provide challenged individuals with the opportunity to successfully participate in all levels of mainstream running, walking, or wheel-chair racing. Washington is looking for volunteer guides, runners, walkers and support staff to help on Saturday mornings. High school students looking for community service hours are encouraged to help out. “Rolling Thunder provides everyone the opportunity to develop or improve with typical peers. It also teaches everyone

consistency, direction following, social skills, and how to be independent in doing something they love,” Washington said. No running experience is needed to join the team. All coaches are volunteers and the organization has no paid staff. Individuals with challenging behaviors are welcome. One benefit of the club, according to the founders, is that the entire family can exercise and improve their physical fitness at the same time in the same place. Known as a true inclusion program, Rolling Thunder integrates special needs individuals with their typical peers at all team practices, races and events, encouraging and training athletes to reach their maximum potential, by providing discipline and structure in a supportive and competitive atmosphere. “We’re going to start working in a yoga session at the end of each practice,” Washington said. She can be reached at 516-849-1028 or mi.washington03@gmail.com.



ORANGE BOARD OF ED SETS NEW POLICY FOR FOOD IN CLASSROOMS

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

After more than two years of review, Orange schools has a new policy regarding food that can be brought into classrooms. Starting with the 2018-2019 school year, the only food that will be allowed as part of classroom and school celebrations will be provided by the cafeterias at each school. Student birthday celebrations will be food-free. At its October monthly meeting, the Board of Education was initially faced with a proposed policy that allowed food from home or other outside sources for one curricular experience per grade level at each school and at one school-wide celebration at each school each year such as field day. During discussion, board member Ken Ziman made a motion to revise the wording of the proposed policy to allowing no food at all. “The district believes in celebrating birthays and holidays. This no food policy will be extended to

include all curricular events and school celebrations,” said Ziman. “The impetus for me was the children with allergies,” said Ziman. “Then I looked at it as an educator. This is much harder on us as parents than it is on the children. Birthday parties for me is easy to get rid of. They can easily be replaced in schools by things that will make the child thrilled. I don’t think there’s any activity or lesson at school that needs food.” Board Member Chantelle Bunnell presented a third option, which read, “Food is permitted for holiday and other events. Food served at these events must meet the Connecticut nutritional standards and must include safety and inclusion for all children. The personnel policy and transportation committee, in cooperation with the superintendent, See “Food Policy” continued on Page 15

STATE BUDGET LEAVES ORANGE WITH MINIMAL IMPACT

By Melissa Nicefaro – Orange Town News Correspondent

More than four months after the close of the fiscal year, the state approved a budget that has those who oversee the town’s finances breathing a sigh of relief. Even though the town was prepared for enormous cuts in state funding, the news from the capitol that a budget had passed was good news. “We were never in bad shape, whether we got the funding or not,” said Orange Director of Finance John Cifarelli. “Our Board of Finance was very conservative when they planned the town’s budget, knowing what was going on in Hartford. We knew that there would be no affect at all on our students and schools as other towns were faced with cutting teachers.” Under the budget, Orange will receive \$118,456 less in funding than it did in 2017. Included is the reinstatement of \$181,034 for local capital improvement projects and a decrease in funding total-

ing roughly \$360,000. “The big thing that changed is that under the governor’s plan, Orange was going to receive zero dollars for ECS. Now there is \$1.4 million and that is definitely a big help,” said Cifarelli. House Republican Leader Themis Klarides said the passage of the budget closes the \$3.5 billion deficit without raising income taxes and includes historic spending constraints. “The budget we have put in place includes historic spending constraints that will hedge against future deficits. While this budget is not perfect, it reflects the core Republican components of spending restraints, less borrowing so that we can finally start living within our means,” Klarides said. She added, “This is a day of hope for the people of Connecticut”. See “Budget” continued on Page 15

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SACRED HEART MU ALPHA THETA CHAPTER INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

Thirteen new members were recently inducted into the Sacred Heart chapter of Mu Alpha Theta, the National Mathematics Honor Society. Members are academically qualified juniors and seniors who maintain strict grade point average requirements and excel in high level math courses. They participate in Math League and the Study Buddy Tutoring Program, and host school-wide Pi Day activities. The induction was held in a joint ceremony with the Science National Honor Society.

The following students were inducted as new members: Clare Bassano '19 (Milford), Swathi Jacob '19 (Southington), Maia Jakubowski '19 (Cheshire), Crystal Long '19 (Orange), Laura Mocciola '18 (Shelton), Avishan Montazer '18 (Hamden), Gabriela Perez '19 (Guilford), Amanda Savona '19 (Branford) Allison Sawicki '18 (West Haven), Marilyn Senger '19 (Hamden), Arianna Vessicchio '19 (Wallingford), and Vivian Wang '19 (North Branford).



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STUDENT NEWS

Achievements

Daniel Chodos Joins Lasell College Class Of 2021

Newton, MA -- Lasell College proudly welcomed over 400 students from the United States and around the world to its Newton, MA campus in September 2017. Included in the newest group of students was Daniel Chodos of Orange, Connecticut. Daniel joins us as a graduate from Amity Regional Senior High School. New students have had the opportunity to participate in Lasell Laser Welcome Weekend, a Connected Learning Convocation, Study Abroad Fair and Student Activities Fair, where over 60 clubs and organizations shared options to become further involved on campus.

Eastern Releases List Of Newly Enrolled Orange Students

Willimantic, CT -- Eastern Connecticut State University recently released its list of newly enrolled students for the fall 2017 semester. Among the new students are: Arianna Centore, major is Psychology; Brendan Corris, major is Exploratory Prof. Studies; Mason Feurer, major is Business Administration; Maggie Lasto, major is Exploratory Arts & Humanities; Megan Lasto, major is Visual Arts; Nuala Tzovolos, major is Psychology; and Rachana Yetukuri, major is Business Administration.

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AMSO STUDENTS SHADOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT

By Jennifer Marganski

Many seventh and eighth grade students at Amity Middle School Orange (AMSO) submitted essays this year to shadow fifteen different local positions in the town. Above are pictured the students who had the opportunity to shadow local town government officials. The students learned about local government from Town Clerk Pat O'Sullivan and were also able to take a private tour of historical buildings in Orange with First Selectman Jim Zeoli.

October has come to mean Government Day in Orange and on a bright Wednesday morning, fifteen students were able to not only learn about some early events in their town's history including its separation from Milford, but also about the founding families of the town, including the Treat and Clark families who have played pivotal roles in the Orange community. Students had an opportunity to introduce themselves to local government officials and explain why they wanted to participate in the day shadowing local leaders. They were even interviewed by the OGAT channel!

By the end of the day, students walked away with knowledge about the mil rate, tax codes, the philosophy of Orange to purchase open space and even the process of the upcoming elections. In addition, they participated in first hand experiences with town personnel.

This year, students who participated in the day included: Frank Cavallaro (police chief), Caitlyn Shanley (Town Clerk), Madison Samoncik (Assessor), Jasmina Krehic (Librarian), Spencer Stratford (Sanitarian), Mason Beaudette (Tax Collector), Alana Abrams (Fire Marshal), Adam Glassman (Town Engineer), Colleen Shaw (Building Inspector), Landon Rocchio (Registrar of Voters), Jade Krukar (Park and Rec. Director), Anna Varholak (Director of Community Services), Zoe May (Public Works - Highway Garage Crew Chief) and Aayan Chaturvedi (Director of Finance).

AMSO students were encouraged to know their local history. As First Selectman Zeoli told the students, "You have to know where you came from in order to know where you are headed." By participating in the day's events, students had that wonderful opportunity. Government Day is only possible because of the willingness of local town officials to support local students. The school and the town look forward to another great event next year.

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December 8th	<i>Holiday Issue</i> December 15th

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

FROM OUR READERS

Keep Orange Moving with Jim Zeoli

I wanted to extend my thoughts as a new member of the Orange Community. I moved to Orange a bit over two years ago. The city I came from was my home, my family, and my friend. When I moved to Orange, I knew no one, and the first year was a difficult one. What I truly found amazing was our First Selectman, his knowledge, his kindness. He talked with me, he explained the Town, and the little things that make Orange a home, now my home. It was clear how much Jim cared about the town and its residents. He was the reason I came to Orange, he is the reason it is a wonderful place to live, work, and educate our children. While my children are adults, they are looking at moving into Orange because of its school system. I look forward to many years in my new town, and the continued great work Jim Zeoli and the Z-Team have done for our community. I appreciate the hard work the team puts in to keeping Orange the great town it is.

With that said, Orange is not running amok with over development. The tax structure is secure and the Town is doing well. We see that by the AAA rating we continue to hold. The streets are being paved, the Police Department is strong and committed to the community, and our Fire Department, while volunteer, are caring hard working men and women. The businesses on the Post Road are many, the amount of empty buildings are small (when compared to other towns and cities). The town is not broken, we do not need to fix it, and

frankly, when you look at other towns around us who do not have the type of commitment Jim has given over the years, they are failing. Let's keep Orange moving in a secure and positive direction with Jim and his team.

Judith Toohey

Zeoli's Love for Orange is Undeniable

I am a woman who has lived and worked in Orange for over 76 years. I have been privileged and honored to serve on several boards and commissions. I served on the Board of Selectmen and enjoyed my time. One of our First Selectwomen was the esteemed Dorothy Berger.

As a participant in town in many aspects, I have seen the good, the bad and the indifferent. Of all our First Selectman, James Zeoli and this team have been outstanding. Their accomplishments are too numerous to list. He has returned our town to AAA highest fiscal rating, in spite of the state's disastrous financial condition. With farsighted abilities, he still maintained our great school system, recreational facilities, excellent roads and the commercial development. He is forward thinking. The job is not 9 to 5, but Jim and his team have devoted many, many more hours. He and his team have worked tirelessly for all our residents, young and old alike.

Jim's love for Orange is undeniable. Orange is a great place to live, work and play. Your privilege in voting to keep it moving forward is necessary and hoped for! Help keep that kind of dedication alive.

Doris Knight

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THEMIS KLARIDES HAILS PASSAGE OF STATE BUDGET

House Republican Leader Themis Klarides said the passage of the compromise state budget after nearly four months of the fiscal year closes the \$3.5 billion deficit without raising income taxes and includes historic spending constraints. “The budget we have put in place includes historic spending constraints that will hedge against future deficits. While this budget is not perfect, it reflects the core Republican components of spending restraints, less borrowing so that we can finally start living within our means,” Klarides said.

She added, “This is a day of hope for the people of Connecticut”. The budget passed 126-23 after several hours of debate, a margin that a veto by the governor cannot overturn.

Klarides said the state will be able to close the massive deficit with less than a 1 percent increase in taxes and fees. The bulk of the tax hikes are on cigarette sales and the hospital taxes that will be refunded by the federal government once the state completes its application to the federal agency that administers Medicaid and Medicare.

The budget features a variety of spending constraints:

- An annual bonding cap of \$1.9 billion in borrowing, a half billion less than what Connecticut put on its credit



Themis Klarides

card last year;

- A revenue cap that prevents the state from spending all the money it expects to take in annually. Somehow we always seem to fall short of revenue projections; and

- A volatility cap that will automatically send any access revenue to the Budget Reserve Fund.

Current law allows state employee union contracts to go into effect without a vote by the legislature. In a huge concession reached during negotiations with Democratic leaders, votes by the House and Senate will be required before a contract can become law.

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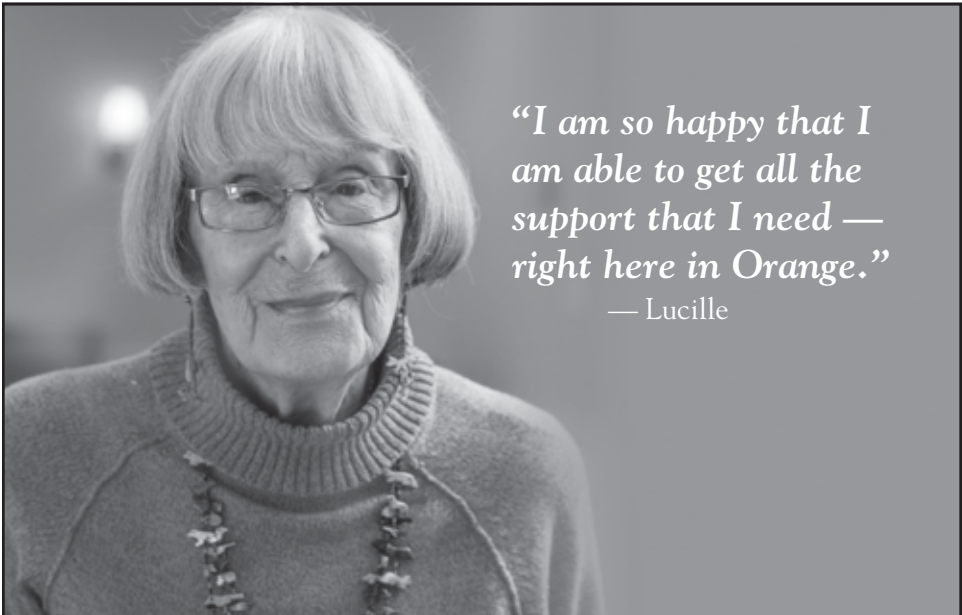
Loyola University Maryland Welcomes Christine Knudsen

Baltimore, MD -- Christine Knudsen, from Orange, is now a member of the class of 2021 at Loyola University Maryland. As first-year students embark on their college experience, they will all take part in Loyola’s living learning program, Messina. The common text for Messina is Just Mercy, by Bryan Stevenson. The book, a compelling first-hand account

of a lawyer who defends the poor and wrongly condemned, speaks to the inequality in the justice system.

Graduations Lauren Ide Graduates From Fairleigh Dickinson University

Madison, NJ -- Lauren Ide, of Orange, CT, a student at Fairleigh Dickinson University’s Florham Campus, located in Madison, NJ, has graduated with a BA in Film and Animation as of May 2017.



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CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY EVENTS

Programs at the Case Memorial Library are free, except as noted for materials charges, and open to the public. Library hours are as follows: Monday and Thursday 12-8; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10-5; Saturday 10-4. The Library will be closed Friday, November 10 and Saturday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day; Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 in observance of Thanksgiving; Saturday, December 23 and Monday, December 25 in observance of Christmas; and Saturday, December 30 and Monday, January 1 in observance of the New Year.

EVENTS FOR ADULTS

Fall Film Series

Registration is required for all films and begins three weeks in advance of the program date. Afternoon screenings are shown with subtitles.

2017 Oscar Shorts: Animated Nominees

Monday, November 6, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, November 8, 1 p.m.

Nominees include: Piper, Borrowed Time, Pearl, Blind Vayasha, and Pear and Cigarettes.
1 hr. 37 min.

My Cousin Rachel

Monday, December 4, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, December 6, 1 p.m.

The story of a young Englishman who plots revenge against his mysterious, beautiful cousin, believing that she murdered his guardian. 1 hr. 46 min. PG-13.

Book Discussions

Books and Breakfast: Morning Discussion Group

Tuesday, November 21, 10 a.m.
Join Books & Breakfast leader Carol Davidson for a discussion of The Aviator's Wife by Anite Shreve. Check for copies at the Circulation Desk.

The Bookcase: Evening Discussion Group

Thursday, December 14, 7 p.m.
Join The Bookcase leader Toby Zabinski for a discussion of Rules of Civility by Amor Towles. Check for copies at the Circulation Desk.

Friends' Great! Basement Book Sale

Members Preview Night: Thursday, November 2, 5-7 p.m.
Open to the Public: Saturday, November 4, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

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non-fiction for adults, children, and teens as well as vinyl records, DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks. It's the perfect place to pick up a gift for an upcoming event, add a new special book to your coffee table collection, or just grab a few great new things to read. The Members Preview Night is open to current members of the Friends as well as those who wish to join the night of the sale.

Rhythms of the World with Handler and Levesque

Saturday, December 9, 1 p.m.

Experience an exuberant celebration of cultures with this exceptional program of music from around the world. Audiences will enjoy the lilt of a jam session at an Irish pub, a rollicking Tarantella from Italy, the appealing rhythms of nouveau flamenco from Spain, the warmth and passion of Brazil, the rhythmic poetry of Eastern Europe, the hard-swinging elegance of Gypsy jazz, a sweet love song from Taiwan, the sultry sounds of a Middle Eastern melody and more! Presented by the Friends of the Library in celebration of their 25th anniversary. Registration is required and begins Saturday, November 18.

EVENTS FOR TEENS

Book Chat Café

Tuesday, November 14, 2:15 p.m.
For Amity Middle School students who love to read and share their opinions over refreshments. Held at the Amity Middle School Media Center. Please see Ms. Liebrock to join.

Teen Cooking Class

Wednesday, December 27, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
For students in grades 6-12. Learn how to make tasty, healthy recipes with Courtney Huggins, Orange ShopRite's

registered dietician. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, December 6. Please notify the Library of any food allergies at the time of registration.

EVENTS FOR CHILDREN

3-5 Year Olds Storytime

Mondays at 4:30 p.m.

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. Registration is not required. No storytime on Monday, December 25 or Monday, January 1.

Lapsit Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 p.m.

Little ones and their caregivers are invited to this high-energy story time with Ms. Michelle! We'll practice nursery rhymes, sing and move together, plus explore touch-and-feel books. Registration is not required.

2-Year-Old Storytime

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Audience participation is highly encouraged at this storytime session just for 2s. Enjoy books, stories, music and movement, fingerplays and puppetry together. Registration is not required.

Drama Workshops with Ingrid Schaeffer

"Turkey Trouble"

Saturday, November 18, 2-3:30 p.m.
For children ages 5-10.

Join Ingrid Schaeffer as we re-enact this silly Thanksgiving story! In order to avoid becoming the main course on Thanksgiving Day, Turkey decides to disguise himself as other animals on the farm. But only one costume will do the trick! Participants will also com-

plete an art activity based on the book as part of the workshop. Registration is required and will open on Saturday, October 28. This drama workshop is generously funded by a grant from the Orange Foundation Trust U/A, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee.

"The Magical Toy Shop"

Saturday, December 2, 2-3:30 p.m.
For children ages 5-8.

Step inside "The Magical Toy Shop," a place where enchanted toys secretly come to life while the shop owner sleeps through the night. Ingrid Schaeffer will read this charming tale aloud and provide costumes and props. Then, we'll re-enact the story together! Participants will also complete an art activity based on the book as part of the workshop. Registration is required and will open on Saturday, November 11. This drama workshop is generously funded by a grant from the Orange Foundation Trust U/A, Bank of America, N.A., Trustee.

The Hampstead Stage Company presents "Robin Hood"

Monday, December 11, 4:30 p.m.
For children ages 5 and up.

This classic English folktale chronicles the life and adventures of the infamous outlaw with a heart of gold. We'll follow Robin as he wages an ongoing war against the oppressive tyrant King John, while befriending the residents of Sherwood Forest and making mischief with his Band of Merrie Men. Prepare for an action-packed hour filled with brave heroics, bumbling villains, and heartwarming moments. Registration is required and begins Monday, November 20. Sponsored by the Shirley Martin Prown Fund.

Kids' Cooking Class

Wednesday, December 13, 3:45-4:45 p.m.
For children ages 5-10.

Learn how to make tasty, healthy recipes with Courtney Huggins, Orange ShopRite's registered dietician. Registration is required and begins Wednesday, November 22.. Please notify the Library of any food allergies at the time of registration.

ART RECEPTIONS

November: Waterworks: Artwork by students of Audrey Galer, on view November 2-29.

Reception: November 9, 5-7 p.m.

December: Watercolors by Puja Sinha, Anisha Jain, Francesca Giannattasio, Erica Chen, and Rachana Yetakuri, on view December 2-28.

Reception: December 7, 5-7 p.m.

"There is a certain enthusiasm in liberty, that makes human nature rise above itself, in acts of bravery and heroism." — ALEXANDER HAMILTON

NEWEST ADDITIONS TO CASE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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

Audiobooks

Michael Connelly -- The Late Show
Elena Ferrante -- My Brilliant Friend
Al Franken -- Al Franken, Giant of the Senate
Gail Honeyman -- Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine
Anthony Horowitz -- Magpie Murders
Celeste Ng -- Little Fires Everywhere
Daniel Silva -- House of Spies
Amor Towles -- Rules of Civility

Music

Cafe Tacuba -- Jei Beibi
Brett Eldredge -- Brett Eldredge
Isley Brothers and Santana -- Power of Peace
Vijay Iyer Sextet -- Far from Over
The National -- Sleep Well Beast
Randy Newman -- Dark Matter
Queens of the Stone Age -- Villains
Woody Shaw -- The Tour, Vol. 2
Ringo Starr -- Give More Love
Igor Stravinsky -- Threni; Requiem Canticles

RETIREMENT RECEPTION FOR DIRECTOR MERYL FARBER

After nearly 20 years of dedicated service to the residents of Orange, Library Director Meryl Farber is retiring on December 3.

Please join us as we celebrate Meryl and her accomplishments in a public reception on Thursday, November 16 from 5-7 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served. All are welcome to attend.

BOOKS FOR BABIES

The Friends of the Case Memorial Library is pleased to continue to offer the Books for Babies program to encourage early literacy. The gift bags have 2 new books from the Friends, a DVD generously donated from the Read To Grow organization, and supplemental materials to assist new parents with information about the benefits of reading to babies from the very first day to support their process of understanding language.

The free gift bags are available to new parents in Orange and can be picked up in the Children's Dept. at the Library.

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HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

CONGREGATION B'NAI JACOB ADULT ED NOVEMBER EVENTS

The Installation of Cantor Malachi Kanfer

Sunday, November 12, 2017, 3:00 pm

To honor and celebrate our cantor, join us for the formal installation of Cantor Kanfer with a beautiful ceremony and CANTOR'S CONCERT EXTRAORDINAIRE featuring cantors from across the Tri-State area, including world renowned Cantor Azi Schwartz of Park Avenue Synagogue. Free and open to all.

Ongoing Classes With Rabbi Rona Shapiro

Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict with Rabbi Rona Shapiro

Monday nights, 7:30pm to 9pm November 13, 27; December 11; January 8, 22; February 12, 26; March 12, 26; April 9, 23 - Join us as we explore one of the most divisive issues affecting the Jewish people today. The iEngage curriculum is produced by the Shalom Hartman Institute to facilitate difficult conversations about Israel. Participants will develop an understanding of the ideals which shape their political views and those of others. No experience necessary. Free to BJ members. \$100 non-members.

Wednesday Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Rona Shapiro

12pm to 1pm - Bring your lunch and join us for class with the rabbi! As we did last year, we will choose a topic of interest to the group.

Learn to Navigate the Digital World by Judy Taylor

Thursday, 12:00-1:30pm, November



Congregation B'Nai Jacob

2 - or - Tuesday, 6:30-8:00pm, November 7 - Want to text your grandchildren? Share photos? Get on Facebook? Join us for a three-session beginners' course on getting the most out of your personal device. To register for this class, call B'nai Jacob (203) 389-2111 — and let them know what you want to learn and what device you want to use. Classes will be organized accordingly. Free to members, \$25 per session for non-members. Registration required. Questions call B'nai Jacob (203) 389-2111.

Shabbat Lunch and Learn

Shabbat afternoons, following Kiddush

November 4 - Rhoda Myers

The Congregation B'nai Jacob Connection - A Very Personal History

Congregant and former Executive Director Rhoda Myers discusses changes in the life of her beloved synagogue and in the Conservative Movement.

November 18 - Lois Shenker

Co-author of Pirkei Imahot: The Wisdom of Mothers, The Voices of Women

Adapting the ancient text of Pirkei Avot, author Lois Shenker uses a modern lens to extract meaning and lessons for today's world.

OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION HOLDS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & CRAFT FAIR

Our Lady of Assumption Church, 75 Center Road, Woodbridge is holding its annual Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fair, Saturday, November 18 from 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Come shop for some great gift items. In addition to some wonderful vendors, there will be a white elephant sale, raffles for baskets, baked goods, children's activities and more. Come enjoy some delicious food and visit with none other than Santa himself. Don't miss this great opportunity to support



Our Lady of Assumption Church

our community while getting an early start on holiday shopping.

ORANGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SERVICES & PROGRAMS

The Orange Congregational Church, located at 205 Meeting House Lane in the Town of Orange, invites you to come to our regular weekly Sunday Worship Services at 8:00 a.m. in the Chapel and 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Our later worship service includes a church nursery with a child-care experienced Crib Room Attendant for all birth to Pre-K children as well as Sunday School programming for school age children. Also at the 10 a.m. service, our Senior choir sings weekly and our Junior choir, Youth Chime choir, and Bell choir perform monthly.

This fall, please join us for the following special services and events. On Sunday, November 5th we will observe All Saints Day by reading a list during our worship service of those members who have died this past year. In the month of November, our Pilgrim Fellowship youth will be meeting to make care packages for college students, to make apple pies for a youth fundraiser, to enjoy a Junior Pilgrim Fellowship movie night, and to meet for dinner and



Orange Congregational Church

fellowship before attending the Orange Interfaith Thanksgiving service. If you have a child in grades 5-12th, please contact the church office at 203-795-9749 or occhurch@snet.net for more information about our Pilgrim Fellowship's faith-inspiring opportunities. The annual Orange Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will take place on November 19th at 7:00 p.m. Our host this year will be Congregation Or Shalom at 205 Old Grassy Hill Road. Orange Congregational's junior choir director, Cynthia Chandler, will be leading a combined youth choir and the service will be led with joint participation from the Orange clergy.

THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST PLANNING FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The First Church of Christ Woodbridge has begun planning for the upcoming Advent and Christmas season, including our annual Carol Sing on December 10th and Christmas Pageant on December 17th.

In the meantime, we invite all members of the community to join us at 5 Meeting House Lane, Woodbridge for the following weekly services and special events:

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

Church School – Sunday at 10 a.m. the second through fifth Sundays during the school year with lessons based on the life and teachings of Jesus.

Middle School Youth Group for 5th – 8th graders – The Youth group gener-



First Church of Christ

ally meets the 2nd Sunday of the month from 4 – 6 pm. The group gathers for fellowship, service, conversations, and fun in a faith based community.

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

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

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Congregation Or Shalom will host the Orange Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service this year! All are welcome to attend on November 19th at 7pm. Clergy from all local churches and synagogues participate in the service. The service will be followed by refreshments and fellowship.



Congregation Or Shalom

HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD EVENTS

Semi-Annual Rummage Sale

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd invites the public to visit our semi-annual Rummage Sale on Friday, November 17th from 1-6 pm and Saturday, November 18th from 9am to noon. Shoppers will find a wide array of men's, women's and children's clothing, along with shoes, handbags, scarves, jewelry, accessories, children's games, puzzles, toys, books, DVDs, housewares, glassware, pictures, linens, etc. "There is something for everyone! Make sure to stop by and peruse our treasures", says Elaine Swirsky, long-standing Chairperson of this fun event. Start your Christmas shopping early, find a special treasure to put under the tree. All are welcome to stop.

First Tuesdays Program

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd announces First Tuesdays program. Beginning this November Church of the Good Shepherd will offer a program of community, learning, service, and prayer starting at 6:45pm on the first Tuesday of the month.

What will it look like? First Tuesdays will begin at 6:45 with a contemporary topic from scripture discussion, followed by a service project, and ending with a simple time of night prayers and healing in the columbarium chapel off the parish hall.

Will I be welcome? All church members and the public are welcome at every liturgy of the Good Shepherd, and this is true for First Tuesdays. Designed to be family and child/youth friendly, people of all ages, manner of life, doubters, seekers, and believers are welcome. We aim to be finished by 8pm.

What do you mean by service? Each month we will either complete a service project on the spot or discuss a group visit to be of service at places like Loaves & Fishes, Spooner House, Beth El, etc. On November 7th we will be filling the Thanksgiving dinner "fixings" bags to take to the Orange Food Shelf that distributes them to families in need.

What are night prayers? We'll be using the office of Night Watch to offer our prayers to the Holy One, and there will be an opportunity for anointing with



The Church of the Good Shepherd

oil for healing.

Why should I try First Tuesdays? Why not? Give it a try to see if it fits for you. Please contact the church at 203-795-6577 or email thegoodshepherd@optonline.net with any questions or join us in the Parish Hall on Tuesday, November 7th at 6:45 pm. All are welcome. Community service hours are available for students.

Join the Rev. Diana Rogers on Saturday, November 11 at 9am for the Episcopal of the Good Shepherd's monthly Guided Labyrinth Walk. Used for spiritual meditation and contemplation, walking the labyrinth has been a spiritual exercise for centuries. Come learn more about this enduring spiritual practice. Meet at the labyrinth on the south side of the church off Pryde Drive at 9am.

Other events this month include our Thanksgiving Eve Service with Holy Eucharist on Wednesday, November 22nd at 7:00 pm. All are welcome. And on Sunday, November 19th at 7pm the Good Shepherd is participating in the annual Orange Interfaith Community Thanksgiving Service at Congregation Or Shalom, where Father Norman Brackett of Holy Infant church is preaching and which will include a children's choir.

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd is located on 680 Racebrook Road, Orange, Connecticut. Sunday service times include Rite II Holy Eucharist without music at 8 a.m. and Rite II Holy Eucharist with music @ 10 a.m. Children's Christian Faith Formation takes place at 10 am in the Parish Hall. For more information about The Church of the Good Shepherd's many other programs, please call the Parish Office @ (203) 795-6577, email us @ thegoodspheherd@optonline.net, visit our website @ www.thegoodshepherdorangedt.org and, of course, check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/cg-sorangedt for frequent postings.

HOLY INFANT CHURCH WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild's next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 14, 6:30 pm in the Parish Lounge. Please bring a homemade dessert (cookies, muffins, brownies, cupcakes, cake) to the meeting. We will pack them up for the Midnight Run to distribute the next day. We will also be collecting men's hats, gloves, scarves, hoodie sweatshirts, socks, and long sleeved shirts for homeless men. Our agenda for after the meeting will be coffee, cookies, and coloring.

The Guild's annual Christmas Dinner is on Monday, December 4th from 6:30 to 10:30pm at Costa Azzura Restaurant



Holy Infant Church

in Milford. The cost is \$35 per person which includes a buffet dinner, wine, tax, and tip. For more information and to make a reservation, call (203)799-2379. Come and join us for some holiday fun!

COMPASSUS RECOGNIZES ARCHER DURING PASTORAL CARE WEEK

The Compassus program serving Orange and the surrounding areas recognized Chaplain Carolyn Archer during Pastoral Care Week, October 22-28, 2017, for providing the highest level of spiritual care and guidance for hospice patients and their families. "We are proud to recognize Carolyn's tireless efforts to provide compassionate support and exceptional spiritual counseling to our patients and their families," said Maria Marini, hospice program director for Compassus - Orange. "Hospice chaplains offer spiritual support - directly or in collaboration with a patient's or family's own clergy or spiritual counselor - to provide a more meaningful end-of-life experience. Carolyn's positive and caring attitude, exceptional ability to listen to and comfort patients, and

willingness to support colleagues makes her an integral part of our Compassus team."

Regardless of spiritual, religious or cultural background, Pastoral Care Week celebrates those who provide spiritual support to those receiving hospice or palliative care wherever they call home and in many other settings including hospitals, long-term care facilities and nursing homes. Compassus - Orange recognized local pastoral care providers by presenting them with framed certificates of appreciation for their dedication to the patients and families they serve. For more information about Pastoral Care Week, visit pastoralcareweek.org. For more information about Compassus - Orange, please visit compassus.com/orange or call (203) 301-0489.

CHALLAH BAKING WITH A NEW TWIST

Thursday, November 16, at 7:30 pm, Jewish Women's Circle will be offering a hands-on challah baking workshop, "Rise to the Occasion", open to women in the entire community. Participants will be able to learn the secret behind baking healthy challah, watch a gluten-free challah demo, make their own whole wheat or spelt challah to enjoy

at their Shabbat table, and taste a sampling of a variety of delicious challahs. The workshop will be led by Mrs. Chaya Rivkin.

There is a \$25 supplies fee and reservations must be made in advance. For workshop location and to RSVP, please contact Bluma Hecht at communitychallahbake@gmail.com.

LOCAL BUSINESS

REBECCA LAVI JOINS COLDWELL BANKER RESIDENTIAL BROKERAGE

Rebecca Lavi of Woodbridge has joined the team of Shanbrom Real Estate Group at the Orange Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage office.

As an area resident since 2009, Rebecca Lavi recognizes the uniqueness and benefits of living, working, and raising a family in the New Haven area. Working as a social worker and then mom of three, she learned how to be patient, detail orientated, resourceful and to be a strong advocate for her clients and children. Rebecca loves meeting new people and helping clients find the right house to call home is her passion. Drawing from her own experience, she knows what buying and selling can entail and as your realtor, she will work tirelessly to promote your best interests. If you are selling, she will work with you to get the fairest price, in the least amount of time by using superior marketing materials and technology as well as team collaboration. If you are buying, she will work hard to provide you with the best information on neighborhoods, schools and market data to inform and assist you. Rebecca understands that buying



Rebecca Lavi

and selling can be stressful on individuals, couples, and families. Her goal is to minimize your stress level and to make your experience as pleasurable as possible, accomplishing this with honesty, constant communication, and by being accessible to you whenever you need her!

Rebecca can be reached at Coldwell Banker's Orange office at 236 Boston Post Road, at her direct line phone number 203-824-6809 or email at Rebecca.Lavi@CBMmoves.com.

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS & TREES AT MAPLEWOOD

Support Our Orange Neighbors In Need

We are pleased to announce that Maplewood Senior Living of Orange, 245 Indian River Road, Orange is sponsoring a Festival of Lights and Trees community event to raise funds for the Orange Community Assistance Programs which provides assistance with Food Bank, Fuel Assistance, Holiday Baskets and Adopt a Family. For this event donors are asked to decorate a tree for auction at The Festival of

Lights and Trees. The event will be at Maplewood on December 5, 2017 from 4:30 PM to 7:00PM. The Community Assistance Programs are vital to assist Orange residents in need and are maintained solely by donations and the generosity of local businesses, organizations, schools, churches and residents. Please decorate a tree, stop by for some culinary delights and support your neighbors in need!



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401(K) ELECTIONS

By Roberta L. Nestor

When is the last time you reviewed your 401k elections? If you started your 401k plan years and years ago, more than likely it is on auto-pilot. You elected a fixed percentage of pay as well as where you want your contributions to be invested. You have set-it up and now you can forget it! Nothing could be further from the truth when it comes to your 401k options. According to Fidelity, 401k savings will represent more than 50% of most individual's retirement income. It's time to pay attention to your 401k election options.

Let's start with how much you are contributing. Did you elect a percentage of pay (optimal) or a fixed dollar amount? Fixed dollar amounts will not increase with salary increases. Another consideration is the election of the catch-up provision for employees over age 50. If you started your 401k before age 50, chances are you haven't elected to take advantage of the catch-up provision that allows you to contribute an additional \$6,000 each year. The maximum contribution if you are under age 50 is set for 2018 at \$18,000 (no change) and it is \$24,000 if you are over age 50.

Auto-increases within a 401k plan are fairly recent and not available with all plans. The auto-increase feature allows you to elect a fixed percent increase each year. For example, let's say you are presently contributing 5% of your pay and you elect the auto-increase. You will be able to have a set percentage (typically 1%, 2% or 3%) so that your contribution will automatically increase year by year. This is a great option for younger employees who are not yet at their maximum contribution level. If you consider putting in just 1%, you will never miss it! And, if you have used auto-increase in the past, take a look and see if there is room to increase or change that percentage.

You also need to elect where your payroll contributions (employee) are being invested. Age-weighted portfolios, or target date options have become more common. They are so common, that more and more employers only offer target date type of investments. While they do offer diversification within one investment choice, it is always good to see what else may be available. You are able to elect different investment choices for your contributions versus your employer contributions. Employee and employer contributions can have different allocations, they don't have to be the same. Employer matches are often looked upon as "free money", and some of us might look at that as some-

thing you might be more aggressive with, while others might want to take less risk with their employer match, just know that it is a choice.

Election for the allocation of existing account values is often overlooked. All too many times decisions to move around 401k balances are decided based on emotion rather than professional advice. If you have a financial advisor or your company has an investment representative or advisor for your 401k - it would be advisable to consult with them before moving account balances around. This is your retirement and history has shown that you can't time the market.

The next election is for how you want to classify your contribution. Do you want to elect a traditional pre-tax option where your contribution as well as the earnings are tax-deferred? Or find out if your plan offers a ROTH 401k option. ROTH 401ks means you pay taxes on your contribution now, however, all of the earnings will be tax-free at retirement. If your plan doesn't allow for ROTH 401k options, they might offer after-tax contributions. Similar to the ROTH option, you would be contributing after-tax dollars, however the earnings would be tax deferred. While not as attractive as the ROTH, there are benefits to after-tax dollars as in the future they could be converted into a ROTH (just the contributions, not the tax deferred earnings).

401k plans have become more and more complex and if your plan will represent a significant portion of your retirement income, you need to make sure you are electing the best options for your particular situation. Your financial advisor can offer you the guidance you will need to navigate your plan. The first step is finding out what elections are available to you and what you presently have opted for.

Roberta L. Nestor is a financial advisor practicing at 491 New Haven Avenue in Milford, CT offering retirement, long term care, investment and tax planning services. She also offers securities and advisory services as an Investment Adviser Representative of Commonwealth Financial Network - a member FINRA/SIPC and a Registered Investment Adviser. Fixed insurance products offered through Nestor Financial Network are separate and unrelated to Commonwealth. Commonwealth Financial Network or Nestor Financial Network does not provide legal or tax advice. You should consult a legal or tax professional regarding your individual situation. Roberta can be reached at Nestor Financial Network, 203-876-8066 or roberta@nestorfinancial.com.

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12-year tenure which has resulted in a town he describes as fiscally sound with a triple AAA bond rating, great open space, elementary schools with blue ribbon distinctions and a regional high school that is among one of the best in the state. “We have a lot of good things going on, and a wonderful community,” he said. He pointed out the low vacancy rate on the Boston Post Road, his coups of bringing United Illuminating, Tractor Supply Company, Southern CT Gas Company and more to town and his ongoing meetings with prospective business owners and developers to entice them to come to Orange. “I’ve given a lifetime of commitment to the Town of Orange and maybe that’s why I’m not married and maybe that’s why I have no children, I don’t know but my life has been spent helping, working and volunteering for this town for 58 years and I’ve loved every minute of it,” he said. “I love being First Selectman and ask for the opportunity to continue to do it for the next two years.”

Margaret Novicki, who recently retired from a distinguished, 22-year career with the United Nations, including assignments in Africa and peace-keeping missions in war-torn countries, believes Orange has “been preserved in a time capsule of times gone by” and she could move the town on a more vibrant and thriving path. “I feel the town has stagnated economically over the past 12 years, and we have to focus strongly on our economic development,” she said. “I don’t think we have kept up with our neighbor, Milford -- they are attracting a lot of business that we are not. The Post Road looks sadder than it did when

I was growing up here and there are big commercial properties that are still not being developed. We hear things are coming, but year after year they haven’t materialized.” As the mother of a son who is an artist, Novicki is also committed to developing the arts in town, perhaps finding a building or space where creative people could meet and exhibit their work.

Recently graduated from Southern Connecticut State University, Independent Alex DeAngelo “wants to be a voice for the millennials and anyone who doesn’t have a voice. He too believes economic development is a “pressing issue” and he would focus on bringing more business to town. Having graduated with a degree in science and sports management, and completing internships with the Kansas City Chiefs and the Philadelphia 76ers, sports is near and dear to DeAngelo’s heart. Upgrading the tennis and basketball courts and softball fields would be on his agenda as Selectman and he would look into ways to make money renting out the town’s athletic facilities to various groups for events and tournaments.

Challengers described the High Plains Community Center as “a dump,” with DeAngelo and Novicki saying renovations are long overdue and Zeoli concurring the south wing is “disgraceful”. “It’s taken too long to get some of that work done. We were given bad numbers that didn’t add up,” Zeoli said. “The Senior Café is due for a revamp and repainting.” Novicki added, “Our library and community center should be our crown jewels that residents can be proud of. They are not beautiful and it’s taken too long to get repairs.” Campaigning in the Senior Center brought the dreary conditions

there to Novicki’s and DeAngelo’s attention and they both maintain the seniors deserve a more inviting space to meet.

All three candidates expressed frustration with the dated and aging Orange Convenience Center, and the nearly vacant Firelite Shopping Center and agreed that either spot could be ideal for a town center where the community could gather for shopping and socializing. Zeoli shared that developers have expressed interest in both locations but Orange Convenience Center owner Frank Rogers is not interested in selling and the Firelite Center is for sale for \$5 million, a price that buyers feel is not in keeping with comparable real estate in the area. Zeoli and Novicki reminisced about the past, when the Firelite Plaza housed a bakery, grocer, package store, women’s clothing store and diner.

Zeoli countered that his administration is and has been dedicated to economic development, pointing out he works closely with Ann Marie Slibey, director of the town’s Economic Development Commission to attract business to town. He told the assembled residents that it’s been three years in the making but finally a long-vacant building across from the Hitchcock Plaza has been rented and clean up on the property has begun. And while Zeoli can’t give details about prospective deals that haven’t been finalized, there is “a lot going on” in town, including possible plans to rent 80,000 square feet to build a children’s entertainment center and interest by a specialized business in the automotive industry to lease 65,000 square feet on Con-Air Road.

While taxes have increased two per cent annually during Zeoli’s terms, he said prior to his tenure they were in-

creasing about six percent a year. Taking office just before the economy took a nosedive in 2007 meant he’s learned “to do more with less”. Zeoli said he’s always mindful of ways to save the town money. “I’m cheap!” he said. He cited replacing the town’s street lights with LED lights, sharing heavy equipment with Bethany, regionalizing Animal Control and replacing the controls on the town pool as just a few examples of ways his administration has been able to save hundreds of thousands of dollars. Novicki countered that taxes in Orange are higher than comparable sized towns and Milford has even lowered taxes.

In her closing statement Novicki said, “I have had wide experience in the management field in the outside world, and I have a lot of skills and expertise to bring to this town I love. I strongly support our education system and will do everything to ensure it is at the cutting edge. I think we can expect more from local government. It’s time for new leadership. It’s a new day in Orange and it’s time for a change.”

DeAngelo acknowledged that many people were skeptical that at 24 years old, he could be a serious contender for the job. “In my opinion that benefits the town because I am young and have a lot of life to live. I have a lot of fight and passion. I’ll be here for a while so I might as well start when I’m young. That’s my honest answer,” he said. “I want to be a voice for people who are afraid to speak up for what they believe in or who want things to change but don’t make their opinions known. Me running is very bold and I wanted to have a voice to say what is on residents’ minds. I want to be a voice for my generation as they are the future of Orange.”

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principal and school nurse will publish an approved list prior to the start of each school year. The foods on this list will be provided by the cafeteria only.”

The ammendment passed with a 5-4 vote and nearly three-hours of discussion by the board that centered around allergies, safety and security of students.

“We all want to keep all of our kids safe in Orange. What we’re talking about is some of the most weak and vulnerable. What we’re essentially talking about is creating a new norm,” said Christian Young. “When we started to have these policy discussions two or more years ago, we decided that food is a part of our culture and our society and what we’re asked to do now is abandon that. What we started talking about is where food is coming from. Problems can happen. We were concerned about the sourcing of food, not the content. We are asking our community members to give up something that we all recognize had some value.”

“With a polarizing topic like this, I think it’s really easy for us to get locked into a position and to think that the only way to achieve our interests is the position that we believe will do it,” said Kim Browe. “Every one of us in this room have the same interest, that is the physical and emotional safety of our children. Some people have the position that the

only way to ensure that is to ban food. I disagree. One of the strengths of this community is that we come together and we preserve traditions and celebrations.”

“My concern about food coming from home is more of a security concern,” said Cap. Susan Riccio agreed, “When I’m thinking about the food policy, I’m thinking not just about our children who are allergic or different. All of our children are different in one way, shape or form. I’m also concerned about what is going into foods, not only from an allergy perspective, but also cleanliness perspective. I want to know what my child is eating and when. I want to know how it was prepared. I struggle with the giving food to other people piece.”

After the vote, the board further discussed the new policy. Young asked the board to defer the vote and not rush into a decision on Bunnell’s proposal. He said, “A lot of us here have decided that food is more trouble than it’s worth in the K-6 environment. I think there are a lot of members of our community who disagree and I am one of them. I don’t want my vote to be misinterpreted. Yes, I did just vote for a restriction because the alternative was a complete abstension of any foods whatsoever in our schools and I completely disagree with that. I’d rather salvage something than have nothing.” Young voted in favor of the amendment, but not in favor of the policy, which passed with an 8 to 1 vote.

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Under the budget, there is no municipal contribution requirement to the Teachers’ Retirement System. Special Education will remain funded as it has been, through the Excess Cost-Student Based grant. In Orange, the motor vehicle mill rate cap will be 39 mills in fiscal year 2018 and will go up to 45 mills

in fiscal year 2019.

Klarides said the state will be able to close the massive deficit with less than a one percent increase in taxes and fees. The bulk of the tax hikes are on cigarette sales and the hospital taxes that will be refunded by the federal government once the state completes its application to the federal agency that administers Medicaid and Medicare.



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BULLETIN BOARD

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

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

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

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

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

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

Orange Recycling Committee meets every 3rd Wednesday 7:00pm, HPCC conference room, 525 Orange Center Road, public is invited to attend. For more information, email Orangerecycles@gmail.com. Meeting dates for 2017 are (except for September and November) at High Plains Community Center as follows: October 18, 2017, Thursday, November 16, 2017, December 20, 2017 and January 17, 2018.

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

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

The Rotary Club Of Orange meets every Friday, 12:15pm at the Racebrook Country Club, 246 Derby Avenue; prospective new members may contact

Diane Eger at 203-530-4526 or visit www.rotarycluboforange.org for information about the club.

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

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

Orange Land Trust Guided Hike, Saturday, November 4, 2017, meet at 9:30am, Howard Brooks' Wepawaug Conservation Area parking lot on Mapledale Road (across from Cherry Hill Road), moderate to challenging hike will include information on the historical highlights of the area, free, all are welcome. Only steady rain showers will cancel. For information, call Chris at 203-397-7599.

NAMI Support Group Meeting,

meetings begin promptly at 6:00pm and end promptly at 7:30pm, BRIDGES, a community support system, 949 Bridgeport Avenue, Milford (entrance in the rear of the building), conference room on the second floor, on the following dates for 2017: November 14, and December 5. They are free of charge and facilitator led. Family & Friends welcome.

Challah Baking Workshop, November 16, 2017, 7:30pm, Jewish Women's Circle offering a hands-on workshop; \$25/supplies fee. For location and reservation, contact Bluma Hecht at communitychallahbake@gmail.com.

Annual Christmas Bazaar and Craft Fair, Saturday, November 18, 2017, 9:00am-3:00pm, Our Lady of Assumption Church, 81 Center Road, Woodbridge. Proceeds benefit Student Service Award Scholarship and other financial contributions of the ministry.

14th Annual JCC Holiday Crafts & Gift Fair, Sunday, December 3, 2017, 10:00am-4:00pm, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge; free admission and free parking. For more information, contact debbieb@jccnh.org or 203-387-2424 x276. Vendor space still available, deadline to register is October 1.



Girl Scouts from Amity Troop 60095 participated in the International Coastal Cleanup at Silver Sands State Park in Milford. The scouts joined millions of volunteers across the world who love the ocean and want to protect it. This team found the most cigarette butts, over 200, in less than 1 1/2 hours, compared with the other 25 volunteers who worked on the beach clean-up.

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TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL



CHANGE SMOKE & CO ALARM BATTERIES AS WELL AS CLOCKS

When daylight savings time ends on November 5, it will be time to move clocks back and to replace the batteries in smoke and carbon dioxide alarms. This simple step takes only a few minutes and could save a life.

As winter and the holidays approach – with more cooking, heating, candle use and decorating – the risk of a home fire increases. The chance of dying in a home fire is cut nearly in half by having a working smoke alarm. The majority of home fires occur at night. Many people believe that they will be awakened by the smell of smoke, but poisonous gases and smoke can numb the senses and cause a deeper sleep. An alarm can alert occupants to a fire and allow for an escape. The Orange Fire Marshal's Office offers these tips for installing, testing and maintaining smoke alarms. Choose an alarm that bears the label of a recognized testing laboratory. Place smoke alarms on every level of the home, including the basement, and outside all sleeping areas. For added safety, install smoke alarms in every sleeping area, including rooms where sleeper sofas or futons may be used on occasion. Alarms should be mounted in the following positions: wall - 4 to 12 inches from the ceiling, ceiling - 4 inches from the nearest wall, vaulted ceiling - highest point. Replace the batteries in all smoke alarms twice a year. If an alarm "chirps" to indicate a low battery, change it immediately. Do not disable an alarm by borrowing the batteries for other uses or because of nuisance activations from cooking or bathroom steam. Never paint over a smoke alarm. Test smoke alarms every month by using the test button or an approved smoke substitute. If the home has a central monitoring system, test as directed by the company. Do not use an open-flame device. Special alarms are available for those who are deaf or hard of hearing. They have a strobe or flashing light, as well as the audible alarm. Vibrating devices may also be helpful. Replace smoke alarms after 10 years to protect against failure. They may work when tested, but the older models may be less reliable. When sleeping, be sure that the alarm will rouse all family members and have someone who is easily awakened assigned to wake the others, perhaps by yelling "FIRE" or pounding on doors or walls.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless, tasteless, toxic gas that is a product of combustion. It is harmful when breathed because it attaches to hemoglobin, the part of the blood that carries oxygen to the brain, heart, and other vital organs. CO displaces the oxygen, thus depriving the body of

this much needed element. Without warning, large amounts of CO can overcome a person in minutes, causing loss of consciousness and suffocation. The CO produced while using fuel-fired equipment is usually not harmful. However, increased carbon monoxide levels in homes are caused by faulty heating equipment, poor maintenance of exhaust systems, or something as simple as allowing a vehicle to warm up in an attached garage during cold winter days. Follow these preventative measures to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning. At the beginning of every heating season, be sure to have fuel burning equipment such as oil or gas fired furnaces, fireplaces and wood stoves inspected by certified technicians. Be sure appliances such as water heaters, oven ranges, and clothes dryers are working properly. Have flues and chimneys checked for any buildup of creosote or blockage of the chimney. Be sure to maintain all fuel-fired equipment as described by the manufacturer's specifications. Never leave a car running in an attached garage. The vapors from the vehicle's exhaust could increase the level of carbon monoxide in a home in a matter of minutes! Do not use a gas stove to heat a home in the event of a power failure or heating equipment failure. Never use charcoal or propane grills indoors. Not only does this pose an extreme carbon monoxide hazard, it is also a severe fire hazard as well.

Think safety first when considering the use of alternative heating, such as space heaters. The space heater should be placed at a minimum of three feet from any combustible object. Make sure that all fuel-fired space heaters are equipped with oxygen depletion sensors. Do not use gasoline-powered equipment in enclosed areas of the home. Such engines create a mass amount of carbon monoxide.

Fires and CO events can occur day or night and early notification to all family members by an alarm can save lives. It is also important to have and practice a home escape plan. Everyone should know two ways out of each room and a meeting place outside the home. By preparing, you and your family will respond more calmly, feel more secure and act more quickly in an emergency.

Never hesitate to call 911 and alert the Fire Department if a fire or CO alarm is activated. If you have questions, need assistance regarding fire or carbon monoxide prevention or safety, or would like a free CO alarm, please contact the Orange Fire Marshal's Office at (203) 891-4711, Monday through Friday from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. or at our website www.orangefiremarshal.com.

TOWN HONORS VETERANS

The Town of Orange will be holding a program honoring Veterans on November 11, 2017 at the Veterans Remembrance Walkway at High Plains Community Center at 11:00 AM. We welcome the public and any veterans that wish to attend. At this time, we would also like to remind the public that applications are still available to

purchase commemorative bricks for the Veterans Remembrance Walkway. Bricks are \$100 each and can be purchased by veterans themselves or by families in memory of beloved veterans, either living or deceased.

For further information, please contact Mary Shaw at 203-891-4737 or mshaw@orange-ct.gov.

TOWN LAUNCHES NEWLY DESIGNED WEBSITE

The Town of Orange is pleased to announce the launch of the newly designed town website. The website offers an engaging platform highlighting town departments, boards and commissions, services and a host of community information. One of the new and exciting features includes Notify Me option for residents to stay better informed. Users can subscribe to receive via email or text messages regarding town alerts, calendar events, meeting agendas and minutes. The website is mobile ready and can be viewed on any size device.

"The redesign of our website reflects feedback from the many residents and visitors who use the Town's website," said Jim Zeoli, Orange First Selectman. "Our goal is to ensure that we have clear and easily accessible information available to the public."

The new website is designed with citizens in mind and will improve the overall flow of information." Please visit www.orange-ct.gov to experience this new and dynamic site tailored especially for the residents and visitors of the Town of Orange.

EARLY ORANGE HISTORY & PRESENT-DAY NATURAL BEAUTY

OLT Guided Hike – Howard Brooks' Wepawaug Conservation Area

The Orange Land Trust will be leading a guided hike at the Howard Brooks' Wepawaug Conservation area on Saturday, November 4th. People should meet at 9:30 a.m. at the parking lot on Mapledale Road (across from Cherry Hill Road). GPS location coordinates in decimal degrees: 41.2943 / 73.0302.

This moderate to challenging hike will include information on the historical highlights of the area: a view of an old mill foundation and flume cut through solid rock, and a walk through the Wepawaug Ravine. The area has great beauty that is very visible at this time of year with the reduced foliage and a rich history of early Orange water-powered industry. Here, we can still see the remains of a mill that, at one time, made fabric for union soldiers uniforms during the Civil War.

If you have visited the grist-mill and saw-mill at Sturbridge, Massachusetts, you can easily imagine how this area looked with several mills in operation along the river, from the early settlement days of the seventeenth century to the turn of the twentieth. Interestingly, the Alling Tavern, where the mill workers often ate their meals, is still standing across Route 34 at Mapledale Road. Can you think of the aroma of fresh baked, wholegrain bread and beef stew at lunchtime on a gray and chilly

autumn afternoon? What a welcome for travelers arriving and those workers as they crossed the Derby Turnpike toll road and approached the door ready for a mid-day meal.

Now, with the leaves mostly fallen, we can see more of the landscape within the area, and the beauty of the natural rock-walled ravine will be seen. In addition, we will look over the remains of a 20 foot stone chimney and learn the folksy story of a depression-era structure known as "Jim Neal's cabin".

Please wear appropriate footwear as there are some rocky areas and some "ups and downs" in the trail. We recommend hiking boots/shoes or shoes/sneakers with a good tread. A good hiking stick or trekking pole(s) can be helpful.

The Orange CERT Emergency Communications Team will serve as trail assistants, while they get to know the area terrain and perform a simulated search, rescue and escort exercise.

This free hike, conducted by volunteers of the Orange Land Trust, is not difficult for those who are sure-footed and presents an opportunity to reconnect with our town's history and beauty. All are welcome and please bring a friend. Only steady rain showers will cancel. For information, call Chris at 203-397-7599.

TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

FROM THE YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

By John Ulatowski





A recent babysitting class under the direction of Mickey Reid.

Youth Services Job Bank Residents Can Assist With Variety Of Jobs

Orange Youth Services Job Bank provides a service of pre-screened students, ages 13-16, who can be employed by area residents to do a large variety of jobs such as yard work, garden help, raking, snow shoveling, mother’s helper, and more.

For further information, please contact John Ulatowski, Orange Youth Services Coordinator at 203-891-4785.

Youth Services High School Volunteers Can Assist With Community Events

Orange Youth Services has a list of Orange High School youth who are available to assist their community with a variety of volunteer needs. Our volunteers have signed up with a parent with Youth Services to access opportunities in regards to attaining their necessary school volunteer credit hours. They are available for a variety of community and organizational services located in Orange. For information, please email John Ulatowski, Orange Youth Services Coordinator, at julatowski@orange-ct.gov.

ADOPTING ORANGE FAMILIES & ELDERLY FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Every year the Community Services Department for the Town of Orange organizes a gift-giving event for our Resident Families and Elderly in Orange who are in need. The identities of our recipients are kept confidential for their privacy. We are asking Orange residents to adopt one of our families/elderly residents or to donate whatever they can to help us out this year.

The families that participate are asked to send us wish lists from their children to help our sponsors with ideas for gift giving, whether it’s a toy, clothing, and a book or gift card. We also request grocery gift cards for perishable items and decorated food baskets, containers, boxes, bags, etc. for our recipients to help them with their food

needs.

We will have cutoff dates of November 17th for Thanksgiving and December 15th for Christmas; these are for delivering your donations to our office.

If you would rather send a monetary donation you can donate to the Community Assistance Fund which covers all programs we have in our department. Send your check to The Town of Orange Community Services Department at High Plains Community Center, 525 Orange Center Road, Orange, CT 06477. Checks are Payable to: “Treasurer Town of Orange”.

If you would like to participate in this great cause please contact: Kim Callahan at (203) 891-4788 Monday thru Fridays 8:30am until 4:30pm.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUND DONATIONS

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Here are some ways for you to help in your community:

1. A Fall Food Drive is in progress to replenish our Food Closet. We distribute non-perishable items to Orange residents on a monthly basis and also in an emergency situation. Some suggestions: dry milk, cereal, juice, canned chicken/turkey or tuna, chili, hash, rice, canned soups, canned vegetables, canned fruit, pasta, pasta sauce, macaroni & cheese, cereal, crackers, peanut butter, jelly, coffee, tea, toiletries, paper goods, Ensure and any other non-perishable item that can help a resident in need.
2. Food baskets containing complete supplies for a meal are distributed to eligible Orange residents for Thanksgiving, Hanukkah, and Christmas.
3. Donations of grocery gift certificates to purchase chicken, turkey, ham, and non-perishables. (Any monetary amount from \$25.00 and up.)
4. Gift cards and movie coupons for the children and teens.
5. Monetary donations are accepted for our Community Services Assistance Fund by check only.

Please make checks payable to: Treasurer Town of Orange

Mail to:
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High Plains Community Center
525 Orange Center Road
Orange. CT 06477

Please call the Community Services Department at (203) 891-4788 if you have any questions or would just to like to help.

WE WILL NEED TO KNOW ASAP IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP US.

TOWN OF ORANGE MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2017		
(Subject to Change, Check with Town Clerk's Office, 203-891-4730)		
1st	Conservation Comm.....	7:00 pm HPCC
2nd	OGAT	7:30 pm Town Hall
6th	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:00 pm Town Hall
	Country Fair Cmte	7:30 pm HPCC
8th	OVNA Board of Governors.....	8:30 am Clark Bldg
	Economic Development Comm	5:30 pm Town Hall
	Board of Selectmen (special meeting)	7:30 pm Town Hall
	Town Plan & Zoning Comm	7:30 pm HPCC
9th	Community Services	7:00 pm HPCC
	Pension Board	7:00 pm Town Hall
13th	Traffic Authority	4:30 pm Police Dept
	Board of Police Comm	4:30 pm Police Dept
	Amity Board of Education	6:30 pm Woodbridge
14th	Inland Wetlands Comm.....	7:30 pm Town Hall
15th	CERT	7:00 pm HPCC
	Park & Recreation Comm	7:30 pm Town Hall
16th	OVNA Professional Advisory Cmte ...	5:00 pm Clark Bldg
	Case Memorial Library Comm	7:00 pm Case Mem. Library
	Recycling Cmte.....	7:00 pm HPCC
17th	Emergency Management.....	8:00 am Police Station
20th	Family Counseling.....	9:00 am HPCC
	Board of Finance	7:30 pm Town Hall
	Orange Board of Education.....	7:30 pm Mary L Tracy Bldg
21st	Town Plan & Zoning Comm	7:30 pm Town Hall
27th	Youth Services	7:00 pm HPCC
30th	WPCA.....	7:00 pm Town Hall
	Bond Construction Oversight Cmte .	7:30 pm Town Hall

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 281 Old Tavern Rd, Orange \$500,000	 39 Hickory Rd, Woodbridge \$498,000	 88 Maplevale Dr, Woodbridge \$469,900	 89 Center Rd, Woodbridge \$449,000	 122 N Humiston, Bethany \$432,000	 889 Grassy Hill Rd, Orange \$425,900
 109 Litchfield Tpk, Bethany \$423,900	 31 Pease Rd, Woodbridge \$329,000	 276 Sarah Circle, Orange \$299,000	 294 Hemlock Dr, Orange \$299,000	 808 Hillcrest Rd, Orange \$294,900	 211 Seymour Road, Wdbg \$292,750
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HELEN LEN KOZIEL CELEBRATES 101ST BIRTHDAY

Orange resident, Helen Len Koziel, recently celebrated her 101st birthday with family and friends. Helen attributes her longevity to many things, all of which, she explains, add up to FAITH, FAMILY and FRIENDS. Helen possesses each of the above in great abundance! She is very active in soul, mind and body. She faithfully volunteers at the Beth El Soup Kitchen in Milford, believing it is everyone’s birth privilege to care for others in need whenever possible. Helen also enjoys taking water exercise classes at the Milford Woodruff YMCA, swimming at the Orange Town Pool at High Plains Community Center, and playing games on her computer. Helen is a voracious reader and can often be found at the Orange library borrowing its most recent offerings of reading material as well as favorite novels from times past -- each book a “treasure” to Helen.

Helen’s unconditional love, positive attitude, and kind and quiet spirit has earned her the respect and admiration

of her family and friends. Helen, adored matriarch of her family, was the guest of honor at a dinner party hosted by her children, Joe and Joan Koziel and Vin and Barbara Schmidt. Other celebrations in her honor were hosted and attended by the Milford YMCA members, her friends at the Orange Pool and Fitness Center, her long-time friends-aka-the Lollies, and the Beth El staff and the ‘Soup Chic’ Volunteers.

Helen also celebrated this birthday by visiting Europe with family members, comprising three generations of Helen’s family. Visits to the churches in Poland where Helen’s mother and father were baptized were the main highlights of her vacation. Helen and her family travelers also enjoyed exploring modern Krakow, Budapest and Vienna. Via a road trip, additions to this vacation were visits to historical sites and scenery in each city and in areas along the way.

HAPPY 101st BIRTHDAY, HELEN!!!
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Our Santa Teams at the Orange Volunteer Fire Department are busy getting ready for our 23rd year of delivering gifts, smiles and fun to hundreds of families in Orange once again this year. As you know, Santa's Helper is a wonderful, exciting and fun-filled memorable fundraising event with 100 percent of the proceeds benefiting your Orange Volunteer Fire Department for the purchase of firefighting and rescue equipment.

Each year, every one of our 6 Santa's Helper Teams of Santa, Elves and firefighter helpers are excited and honored to visit and deliver gifts, share in some fun, take photos and help make lasting memories and traditions for every family. Children and adults alike look forward with great anticipation to seeing the fire trucks with lights and sirens coming down their street to their front door, with Santa leading the way! His truck full of gifts, his helpers and Elves visiting with each family.

WE WANT EVERYONE TO JOIN IN THE FUN, IT'S EASY! Drop off the gifts on the designated drop-off day that you would like Santa and his team to deliver back to your loved ones, sign-up and we will do the rest.

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GIFT DROP OFF DAY IS SATURDAY,
NOVEMBER 18, 2017, 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
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(Across from Friday's). We ask that the general public arrive no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the 12:00 start time. You will have a much shorter wait in line by following these new guidelines.

GIFT RULES AND INFORMATION: There is a small fee of \$18.00 per gift/per household. Each gift must be IN-

DIVIDUALLY wrapped in your favorite holiday paper with an over-wrap of plain brown paper. The name and address of the recipient must be clearly printed on the outside of each gift. PLEASE try not to make the gift too large or too heavy, Santa appreciates that. We have a total of 170 delivery spots/visits available. We

encourage you to try to have all the gifts for your delivery stop with you on Gift Drop-Off day. (For Families with a large party with many gifts, please email Elf Mama at ofdsantashelper@aol.com for special instructions.

Parking for Drop-Off day is in the rear of the Fire Station. Firefighters will be there to assist you. The Drop-Off line is located INSIDE the Fire Station. Use the rear door marked ENTER.

On SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2017, Santa on his fire truck with his Elf and firefighter helpers will arrive at your home to deliver the gifts to your loved ones and spend a few moments with your family and friends for photos and fun!

If you have any questions, you can email Elf Mama at ofdsantashelper@aol.com, she will be happy to assist you via email. Please do not call the Fire Stations as it's a Volunteer Fire Department and there will not be anyone there to assist you with Santa's Helper information. Visit www.orangevfd.com and click on the Santa's Helper page for additional information and to see some fun pictures of what we do!

****Emailing Santa's Helper does not guarantee you a spot on the delivery route. Sign-up is on Gift Drop-Off Day and is on a first come-first serve basis.**

The Orange Volunteer Fire Department family wishes everyone a safe, happy holiday season!

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by cindy elavsky

Q: Why did they kill off **Erinn Hayes'** character on **"Kevin Can Wait"**? I thought she was a great counterpart to **Kevin James**. -- Jeri T., via email

A: After **Leah Remini** guest-starred last season, the powers that be must have felt she was the boost the show needed. The first season of "Kevin Can Wait" didn't really take off in the way **"King of Queens"** did, so they must be trying to recapture the "magic" of the previous series. After bad ratings and dismal reviews, I guess it was time to shake things up. The producers insist that Erinn's ouster was "not a reflection" of her performance.

For those of you startled by the abrupt change, you're not alone. Even Erinn was taken aback by her character being killed off. But she took the news like a pro, proclaiming on Twitter: "True, I've been let go from the show. Very sad, I had a great experience season 1. Thank you for all the support from our wonderful fans."

Not all of the show's fans are on board with this casting shuffle: Numerous petitions have shown up online, and fans are taking to message boards, Twitter and Facebook to share their confusion and anger. And, of course, there are the trolls who are viciously blaming Leah for the change, but here's to hoping they grow up and direct their energy toward more important things in life.

Q: I've really been enjoying the new season of **"Designated Survivor,"** but where is **Virginia Madsen**? I loved her character's supportive antagonism toward President Kirkman, and feel he really needs her as his foil. -- Brenda F., Mansfield, Ohio



Virginia Madsen [ABC/Sven Frenzel]

A: Virginia's character of the former congresswoman Kimble Hookstraten has been written off the show and will not be back for season two, which is a shame because I too enjoyed watching her interactions with **Kiefer Sutherland's** president, wondering if she was going to support or undermine him. But I guess as his character becomes stronger in his role of the reluctant president, he has bigger fish to fry.

Like Erinn in the question above, Virginia is taking her leave like the classy lady she is, stating on Twitter: "I won't be back for Season 2. I guess they had other stories to tell. It's a big show, so I wish them well. But I would like return to kick some ass. It was a great role. I was loving it."

Q: I'm so glad that **Ryan Eggold** is back on **"The Blacklist,"** but what happened to his spinoff show? -- John G., via Twitter

A: **"The Blacklist: Redemption,"** which premiered in back February, was canceled in May after one season. This is sad for me because I enjoyed watching **Terry O'Quinn** playing Ryan's father. However, we'll get to see Terry next year on Hulu in the **Stephen King**-adapted series of **"Castle Rock."** I can't wait for that one!

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State ElectionEffective December 3, 1992

Article IIIncorporation and General Powers

Section 1.1. Incorporation:

All the inhabitants dwelling within the territorial limits of the Town of Orange, as heretofore constituted, shall continue to be a body of politic and corporate under the name of the “Town of Orange”, hereinafter called the Town, and as such shall have perpetual succession and shall hold and exercise all powers and privileges heretofore exercised by the Town and not inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter, the additional powers and privileges herein conferred and all powers and privileges conferred upon municipalities under the general laws of the State of Connecticut.

Section 1.2. Rights and Obligations:

All property, both real and personal, all rights of action and rights of every description and all liens vested or inchoate in the Town as of the effective date of this Charter are continued in the Town, and the Town shall continue to be liable for all debts and obligations of every kind for which the Town shall be liable on said date. Nothing herein shall be construed to affect the right of the Town to collect any assessment, charge, debt, or lien. If any contract has been entered into by the Town prior to the effective date of this Charter or any bond or undertaking has been given by or in favor of the Town which contains provisions that the same may be enforced by a commission, board, officer or agency therein named, which is abolished by the provisions of this Charter, such contracts, bonds, or undertakings shall be in no manner impaired but shall continue in full force and effect. The powers conferred and the duties imposed with reference to the same upon any such commission, board, officer or agency shall, except as otherwise provided in this Charter, thereafter be exercised and discharged by the First Selectman.

Section 1.3. General Grant of Powers:

In addition to all powers granted to towns under the Constitution and General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, the Town shall have all powers specifically granted by this Charter and all powers fairly implied in or incident to the powers expressly granted and all other powers incident to the management of the property, government and affairs of the Town, including the power to enter into contracts with the United States or any federal agency, the State of Connecticut or any political subdivision thereof for services and the use of facilities, the exercise of which is not expressly forbidden by the Constitution and General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, and to accept grants from such governmental and private agencies. The enumeration of particular powers in this and any other Article of this Charter shall not be construed as limiting this general grant of power but shall be considered as an addition thereto.

Article II
The Town Meeting

Section 2.1. The Town Meeting:

Annual and Special Meetings. An annual Town Meeting shall be held for the consideration of the budget and for the consideration of other town business properly before it. It may be adjourned from time to time. Special Town Meetings for the consideration of items properly before them may be called by the Selectmen and shall be called by them within twenty-one (21) days after receipt of a petition signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors on the latest official lists of the Registrars of Voters of the Town, filed with the Town Clerk.

Section 2.2. Notice of Town Meetings:

Notice of each Town Meeting, whether the Annual or a Special Meeting, shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the General Statutes or any ordinance thereon.

Section 2.3. Quorum:

A quorum, for the purposes of a Town Meeting, shall consist of the number of qualified electors or taxpayers present.

Section 2.4. Moderator:

Any Town Meeting shall be presided over by the Town Meeting Moderator, or in his absence by a Deputy Town Meeting Moderator, who shall be appointed and have the powers as hereinafter provided.

Section 2.5. Conduct of the Town Meeting:

Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of the Town Meetings.

Section 2.6. When Action by Town Meetings Required:

(a) The annual budget, any resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds or notes or other borrowing of less than one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) except notes in anticipation of taxes to be paid within the fiscal year in which issued, any sale of real estate of the Town or any interest therein and any purchase of real estate or interest therein with a value of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000.00) or more, shall become effective only after it has been adopted or approved at a Town Meeting by a majority vote of persons qualified to vote at Town Meetings, present and voting at such meeting. The Town Meeting shall not act upon any proposal for the sale or purchase of such real estate or any interest therein, or the issuance of such bonds or notes or other borrowing except upon the recommendation and after approval of the Board of Selectmen.

(b) After the same has been approved by the Board of Selectmen, any resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds or notes of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) or more, shall be placed on the call of a Town Meeting; and after completion of other business and after reasonable discussion on such appropriation or resolution, the Moderator of such meeting shall adjourn the meeting to reconvene not less than seven (7) nor more than fourteen (14) days thereafter as provided in Section 7.7 of the General Statutes, as amended, and such resolution shall become effective only after it has been submitted to the persons qualified to vote in such meeting for a “yes” or “no” vote on the voting machines. The voting machine ballot labels shall be provided by the Town Clerk. At the closing of the polls the Moderator shall cause the vote to be counted; and any such resolution shall, if approved by a majority of those voting thereon, be deemed to be a vote of the Town Meeting.

(c) 1. The vote on any annual budget recommendation on the call of any Town Meeting shall be submitted to a vote on the voting machines in accordance with Section 2.6 (b) above and, if approved by a majority of those voting thereon, shall be deemed to be a vote of the Town Meeting.

(c) 2. Any other item or items on the call of any Town Meeting shall, if the Selectmen by majority vote so determine and/or if requested at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to such meeting by a petition signed by not less than 5% of the qualified electors on the latest official lists of the Registrars of Voters of the Town filed with the Town Clerk, be submitted to a vote on the voting machines in accordance with Section 2.6 (b) above and, if approved by a majority of those voting thereon, shall be deemed to be a vote of the Town Meeting.

(d) In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 5.20 of this Charter, the Town Meeting is empowered and may be required to elect members of the Board of Education, Regional District 5.

Article III
Board of Selectmen

Section 3.1. Board of Selectmen:

There shall be a Board of Selectmen consisting of the First Selectman and five Selectmen, all of whom shall be elected as hereinafter provided.

Section 3.2. General Powers and Duties:

Except as otherwise specifically provided by this Charter, the Board of Selectmen shall have all the powers and duties conferred upon it by the Constitution, General Statutes and Special Acts of the State upon Boards of Selectmen.

The Legislative power of the Town shall be vested in the Board of Selectmen, and the Board of Selectmen shall be the legislative body of the Town with residual legislative authority as to all

matters except those matters specifically enumerated and vested in the Town Meeting by this Charter.

Subject to the provisions of this Article III, the legislative power of said board shall include but shall not be limited to the following powers: to enact, amend or repeal ordinances not inconsistent with this Charter or the General Statutes of the State; to create or abolish, by ordinance, boards, commissions, departments, agencies and offices; to contract for services and the use of facilities of the United States or of any federal agency, the State of Connecticut or any political subdivision thereof, or by agreement join with any such political subdivision to provide services and facilities, and to fix the charges, if any, to be made for services rendered by the Town or for the execution of powers vested in the Town as provided in Article I of this Charter.

Section 3.3.

The Board of Selectmen shall meet at least once in each month, unless any such monthly meeting shall be waived by a unanimous vote of all the Selectmen. Additionally, the Board of Selectmen shall meet at the call of the First Selectman or at the call of four (4) members of the Board of Selectmen acting together, at such time and place as is stated in the call to transact such business as shall be before it. A majority of members of the Board of Selectmen shall constitute a quorum for transaction of business.

Section 3.4. Public Hearing on and Publication of Ordinances:

At least one public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen before any ordinance shall be passed. Notice of the hearing shall be given at least ten (10) days in advance by publication in a newspaper having a circulation in the Town and by posting a notice in a public place.

The enactment of an ordinance shall require the vote of a majority of the entire Board of Selectmen. On the advice of Town Counsel, minor or perfecting amendments may be made in a proposed ordinance without further public hearing. Every ordinance, after passage, shall be filed with the Town Clerk, and recorded, compiled and properly indexed. Within ten days after passage, notice of the passage of the ordinance shall be published once in a newspaper having circulation within the Town. Every ordinance, unless it shall specify a later date, shall become effective on the twenty-first (21st) day after such publication of the notice of passage, except as otherwise provided in Section 3.5 herein.

Section 3.5. Petition of Overrule of Action of Selectmen:

All ordinances, except emergency ordinances adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 3.7 herein, shall be subject to overrule by referendum as follows: If within twenty (20) days after the publication of any such ordinance, a petition is filed conforming to the requirements of Section 7-9 of the General Statutes, as amended, and signed by not less than 5% of the electors of the Town, as determined from the latest official lists of the Registrars of Voters as filed with the Town Clerk, requesting reference of the ordinance to a referendum, the effective date of such ordinance shall be suspended and the Selectmen shall fix the time and place of such referendum which shall be within forty-five (45) days after the filing of the petition, and notice thereof shall be given in the manner provided by law for the calling of a referendum. Said enactment shall take effect unless a majority of those voting in the referendum shall have voted to overrule said enactment, provided however, that if the referendum is held at other than a regular election, said majority to overrule must equal at least 15% of those entitled to vote. No steps to enforce said enactment shall be taken until the time for filing said petition has passed, or, if such a petition has been filed until after the referendum has been held and said enactment has been upheld.

Section 3.6. Petition for Enactment of Ordinances:

(a) Subject to the provisions of Article II, Section 2.6, not less than 5% of the electors of the Town, as determined from the latest official lists of the Registrars of Voters, may at any time petition over their personal signatures for the enactment of any proposed lawful ordinance by filing such petition, including the complete text of such ordinance, with the Town Clerk. At least one public hearing shall be held by the Selectmen on the proposed ordinance, notice of which shall be given at least ten (10) days in advance by publication in a newspaper having a circulation in the Town and by posting a notice in a public place. The Selectmen shall call a referendum, to be held after the hearing and in any event not later than forty-five (45) days from the date of the filing of the petition, unless prior to such referendum such ordinance shall be enacted by the Selectmen. The call for such referendum shall state the proposed ordinance in full and shall provide for a “yes” or “no” vote as to its enactment. If a majority of the persons voting at such referendum shall vote “yes”, then such ordinance shall take effect on the tenth day thereafter without further action of the Selectmen, provided however, that if the referendum is held at other than a regular election, said majority shall equal at least 15% of those entitled to vote.

(b) Any such proposed ordinance shall be examined by the Town Counsel before being submitted to the referendum. The Town Counsel is authorized to correct the form of such ordinance for the purpose of avoiding repetitions, illegalities and unconstitutional provisions, and to assure accuracy in its text and references and clearness and preciseness in its phraseology, but may not materially change its meaning and effect.

Section 3.7. Emergency Ordinances:

An ordinance stated to be a public emergency measure and stating the facts constituting such public emergency may be passed by the Board of Selectmen without public hearing or notice and shall become effective immediately upon publication as required in Section 3.4 of this Article.

Every such emergency ordinance including any amendments thereto, shall automatically stand repealed at the termination of the sixty-first (61st) day following the effective date of said ordinance.

Section 3.8. Review of Appointments:

The Board of Selectmen shall review all appointments made by the First Selectman to appointive office or boards, commissions or agencies, or to fill vacancies on elected or appointive boards, commissions, agencies and offices, in accordance with the provisions of Article IV of this Charter. Such appointments shall automatically become effective unless disapproved by resolution of the Board of Selectmen within ten (10) days after presentation by the First Selectman.

Section 3.9.

The Board of Selectmen may require such information from, or joint meetings with, any Town officers or agencies as it may find necessary to carry out the duties and responsibilities placed upon it.

Section 3.10. Secretary-Clerk to the Board:

The Board of Selectmen may, by a majority vote, appoint an individual as Secretary-Clerk to the Board to serve at its pleasure. He shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the Board within the amount budgeted therefor. He shall keep the records of the Board of Selectmen, shall attend all meetings of the Board and of such other boards and commissions of the Town as he may be directed so to do by the Board. He shall assist the First Selectman in carrying out his executive governmental functions in such manner as the First Selectman shall direct.

Section 3.11. Annual Audit:

The Board of Selectmen shall annually designate an independent certified public accountant or firm of independent certified public accountants to audit the books and accounts of the Town in accordance with the provisions of Chapter III (one hundred eleven) of the General Statutes, as amended.

Article IV
The First Selectman

Section 4.1. First Selectman:

The First Selectman shall preside over all meetings of the Board of Selectmen but this office shall not deprive him of his vote on any question.

The First Selectman shall be recognized as the official head of the Town for all ceremonial purposes, for military purposes and for the purpose of receiving civil process.

Section 4.2. General Powers and Duties:

The First Selectman shall be the Chief Executive Officer and the agent of the Town, and except as otherwise specifically provided by this Charter, any power given or duty imposed by the General Statutes on the Chief Executive of any town shall be vested in and exercised by him.

In addition to the powers and duties prescribed by the General Statutes, he shall administer all the offices and agencies in charge of persons appointed by him and shall supervise and direct the

same. He shall be responsible for all purchasing done in the name of the Town, except for purchases of the Board of Education. The First Selectman shall cause to be kept full and complete records of the doings of his office, and it shall be his duty to make periodic reports to the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance, to keep or cause to be kept complete books of account showing separately an account of each item of appropriation made each year and all disbursements made which are chargeable against each such appropriation so that at all times there may be available in the office of the Selectman the continuing current status of all appropriations and disbursements charged thereto, to cause to be kept such other books of account as municipalities are required by statute to keep, and to exercise such other powers and duties as may be imposed upon him by the Board of Selectmen and the Town Meeting. Neither the Town Meeting nor the Board of Selectmen shall diminish by ordinance, vote or otherwise, the powers and duties of the First Selectman except those powers and duties imposed on him by direction of the Selectmen under the provisions of this **Charter**.

The First Selectman shall be an ex officio member of all **Boards** and **Commissions** with vote only on the Board of Selectmen, but he shall not attend executive sessions of Boards and Commissions in circumstances where his attendance would be unlawful.

Section 4.3. Succession to Office:

(a) During the absence or disability of the First Selectman, the remaining members of the Board of Selectmen shall choose one of their members of the same political party as that of the First Selectman to be Acting First Selectman who shall carry out all of the duties of the First Selectman.

(b) In the case of the death or other removal from office of the First Selectman, the remaining members of the Board of Selectmen shall within thirty (30) days by resolution appoint one of their members of the same party to fill the vacancy.

Section 4.4. Appointments:

The First Selectman shall appoint all appointive officers and shall fill by appointment all vacancies on appointed or elective boards, commissions, agencies, and offices except as other procedures are specifically provided in this Charter or amendments, and/or are made mandatory by **General Statutes**. All such appointments shall be reviewed by the Board of Selectmen and shall become effective unless disapproved by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with the provisions of Article III of this Charter.

In exercising the power herein conferred to fill vacancies with respect to elective offices or membership upon elective boards or commissions, the First Selectman shall make an interim appointment for the unexpired portion of the term, or until the next biennial town election, whichever shall be sooner; provided that when the persons vacating the office shall have been elected as a member of a political party, such vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of a member of the same political party.

**Article V
Elected Boards and Commissions**

Section 5.1. Town Plan and Zoning Commission:

There shall be a Town Plan and Zoning Commission consisting of five members who shall be electors of the Town. Said Commission shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations of a zoning commission established under Chapter 124 of the General Statutes and of a planning commission established under Chapter 126 of the General Statutes as either of said chapters is presently or may hereafter be amended, both of which chapters the Town hereby adopts.

Section 5.2.

The members of the Town Plan and Zoning Commission, on the day following the date of the adoption of this Charter, shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they have been elected. Section I of Special Act 115 of the 1969 General Assembly shall be given effect with respect to the expiration of terms to the extent that it is not inconsistent with this Section 5.2.

There shall be elected at the municipal election of 2019, three members, including the deferred term. The two members elected with terms commencing in November of 2019 shall be elected for a term of four years. The one member elected to the deferred term commencing in November 2020 shall be elected for a term of three years. There shall be two members elected at the municipal election of 2021, both of whom shall be elected for a term of four years. Thereafter, at each biennial election, there shall be elected three members and then two members for terms of four years to succeed those members whose terms expire. Beginning with the biennial election held in November 2020, there shall no longer be a deferred term.

Section 5.3.

Said Commission may appoint a zoning enforcement officer with such compensation as may be fixed by it within the amount budgeted therefor.

Section 5.4.

Alternates to the Town Plan and Zoning Commission shall be chosen in accordance with the provisions of Section 8-1b of the General Statutes.

Section 5.10. Board of Education:

There shall be a Board of Education consisting of ten members. Except as otherwise specifically provided by this Charter, the Board of Education shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations set forth in the General Statutes with respect to boards of education as the same may, from time to time, be amended.

Section 5.11.

The members of the Board of Education in office on the day following the date of the adoption of this Charter shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they or the persons they are succeeding in office have been elected. There shall be four members elected at the municipal election of 1971, two of whom shall be elected for a term of two years and two of whom shall be elected for a term of four years. One of the two members elected in 1971 for four two year terms shall be a minority party member and one of the two members elected in 1971 for four year terms shall be a minority party member. Thereafter at each biennial election there shall be elected five members who shall hold office for a term of four years to succeed those whose terms expire.

Section 5.12.

The Board of Education shall, to the fullest extent reasonable, make available to the Park and Recreation Commission property owned by the Town for current or future educational purposes, but not currently used for such purposes, in order to provide the maximum park and recreational facilities for the townspeople, consistent with the budget of the Park and Recreation Commission.

Section 5.20. Board of Education, Regional District 5:

So long as the Town is a member of Regional School District 5, members representing the Town shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 164 of the General Statutes.

The elected representatives of the Town on said Board at the date of the adoption of this Charter shall continue to be members of said Board for the terms for which they were elected.

Section 5.30. Board of Finance:

There shall be a Board of Finance consisting of six members. Said Board shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations specified in the General Statutes with respect to boards of finance as the same may, from time to time, be amended.

Section 5.31.

Those members of the Board of Finance in office on the day following the adoption of this Charter shall continue to be members thereof for the respective terms for which they shall have been elected.

There shall be elected at the municipal election of 1971, two members, one of whom shall be elected for a term of four years and one of whom shall be elected for a term of two years. Thereafter at each biennial election three members shall be elected for a term of four years to succeed those whose terms expire.

Section 5.40. Other Elected Boards:

There shall be such other elected boards as may be required by General Statutes or applicable Special Acts enacted after the Effective Date of this Charter or as may be created by appropriate amendment of this Charter, such Boards to consist of such numbers of members and to be elected in the manner prescribed in the General **Statutes** or in the applicable Special Act

requiring their creation or in the amendment to this Charter creating such Board. In the absence of a specification of number, any such Board shall consist of five members. In the absence of a specified method of election, such Board shall be elected at the Town Election next after its creation in such manner that three members are elected for a four year term and two members are elected for a two year term. Alternately thereafter at each biennial election there shall be elected three members and then two members for terms of four years to succeed those members whose terms expire.

Section 5.50. Use of Committees by Boards or Commissions:

While all official action of any board or commission must be taken by the requisite vote of such board or commission, one or more committees may be appointed by any board or commission under the chairmanship of one of its members to study and make recommendations with respect to such of the duties of such board or commission as may be assigned to any such committee.

**Article VI
Appointed Boards and Commissions**

Section 6.1. Board of Zoning Appeals:

There shall be a Board of Zoning Appeals consisting of five regular members and three alternate members. Said Board shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations of a Board of Zoning Appeals established under Chapter 124 of the General Statutes as said chapter is presently or may hereafter be amended and such powers, duties and responsibilities and subject to such restrictions and limitations as may, from time to time, be prescribed by the Orange Zoning Ordinance.

**Section 6.10 BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS
(formerly Board of Tax Review)**

There shall be a Board of Tax Review consisting of five members. Said Board shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations specified in the General Statutes with respect to boards of tax review as the same may, from time to time, be amended. **Section 6.1.1.**

Those members of the Board of Tax Review in office on the day following the adoption of the Charter Amendment of 1992 shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they have been appointed. Upon the effective date of said Charter Amendment, the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, one member to serve a term which shall expire on December 2, 1993 and one member who shall serve a term to expire on December 7, 1995. As each term expires, the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each such vacancy thus created for a term of four years.

Section 6.2.

Those members of the Board of Zoning Appeals and alternates in office on the day following the adoption of this Charter shall continue to be members thereof for the respective terms for which they shall have been elected. As each such term expires the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each such vacancy thus created for a term of four years.

Section 6.20. Board of Police Commissioners:

There shall be a Board of Police Commissioners consisting of five members. The Board of Police Commissioners shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations specified in the General Statutes with respect to boards of police commissioners as the same may, from time to time, be amended.

Section 6.21.

Those members of the Board of Police Commissioners in office on the day following the date of the adoption of this Charter shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they have been elected. Thereafter, as each such term expires, the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each such vacancy thus created for a term of four years.

Section 6.30. Safety Commission:

There shall be a Safety Commission consisting of the Chief of Police, the Superintendent of Schools, the Building Inspector, the Town Director of Civil Defense, the Fire Marshal and such other additional members, not in excess of five such additional members, representative of Town agencies, as the First Selectman shall, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, from time to time, appoint.

Section 6.31.

It shall be the duty of the Safety Commission to recommend to the Board of Selectmen the adoption of ordinances or the taking of other appropriate Town action to assure the continued safety of the townspeople.

Section 6.32.

It shall be the duty of the Safety Commission to recommend to the Board of Selectmen the elimination of hazards to safety as the same may exist in the Town. The Board of Selectmen is empowered to negotiate with the owner of any such hazard for its elimination. Failing the successful completion of any such negotiation, the Board of Selectmen shall take such action as it, with the advice of Town Counsel, deems appropriate to eliminate such hazard.

Section 6.40. Economic Development Commission:

There shall be an Economic Development Commission consisting of five members. Such Commission organized under the provisions of Section 7-136 of the General Statutes heretofore and herein adopted by the Town shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations specified in the General Statutes with respect to development and industrial commissions as the same may, from time to time, be amended. In addition to such powers, duties and responsibilities, said Commission shall:

- (1) Make such recommendations, from time to time, as it deems appropriate to the Town Plan and Zoning Commission with respect to possible amendments to the Comprehensive Town Plan or to the zoning regulations as they affect industrial development.
- (2) Confer with similar commissions of abutting towns in order to make recommendations with respect to the development of adequate roads, utility services and industrial sewage disposal in a manner consistent with that of other towns.
- (3) Foster and promote orderly commercial and industrial development in the Town and work with other Town agencies toward such ends.

Section 6.41.

Those members of the **Economic Development Commission** in office on the day following the adoption of this Charter shall continue to be members thereof for the respective terms for which they were appointed. As each such term expires the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each vacancy thus created for a term of four years.

Section 6.50. Park and Recreation Commission

There shall be a Park and Recreation **Commission** consisting of nine members. Said Commission shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations specified in the General Statutes with respect to municipal park commissions, as said statutes have heretofore been or may hereafter be amended. In addition to such powers, duties and responsibilities, said Commission shall:

- (1) Have jurisdiction over and have the responsibility for maintaining such properties as are assigned to its jurisdiction by ordinance.
- (2) Have such jurisdiction over and responsibility for the maintenance of properties temporarily transferred to its jurisdiction by the Board of Education or other boards of the Town as shall be provided by arrangements with such other boards.
- (3) Provide a program of recreational activity and engage such personnel in the furtherance thereof within the limitations of the Commission's budget.

Section 6.51.

Those members of the Park and Recreation Commission in office on the day following the adoption of this Charter shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they have been appointed. The First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, four additional members for a term of four years.

Thereafter as each such term expires, the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each vacancy for a term of two years.

Section 6.60. Conservation Commission:

There shall be a Conservation Commission consisting of seven members for the development and conservation of natural resources, including water resources, within the territorial limits of the Town.

Said Commission shall have all the powers, possess all of the rights and may engage in any of the activities enumerated in Section 7-131 (a) of the General Statutes.

Section 6.61.

Those members of the Conservation Commission in office on the day following the date of the adoption of this Charter shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they have been appointed. Thereafter as each such term expires, the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each vacancy so created for a term of four years.

Section 6.70. Sewer Commission:

There shall be a Sewer Commission consisting of five members. Said Commission shall have the powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to the restrictions and limitations specified in the General Statutes with respect to sewer authorities or commissions as said statutes have heretofore been or may hereafter be amended.

Section 6.71.

Those members of the Sewer Commission in office on the day following the date of the adoption of this Charter shall continue as such members for the respective terms for which they have been appointed. Thereafter as each such term expires, the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each vacancy so created for a term of four years.

Section 6.80. Board of Ethics:

There shall be a Board of Ethics consisting of five members, no more than a bare majority of whom may be members of the same political party. They shall act on matters concerning ethical standards for public service, including conflict of interest, with such powers, duties and responsibilities as shall be determined by ordinance to be enacted by the Board of Selectmen.

Section 6.81.

Initially three members of said Board shall be appointed for a term of two years, no more than two of whom shall be from the same political party and two members of said Board shall be appointed for a term of four years, no more than one of whom shall be from the same political party.

As each such term expires, the First Selectman shall appoint, subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen, a member for each vacancy thus created for a term of four years.

Section 6.82.

All actions of said Board pursuant to the legal authority with which it is empowered shall be effective only upon the vote of at least one more than a bare majority, which number shall also constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 6.90. Other Appointed Boards:

There shall be such other appointed boards as may be required by General Statutes or applicable Special Acts enacted after the effective date of this Charter or as may be created by appropriate amendment of this Charter or by appropriate action of the Board of Selectmen, such Boards to consist of such number of members and to be appointed in the manner prescribed in the General Statutes or in the applicable Special Act requiring their creation or in the amendment to the Charter or the action of the Legislative Authority creating such Board. In the absence of a specification of such number, any such Board shall consist of five members. In the absence of a specified method of appointment, any such Board shall be appointed by the First Selectman except as otherwise prescribed by the General Statutes or applicable Special Acts enacted after the Effective Date of this Charter or by appropriate amendments of this Charter, for terms of four years established and maintained at staggered biennial intervals wherever possible.

Article VII

Coordination of Activities of Town Agencies

Section 7.1.

It shall be the duty of the First Selectman and the Board of Selectmen to provide leadership in the formulation of plans to assure continued progress in the development of the Town.

Section 7.2.

Each Town agent, board and commission shall file with the First Selectman, not later than August 1st in each year, a report briefly stating its activities during the fiscal year just completed and submitting recommendations for appropriate action on matters within the province of such agency. Such reports, or an appropriate digest thereof, shall be presented in the Annual Report of the Town to the Townspeople.

Article VIII

Elected Officers

Section 8.1.

There shall be the following officers of the Town who, except as otherwise specifically provided by this Charter, shall be elected as specified in the General Statutes:

- (a) First Selectman;
- (b) Five other Selectmen;
- (c) Town Clerk;
- (d) Collector of Taxes;
- (e) Registrar of Voters
- (f) Seven Constables or such lesser number as the Town, by ordinance, may provide;
- (g) Such numbers of Justices of the Peace as equal one-third the number of jurors to which the Town is entitled or such lesser number as the Town, by ordinance, may provide;
- (h) Such other elected officers as may be required by General Statutes or applicable Special Acts or ordinances enacted after the effective date of this Charter.

Section 8.2.

Commencing with the regular Town election of November 2019, and at each regular Town election **quadrennially thereafter**, the electors shall elect the Town **Officers** described in Section 8.1 (a), (b), (c), (d) and (f). **Commencing with the regular State Election, and at each regular State election quadrennially thereafter**, justices of the Peace and Registrars of Voters shall be elected.. Town Officers, elected pursuant to Section 8.1 (h), shall be elected **quadrennially** at each Town Election unless otherwise provided in the General Statutes or Special Act creating the office.

Section 8.3.

The selectmen described in Sections 8.1 (a) and 8.1 (b) shall constitute the Board of Selectmen and the votes cast for the unsuccessful candidate for First Selectman shall be counted as votes cast for him as a member of said Board, provided no elector may be a candidate for both the office of First Selectman and that of Selectman and provided if an elector receives write-in votes for both office of First Selectman and that of Selectman, the Moderator may count either the votes which were written in for him for the office of First Selectman or those which were written in for him for the office of Selectman, whichever is more advantageous to such elector but not both.

Section 8.4.

If this Charter be adopted at a Town Election, the Town officers elected during such Town Election shall hold office for the terms for which they were elected and the Justices of the Peace and Registrars of Voters in office on the date this Charter is adopted shall continue to hold such offices for the respective terms to which they shall have been elected. If this Charter be adopted at a State or Special Election, the Town officers holding the respective offices at the date of the adoption of this Charter shall continue to hold such offices for the respective terms to which they shall have been elected.

Section 8.5.

In addition to the Town officers prescribed in Section 8.1 (h), the Town shall participate in the election of a Judge of Probate for the Probate District which includes the Town, such election to be held in the manner prescribed by law for the election of such Judge of Probate. In the event that the Town becomes part of a Probate District different from the Probate District of which it is a part on the date of the adoption of this Charter, the Town shall participate in the election of Judge of Probate for such new district in the manner prescribed in the Special Act creating such new district.

Section 8.6.

No person who is not an elector of the Town may be an elected officer or member of an elected

Town board or commission.

Section 8.7.

Elected Town officers shall have such assistants as are approved by the Board of Selectmen, provided that the compensation of any such assistants by the Town shall only be within the budgetary limits prescribed by the Board of Finance for such assistants. In the case of the Assistant Town Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector, an appropriate oath for the faithful performance of his or her duty shall be administered and a record of the administration of such oath included in the records of the Town Clerk.

Section 8.8. Compensation:

(a) The compensation, if any, of an elected or appointed Town officer, or of a member of an elected or appointed Town board or commission, shall be established by the Board of Finance through the regular budget procedures subject, in the case of the Board of Tax Review, to the provisions of Section 12-121 of the General Statutes, Revision of 1958. Said elected or appointed officers and said members, except the Constables and Justices of the Peace, shall be compensated, if at all, only on a salaried basis.

(b) The necessary expenses of an elected or appointed Town **Officer**, or of a member of an elected or appointed Town **Board** or **Commission**, actually incurred in the promotion of his duties, shall be paid by the Town, within the limits prescribed in the budget by the Board of Finance upon the requisition of such officer or the Chairman of such board in writing, upon the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Section 8.9. Duties

Elected Town officers shall have such powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to such restrictions and limitations as are prescribed in the General Statutes, in appropriate **Special Acts** or in this Charter with respect to the offices held.

Article IX

Appointed Officers

Section 9.1.

There shall be the following appointed officers of the Town:

- (a) Assessor;
- (b) Building Inspector;
- (c) **Emergency Management Director;**
- (d) Director - Public Works Department;
- (e) Fire Marshal;
- (f) **Finance Director;**
- (g) Director - Health Department;
- (h) Town Counsel;
- (i) Town Meeting Moderator;
- (j) Town Meeting Deputy Moderators;
- (k) Town Treasurer who shall be Agent of Town Deposit Fund; **and,**
- (l) Such other appointed Town officers whose office is created by an amendment to the Charter or by appropriate action of the Legislative Authority.

Section 9.2.

Such of the appointed officers listed in Section 9.1 as hold any of the said offices on the date of the adoption of the Charter shall continue to hold said offices for the period for which they shall have been elected or appointed.

Section 9.3.

Appointed Town officers shall have such powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to such restrictions and limitations as are prescribed with respect to such offices, in the General Statutes, in appropriate Special Acts, in this Charter, in the ordinances or other action of the Legislative Authority or in appropriate directions, from time to time, from the First Selectman, the Board of Selectmen and the respective supervisors of such officers.

Section 9.4.

In the performance of their duties, appointed Town officers may engage such assistants as are approved by the Board of Selectmen and by the supervisor of any such appointed Town officer, provided that the compensation of any such assistant to be paid by the Town shall be within the budgetary limits prescribed by the Board of Finance.

Section 9.5. Appointment:

All appointed officers of the Town shall be appointed by the First Selectman subject to the disapproval of the Board of Selectmen in accordance with the provisions of Article IV, Section 4.4 of this Charter.

Section 9.6. Term of Office:

Except as otherwise specifically provided, all appointive officers shall hold office for a term of two years and shall take office 30 days after the biennial Town Election in the year in which their terms expire.

Section 9.10. Director - Department of Health:

In addition to other duties prescribed by law, the Director shall supervise the activities of the Sanitation Inspector, the Superintendent of the Town Dump and, with the cooperation of the Orange Public Health Nursing Service, the activities of the Town Nurses. The Health Director shall further supervise the periodic inspection of all establishments in the Town which provide food, drinks or lodging on a commercial basis and all trailer parks.

Section 9.20. Director - Department of Public Works:

There shall be a Department of Public Works which through its Director shall have supervision and control of the maintenance of all Town owned structures, except such structures as are under the Park and Recreation commission, and the planning, surveying, constructing and reconstructing, altering, paving, repairing, maintaining, cleaning, lighting, inspecting; and to the extent applicable, the operation of highways, sidewalks and curbs, sewers, disposal facilities, public and private drains, Town buildings and other public improvements; the preservation, care, removal of trees within the highways and public places; all engineering work of the Town, and the collection and disposal of garbage, rubbish and ashes, to the extent that the Board of Selectmen shall determine that these functions and activities are within the responsibilities of the Town and this Department. The Director and the Department shall also undertake such additional responsibilities and projects as may, from time to time, be **reasonably** prescribed by the Board of Selectmen. The efforts of the Department shall be coordinated by the Director with those of the Town Plan and Zoning Commission under such rules and regulations as may be adopted with the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Any provision of this section to the contrary notwithstanding, the Public Works Department shall have the responsibility for construction and maintenance of parks and grounds used for park and recreation purposes belonging to the Town and of buildings, structures, apparatus and equipment used in connection therewith, to the extent and for the period requested by the Park and Recreation Commission and approved by the Board of Selectmen.

Any provision of this section to the contrary notwithstanding, the Public Works Department may maintain and care for school buildings and grounds, but only if and to the extent and for the period requested by the Board of Education and approved by the Board of Selectmen, and the cost of such service shall be charged against the Board of Education appropriation. The Director - Department of Public Works may appoint and may remove with the approval of the First Selectman and subject to the provisions of this Charter and such rules and regulations as shall have been adopted for the operation of his Department, a Supervisor of Roads, a Town Engineer, a Supervisor of the Town Dump, a Tree Warden and such deputies, assistants, and employees as he may deem necessary and shall prescribe their duties provided such personnel shall be within the budgetary limits fixed by the Board of Finance for such Department.

Nothing contained herein shall preclude the filling of two or more of the above positions by the same person, including the Director of the Department of Public Works, provided such joint appointments shall have been approved by the First Selectman.

Section 9.30. Town Counsel:

The Town Counsel shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until his successor has qualified. In addition to any other duties properly prescribed, the Town Counsel shall:

- (a) Review in advance of all Town Meetings the matters to be presented **at** such meetings and consult with the Town Meeting Moderator and the Board of Selectmen, as necessary, to assure the orderly disposition of the business of the meeting.
- (b) Prepare all ordinances proposed by any Town officer, board or commission, at the

request of the First Selectman.

- (c) Review all ordinances to be acted upon and, if time and the proponents thereof permit, redraft the same, if necessary, in appropriate ordinance language.
- (d) Be the legal advisor to all Town officers, boards, commissions or agencies in all matters affecting the Town and attend all Town Meetings, and the Annual Budget Hearing, and, at the request of the First Selectman, attend periodic meetings of the Board of Selectmen and such other meetings or hearings as may be reasonably required.
- (e) Give opinions on such matters as are submitted to him for opinion by the First Selectman or, with the approval of the First Selectman, by any other Town Officers or by the Chairman of any other Town Board or Commission.

Section 9.40. Town Meeting Moderator and Deputy Town Meeting Moderators:

There shall be a Town Meeting Moderator and Deputy Town Meeting Moderators, each to serve for a term of two years or until their successors have qualified. It shall be the duty of the Town Meeting Moderator, or in the event of his absence or inability to act, a Deputy Town Meeting Moderator, to preside over all Town Meetings. They shall consult, in advance of each Town Meeting with Town Counsel, the First Selectman, the Board of Selectmen or such other persons as they deem appropriate to facilitate the orderly disposition of the business of the Meeting.

Section 9.50. Town Assessor:

There shall be a Town Assessor who shall have such powers, duties, responsibilities and shall be subject to such restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed for such officers.

Section 9.60. Town Treasurer:

There shall be a Town Treasurer who shall serve for a term of two years. He shall have such powers, duties, responsibilities and shall be subject to such restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed for such officers. The Town Treasurer shall, in addition, be the Agent of the Town Deposit Fund.

Section 9.70. Town Building Inspector:

There shall be a Town Building Inspector who shall have such powers, duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to such restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed for such officers.

Section 9.80. Fire Marshal:

There shall be a Fire Marshal and Fire Wardens of the Town who shall have such powers and duties and responsibilities and shall be subject to such restrictions and limitations as are by law prescribed for such officers.

**Article X
Definitions and General**

Section 10.1. Definitions:

Unless the context otherwise clearly requires, the following terms, when used in this Charter, shall have the following meanings:

- (a) “Annual Election” means, in the odd-numbered years, the Town Election and means, in the even-numbered years, the State Election as defined in the General Statutes.
- (b) “Board” means any board, commission or agency of the Town.
- (c) “Charter” means this Charter, as the same may be supplemented or amended from time to time.
- (d) “Commission” means any board, commission or agency of the Town.
- (e) “Fiscal Year” means the period from July 1st in one year through June 30th in the next year or such different period as the Town, by appropriate action, may, from time to time, determine.
- (f) “General Statutes” means the General Statutes of Connecticut, Revision of 1958, and any reference thereto, or to any provision or provisions thereof, shall mean and include any supplements or amendments thereto.
- (g) “Home Rule Law” means Chapter 99 of the General Statutes;
- (h) “Legislative Body” means a combination of the Town Meeting and the Board of Selectmen as defined in Section 7-193 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Town Meeting possessing the legislative authority only to the extent specifically set forth in this Charter.
- (i) “Meeting” of any body includes any adjourned session thereof.
- (j) “Municipal Election” means Town Election.
- (k) “Special Act” means a Special Act enacted by the General Assembly of Connecticut.
- (l) “Term” of the Town Clerk and Justices of the Peace shall commence on the First Monday of January following their respective elections, or as otherwise provided by statute. The term of the Registrar of Voters shall commence on the Wednesday following the first Monday of January following his or her election, or as otherwise provided by statute. Unless otherwise provided by General Statutes, this Charter or in the ordinance hereafter adopted creating an office or board, the term of elected officers and agents and the members of all elected boards and commissions shall commence on the first Monday of December following the date of their respective election; the term of appointed officers and agents and of members of appointed boards and commissions shall commence on the date prescribed by the appointing authority.
- (m) “Town” means the Town of Orange.
- (n) “Town Election” means the election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November in odd-numbered years.
- (o) “Town Meeting” means, when used in this Charter, the Annual or a Special Meeting of the electors of the Town for the purpose specifically set forth in this Charter. “Town Meeting” as used in the Connecticut General Statutes shall be deemed to refer to the legislative body of the Town and shall be construed to mean the Board of Selectmen except in relation to the purposes or powers of the Town Meeting as set forth in this Charter.
- (p) The masculine pronoun, wherever used shall include the feminine pronoun.

Section 10.2. Conduct of Meetings:

Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of meetings of all boards and commissions.

Section 10.3. Minority Representation:

The maximum number of members of all boards, commissions, committees or similar bodies who may be members of the same political party shall be as provided in the General Statutes, except for the membership of the Board of Ethics which shall be as provided for in Article VI, Section 6.80 of this Charter.

Section 10.4. Computation of Time:

In computing the period of time of any notice under this Charter, the day on which the notice is given and any Sunday and any legal holiday shall be included, but the day on which the matter is to occur shall be excluded. The same principle shall govern other computations of time for purposes hereof.

Section 10.5. Terms of Office:

All elected and appointed officers and members of boards and commissions shall hold office until their successors have been chosen and qualified.

Except as otherwise specifically required by the General Statutes, applicable Special Acts or by the provisions of this Charter, the terms of appointment to appointive boards and commissions shall, wherever possible, be established and maintained at staggered biennial intervals.

Section 10.6. Oaths of Office:

All elected and appointed officers and members of boards, agencies or commissions of the Town shall swear or affirm the faithful performance of their duties, a record of the administration of which oaths shall be filed with the Town Clerk.

Oaths may be administered by all persons so authorized by Section 1-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The form of such oaths shall be as follows:

You solemnly swear that you will faithfully discharge, according to law, your duties as _____ to the best of your ability; so help you God.

Section 10.7. Amendment:

This Charter may be amended in the manner prescribed by the General Statutes.

Section 10.8 Rules of Construction and Saving Clause:

- (a) This Charter is intended to avail, make use of and exercise the full home rule powers

of the Town under the Home Rule Law, and any other statute now in affect or hereafter enacted and any other home rule powers thereof under the Constitution of the State of Connecticut, under the common law, or otherwise.

- (b) Nothing herein contained shall be construed as intended to conflict with, or be inconsistent with, any general statute of the State of Connecticut expressing any substantial public policy of the State. It shall be construed as an assertion of the Town’s full power and authority to prescribe its organic law for the administration of its local affairs.

- (c) If any provision of this Charter shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the remainder of this Charter nor the context in which such provision so held invalid may appear, except to the extent that an entire section may be inseparably connected in meaning and effect with the provision to which such holding shall directly apply.

- (d) All ordinances, resolutions and legislative actions of the Town in effect as of the effective date of this Charter shall continue in full force and effect except to the extent they may be inconsistent with the provisions of this Charter.

Article XI

Effective Date of Charter and Transition

Section 11.1 (a). Effective Date:

This Charter shall take effect on the tenth day following the date of the municipal election of November, 1971, that is November 12, 1971, except that the provisions of Article V concerning Elected Boards and Article VIII concerning Elected Officers shall become effective with respect to the municipal election of November, 1971.

Section 11.1 (b). Effective Date of Charter Revision:

Any provisions contained in the Charter Amendment of 1992 shall take effect the thirtieth day following the date of the State Election of November 3, 1992, that is on December 3, 1992.

Section 11.1 (c). Effective Date of Charter Revision:

Any provisions contained in the Charter Amendment of 2017 shall take effect the first day of January 2018.

Section 11.2. Special Acts:

The following special acts applicable to the Town remain unaffected by this Charter:

- (a) Resolution of the Assembly incorporating the Town of Woodbridge, Records of the State of Connecticut, Volume 5, Page 304.
- (b) Special Act passed October, 1804, I Special Acts 550, incorporating the Society of North Milford.
- (c) Resolution of the Assemble, May, 1822, incorporating the Town of Orange, II Special Acts 1173.
- (d) Special Act passed May, 1836, II Special Acts 1174, amending the Resolution of May, 1822 with respect to the location of Town Meetings.
- (e) Special Act approved April 3, 1884, IX Special Acts 1020, relative to the division line between Derby and Orange.
- (f) Special Act approved June 24, 1921, XVIII Special Acts 1067, dividing the Town of Orange and creating the Town of West Haven.
- (g) Special Act approved April 26, 1933, XXI Special Acts 884, relative to the licensing of certain concessions by the Selectmen.
- (h) Special Act approved May 28, 1935, XXII Special Acts 202, relative to the use of highways in the Town.
- (i) Special Act approved June 29, 1951, XXVI Special Acts 146, relative to the division between Derby and Orange.
- (j) Special Act approved May 7, 1953, XXVI Special Acts 771, validating certain action in establishing Regional School District Number 5.

Section 11.3.

The following Special Acts are no longer applicable:

- (a) Special Act passed May 1823, II Special Acts 1174, relative to the support of the poor formerly residing in New Haven.
- (b) Special Act passed in 1848, IV Special Acts 1256, relative to the division line between New Haven and Orange.
- (c) Special Act approved March 31, 1887, X Special Acts 578, relative to the division line between New Haven and Orange.
- (d) Special Act approved August 1, 1911 XVI Special Acts 386, relative to bond issues by school districts now part of West Haven.
- (e) Special Act approved March 24, 1915, XVII Special Acts, 58, relative to rules and regulations now pertinent to West Haven.
- (f) Special Act approved May 10, 1917, XVII Special Acts, 995, relative to the terms of certain Town officers now pertinent to West Haven.
- (g) Special Act approved May 21, 1925, XIX Special Acts, 778, relative to the issuance of bonds by Center School District.
- (h) Special Act approved June 18, 1929, XX Special Acts 983, authorizing the Board of Selectmen to establish building lines and conferring other powers on said board.
- (i) Special Act approved June 18, 1929, XX Special Acts 989; Special Act approved April 4, 1935, XXII Special Acts 74; Special Act approved June 20, 1939, XXIII Special Acts 635; Special Act approved June 24, 1941, XXIII Special Acts 1107; Special Act approved July 9, 1947, XXV Special Acts 606; Special Act approved June 7, 1957, XXVIII Special Acts 780; all relative to the Town Court of Orange.
- (j) Special Act approved April 5, 1933, XXI Special Acts 800, relative to the admission of electors.
- (k) Special Act approved May 1, 1943, XXIV Special Acts 134, and Special Act approved July 22, 1945, XXIV Special Acts 652, relative to the Town Plan and Zoning Commission.
- (l) Special Act approved June 14, 1961, XXX Special Acts 154, relative to the establishment of a funded pension and retirement plan.
- (m) Special Act approved May 22, 1969, XXXIV Special Acts 100, concerning the terms of certain elective offices, except to the extent set forth in Section 5.2 of this Charter.

(Note) Special acts which are now effective as stated in Charter Section 11.2 sub-paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (e), and (i) are not here published in full as the only provisions thereof now effective deal with boundaries of present Town of Orange. The act referred to in sub-paragraph (d) is not here published in full as it merely repeals a section of a former act relative to location of town meetings. The act referred to in sub-paragraph (j) is not here published in full as it merely validates certain procedural acts of the Town.

Parts of the present boundaries of the present Town of Orange date back to Colonial days and were established pursuant to acts of the Colonial court. Other parts were created by the following acts of the legislature:

- (1) Act Incorporating the Town of Woodbridge. (January Session, General Assembly 1784), Records of State of Connecticut, Volume V, Pages 304-305.
- (2) Act Incorporating The Society of North Milford (October 1804), Special Acts, Volume 1, page 550.
- (3) Act incorporating original Town of Orange (May 1822), Special Acts, Volume 1 Page 1173.
- (4) Act Changing Boundary Line between Town of Derby and Orange. (April 3, 1984), Special Acts, Volume 9, page 1020.
- (5) See also Judgment of Superior Court dated October 1, 1924 in action entitled, “Town of West Haven vs. Town of Orange” recorded in Orange Land Records, Volume 141, pages 266-270.
- (6) Act relative to division line between Derby and Orange, June 29, 1951, Special Acts, Volume XXVI, page 146.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS



Left to right: Woodbridge Club President Joanne D'Angelo, John DeSarbo & Orange Club President Linda Bradford

JOINT GARDEN CLUB MEETING

Members of The Garden Club of Orange were guests of the Woodbridge Garden Club on Tuesday, October 3rd at the First Church of Christ, Woodbridge. Floral Designer John Desarbo, former owner of Fenwick Florists of New Haven was the guest speaker. His program

“Easy Everyday Floral Arrangements” demonstrated creative ways to make beautiful floral designs. The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT and the NEGC. For membership information, contact Joanne Friedrichs 203-795-4266.



Diana DeFillippo, Gail Nixon, Dot Zolla, & Marion Rizzo [Photo by Michael Rizzo]

HOLIDAY PLANNING – OSBORNE MUSEUM

Members of The Garden Club of Orange have begun planning for the Osborne Museum & Homestead’s annual holiday celebration. Every year the museum chooses a theme and area garden clubs and organizations transform the home into a holiday showcase. This year’s theme, “A Holiday at the Opera” will have each of the rooms decorated with scenes from some of the world’s famous operas. The Garden Club of Orange will be transforming

the library using the opera, FAUST as its inspiration. Dates for the Holiday Tours are Thursday through Sunday, 10 am – 4 pm beginning Friday, November 24 to Sunday, December 17. Twilight tours Fridays, December 1, 8, & 15 - 4: pm -7:pm. Call the museum for further details 203-734-2513. The Garden Club of Orange is a member of FGCT and the NEGC. For membership information contact Joanne Friedrichs, 203-795-4266.



girl scouts of connecticut THE G.I.R.L.™ AGENDA POWERED BY GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scouts of Connecticut and Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) today launches the G.I.R.L. Agenda Powered by Girl Scouts,* a nonpartisan initiative to inspire, prepare, and mobilize girls and those who care about them to lead positive change through civic action. The multiyear effort celebrates the Girl Scout legacy of civic engagement, and for the first time ever, GSUSA is sharing free, expert-curated civic engagement resources beyond its 2.6 million members. The resources are derived from Girl Scout programming that has driven generations of girls over the past century to become leaders. Introduced at G.I.R.L. 2017, a gathering of girls and women from around the world, including 41 Girl Scouts and adults from Connecticut, the G.I.R.L. Agenda makes it simple to access civic engagement resources that are tailored to prepare every G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)™ to stand up for what they believe in. The tools provide a roadmap for how people can take action in ways such as challenging unfair policies, mobilizing communities to support important causes, and

meeting with public officials and community leaders to educate them about key issues. The G.I.R.L. Agenda will give hundreds of thousands of girls and adults tangible ways to take civic action on topics of their choosing. Also part of the initiative, Girl Scouts announces its new Good Neighbor badge for Daisies (girls in grades K-1). It joins the organization’s existing Citizen badges—Celebrating Community, Inside Government, Finding Common Ground, Behind the Ballot, and Public Policy—which engage girls in age-appropriate activities involving community service, public policy, government, voting, and more. “We always hear that girls want to be active in public policy and learn how to advocate for positive change, so this is a great way to give them the resources they need to stand up for what they believe in and help make our world a better place,” said Girl Scouts of Connecticut CEO Mary Barneby. Learn more about these resources on www.GIRLagenda.org. To sign up for Girl Scouts or to sign up as a volunteer, visit gsocfct.org/join.

FINDING YOUR JEWISH ANCESTORS A Jewish Genealogy Program

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Connecticut presents Part 1 of a two-part Genealogy Program on November 19, 2017. Topics will include getting started, Connecticut vital records, censuses, web resources, and much more to get you going on your genealogical

research. The workshop will start Sunday, November 19 at 1:30 pm at Temple Sinai, 41 West Hartford Road, Newington, CT 06111. For reservations, please email info@jgsct.org. For additional information, please visit www.jgsct.org.

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

DESIGNS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The Garden Club of Orange November 14th meeting will feature guest speaker Leslie Martino. Martino is a Master Flower Show Judge and Award Winning Designer, who will demonstrate designs for the upcoming holidays. Guests are invited to attend the presentation which

will begin at 1 PM at the Case Memorial Library. The Garden Club of Orange is a member of the FGCCT and NEGC. For membership information, visit our website www.orange.ctgov/gardenclub.html or contact Joanne Friedrichs 203-795-4244.

SINGLES DANCE PARTY AT RACE BROOK COUNTRY CLUB

CT ConTacts, the state's leading singles organization, is celebrating a grand opening at the Race Brook Country Club, with a singles dance party on Saturday, November 4th from 8 pm to 12:30 am. The Race Brook Country Club is an elegant facility with a large ballroom, located at 246 Derby Avenue, Orange. We expect a big turnout of singles for a fun night of dinner and dancing at this new, beautiful location. Admission is \$31 and includes a

dinner buffet from 8 - 9:30, as well as coffee and dessert at 11:00. Dancing is a mix of DJ's Top 40, soft rock, recent oldies, and requests. Patrons are urged to "dress to impress". (No jeans, please.) 250+ singles expected. ConTacts also sponsors dance parties for singles in thirteen other locations across Connecticut. For further information, directions, or a free flyer, call (203) 468-1144, or visit ConTacts website at www.ctcontacts.com.



Pictured (l-r): Commander Lewis Merritt, Peter Miltrono, Tony Monaco and Peter MacDonald. Photo by: John Schwartz.

AMERICAN LEGION, POST 127 GETS WW2 RIFLES FROM DOD

American Legion Post 127 of Orange has been providing ceremonial rifle volleys at veteran's funerals for many years using WWI Springfield rifles. These ancient weapons misfire, jam and are worn out to say the least. Since the State budget problems have stopped the payment of firing squad services at military funerals, Post 127 has stepped up to the plate and volunteers its services at no charge at local military burials. We are in contact with the funeral homes that service Orange, Woodbridge, West Haven, Milford, Shelton, Derby,

and Ansonia to coordinate these services with those provided by the Department of Defense. As of this week, The Department of Defense has issued new, more reliable, (WWII) M 1 rifles, modified as to only fire blank rounds to Post 127. The firing squad with their new rifles is pictured above. Donations to support this effort can be sent to: Philip W. Grande Sgt. @ Arms Post 127 630 Grassy Hill Rd. Orange, Conn. 06477.



On Sunday, October 22, the Amity Teen Center celebrated its 30th Anniversary. The photo is taken in front of the new sign on our building at 10 Selden Street in Woodbridge. Pictured are Jay Jaser, Linda Cohen, Lindsay Cotlier, Jane Oppen, Jack Nork, Jennifer DiBlanda and Candi Edwards.

SUNDAY

Daylight Saving Time
ends November 5

2am

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1am

ARTS & LEISURE



SHOULD I HAVE BREAKFAST OR LUNCH?

What do we know about diners? They are places to socialize, originally catered to men, offer regional cuisine often called ‘comfort food,’ are reasonably priced, and are considered cultural icons. Who doesn’t remember the setting of the movie, When Harry Met Sally, or Edward Hopper’s famous painting, Nighthawks?

On Thursday, November 16, at 1:00, Christopher Dobbs will talk about “The Architecture of the American Diner: From Wagon Wheels to Stainless Steel” at the High Plains Community Center Senior Lounge. He will answer the question, “What makes the American Diner?”

Dobbs is the Executive Director of the Connecticut River Museum. His interest in diners began “as a child going out to breakfast with his father”. His presentation will begin in the 1870s and will trace the evolution of the diner from wagon, to Pullman car, streamliner, and eventually rocket.

This program is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Case Memorial Library and the Senior Center. Everyone who has ever eaten at a diner will not want to miss this chance to learn about the “greasy spoon,” a place of down-home hospitality. Call (203) 891-4784 to reserve your seat!

OACC SPONSORING 8TH ANNUAL YOUTH CONCERT

The Orange Arts and Culture Council is sponsoring its 8th Annual Youth Concert to be held on Sunday, November 19 from 3 to 5 pm at the Eastbound Theater, 40 Factory Lane, Milford. The concert will feature youth artists in performance from Orange and surrounding towns.

The performers include brother and sister pianists Julie and Jason Chen. In addition, Julie is going to sing a song in Chinese this year that was very popular in China. Also performing are Emily Killeen, Lisa Stockwell and Brynn Wiersman. James Teti is the accompanist.

The Orange Arts and Culture Council was founded in 2006 to promote continuing artistic and cultural expression of all kinds, coordinating the efforts of

arts and civic organizations to enrich the cultural life of our community. In addition to the Annual Youth Concert, some of the organization’s projects include: Build A Better Birdhouse - Orange Country Fair, Kindness Rock Garden, Gallery at Town Hall, New Haven Symphony Orchestra Bus, Picture This Photo Contest for Youth and Fill The Frame Photo Contest for Adults.

The Youth Concert includes a raffle. Light refreshments will be served. Admission for the event is \$15. For tickets or to make a reservation, call Rae McLellan at 203-298-0766. Tickets will also be available at door. Checks payable to OACC can be sent to: OACC, P.O. Box 1037, Orange, CT 06477.



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3
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ORANGE ELECTION COVERAGE 2017



114TH DISTRICT VOTES AT
MARY L. TRACY SCHOOL



117TH & 119TH DISTRICTS VOTE AT
HIGH PLAINS COMMUNITY CENTER

2017 ELECTION - SAMPLE BALLOT

NOTE: PLEASE FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF YOUR BALLOT!

VOTE ON THE QUESTION(S)	☐ YES ☐ NO 1. Shall the Charter be amended to increase the terms of the First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Registrar of Voters and Constables from a two year term to a four year term, with terms to commence on the first Monday of December, or as otherwise provided by state statute, effective January 1, 2018?						☐ YES ☐ NO 2. Shall the Charter be amended to change the term of the Town Planning and Zoning Commission deferred position so that beginning with the 2023 biennial election, three members shall have concurrent four year terms?			☐ YES ☐ NO 3. Shall the Charter be amended to modify the definition of "quorum of qualified electors or taxpayers at a town meeting" from "100" to "those present"?					
	OFFICE → PARTY ↓	1 First Selectman Vote for One	2 3 4 Selectmen Vote for Any Three			5 Town Clerk Vote for One	6 Tax Collector Vote for One	7 8 9 Board of Finance Vote for Any Three			10 11 12 Board of Education Vote for Any Three			13 14 Town Planning and Zoning Commission Vote for Any Two	
	DEMOCRATIC PARTY	☐ 1A Margaret Novicki	☐ 2A Paul Davis	☐ 3A Jen Alfaro	☐ 4A Mitchell R. Goldblatt	☐ 5A Patrick B. O'Sullivan	☐ 6A Kristin Zanjani	☐ 7A Stuart Crystal	☐ 8A Shirley Fiedler	☐ 9A P.J. Shanley	☐ 10A Mary Welander	☐ 11A Charles Flynn IV	☐ 12A Frank Renaldi	☐ 13A Michael J. Sodins	☐ 14A Michael S. Muttitt
	REPUBLICAN PARTY	☐ 1B James M. Zeoli	☐ 2B Judy W. Williams	☐ 3B Ralph Okenquist	☐ 4B John Carangelo	☐ 5B	☐ 6B Sandra Pierson	☐ 7B Joseph P. Nuzzo	☐ 8B Patricia S. Romano	☐ 9B Robert S. Bocek	☐ 10B Kimberley M. Browe	☐ 11B Christian Young	☐ 12B Jeffery Cap	☐ 13B Kevin G. Cornell	☐ 14B Ozzie Parente
	PETITIONING CANDIDATE	☐ 1C Alex DeAngelo	☐ 2C	☐ 3C	☐ 4C	☐ 5C	☐ 6C	☐ 7C	☐ 8C	☐ 9C	☐ 10C	☐ 11C	☐ 12C	☐ 13C	☐ 14C
WRITE-IN VOTES	☐ 1D	☐ 2D	☐ 3D	☐ 4D	☐ 5D	☐ 6D	☐ 7D	☐ 8D	☐ 9D	☐ 10D	☐ 11D	☐ 12D	☐ 13D	☐ 14D	

☐ YES ☐ NO 4. Shall the Charter be amended to modify the need for town meeting action for the purchase and sale of real estate of the Town or any interest therein for properties or interests with a value of \$500,000 or greater?				☐ YES ☐ NO 5. Shall the Charter be amended to require that all votes concerning the annual budget be sent to referendum?				☐ YES ☐ NO 6. Shall the Charter be amended to delete the requirement that all ordinances be published in their entirety following passage and only require a publication of a notice of passage?				☐ YES ☐ NO 7. Shall the Charter be amended to correct typographical and grammatical errors, to delete outdated references and update other references?			
15 16 17 18 Constables Vote for Any Four				19 20 21 Amity Regional Board of Education Full Term Vote for Any Three			22 Amity Regional Board of Education To Fill Vacancy for Two Years Vote for One								
☐ 15A Randy Thomas	☐ 16A Robert C. Shanley	☐ 17A Santo Galatioto	☐ 18A Marianne G. Miller	☐ 19A Raymond Tuccio	☐ 20A Mark Rawden	☐ 21A Carla Eichler	☐ 22A John Gagel								
☐ 15B Jody Daymon	☐ 16B Jeffrey Vargo	☐ 17B Michael P. Donadeo	☐ 18B Glen P. Papelo	☐ 19B Steve DeMaio	☐ 20B Thomas P. Hurley	☐ 21B	☐ 22B Shannan Carlson								
☐ 15C	☐ 16C	☐ 17C	☐ 18C	☐ 19C	☐ 20C	☐ 21C	☐ 22C								
☐ 15D	☐ 16D	☐ 17D	☐ 18D	☐ 19D	☐ 20D	☐ 21D	☐ 22D								

VOTE
November 7, 2017

ELECTION 2017 - THE REPUBLICANS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John Carangelo

- Orange Board of Selectmen - 6 years
- Chairman Charter Revision Committee
- B.A. Syracuse University
- J.D. Quinnipiac College School of Law
- Former Judge of Probate for the District of Orange for 12 years
- Practicing attorney with over 22 years of legal experience



John Carangelo has been a lifelong resident of Orange and resides with his wife Kathrine and his sons Michael, who attends Amity High School and Joey, who attends Amity Middle School. "As a member of the Board of Selectmen I will continue my efforts to keep taxes under control for our residents, and continue to improve our town's infrastructure and schools."

Ralph Okenquist

- Board of Selectmen 16 years
- Orange resident over 40 years
- B.S. Fairfield University
- M.B.A. University of New Haven
- Fred Wolfe Park Committee 1995-98
- Park & Rec Commission 9 years, 5 years as Chairman
- Capital Planning Committee Chair
- Allied Signal - Manager, Advanced Business Program Planning
- Chandler Evans - Senior Program Administrator



"As a selectman, I will continue utilizing my business, management, municipal, and capital planning expertise to cost effectively plan and implement continuing improvements in our School and Town facilities."

Judy W. Williams

- Board of Selectmen - 10 years
- B.S. Southern Connecticut State University
- M.S. Special Education Southern Connecticut State University
- Graduate of the Orange and Amity School Systems
- Teacher 33 years in the Orange School System
- Human Services Commission
- Historic District Commission
- Orange Cemetery Association



"My special interests in serving on the Board of Selectmen are to promote educational excellence in our schools and to preserve the rural character and the historic core values of Orange. This includes open space preservation and effective cost management to improve the quality of life for both families with children and seniors who want to remain in Orange close to their children and grandchildren."

BOARD OF FINANCE

Robert Bocek

- B.S. Accounting Pepperdine University
- Certified Public Accountant
- Partner, Sager & Bocek CPA's
- Long-time resident of the Town of Orange



Robert attended Orange Public Schools and Amity High School. In 2002 he became a certified public accountant. Over the past 16 years he has worked on various municipal, non-profit, and small business audits, as well as small business and individual income tax preparation services. Robert lives in Orange with his wife Tracy and his two children.

Joe Nuzzo

- B.S. Business Administration/Management Southern Connecticut State University
- M.B.A. Degree in Finance University of New Haven
- Seventeen Years of Commercial Banking Experience
- Six Years Business Owner Commercial Finance
- Joe's community service includes Orange Soccer Association youth soccer coach, Orange Little League baseball coach, current Board Member of the Amity Club, a civic and philanthropic organization in New Haven, and Past President and Board Member of the Boys' /Girls' Club of New Haven



"I ask the townspeople of Orange for your vote to provide the opportunity to apply my extensive financial experience and expertise to continue the recent tradition of fiscal responsibility and straightforward leadership."

Pat Romano

- Board of Finance, (Alternate) 2015 to Present
- M.S. Suny Albany, Counselor Education
- B.S. Suny College at Buffalo, Education
- Health Care Consultant, Compliance & Policy Development
- Program Director, Montefiore Medical Center
- Executive Administrator, Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences,
- Albert Einstein College of Medicine
- Elected Trustee in the Village of Rye Brook for two terms (4 years)



Pat's community service includes First Vice-President President Elect, Orange Lions Club; Member Orange Senior Leadership Program; Developed A.W.A.R.E, a program to inform "Boomers And Beyond" About Alcohol and Substance Abuse Issues; and Bethany/Orange/Woodbridge Drug & Alcohol Action Committee



CONSTABLES



Jody Damon



Michael Donadeo



Glen Papelo



Jeff Vargo

ELECTION 2017 - THE REPUBLICANS

AMITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Shannan Carlson

- B.S. Political Science, University of Rhode Island
- Master of Arts in Teaching, Quinnipiac College
- Advanced Graduate Studies, SCSU
- Principal, East Shore Middle School
- Former Assistant Principal, Harborside Middle School
- Former History Teacher East Shore and Foran, High School
- Currently serving as an appointee to the Amity Board of Education



"I am excited to bring my experiences as a teacher and current school administrator to the Amity Board of Education. It is my hope that all Amity students receive the highest quality education just as I did, as well as my own children who are currently in the system. Children must be at the heart of all decisions made by the Board. I am proud to be a part of the Amity Board of Education, committed to the voices of the public, and grateful for the opportunity to serve our great community."

Steven DeMaio

- Member Amity Board of Education
- Former Head Wrestling Coach Amity High School
- Former Assistant Football Coach Amity High School
- Former Long Term Substitute Teacher - Amity High School
- B.S. Rehabilitation Services
- Springfield College



"I ask the voters of Orange to re-elect me to the Amity Board of Education. I bring a unique experience to the table having been affiliated with the school system. I've seen aspects of our system which I applaud and aspects which I feel could be improved. With many children in the community, including my own, who will be entering the Amity school system, it is my desire to see that our schools afford all students the same opportunities and experiences I received."

Thomas Hurley

- Chairman, Amity Board of Education
- MS - Economics
- BS - Multidisciplinary
- MBA - Operations Research
- PMI - Project Management Professional (PMP)
- APBM - Certified Bus. Manager
- CT Licensed Finance Professional
- Pre-licensing Life Instructor
- Tom is owner of Thomas Hurley Consulting, LLC. He is a USAF Veteran (Captain). He is a member of Civil Air Patrol (LTC), American Legion Post 127 (Senior Vice-Commander), Holy Infant Church, and is a charter member of Council 12523 Knights of Columbus. He serves on the ABOE as Chairman and Policy Committee (Co-chair).



"I believe each student should have an independent study plan tailored to their needs. To this end my commitment to you is to provide a high quality educational system meeting the needs of the Amity Regional Community within a responsible, well managed budget."

ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Kimberley Browe

- Orange Board of Education Member
- Former Classroom Teacher
- English faculty, University of New Haven
- Co-owner of Connect•to•Kids Parent Education & Coaching Services
- Chairman, Curriculum, Instruction and Technology Committee
- Vice Chairman, Finance Committee
- Member, Policy, Personnel, and Transportation Committee



"My fourteen years of involvement as a parent in RBS classrooms and my 20 years of professional experience as an educator give me a clear understanding of what is important at the classroom level. As a business owner, PTA officer, and former educational administrator, I recognize that budget constraints require us to prioritize and make smart decisions about meeting our students' current and future needs."
I am committed to strengthening the partnerships between the Board, administration, school staff and faculty, and parents as we continue to work together for excellence in our schools."

Jeffery Cap

- Orange Board of Education Member
- Vice-Chair, Board of Education
- Chief Information Officer, Newman Architects
- Owner, PCGoTech LLC
- Former Technology Teacher
- Boy Scout Leader & Trainer
- Jeff has served as a community volunteer for many organizations in Orange including the Orange Country Fair, Orange Firemen's Carnival, Holy Infant Church, Minister of Holy Communion, and as the Annual Food Drive Coordinator.



"The future is in front of us. Our children must reach for the stars. Your vote for me will provide the opportunity to continue the daily investments we make in each of the lives of our children. Our community must remain committed to this goal."

Christian Young

- Orange Board of Education Member
- Attorney practicing law in Connecticut for 19 years
- J.D., Quinnipiac University School of Law, 1998
- Owner/Partner Law Offices of Young and Riccio
- Chairman Buildings and Grounds, Safety and Security subcommittee
- Vice Chairman Personnel & Policy Subcommittee



"I am a Turkey Hill parent of two boys, both of whom started school in our town at MLT. I have been consistently impressed with the quality of our school administrators, teachers, staff, and with the resulting growth of our community's children in their care. It is no mystery why our town enjoys such acclaim for its educational system – involved parents who encourage and are encouraged by exceptional education professionals working together for the education, safety, and future of our children. I look forward to continuing to serve on our Board of Education and enhancing the education and future of our children."

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ELECTION 2017 - THE REPUBLICANS

TOWN PLAN & ZONING

Kevin Cornell

- Currently Serving on the Zoning Commission
- B.E. Mechanical Engineering Stevens Institute of Technology
- J. D. University of Bridgeport School of Law (now Quinnipiac College School of Law)
- Professional Certification: Professional Engineer, New York State



Kevin Cornell is a Real Estate Development professional with over 30 years of experience in all facets of commercial and residential real estate development and construction. Current Employer Midwood Investment and Development.

“As a resident of Orange for 32 years I feel an obligation to give back to the community that helped raise and educate my children and allow my family to enjoy the wonderful quality of life that Orange offers. My work experience aligns precisely with the demands of the Planning and Zoning Commission.”

Oscar M. (Ozzie) Parente

- Town of Orange Planning and Zoning Commission 8 years
- B.A. Villanova University
- J. D. University of Bridgeport School of Law (now Quinnipiac College School of Law)



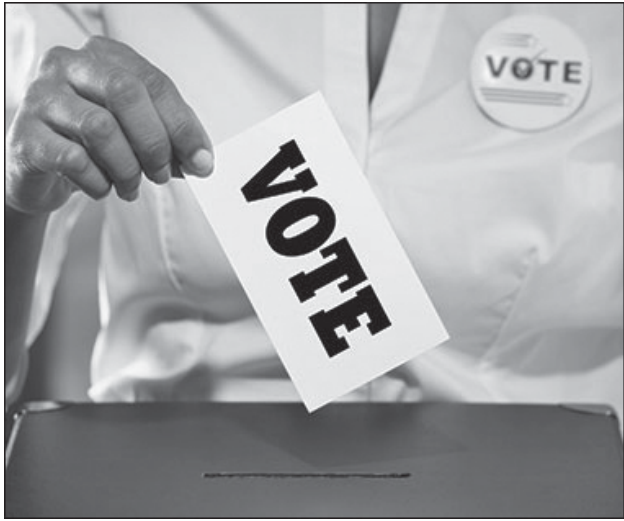
Ozzie is an attorney engaged in the private practice of law, focusing in the areas of real estate law, corporate finance, commercial law and contracting, and in the representation of buyers and sellers of various types of business organizations. Earlier in his career Ozzie was Vice-President and General Counsel of a large Connecticut manufacturer. He was a key member of the company’s executive staff while overseeing all aspects of the company’s legal affairs.

Ozzie currently serves as a Commissioner on the Town of Orange Plan and Zoning Commission. He has also served in a leadership capacity in other organizations including the Quinnipiac Club Board of Governors, The Hopkins School Alumni Board and the Board of Directors of the Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce. In addition, Ozzie is a member of The New Haven County, Connecticut and American Bar Associations.

TAX COLLECTOR



Sandra Pierson



First Selectman Jim Zeoli is pictured speaking to those who attended the recent opening of the Republican campaign headquarters. He discussed many important town issues and future plans. A social hour followed including a delicious assortment of appetizers.

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DAY BOOTH SALES!

Customers Can Cast Their Vote & Buy Girl Scout Cookies At Booths Across The State

Are you casting your vote this year? Don’t forget to buy your favorite Girl Scout Cookies! Girl Scouts in your town will be hosting statewide cookie booths at a variety of locations starting on Saturday, November 4 to Sunday, November 12. At the Election Day Booth Sales, cookies include all of your favorites this year: Thin Mints®, Samoas®, Tagalongs®, Do-si-dos®, Trefoils®, Savannah Smiles®, Girl Scout S’mores™, and the gluten-free cookie, Toffee-Tastic®! That’s right; the Girl Scout S’mores is back this year! Don’t want to eat Girl Scout Cookies,

but still want to support Girl Scouts? Many of the booths will offer customers the opportunity to support Girl Scouts of Connecticut’s Gift of Caring program, Cookies for Heroes. Cookies are a wonderful way to say “thank you” to our service women and men who serve overseas and at home! They love getting a sweet package of their favorite Girl Scout Cookies! Election Day Booth Sale locations will be on our website. For more information on the Girl Scout Cookie Program, visit gsocct.org.

OVNA TO HOLD ELECTION
DAY FLU CLINIC

The Orange Visiting Nurse Association (OVNA) will be holding its last flu clinic on: November 7th, Election Day - 8-10 at HPCC, 1-3 at Mary L Tracy School, and

6-8 at HPCC. Please wear short sleeve shirt and your bring insurance card. WE DO NOT ACCEPT UNITED HEALTHCARE INSURANCE

ELECTION 2017 - THE DEMOCRATS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Jen Alfaro

Jen was born and raised in Astoria, NY. She moved to Orange in 2001 with her husband Gino. She has three children; Nikko, Lucas and Evelyn.

Jen truly loves Orange and loves living here. From the day she moved to this town, she never looked back. For the last 7 years, she has volunteered at Peck Place School serving on many committees. She was also the PTO Treasurer for 3 years.

Cancer touched Jen's life when she was diagnosed with breast cancer a few years ago. From day one of her diagnosis, she realized how amazing her friends and neighbors are in Orange. People she barely knew contacted her to offer their support. So many people offered to make meals for her family and offer rides to her children during her months of chemotherapy. This prompted Jen to want to become more involved in the town, and give back where she could. Jen always had an interest in politics so she decided to join the Orange Democratic Town Committee (ODTC). Over the past few years she has helped with several fundraising and campaigning events for the ODTC. This year she took on the secretary position for the Committee.

Jen owns and operates Alafogiannis Plumbing & Heating Inc. A business that has been in her family since 1975. With a strong business background, she is hoping to help influence the economic development in Orange as a member of the Board of Selectmen. She would like to see more businesses open up in town.

Another reason Jen Alfaro would like to join the Board of Selectmen is to hopefully help find better options for seniors when they are looking to downsize. Right now it is impossible for most seniors to retire and stay in town. The cost for the over 55 apartments and condos in Orange is a drastic difference from our neighboring towns. Jen believes we should have more opportunities for our seniors to be able to stay here in Orange, near their families, friends and places of worship. Please elect Jen Alfaro to the Orange Board of Selectmen along with the whole Democratic team.



Paul Davis

Paul Davis is running for re-election to the Orange Board of Selectmen because he is a strong believer in public and community service. "I feel my experience as a State Representative, teacher, coach, manager, and community volunteer gives me an outstanding foundation to make a positive contribution as a member of the Orange Board of Selectmen. A resident for 40 years, Paul and his wife Debbie raised their children Mara and Seth in Orange and now have grandchildren in the local schools. "I am extremely proud of both my children. Seth is a teacher and coach at Amity High School and Mara, a local university administrator, is a current member of the Orange Board of Education."

Paul has a unique and diverse background all which involved working with people. He taught science in West Haven for 34 years until retiring in 2002. He coached competitive swimming for almost forty years, including 27 years at Amity High School. He founded the Orange swim program when the pool opened in 1975 and was head coach until 1988. Coach Davis was a Past President of the Amity Coaches Association and Connecticut Coach of the Year several times. In 2009 he was inducted into the Connecticut High Coaches Association and Amity High School Hall of Fame.

In 2004, Paul was elected to the Connecticut House of Representatives where he served ten years rising to the rank of Deputy Majority Leader. He was a member of the Education, Transportation, and Energy and Technology Committees; Vice Chair of the Environment Committee and Chair of the Regulations Review Committee. He was widely respected for his bipartisan approach and was recognized on numerous occasions by area and statewide organizations for his outstanding legislative work.

In addition to his work in education, athletics, and government; Paul has many years of experience as a manager in the service industry. He is currently General Manager of the Woodbridge Club, Incorporated; a private pool and tennis club and banquet facility.

In the community, Paul served on the Orange Conservation Commission, the Clean Energy Task Force and was also a member of the Platt Technical High School Citizens Advisory Council. He currently serves on the Orange Foundation and remains active with many community organizations. Paul hopes to bring to the Board of Selectmen a strong voice for new ideas, better planning, improved infrastructure, and greater bipartisan cooperation.



Mitch Goldblatt

Mitch Goldblatt has served as a Town of Orange elected official for over 37 years. His love for serving our community has spanned the positions of Constable, Town Plan and Zoning Commission, Board of Selectmen, and First Selectman.

Seeking his 13th term on the Board of Selectmen, Mitch is also currently the chair of the Orange Recycling Committee, and a member of both the Pension Board and the Bond Oversight Committee. Mitch volunteers at numerous events, including the Orange Country Fair, the Firemen's Carnival, Shredding Day, and the Lions Club Thanksgiving Dinner.

Mitch has always been outspoken, but is also a great listener to our residents. He was an early advocate of an Orange Train Station, supported building Stew Leonard's on Marsh Hill Road, and tirelessly encouraged economic development, including bringing Target and Kohl's to town, while initiating discussions with United Illuminating and sparking the resurgence of the Edison Road extension which was recently completed. In addition, Mitch vigorously supports the extension of the 5th lane for the remainder of the Boston Post Road.

As a member of the current Board of Selectmen, Mitch advocated for larger Recycling Bins, stood up against the Boy Scouts and their former discriminatory actions against gay scouts, questioned the use of the community center for a proposed gun show, suggested many of the Charter Revision proposals, and opposed large pay raises for elected officials.

Mitch is a lifetime member of the Orange Historical Society and the Orange Land Trust. He also belongs to the Orange Arts and Culture Council, Friends of the Library, and is an Associate Member of the Orange Volunteer Fire Association.

He currently works as the Town of Guilford Director of Human Resources and is an adjunct professor at the University of New Haven teaching courses in public administration and human resource management.

He has been selected as a Volunteer of the Year and is President of the Connecticut Public Employer Labor Relations Association.

Mitch earned a BA in Political Science from Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pennsylvania and an MBA in Management from the University of New Haven. An Orange resident for over 50 years, Mitch lives on Drummond Road with his wife Abby, son Carl, a senior at UCONN, and daughter Shayna, a senior at Amity.

Mitch loves serving our town and representing our residents and asks for your vote to continue as a member of the Board of Selectmen.



AMITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mark Rawden

Mark Rawden has lived in Orange since 2014. He grew up in West Haven, graduating from West Haven High School in 1999 and Boston College in 2003, where he earned his BS in Marketing. Prior to moving to Orange, he lived in New Haven and Cheshire, exposing him to a number of different urban and suburban environments that helped shape his views of local policy.

He is currently a Senior Manager of Customer Engagement at Charter Communications in Stamford and has worked for several Connecticut-based marketing agencies throughout his career. This outside the box experience will bring a fresh perspective to the Amity Board of Education, allowing for fresh ideas and a new voice representing Orange residents.

He lives with his wife of five years, Marcia, and their 15-month old son, Jacob. He is proud to be a candidate for the Amity BOE, knowing that he can help shape the education that his son will receive down the line.



CONSTABLES



Santo Galioto



Marianne Miller



Bob Shanley



Randy Thomas

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BOARD OF FINANCE

Stuart Crystal

I received a bachelor's degree from Stony Brook University and MBA from Northeastern University. Early in my career I sold apparel for Adidas and was recognized for sales excellence. Later I worked for Starter Sportswear as a sales manager. Within a short period, I was promoted and I was recognized as the industry's best merchandiser, and by Ad Age as one of the top 100 marketers in the country.

At Major League Soccer, I grew its consumer products business twenty-fold. Additionally, I spear-headed the league's largest commercial relationship, a \$150 million ten-year agreement with Adidas.

Currently, I run my own agency where I manage sales for eight special interest magazines and websites, develop licensing programs for athletes such as Michael Jordan, Wayne Gretzky, Tiger Woods and work with the United Soccer League.

In each of these positions, I have worked with large budgets and know the value of getting the most out of each dollar. I've lived in Orange with my wife for over 22 years, and my twin daughters were born and raised here. I want others to be able to have that same experience and will work to control spending and our ever-increasing mill rate.



Shirley Fiedler

I am very honored to be asked to run on the Democratic slate in Orange for the Board of Finance. I was raised in Brooklyn, N.Y. and graduated from City College of New York with a degree in Industrial Psychology. This degree opened doors to me to work in Human Resource. I have also spent many years as a full charge bookkeeper for several small companies handling accounts receivables and payables, payroll, taxes and filing federal and state reports.

We moved to Orange 35 years ago with our three sons, Jack, Robert and Michael. I worked as a full charge bookkeeper for several independent pharmacies for the last 30 years.

I am a volunteer at my synagogue on the Finance committee working to not only create but regularly review the budget. I also do volunteer work making prayer shawls for people who are sick in hospital, hospice and at home.

Now that I am no longer working, I feel that giving my time to help make Orange a greater town is of significant importance.

Thank you for your support. I look forward to serving our community.



PJ Shanley

For PJ Shanley serving on the Board of Finance for the past 4 years has been an honor and a privilege. He has a background in corporate finance and 17 years of experience as a financial advisor.

He is a fiscally conservative Democrat who has worked hard to help implement budgets that make sense for the entire town.

The Town of Orange holds a special place in his heart. He grew up here, met his wife and most of his close friends in Orange. He then moved back here to raise his family. His parents and in-laws still reside in this town.

PJ's hope is that this town will provide his children and all of the children in Orange with the same wonderful upbringing that he enjoyed here. PJ also wants to ensure that all parents who have chosen to raise their children in the Town of Orange will have the opportunity to stay in town and share their golden years with future generations.



AMITY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Cala Eichler

My name is Carla Imperati Eichler, and I grew up in Orange. I went through Orange and Amity school districts, graduating from Amity in 1995.

I attended the UCONN. I began my career as a broadcast graphic designer. I chose to switch careers because I wanted to work with students and make a positive impact. I currently teach Animation and Design at Staples High School. In my 13 years of teaching, I have taken on leadership and committee roles, and have written curriculum. I teach a curriculum which merges the use of cutting edge technology with sophisticated creative thinking and fine art concepts.

Teaching in a high performing school district, I understand the dynamics and values of stellar schools. My highest priority is supporting students. I want to help ensure that our students have excellent resources, technology, and curriculum to thrive. We need to prepare our students with skills like creative problem solving, adaptability, and social-emotional intelligence. I understand that our community values our schools, and our schools are why many new families choose Orange.

My husband, Jim, and I moved to Orange in 2011 and our two daughters attend Race Brook School.



John Gagel

John brings a long background of dedication to the Ttown of Orange. Gagel is a very familiar name in town and John is beginning to pave his own path. John is a 2012 graduate of Amity Regional High School and would bring a unique, student view and approach on the Board of Education.

He is currently finishing his Master's Degree in Communication at Central Connecticut State University where he recently received his Bachelor's degree in Communication and Political Science. In addition to being a student, John is a Graduate Assistant for Athletic Management at Central. John also serves as a member of the Orange Volunteer Fire Department.

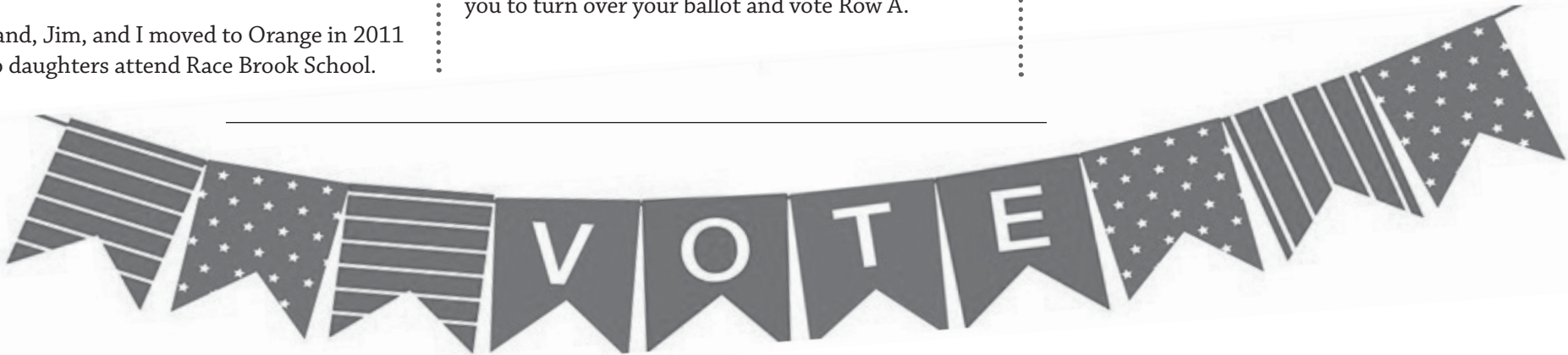
Having been a student of Amity, John certainly knows the value of the education he just received. He also understands that the education must be balanced with sound budgeting while supporting the many programs and opportunities Amity has to offer. He wants to take the experiences he has had to work to make Amity an even better school system and asks for your support on November 7 as he seeks the two-year term for the Amity Board of Education. He reminds you to turn over your ballot and vote Row A.



Ray Tuccio

Ray Tuccio was born in Bridgeport and grew up in Fairfield, where he attended Fairfield High School before enlisting in the United States Coast Guard. As a Boatswain's Mate, Ray enforced federal laws and regulations while also performing maritime search and rescue operations off of the Maine coast.

After being honorably discharged from the Coast Guard, Ray obtained his undergraduate degree from Sacred Heart University in Fairfield and then his law degree from Brooklyn Law School in Brooklyn, New York. Ray has practiced civil litigation since his admission to the Connecticut bar in 2008. He moved to Orange with his wife and two children in 2013 after being attracted to the town by its active community and outstanding public school system. It is that reason that Ray is interested in serving on the Amity Board of Education, not to just maintain a great system but to help it grow and be even better. Ray understands that it takes team work and vision and that the Democratic slate has the qualities and vision to move the district forward.



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ORANGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Charles Flynn

Charles Flynn is a graduate of Boston College and has a Master’s Degree in History and Sixth Year Diploma in Educational Leadership from Southern Connecticut State University. He has been a Fairfield Public School teacher for 20 years and an Adjunct Professor of History at the University of Connecticut ECE program.



Charles has been active as a youth baseball coach, soccer sponsor, and member of the Orange Fathers Club. He is a board member of Ryan’s Rebels, a charitable organization which supports children and their families fighting neuroblastoma.

As a veteran educator in Fairfield, Charles will bring considerable experience, knowledge and enthusiasm to the Orange Board of Education. Energized by Orange’s diverse community that is united in its support of outstanding education, he is ready to get to work for our children. He is married and the father of three children.

Frank Renaldi

Frank Renaldi has a wealth of knowledge and experience that he can provide the Orange Board of Education. Frank has been a teacher in Hamden, for the past 14 years where he taught multiple grades at the elementary level. Frank was recently named Hamden’s 2016 – 2017 Teacher of the Year.



He has stayed up to date on current teaching trends through continued education. Frank has his master’s degree in Remedial Reading and his sixth-year degree in Continued Education. Frank and his wife moved to Orange six years ago for the superb school system. This year his son is attending Mary L. Tracy Elementary School, where his daughter will also attend in two years.

Frank is very involved in the community where he participates in the Orange Softball League and coaches his son’s soccer team. Frank’s knowledge, experience and personality would make him a great candidate for Orange’s Board of Education. As a board member, he will work to ensure reasonable and fair class sizes, a strong budget, and that our children are in safe and nurturing schools.

Mary Welander

I received my BA in English from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and have been working and volunteering in educational settings in various capacities for almost 20 years.



I have 3 children who are currently attending Race Brook School and I serve on the Board of the PTA. As a member of the Orange BOE, my goal will be to make sure that all of our students are given the real world skills they will need to navigate and succeed in a changing and challenging world – and that they can do so in a safe and welcoming space.

Having grown up in Western Massachusetts, offers me a different perspective that allowed me to quickly recognize how special our schools – and the communities they help create – truly are. Orange has been incredibly welcoming to our family and I am so excited for the opportunity to give back to the town that has been so good to us.

I hope I am able to earn your vote on Tuesday, November 7th.

TOWN PLAN & ZONING

Mike Muttit

For me Orange has always been home. I grew up in Orange attending Peck Place School and Amity. While in middle school and high school, I got involved in Orange Government Access Television, OGAT. I started as its first camera-person and was appointed to the OGAT committee as a non-voting student member. During my time working with OGAT, I taped all Board of Selectmen, Plan and Zoning, Board of Finance meetings.



After I graduated Amity, I attended Rochester Institute of Technology, where I received a bachelor degree in Information Technology. When I came back to Connecticut, I moved to Monroe. There I became involved with the land use commissions by joining its Inland Wetlands Commission. I spent five years on the commission, two as its Chairman.

I am excited to move back into my hometown. I’m running for Town Plan and Zoning because I want to give back to Orange. I believe I can bring my land use experience and new ideas to Orange’s Town Plan and Zoning commission.

Mike Sodins

Mike Sodins is a fairly new resident to Orange having moved here from New Haven. Mike is a tech school teacher. He is a licensed HVAC, Sheet Metal and Solar Thermal contractor. In addition to being a teacher, Mike founded and manages a mechanical services company.



As a member of the Plan and Zoning Commission, Mike believes in sound zoning regulations that can work for all demographics, business and residential. Having lived in the city, Mike appreciates the zoning qualities of Orange and would work to preserve them while helping Orange move forward. As a resident and business owner he has the perspective from both sides and realizes the delicate balance necessary for growth. Mike is asking for your support on November 7.

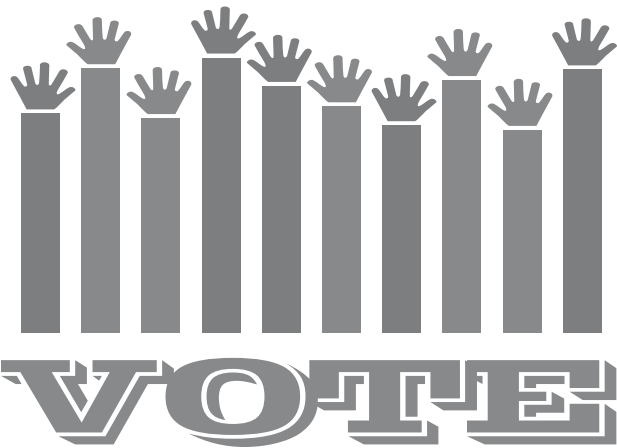
TAX COLLECTOR

Kristin Zanjani

Hi, my name is Kristin Zanjani and I’m running for Tax Collector in the great town of Orange. I’m the mother of two incredible children Bryton and Lyla who are currently attending Race Brook School. I was born and raised in Orange and feel proud to be raising my children here as well.



I have been managing an international business for the past 15 years including customer relations and vendor management. In my free time I enjoy traveling, yoga, curling up with a good book and taking hikes with my children all around this great state. I strongly believe kindness matters and a smile can go a long way. As Tax Collector, I will offer a new pair of eyes as to how business is done including evening office hours during the peak of tax season. Our town hall is ready for a few fresh faces and I look forward to being part of this great Democratic team.



TOWN CLERK

Patrick B. O’Sullivan

Patrick B. O’Sullivan is seeking his 11th term as the Orange Town Clerk. O’Sullivan is no stranger to public service having served on various boards and committees over the past 35+ years — Town Clerk (ten terms), Board of Selectmen (three terms), Board of Finance (2 years), State Representative (one term), Justice of the Peace (two terms). He has been appointed to the



Orange Country Fair Committee, Memorial Day

Committee, Senior Tax Stabilization, Codification Committee, and Code of Ethics Committee.

“I have the local knowledge and experience to act as the bridge between federal, state and local government and the citizens of Orange. I am responsible for the accurate recording and preservation of all land records, vitals, maps, elections and other town records that need to be in compliance with nearly 800 state statutes, federal regulations and town charter.”

ENTERTAINMENT

TOP 10 MOVIES

- 1. **Happy Death Day (PG-13)**
Jessica Rothe, Israel Broussard
- 2. **Blade Runner 2049 (R)**
Harrison Ford, Ryan Gosling
- 3. **The Foreigner (R)**
Katie Leung, Jackie Chan
- 4. **It (R)**
Bill Skarsgard, Jaeden Lieberher
- 5. **The Mountain Between Us (PG-13)**
Idris Elba, Kate Winslet
- 6. **American Made (R)**
Tom Cruise, Domhnall Gleeson
- 7. **Kingsman: The Golden Circle (R)**
Taron Egerton, Colin Firth
- 8. **The Lego Ninjago Movie (PG)**
animated
- 9. **My Little Pony: The Movie (PG)**
animated
- 10. **Victoria and Abdul (PG-13)**
Judi Dench, Ali Fazal

TOP 10 VOD

- 1. **Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales (PG-13)**
Johnny Depp
- 2. **Wonder Woman (PG-13)**
Gal Gadot
- 3. **Transformers: The Last Knight (PG-13)**
Mark Wahlberg
- 4. **Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie (PG)**
animated
- 5. **47 Meters Down (PG-13)**
Mandy Moore
- 6. **The Mummy (PG-13)**
Tom Cruise
- 7. **The Big Sick (R)**
Kumail Nanjiani
- 8. **The Book of Henry (PG-13)**
Naomi Watts
- 9. **The Boss Baby (PG)**
animated
- 10. **The Hero (R)**
Sam Elliott



Andy Serkis in "War for the Planet of the Apes" [20th Century Fox]

EDITOR'S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column are available in stores the week of October 23, 2017.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"War for the Planet of the Apes" (PG-13) -- In the final installment of the "Apes" trilogy, we find Caesar (Andy Serkis) in charge of the apes, a band in search of a safe haven from the unrelenting rogue forces of Alpha-Omega, led by the sadistic renegade colonel played by Woody Harrelson. An olive branch offered by Caesar is viciously rebuffed, which sets him off on a personal quest that will embody both introspection and retribution. Along the way, his band adopt a human child who may hold the key to the end of the "War for the Planet of the Apes." The film gives

as much depth to character development as its searing battle scenes, and does an incredible job with both. It's a fitting end to a very well-done series.

"Annabelle: Creation" (R) -- As a dollmaker and his wife grieve the loss of their daughter, a demon poses as the little girl's soul in order to gain entry to the physical world, taking the form of an angelic porcelain doll. Hip to the demon's maneuvers, the couple trap it inside their daughter's bedroom. Flash-forward 12 years and the couple open their home to a group of displaced orphans. What could go wrong? Everything. Talitha Bateman stars as Janice, the unfortunate orphan possessed by the demonic presence, while Stephanie Sigman plays Sister Charlotte, in charge of her protection. This is the prequel to "Annabelle" and the fourth installment in the supernatural "The Conjuring" series.

"The Emoji Movie" (PG) -- What happens when the son of two "meh" emojis is able to express himself in multiple ways? This glitch has to be run down, and along the way, we'll take a ride through a highly imaginative world of apps and games. TJ Miller voices Gene, who goes to work as an emoji and causes a ruckus when his confused expression in a text message makes the phone owner seek tech support. He goes on the run to find help from a hacker named Jailbreak (Anna Faris) while being chased by an internal goon squad of bots. The kids will love the tech references (Candy Crush, Just Dance, etc.) while the adults can play the "who's voicing the cameo" guessing game (spoiler alert: Patrick Stewart is the Poop emoji). At the end, the message is: "Don't let life put your personality in a box."

- 1. Who released "Love Is Just a Four-Letter Word," and when?
- 2. Which U.K. band had a No. 1 hit with "Metal Guru"?
- 3. Name the duo that created "Tell Him" but have never performed it live.
- 4. Whose solo career was launched with "New Attitude"?
- 5. Name the vintage song that contains this lyric: "If I could take my pick of all the girls I've ever known, Then I'd come and pick you out to be my very own."



The song also went to the top in Ireland and Germany, but didn't even chart in the U.S. 3. Barbra Streisand and Celine Dion, in 1997. 4. Patti LaBelle, in 1984. 5. "Never Be Anyone Else But You," by Ricky Nelson in 1959. The song was so popular (even though it was released as a b-side single) that three cover versions were released the same year, including one in German.

SPORTS QUIZ

By Chris Richcreek

- 1. Name the last Toronto Blue Jays pitcher before Aaron Sanchez in 2016 to win 10 straight games.
- 2. Who holds the record for most All-Star Games on the National League roster?
- 3. In 2016, Oakland's Sebastian Janikowski became the NFL's all-time leader in field goals of 50 or more yards. Who had held the mark?
- 4. During the 2016-17 season, two Division I men's college basketball coaches reached the milestone of 800 career victories while coaching at their alma mater. Name them.
- 5. Who was the fastest NHL coach to 400 career wins?
- 6. Who was the last rookie driver before Alexander Rossi in 2016 to win the Indianapolis 500?
- 7. For the first time in 40-plus years, the ATP men's tennis rankings at one point in 2017 had all five of its top players age 30 or older. Name them.

1. Roy Halladay won 15 in a row in 2003. 2. Hank Aaron, Willie Mays and Stan Musial all played in 24 All-Star Games for the N.L. 3. Detroit's Jason Hanson, who had 52 field goals of 50-plus yards. 4. Bob Huggins (West Virginia) and Roy Williams (North Carolina). 5. Bruce Boudreau did it in 663 games (2007-16). 6. Helio Castroneves, in 2001. 7. Andy Murray, Novak Djokovic, Stan Wawrinka, Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer.

Sudoku answers on page 41

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

COMICS/CROSSWORD/HOLLYWOOD

Henry

BY DON TRACHTE

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Dutch earth-ware city

6 Ado

12 More blood-stained

13 Unilateral

14 Rhododendron cousin

15 Busy

16 Small plateau

17 Rocketry org.

19 Started

20 Group of actors

22 Omega pre-ceder

24 Second person

27 Church furniture

29 Lecher's look

32 Toady

35 Transcending (Pref.)

36 Mine car

37 Ball holder

38 Hooter

40 Sans escort

42 Tablet

44 Inauguration recitation

46 Mine entrance

50 Captivate

52 Intertwine

54 Swear (to)

55 Like thunder

56 Prolonged

10 Wash

11 Watched

12 School of whales

18 If all else fails

21 Zoo favorite

23 "Help!"

24 Thanksgiving veggie

25 Unclose

26 Modern

28 Spreads thickly

30 Shelter

31 Preceding

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41 Greek consonant

42 Carrots' partners

43 Con

45 — and letters

47 Plastic user's concern

48 Capri or Wight

49 Biblical possessive

51 "Family Guy" daughter

53 Enthusiast

attacks

Put into words

DOWN

1 Nap

2 Historic times

3 Light purple

4 Doctor's due

5 Area near the apse

6 Feathery

7 Open a bottle

8 Collection

9 Stephenie Meyer series

10 Wash

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12 School of whales

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HOLLYWOOD

By Tony Rizzo

Nicole Kidman [Depositphotos]

Notice how actresses have stopped crying the blues about there being no parts for older actresses? Meryl Streep, 68, has films lined up. Fifty-year-old Nicole Kidman (just off an Emmy win for "Big Little Lies") has four films completed: the just-opened horror/thriller "The Killing of a Sacred Deer," with her "Beguiled" co-star Colin Farrell; "Aquaman," with Jason Momoa in the title role (due Dec. 21); the comedy "The Upside," co-starring Bryan Cranston and Kevin Hart (out March 9); and "How to Talk to Girls at Parties," a sci-fi romantic comedy that screened at the Cannes Film Festival.

Kidman is currently filming "Boy Erased," with Russell Crowe and Lucas Hedges (as the boy), opening Sept. 28, 2018. She also just signed to star in the crime drama "Destroyer," in which she plays an LAPD detective who went deep undercover as a young cop to infiltrate a cult-like gang in the California desert.

Kate Winslett, 41, is playing the wife of a carousel operator who falls for a lifeguard in Woody Allen's new film "Wonder Wheel," with Justin Timberlake and Jim Belushi, hitting screens Dec. 1. Allen's latest, as-yet-untitled project is going younger with Selena Gomez, Elle Fanning, Diego Luna, Jude Law and Liv Schreiber.

Just 29 but rising fast is "Danish Girl" Oscar-winner Alicia Vikander, who had two films screened at the Toronto Film Festival in September: "Submergence," with James McAvoy, Alex Hafner and Charlotte Rampling; and "Euphoria," with Eva Green, Charlotte Rampling and Charles Dance. She's also completed a new Lara Croft "Tomb Raider" film (based on the 2013 video game), with Dominic West and Kristin Scott Thomas

Johnny Carson's Malibu home, which he bought for \$9.5 million in 1984, is for sale. The estate includes a 7,083 square-foot home, with two bedrooms (the master suite fills the entire second floor), 4.5 baths, a media room, wine cellar and indoor arboretum, plus a separate guesthouse. Producer Sidney Kimmel ("Moneyball" and "Lars and the Real Girl," to name two), who bought the property for \$46 million, is seeking a buyer willing to pay \$81.5 million. Is this property worth that much because of its location, luxuriousness or because it was once owned by Johnny Carson? As Carson might have said, "If Carnac the Magnificent had told me it would be worth that much, I would've stuck around and haunted the joint!"

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CREATIVE WAYS FOR SMALL TOWN RESIDENTS TO GIVE BACK

Giving back to one's community is a great way for men and women to make use of their talents and foster strong towns and cities. Volunteering opportunities abound in big cities, but small town residents may not have as many options as they look for ways to give back.

Small town residents looking to give back may need to create their own opportunities if the options available to them do not suit their fancies.

Contact local schools. Teachers, afterschool caregivers and coaches can always use some helping hands. Contact local schools to determine if there is any way to help out. Prospective volunteers might be able to read to young children, serve as assistant coaches for youngsters' sports teams or even help tend to playing fields. Small town school budgets tend to be stretched thin, so chances are local educators will welcome citizens looking to pitch in with open arms.

Start a program through your place of employment. Another way for small town residents to give back to their



Small town residents looking to give back can organize volunteer groups through their offices.

communities is to begin a mentoring or internship program through their places of employment. Once their employers give the go-ahead, men and women can begin working with local

high schools and/or colleges to develop programs that encourage youngsters to gain professional experience that can benefit them as they apply to college or graduate school or prepare to begin

their own careers.

Start a volunteering group. Small town residents without much access to volunteering programs can organize groups through their offices or neighborhoods. Organize groups willing to pitch in with charities such as Habitat for Humanity®. Group leaders can arrange transportation to work sites for members of the group while working as liaisons between their community groups and the organizations they choose to work with.

Work with area hospitals. Similar to school districts, many hospitals would struggle to meet their missions of providing compassionate care if not for the contributions of volunteers. Contact area hospitals to learn about volunteering. Some may need volunteers to read to sick children, while others may need help keeping elderly patients company.

Small town residents may not have a wealth of volunteering opportunities at their disposal. But with a little creativity, such men and women can still give back to their communities.

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DEATH NOTICES



Aggeliki Chatzopoulos

Aggeliki Chatzopoulos, 74, passed away peacefully on August 31 at her home in Makrisia, Greece. She was the devoted wife of Dionisios “Dennis” Chatzopoulos for 56 years.

Aggeliki was born February 9, 1944 in Makrisia, Greece, to the late Konstandinos and Vasiliki Karachristos. Aggeliki immigrated to New Haven in 1987 with her family and was an employee of the Strause-Adler Company until joining her husband, son and daughter in the restaurant business. In 2003, Aggeliki and her family bought Chip’s Family Restaurant in Orange, where she became known for her delicious, homemade cooking. Customers of Chip’s came to know and love “Mama,” and her famous Greek and American cuisine.

In addition to her husband Dionisios, she leaves behind her son Panagiotis (Katerina) Chatzopoulos of Athens, Greece; Vasiliki (Fotis) Koufolia of Makrisia Greece; George Chatzopoulos and Dina (Adam) Bajko of Orange, CT. She is the beloved grandmother of Maria-Angela Chatzopoulos, Eleni, Aggeliki and Thanasi Koufolia and AJ and Alexander Bajko. She is also survived by her brother Gregory Karachristos of

Hamden, nephew Kosta (Angela) Karachristos of North Haven and niece Vasso (Robert) Spanos of Norwalk.

Donations can be made in honor of Aggeliki Chatzopoulos to the Alzheimer’s Association, 200 Executive Boulevard #4B, Southington, CT 06489.

Patricia Giblin Mullenix

Patricia Giblin Mullenix, age 69 of Orange, passed away October 14, 2017 at St. Raphael Hospital, New Haven. Patricia was the daughter of the late John and Sarah McCormack Giblin. She graduated from the Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing, Class of 1966 and was a Registered Nurse for Bridgeport Hospital, the former Fairfield Hills Hospital of Newtown, and the VA Hospital of West Haven until her retirement.

A wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and aunt, she is survived by her loving husband John Mullenix of Orange, her sons Sean Mullenix of Hamden, David Mullenix and his wife Danielle of Milford, and Patrick Mullenix and his wife Nicole of Downers Grove, IL; her grandchildren Sebastian, Nathan, Courtney, Alicia, Matthew, and Aiden Mullenix, her twin sister Noreen Butkus and her husband David, and her nephews Brendan, Colin, and Darren Butkus.

The Smith Funeral Home, 135 N. Broad Street, Milford handled the arrangements. A Mass of Christian Burial was held October 20th at St. Gabriel Church in Milford with burial following in St. Augustine Cemetery, Seymour. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Patricia’s memory to the American Lung Association, 45 Ash Street, East Hartford, CT 06108. To leave condolences, please visit www.georgiesmithandson.com.

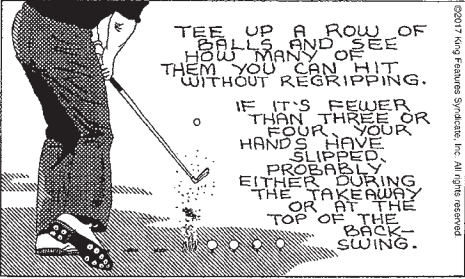
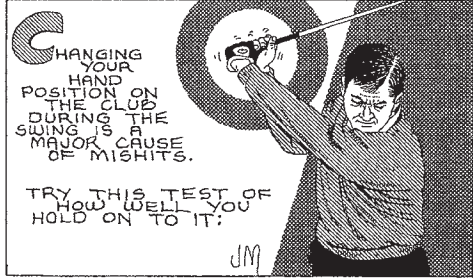
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2. Shall the Charter be amended to change the term of the Town Planning and Zoning Commission deferred position so that beginning with the 2023 biennial election, three members shall have concurrent four year terms?
3. Shall the Charter be amended to modify the definition of “quorum of qualified electors or taxpayers at a town meeting” from “100” to “those present”?
4. Shall the Charter be amended to modify the need for town meeting action for the purchase and sale of real estate of the Town or any interest therein for properties or interests with a value of \$500,000 or greater?
5. Shall the Charter be amended to require that all votes concerning the annual budget be sent to referendum?
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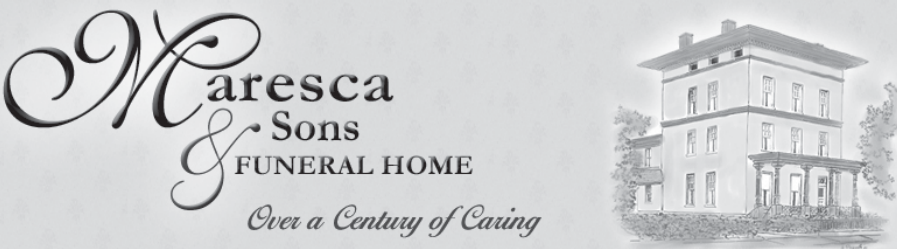
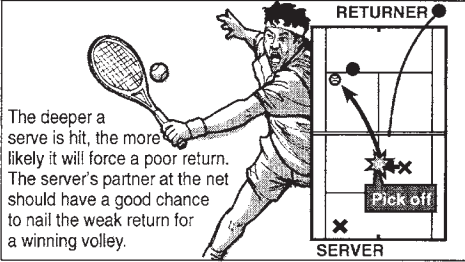
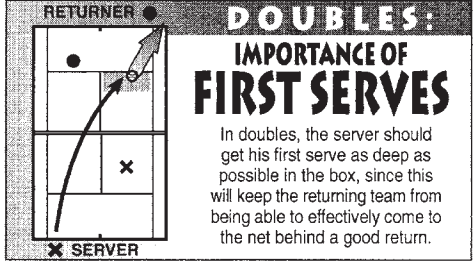
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Getting kids to volunteer as they progress through adolescence may not be so difficult. In its 2014 analysis of volunteering trends, Child Trends found that 39 percent of twelfth grade students volunteered at least once a month in 2014 compared to just 27 percent of eighth graders.

Older students might feel compelled to volunteer to improve their college admissions applications, but parents can take steps to get their younger children excited at the prospect of volunteering.

Set a positive example. Young children want to emulate their parents, so moms and dads who volunteer may find ready and willing partners in their children. Parents can inform their children when they volunteer and why they do so before bringing kids along to join them.

Don't forget fun. Young children may be more likely to embrace volunteering if the activity is fun. Kids might not find it too fun to sit next to their parents while mom and dad balance a soup kitchen's books, but a beach cleanup excursion or a trip to refurbish an inner city park may inspire kids to spend a lifetime giving back to their communities and helping the less fortunate.

Keep it simple. Kids may not enjoy volunteering activities that consume too much time or make them feel exhausted. As kids grow older, parents can encourage them to embrace more challenging activities and/or commit more time to volunteering. But keep things simple with especially young children or older children who have never before volunteered.

Try and try again. It might take some trial and error before parents find volunteering opportunities their children truly enjoy. When volunteering with children for the first time, be careful not to commit to more than one day. If children enjoy themselves, then parents can commit more time. If kids do not seem excited by an activity, parents won't feel guilty or let the charity down by not returning.

Children can benefit greatly by volunteering, and parents can get their youngsters involved at an early age.

CHARITABLE GIVING AND TAXES

Many people donate to nonprofit organizations and other philanthropic groups out of a personal desire to do good for others. Such charitable giving can improve the lives of others and may make donors eligible for tax deductions.

According to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service, donors may deduct charitable contributions of money or property made to qualified organizations. These generally include religious organizations, veterans organizations, nonprofit groups qualified under section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, and some other groups as well. The Canada Revenue Agency lists registered charities, registered low-cost housing corporations, national arts service organizations, registered Canadian amateur athletic associations, and some educational universities among the organizations that may qualify donors for tax deductions.

Canadian individuals and businesses generally can claim deductions and gifts of up to 75 percent of net income. In the United States, the IRS states one generally may deduct up to 50 percent of adjusted gross income, but 20 percent and 30 percent limitations apply in some cases.

Giving can constitute cash and non-cash donations, advises the charity watchdog organization Charity Navigator. For example, deductions for dona-

tions of clothing and household items that are in "good condition or better" may qualify donors for tax deductions. Donors are advised to bring items to reputable charities that will issue a receipt for their value. An appraisal may be requested for more expensive items.

All donations require a paper trail and proof of charitable contribution. The Government of Canada states that official donation receipts from registered charities and other qualified organizations should be kept in a safe place. While these receipts need not be submitted at the time of filing (whether on paper returns or electronic filings), they should be kept for five years in the event they are subjected to review.

Timing donations properly is key. The IRS says that contributions made in cash or other property must be made before the close of the tax year to be deductible.

A tax treaty between the United States and Canada allows for some deduction of donations made to charities across the border. Again, it is best to consult with a tax professional in these matters as some contributions to foreign organizations are not deductible.

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Women tend to be more generous than men with regard to donating to charity.

DISPARITIES IN PHILANTHROPIC GIVING AMONG GENDERS

Men and women are similar yet also very different. One area where the genders seem to differ concerns charitable giving.

Nonprofits may not specifically tailor their marketing efforts to either men or women, but new research suggests that perhaps they should. The Women's Philanthropy Institute at the Indiana University Lilly Family School of Philanthropy found that women and men give differently. Research suggests that women give more than men in nearly all income levels. This despite the fact that women generally earn less than their male peers and have less money in retirement.

Similar findings were presented in the paper "Exploring Gender Differences in Charitable Giving," by Arjen De Wit and René Bekkers of the University of Amsterdam. Their research indicated North American females are "more likely to give and to give to more different sectors, which can be attributed to their higher presocial values of empathetic concern and the principle of care." However, their findings were different in their home country of The Netherlands. There, males donate more than females.

Researchers feel there are several reasons why women are more likely to donate to charity and why they generally donate larger portions of their wealth. A 2013 U.S. Trust survey on women

and wealth uncovered that women say money offers freedom and security, and giving to charity is one of the most satisfying aspects of having wealth. This is in contrast to the male view that money represents prestige and power.

The Women's Philanthropy Institute theorizes that women tend to be more empathetic than men, which develops from many women being mothers and nurturers, and that altruism extends beyond the family to strangers who are in need.

The U.S. Trust survey also found that a \$10,000 increase in a woman's income would be associated with a more than 5 percent rise in her total household giving, while a similar rise in the man's income would be associated with a less than 3 percent rise in total giving.

Among high net worth households, single women are more likely to donate to the arts and the environment, compared to single men who give to combination organizations, which focus on a few different issues under one charitable banner. Among married couples, women are more likely than men to donate to youth and family services.

Based on data from the white paper, "Do Women Give More?," one exception with regard to women donating more than men is the Gen-X generation, as giving is relatively equal among this demographic.



ORANGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The Orange Historical Society is holding its Annual Meeting on Tuesday, November 14 from 7 to 9 pm in the cafeteria at High Plains Community Center, Orange Center Road. Guest speaker for the event will be Alex Dubois, Curator of Collections at the Litchfield Historical Society. Dubois will present a program on The Art of War – World War 1 Posters.

Dubois's presentation will include examples from the large collection of American World War 1 posters maintained by the Litchfield Historical Society, ranging from widely-distributed government posters (Liberty Loans, United States Food Administration), to posters for relief efforts (American Red Cross), to those created within the Litchfield community (War Rallies, Red Cross chapter activities). These posters will be viewed alongside those produced in Great Britain, France, Germany,

Austria, and other participant nations to provide a global view of poster production during the war.

All nations involved in the war faced the problem of raising money. Government agencies turned to posters to sell the war and fill the trenches. By the twentieth century, posters were both an established advertising medium and an accepted art form. Artists, illustrators, designers, students, and schoolchildren across the world turned their talents to poster production. Despite its late entry into the war, the United States alone produced over 2,500 poster designs and printed more than 20 million individual posters.

A brief business meeting will be held prior to the presentation. The program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served following Schiff's presentation.

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The Orange Wolverines Boys Basketball Travel Team will be holding open tryouts on Saturday, November 4th at Notre Dame High School of West Haven from noon to 1pm. This tryout is open to 5th-6th & 7th grade boys from Orange, Woodbridge & Bethany. The Orange Wolverines is a competitive travel Basketball team that plays games all over the State of CT. For any questions, please contact Ken Burns at burnsk3@hotmail.com.



FOUR YEAR OLD “TEES
OFF FOR TURKEYS”

On Saturday, October 14, the 18th Annual Tee Off for Turkeys tournament was held at the Orchards Golf Course in Milford followed by a dinner at the Savin Rock Convention Center. This tournament raises funds for Thanksgiving meals for families less fortunate. Pictured is 4 year old Oliver Tamagni with his father Steve Tamagni. Oliver played all 9 holes, had a great time, and received a trophy as the youngest golfer to play in the tournament. During the putting contest before the tournament, Oliver sunk his 10 foot putt to win a prize. What amazed everyone more was that he can drive the ball close to 100 yards. For those who want to see more photos of this charity event, go to the Facebook page of “Tee Off for Turkeys” and check out the 2017 photos.

BARK BYTES...

By Vicki & Richard Horowitz



WHICH DOG IS RIGHT FOR ME?

A dog’s breed and temperament, combined with your lifestyle and personality, all play an important role in determining what kind of dog is the best fit for you. For instance, a slight or shy person could find a large-breed dog—especially one that is boisterous or hyperactive—difficult to control. On the other hand, a timid, little dog may not be a suitable match for an adventure-some, outgoing, or loud person.

A Puppy or a Full-Grown Dog? If you are considering adopting a dog, first determine whether you want a puppy or an adult dog. Adopting a puppy has certain advantages—you will be able to choose a dog with the best temperament for you and ensure he gets a proper education before behavioral problems or bad habits develop. But puppies bring added responsibilities, too. During the first few months, a puppy requires more of your time than an older dog.

- Puppies should not be left alone for extended periods of time.
- They need to be fed several times a day, constantly monitored.
- Owners must fill the void created when the puppy is taken away from the mother.
- Attention is required to properly house-train a puppy.
- Training is required with goals suitable for the puppy’s age.
- If you do not have the time required for a puppy, consider adopting a full-grown dog that has already gone through the puppy stage.
- Usually an older dog will be housebroken.
- Older dogs are less likely to chew anything and everything within reach.
- More advanced training can begin immediately.
- As a newcomer to your family, older dogs require attention and understanding as they become oriented.

Before adopting an older dog, learn as much as you can about his background, such as the details of his diet so you can be sure any change in diet will not be abrupt. If adopting a dog from another home, ask for a favorite item, such as a toy, a blanket, or a pillow that the dog can take with him. This will help in the transition.

Is Temperament Important? Temperament has nothing to do with a dog’s size, breed or upbringing—temperament is something innate in a dog. A dog’s temperament has a lot to do with how easily he can be trained and, while good training can improve certain traits in a dog, training cannot change a dog’s temperament.

There are a variety of temperaments in dogs, and some dogs can have a combination of temperament traits, but generally speaking, dogs have four basic temperament types:

- Nervous – This bottom-of-the-pack dog requires more effort and perseverance on your part to train. An older, nervous dog can act in a variety of ways around strangers. He might bark but then back off, or circle while barking and growling. Another nervous type might settle down when the stranger is seated but bark and possibly try to attack when the visitor gets up to leave. A fear of strangers makes a nervous dog a challenge to train.
- Timid – Also a bottom-of-the-pack dog, a timid dog will hold his ears back, squirm, put his tail between his legs, or roll onto his back. You can easily train this type of dog once he recognizes you

- as his leader.
- Assertive – This top-of-the-pack dog requires owners to demonstrate strong leadership through a consistent and committed effort to train the dog, no matter how long it takes. When around strangers, this dog stands his ground and, under some circumstances, attacks. He will not relinquish his leadership position easily and, if you move too quickly with training, he could bite. With professional help and a lot of determination, however, even the most assertive dogs can be trained.
- Middle of the Pack – This dog is easy to train because he wants to please his owners out of respect for them as the leaders of the pack. Usually friendly toward strangers and not aggressive toward other dogs, this type of dog is delightful to own.

How Do I Know Which Breed is Best for Me? In addition to recognizing an individual dog’s temperament, you would do well to investigate the breed that best suits your needs and lifestyle. Listed here are some of the most popular breeds and, based on our experience with hundreds of thousands of dogs worldwide, how their personalities and characteristics might match the requirements of different types of owners. While some breeds do have tendencies toward a certain temperament, keep in mind that this is not absolute. Use the information as a guide, but we recommend you make your final decision based on background information and observation.

Sociable Dogs with Soft, Even Temperaments: These breeds are typically less demanding and more docile, making them perfect for elderly people and families with children. They are loving and respond well to lots of attention, and prefer to not be left alone.

Dogs that Require More Discipline: Often exuberant, many of these breeds require more discipline and exercise—but are great for people with lots of energy. Their loyal, loving natures still make them wonderful family pets.

One-Person Dogs: Protective of their homes and owners, these breeds are perfect for people who live alone. Not in all cases, but these breeds tend to be less suitable for families.

Mixed Breeds: Generally hardier and less prone to hereditary faults, mixed breeds can be pets that are just as good—and sometimes better—than purebreds. Still, some are better than others. As a basic guideline, a pup is likely to inherit his size from his mother but be slightly smaller than his largest parent.

Designer Dogs: Designer breeds, crosses between two purebred dogs, were developed to create a mix of the best characteristics of each breed. For instance, the Goldendoodle combines the family-friendly traits of the Golden Retriever with the non-shedding, hypoallergenic traits of the Poodle.

Just like people, dogs come in all shapes, sizes, and temperaments. A dog’s breed and temperament, combined with your lifestyle and personality, all play an important role in determining what kind of dog is best for you. Do a bit of research first and then visit your local shelter. There is a perfect dog for everyone.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your honesty continues to impress everyone who needs reassurance about a project. But be careful you don't lose patience with those who are still not ready to act.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Pushing others too hard to do things your way could cause resentment and raise more doubts. Instead, take more time to explain why your methods will work.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be more considerate of those close to you before making a decision that could have a serious effect on their lives. Explain your intentions and ask for their advice.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might have to defend a workplace decision you plan to make. Colleagues might back you up on this, but it's the facts that will ultimately win the day for you. Good luck.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat's co-workers might not be doing enough to help get that project finished. Your roars might stir things up, but gentle purrr-suasion will prove to be more effective.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Someone you care for needs help with a problem. Give it lovingly and without judging the situation. Whatever you feel you should know will be revealed later.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) While you're to be admired for how you handled recent workplace problems, be careful not to react the same way to a new situation until all the facts are in.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Rely on your keen instincts as well as the facts at hand when dealing with a troubling situation. Be patient. Take things one step at a time as you work through it.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your curiosity leads you to ask questions. However, the answers might not be what you hoped to hear. Don't reject them without checking them out.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Be careful not to tackle a problem without sufficient facts. Even sure-footed Goats need to know where they'll land before leaping off a mountain path.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Appearances can be deceiving. You need to do more investigating before investing your time, let alone your money, in something that might have some hidden flaws.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your recent stand on an issue could make you the focus of more attention than you would like. But you'll regain your privacy, as well as more time with loved ones by week's end.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're a good friend and a trusted confidante. You would be a wonderful teacher or a respected member of the clergy.

DON'T RISK PETS' LIVES: VACCINATE

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: The letter from a reader wondering if it's worth it to vaccinate his indoor cats ("Do Indoor Cats Need All Those Shots?") hit a nerve with me. Years ago, I had five totally indoor kitties. And like his cats, mine loved to perch on the windowsill. I'd never bothered to keep up with all of their shots, because they never went outside and so wouldn't be exposed to other cats -- so why deal with the expense?

You can guess what happened: The window screen popped out somehow, and my cat "Woody" fell out into our side yard. Once we discovered the "escape," we got him back into the house, but sadly, it was not fast enough. As time went by I noticed all of my cats were showing signs of illness, so I made an appointment with the veterinarian. Sadly,

Woody never made it; he passed away the day before the appointment. All of my surviving cats were diagnosed with feline leukemia.

Because of my insistence on being cheap, I shortened all of my cats' lives. If they had been vaccinated regularly, they likely would never have gotten sick even if they accidentally escaped the house. That's a fact I can never, ever change. Please don't think like I did. Protect your family and get all of their vaccinations.

-- Dee in Palmyra, New York

DEAR DEE: Thank you for sharing such a painful experience. I hope your story will help others realize just how much they have to lose by not vaccinating their indoor cats against feline leukemia, feline immunodeficiency virus, rabies and other diseases.

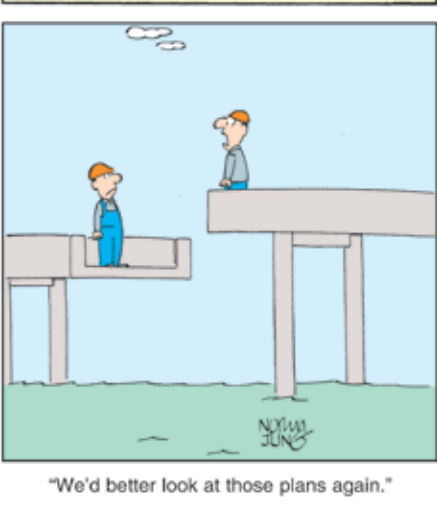


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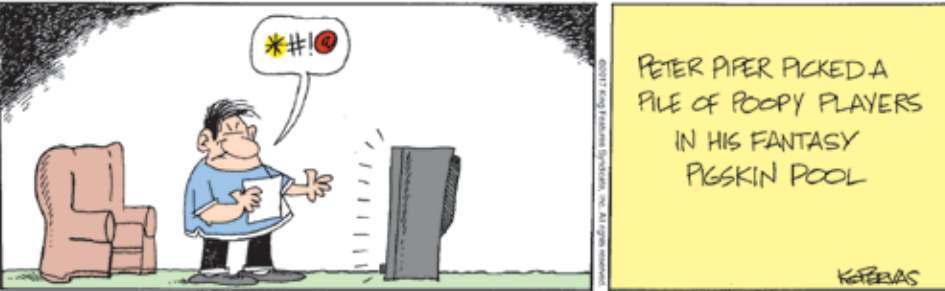
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2. Spartan Hoplon shield

3. Khopesh

4. Shotel

5. Zhua

6. Hypaspist

7. Madu

8. Bagh Nakh

9. Shuriken

10. Roman scissor

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The Garden Bug

Blackthorn

In European folklore, the blackthorn is seen as a sinister tree, associated with the dark arts and ill omens. It is linked with warfare, wounding and death. Witches were said to carry walking sticks made of it, with which they caused mischief. In Scotland, winter begins when the Goddess of Winter strikes the ground with her blackthorn staff. Blackthorn timber is hard and strong, with tough bark. The wood was cured by burying it in a dung heap or smearing it with butter, then placing it in the chimney.

- Brenda Weaver

Sources: www.historic-uk.com, www.druidry.org



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