

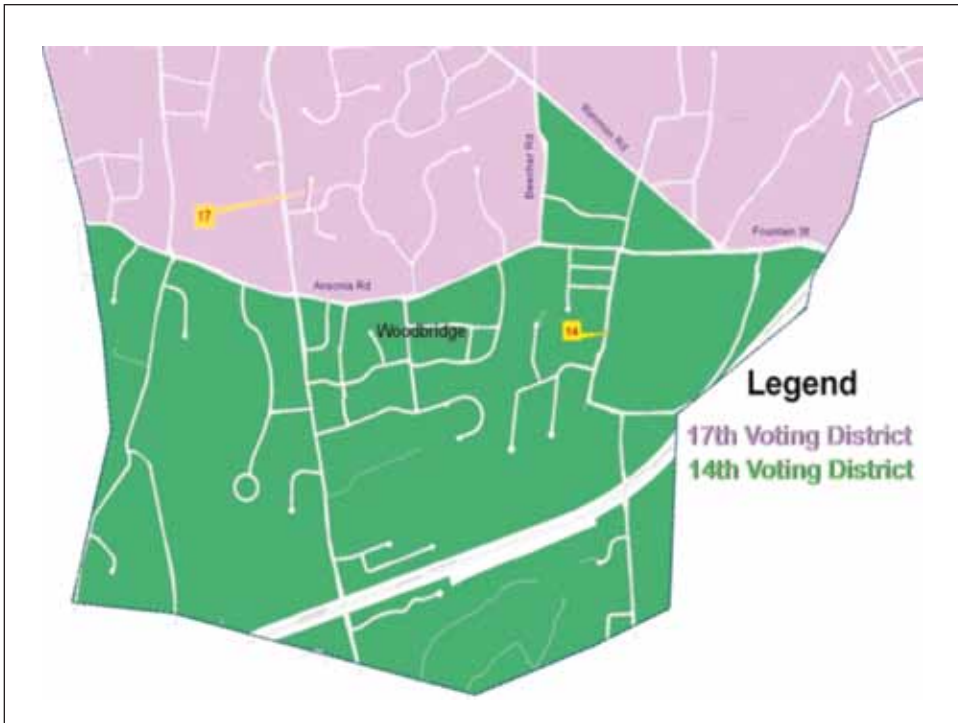
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Polls Are Open at Center Gym for All Woodbridge Voters

By Bettina Thiel - Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

When Woodbridge voters enter the Center gym to cast their votes for national and state representation next Tuesday, November 6, they will be greeted by election workers who can direct them to either Voting District 1 or District 2, depending on where they live. "Voters will need to know that the Center School Gym continues to be the only polling location in Woodbridge and will serve both districts," said Registrar Jeanette Glicksman. "When voters arrive on Election Day it would be helpful if they knew which district they are in, but not necessary as we will have greeters with district lists as well as a large map of the town posted." The map and a searchable street index are also posted at the town website, www.woodbridgect.org.

The second district is a result of the most recent redistricting in the wake of the 2010 census. District 1 is by far the larger district and incorporates the 17th Senatorial District held by Sen. Joe Crisco and the 114th Assembly District, represented by Themis Klarides.

District 2 encompasses a smaller part of Woodbridge for about 1,100 voters south of Route 243. It encompasses the 117th Assembly District, represented by Democrat Paul Davis. He is running unopposed this year.

The two ballots differ only in the line for state senator. Together with Orange and West Haven voters, residents in District 2 will choose between Republican Michael DeGrego, who is cross-endorsed by the Independent Party, and incumbent Sen. Gayle Slossberg, a Milford Democrat. Voters in District 1 will choose between incumbent Sen. Joe Crisco, a Democrat, and Tony Szewczyk, a Derby Republican.

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OUTSIDE LIVING BOX

To step into Rosalind Brodoff's Tallwood Road home is like taking a stroll down an artistic memory lane.

The walls are filled with her colorful and detailed oil paintings, many of which depict scenes from the markets and shopkeepers of old New Haven. Oils of past thriving businesses that

have since closed, like M & T deli, the Whalley Bakery, an open air market once located on the corner of Chapel and Howe Streets, and a fish market on State Street, hang beside paintings of cityscapes of downtown New Haven and Long Wharf harbor, the old Woodbridge Post Office, and a portrait of the man who worked at the Town Dump for many years.

As much as she enjoyed sketching these everyday scenes of many of the places she did her own shopping, Brodoff particularly enjoyed the stories of the people she was drawing. "I'm a people person," she said. "This woman told me she was married by proxy!" she said, pointing to her painting of a plump woman under a magnolia tree. "And she," Brodoff said, pointing to a vibrant dark-skinned woman dancing in her wedding dress, "told me the man she was marrying thought her seven children were his - but they weren't!" Brodoff still chuckles when she repeats that story, confiding that she actually has a book where she chronicled the personal tales her subjects told her. When asked if any of her subjects ever wanted to purchase the finished artwork, Brodoff said she probably never showed them the finished products, maybe because she



Rosalind Brodoff

was never too anxious to part with the finished paintings. Most of her paintings are done on mahogany, her canvas of choice.

Perhaps her most ambitious painting is the one that takes up most of the room off her living room. The gigantic mural, which depicts thousands of detailed faces of men and women with a rainbow going across the canvas, is a memorial to the Holocaust. "I didn't want to do a painting of broken, bloodied bodies," she said, instead choosing to put a human face on the atrocity. The painting took her nearly two years to complete.

Brodoff began painting as a child growing up in New York, inspired by a cousin who often took her and her sister to museums and drew sketches of them. "I even had an uncle who designed jewelry for Cartier and Tiffany's," she said. Throughout her career she has been awarded a grant from the Connecticut Commission on culture and tourism, designed a greeting card for the United Children's Fund (UNICEF) that was distributed around the world, won a competition to paint a mural for former New Haven Mayor Frank Logue's office; and had showings of

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Beecher Road Teacher Lives Childhood Dream

By Laura Fantarella - Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

For Beecher Road School teacher Nancy Smerekanicz, her unique experience attending Space Camp enables her to foster the same passion she's always had for space exploration in her own Beecher Road School students.

Smerekanicz says she came as close to her childhood dream of being an astronaut as she'll ever get when she became one of 220 teachers from around the world to attend the camp at the Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama in 2010. Smerekanicz received a scholarship to attend the camp as part of Honeywell Educators @ Space Academy. Created in partnership with the U.S. Space & Rocket Center (USSRC), the professional development program is designed to help middle school math and science teachers

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The WEA established the Kucinkas Fund in 2008 after the tragic death of Kevin Kucinkas to cover medical and living expenses for Kevin's wife. When she lost her battle with cancer in 2009, provisions were made to handle the disbursement of the remaining money. A scholarship fund was created in memory of Kevin and was first presented in June 2010.

At that time, the two accounts were consolidated to create one WEA Scholarship Fund. Scholarships have been and will continue to be awarded annually in memory of each of these beloved colleagues.

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become more effective educators in science, technology, engineering, and math. According to the Honeywell website, "educators are empowered with supplemental teaching techniques through simulated astronaut training and innovative educational tools that help bring science to life in the classroom."

Now the sixth grade teacher puts her experience to good use in the school's summer enrichment and extended day programs, hoping to nurture enthusiasm for space and the sciences, particularly in her female students. "Telling my students about Space Camp sends such a positive message that they can pursue their dreams," she said. "Kids love to learn about the unknown, they eat this up. Seeing their interest just fuels my interest. Sharing my experiences at Space Camp opened the door for some of my quieter students to confide that they, too, are interested in space." The photo album of her trip sits on a table in her classroom and Smerekanicz says the kids love to flip through it.

During the five-day camp, Smerekanicz participated in many simulated spaceship scenarios, including getting strapped into an anti-gravity machine to experience weightlessness; sampling the food astronauts would eat in space, participating in a simulated helicopter crash and rescue; conducting experiments, building her own rocket; and completing a "mission" in a simulated space shuttle.



Teens Learn Perils of Texting While Driving

By Laura Fantarella - Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

The Amity High School gymnasium is usually a jubilant place, the site of countless sporting events and student assemblies. But last week, when seniors filed into the gym to attend a presentation about distracted driving, it was a coffin, not a team that took center court.

The display was a graphic and sobering visual of the often deadly consequences of driving while talking or texting on a cell phone. The presentation, given by the Save A Life Tour, was made possible with a grant from the Department of Transportation. It included a speaker and an 18-minute video of real and simulated footage of teen drivers involved in actual fatal accidents that were the result of cell phone use. According to Save A Life speaker Jon Saigeon, texting and driving is a new problem and now the number one cause of accidents among 16-24-year olds, surpassing drunk driving. "Cell phones are a way of life for your generation," Saigeon said to the audience of teenagers. "You don't remember a time when they weren't around, they have always been there." The accident video is purposely graphic, intended to grab the students' attention. "It is a powerful video and that's why we have this casket here. This is no joke," Saigeon said. The bloody accident scenes depicted in the film, some of which appear to be taken from inside the vehicles as the crash occurred, were so horrific that several students left the room.

The students also had the opportunity to text and "drive" a virtual car through simulated traffic while Saigeon issued tickets for all the traffic infractions the driver made. Every time a text came through on the phone, the student had to answer it, even while driving at speeds up to 55 mph. The exercise highlighted how common it is for a driver to swerve, run stop signs and red lights and even drive off the road while texting.

Phil Bachelder of Woodbridge said he normally doesn't text while driving, but when he does, he has his own method of keeping both hands on the wheel while hitting the letters with his thumbs. "I'll usually have a passenger answer any texts and calls while I'm driving," he said.

Nicole Guadagnoli thought the presentation was interesting and will make her more aware while driving, although she doesn't text and drive. "I can't even walk while texting," she said.

Amity Security Officer George Geane was instrumental in bringing the Save A Life Tour to the school. A former Orange police officer, Geane was one of the first fatal accident reconstructionists in the state when he was on the force. "That video is about as real as you are gonna get without being there," he said.

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FROM OUR READERS

BOWA Superintendents Issue "Winter Advisory"

Once again we are facing the time of year when New England weather can be unpredictable and severe. School superintendents must ensure that each district meets the state mandated number of school days in a safe and secure manner.

The Bethany, Orange, Woodbridge, and Amity (BOWA) school districts will continue to participate in a regional, school transportation collaborative. This arrangement allows our elementary schools to dismiss at similar times and the Orange and Bethany Middle Schools to open and dismiss in coordination with Amity Regional High School.

Thus, the BOWA school district schools will work together to close, delay the opening of school, or dismiss early due to inclement weather. A delayed opening for elementary, middle, and high school will be two (2) hours. We will try to make the decision to close or delay the opening of school by 5:30 a.m., based upon existing road conditions and what is predicted for the next two to twelve hours. When a delay is announced, please stay tuned since a delay might turn into a cancellation if weather conditions do not improve. Radio, television, school bus operators, staff and designated Internet-based sites will be notified immediately.

Although early dismissals are avoided whenever possible, occasionally it may be necessary to dismiss school early due to the deterioration of weather conditions. In these situations, an announcement will be issued by 10:30 a.m. On days when the weather may be problematic, please stay tuned to the local radio and/or television channel to be alerted to an early dismissal. Weather-related early dismissal for middle school and high school students will be at 11:45 a.m. Bethany and Woodbridge elementary school students will be dismissed at 1:10 p.m. Orange elementary school students will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m., and the Orange kindergarten will be dismissed at 11:00 a.m.

Families should have an emergency back-up plan in the event of an early dismissal. Because the schools cannot process last minute arrangements, please make sure your children understand where they should go in the event of an early dismissal from school. When school is cancelled or dismissed early, unless otherwise indicated, all activities and meetings are also cancelled. The school buildings will be closed.

The decision to delay, close school, or dismiss early is often a difficult one. During inclement weather when an administrative decision to open school has been made, this does not preclude a family's choice to keep their student(s) home. Families should exercise their own judgment in such cases.

Sincerely,

*Ernest Perlini, Bethany Interim Superintendent
Lynn K. McMullin, Orange Superintendent
Gaeton Stella, Woodbridge Superintendent
John Brady, Amity Superintendent*

To the Editor

I have two young children in the education system here in Connecticut and after listening to former Governor Jeb Bush at GE last month, and

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staying up-to-date through Michelle Rhee's Students First organization, we MUST improve our education system in Connecticut if we are to be a competitive state in the future. We must motivate our best teachers and remove those who aren't getting it done.

In 2012 our legislators voted down the tenure reform legislation (LCO 7994) that would have taken a SMALL step to restoring sanity in the system.

I support State Senate candidate Tony Szewczyk in the 17th District because he is speaking out about REAL education reform and isn't afraid to take on the teachers unions. Meanwhile, incumbent Senator Joe Crisco voted against LCO 7994 and as a Democrat is HIGHLY unlikely to take on the unions who support his party so heavily.

Mitch Beck

To the Editor

The Nominating Committee of the Woodbridge Republican Town Committee is seeking candidates to run for political offices in Woodbridge. Woodbridge is one of the few Connecticut Towns that still hold local elections in May of odd numbered years. Our Republican candidates are chosen in January. Serving your community is an honor, rewarding and extremely important to the governance of our Town.

The elected offices in Woodbridge are: First Selectman, Board of Selectmen, Beecher Board of Education - Amity Regional Board of Education, Zoning Board of Appeal, Alternate to ZBA, Board of Assessment Appeals.

If you are interested in serving or have questions, please contact Kathy Gartland, gartlandkb@aol.com, 3 Bishop Drive, 203 387-8792 or Dorothy Martino, dorothyjmartino@yahoo.com, 38 Merritt Avenue, 203 397-1547.

Kathy Gartland & Dorothy Martino

To the Editor

I am writing to urge the Woodbridge Board of Selectmen publicly, in the strongest possible terms, to enforce the ruling requiring the Firehouse to restore its illegal patio area to its original condition.

It is a pity that the Firehouse so divides this community, largely, in my opinion, because the community did not want this particular Firehouse. Enough people supported it based on the buffer zone--which has now been violated--to let it happen anyway. Allowing the violation to remain would set a terrible precedent. The Selectmen must act now to stop this encroachment.

Sincerely,

Lydia Fazio Theys

Horses for Therapy

Unless you look for it, you wouldn't suspect that research literature is full of glowing praise for using animals as therapy for wounded veterans. Whether it's traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress disorder or a physical injury, horses are being used as "animal therapists" in equine-facilitated therapy.

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- Success with the horses increases confidence in skills that can be used in day-to-day life.
- Animals don't judge. They don't care if their human has scars or a slower gait. They care only about the interaction with their human.
- Caring for an animal can provide the steps to reconnecting on an emotional level.
- Relaxation ... deep-down genuine ease and relaxation.
- If you think you can benefit from an animal therapy program, inquire at your VA medical center. There are 30 centers that participate in the horse therapy program. Here are a few examples:
- Horses for Heroes [www.horsesforheroes.org] is a non-profit, working New Mexico ranch that provides free hands-on experiences to veterans and active-duty military who have PTSD or physical injuries. While veterans heal, they work toward the goal of training horses for future veterans who will participate in the program. For more info, call 505-798-2535.
- Injured soldiers with TBI and PTSD ride and take care of horses in the Therapeutic Riding Program near Fort Belvoir, Va. The horses and the soldiers who run the program are from the 3rd Infantry, the Old Guard.
- The Lexington VA Medical Center in Kentucky has an alternative rehab program that pairs veterans with horses. Again the emphasis is on veterans with PTSD and TBI.



by Freddy Groves

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WTN ELECTION 2012 COVERAGE

("Voters" continued from page 1)

On the ballot are the following candidates:

For President and Vice President:

- Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan (R)
- Barack Obama and Joseph Biden (D)
- Gary Johnson and Roger Gary - Libertarian
- Anderson and Rodriguez - Independent

For US Senator:

- Linda E. McMahon — Republican, endorsed by the Independent Party
- Congressman Christopher S. Murphy — Democrat, endorsed by Working Families Party
- Paul Passarelli — Libertarian

Congressman, Third District:

- Wayne Winsley — Republican
- Rosa L. DeLauro — Democrat, endorsed by the Working Families

State Senator, 17th District:

- Tony Szewczyk — Republican
- Joseph Crisco — Democrat, endorsed by Working Families

State Senator, 14th District:

- Michael DeGrego — Republican, endorsed by the Independent Party;
- Gayle Slossberg, incumbent Democrat

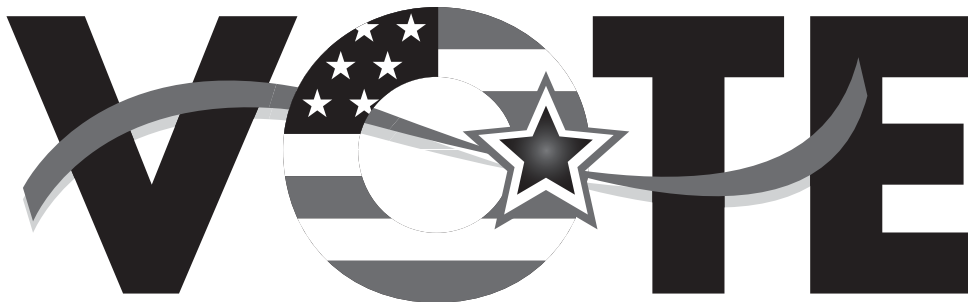
State Representative, 114th District:

- Themis Klarides — Republican, endorsed by the Independent Party,
- Aldon Hynes — Democrat, endorsed by the Working Families Party

Registrar of Voters:

- Loredana Falcigno — Republican
- Jeanette Glicksman — Democrat

As in past elections, the driveway at the Center Building will become a one-way street from Meetinghouse Lane, exiting to Center Road. Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Voters are welcome to call The Registrars' office (203) 389-3408/9 should they need assistance.



From the Registrar of Voters

This letter is to inform you of recent changes made to state Senate district boundaries that impact Woodbridge residents. Previously, Woodbridge had been wholly contained in the 17th Senatorial District. However, for the 2012 General Assembly election cycle and for the next ten years, new districts are in place and Woodbridge is split between the 17th and the 14th districts.

The southernmost portion of Woodbridge is now part of the 14th Senatorial District, which also includes Orange, Milford, and a portion of West Haven. A detailed map of Woodbridge streets affected by the redistricting plan will be posted at the Town Website: www.Woodbridgect.org. The Website also has a searchable street index.

Connecticut law requires all General Assembly districts to be reviewed and if necessary, reapportioned following each federal census. The 2010 U.S. Census showed that Connecticut's population grew by nearly 5 percent to about 3.6 million people; the new distribution of that larger population prompted these new district boundaries. Maps and reports of the Reapportionment Commission's statewide redistricting plans are currently available on www.cga.ct.gov/red2011/maps.

Woodbridge voters will be directed to vote according to their street address and new district assignment on Election Day, November 6th. The Center Gymnasium will continue as the polling location for all Woodbridge voters. Residents with questions may call the Registrar of Voters office at 203-389-3408/3409.



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Don't forget to VOTE on November 6th!



CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

News from the Amity Teen Center

The Amity Teen Center recently participated in the Give Greater Challenge for local non-profit organizations which was conducted by the Community Foundation of Greater New Haven. We received 50 individual donations of \$50.00 in 36 hours, making us eligible to receive \$2,140.00 in prize money in addition to the \$2,500.00 we received from our donors. Many thanks to everyone who made a donation to help us reach that goal! This month we were also awarded a \$2,500.00 grant from the New Alliance Foundation for our "Teens Making a Difference" program.

The Amity Teen Center prides itself on our goal of making the Teen Center belong to the teens and giving them a sense of "ownership". This is evident in one of our Amity graduates, Nicole DelBuono. She is a junior at Central Connecticut State University this year and she has decided to do an internship with us. She is already busy reconnecting with some of her teachers at the High School and being granted permission to speak in some of the classes about the Amity Teen Center. She has discussed the possibility of holding the Valentine's Day Coffee House for the high school at the Teen Center and has encouraged many of the students that have never been to the Teen Center to come down and see what we have to offer. It is her desire to enlighten the teens about the great asset they have at their fingertips.

Beginning November 9th we will be hosting our annual Battle of the Bands. Over the course of six weeks there will be up to 48 bands competing for a coveted spot on our 17th Annual Toad's Place Fundraiser Show on Presidents Day. In each of the six qualifying rounds, two bands will be chosen to go forward and compete for the grand prize in our finals competition. Each band that participates in the finals round will qualify for an opportunity to play at Toad's Place. For anyone who is interested, please go to our website www.amityteencenter.org for a complete set of rules. We need applications as soon as possible. Last year's proceeds from the fundraiser were used to improve our stage and sound system. This is a great opportunity for local teen bands to play in a large venue in front of a large audience.

In addition to that, we have begun to gear up for our annual coat drive. Last winter we distributed 1500 coats to children and teens in need. It is our goal this year to surpass that number and to hand out 2000 coats. We will be fundraising and doing what is necessary to secure the coats and we are already being contacted by organizations with kids in need.

For more information about all of our activities or to make a tax-deductible donation, please go to our website www.amityteencenter.org.

It's November...Do You Know Where Your Thermometer Is?

Eating is a big part of the holiday season. The cookbooks and traditional family recipes come out for those special holiday treats we make but once a year. Between Thanksgiving and New Year's we can consume a lot of food. So it is not surprising that it is also a time of year when health departments see an increase in foodborne illness, commonly known as food poisoning. It can happen to anyone!

There are many simple actions that you can take to reduce your chance of foodborne illness. How often have you actually used a food thermometer to check the temperature of your cooked meats, poultry and stuffing? For some the answer is "never." But the simple use of the thermometer can greatly reduce your chance of food poisoning. Food thermometers should not only be used for cooking raw foods to completion (such as turkeys and roast), but should also be used when reheating carryout meals and leftover. Food thermometers allow you to cook foods to proper temperatures, a basic rule for food safety.

A second basic rule for food safety is to wash hands and cooking surfaces often. Never underestimate the power of handwashing as a tool for health. Bacteria can spread from food to you via sponges, dishrags, cutting boards, counters, utensils, and countertops. Surveys have shown that while consumers have become more aware of food safety hazards, they still practice some risky behaviors. For example, of those surveyed, 97% wash produce but only 34% change daily dishrags or sponges used to wipe kitchen counters. 30% clean kitchen counters with only paper towels, an inadequate practice for food safety.

"Separate: Don't cross-contaminate!" is a third important principle for food safety. Cross-contamination is the scientific word for how bacteria can be spread from one food product to another. It is important to separate raw meat, poultry, and seafood from other foods in your grocery cart and in the refrigerator. If possible, use a different cutting board for raw meat and poultry products. Always wash your hands, cutting boards, and utensils with hot, soapy water after they are in contact with raw meat, poultry, or seafood. Don't use the same plate for cooked foods that you used for the raw food. (For example, when grilling outdoors, do not put the cooked steak back in the dish you brought it outside on.)

The fourth basic principle for food safety is to "refrigerate promptly." Cold temperatures keep harmful bacteria from growing and multiplying. Refrigerate or freeze perishables and leftovers within two hours. Never defrost at room temperature. Divide large amounts of leftovers into small, shallow containers for quick cooling in the refrigerator. As much as we hate to discard uneaten food, live by the adage, "when in doubt, throw it out!"

District residents (Bethany, Hamden, North Haven and Woodbridge) can receive a free packet on food safety by calling 203 248-4528 or request on line, www.qvhd.org. You can also call the USDA meat and poultry hotline, 1-800-535-4555.



Front row: Susan Hildebrand, Gerri Giering, Barbara Bosco, Valerie Traumer, Lillian Burt. Back row: Mary Jane Purcell, Joan Murphy, Cindy, Marien, Leslie Martino, and Fran Morrow.

Profile – The Garden Club of Woodbridge

The Garden Club of Woodbridge will be celebrating 80 years in 2013. The first meeting was held on February 26, 1933 at the home of Mrs. Louis Gates of Ansonia Road. The founders of the organization were Mrs. George Sommers, Mrs. Earle Warner, Mrs. Egbert Stuart and Mrs. Gates. There were 60 charter members.

The Club decided early in its history to concentrate its efforts in civic improvement focusing on landscaping and beautifying the center of town. In cooperation with the Woodbridge Center Civic Association, the Club helped grade, fill, and plant the grounds in front of the First Church of Christ. The members of the Club also laid the Nature Trail at the Alice Newton Street Park. With completion of the firehouse in 1938, the Club planted 24 pines and 24 dogwood trees around that area. The Club also provided the funding for the landscaping at the new Library. After Pearl Harbor, the Club's activities were centered around Victory Gardens, conservation programs, and the buying of bonds and war savings stamps. The club continued its fundraising and support during the Korean and Vietnam wars.



Fran Morrow (past President), Susan Hildebrand (current President), and Leslie Martino (club member and designer of the landscape portion of the memorial) at 9/11 Memorial Dedication.

The club was instrumental in the creation of a Conservation Commission in Woodbridge, and in 1963, 3 members from the club served on that first Board. For the Bicentennial in 1976 the Club planted a red oak tree on the front lawn of the Town Hall.

In recent years the club has continued its civic beautification efforts with plantings around the Town Hall, firehouse, Center School, Beecher Road School, a Colonial Herb garden and other plantings at the Thomas Darling House, a bird and butterfly Garden at the Library, and the house gardens at the Massaro Farm. Most recently, the club partnered with the local firemen to design and plant a 9/11 Memorial at the Woodbridge Firehouse.

Some of the ongoing programs include The Junior Gardeners Club at Beecher Road School and a Horticultural Therapy group at Coachman Square, a senior living facility. The "juniors" maintain the Peace Garden and fill seasonal planters at the school. The club's Horticultural Therapy Group meets each month with residents at Coachman's Square where they work with seniors on various gardening activities that help them with motor skills, communication, memory and mental health.

The Garden Club of Woodbridge is an educational, non-profit organization whose initial purpose was to "to further interest in gardening and civic horticultural work in Woodbridge". This is still the club's purpose, but we now include floral design, flower shows, horticultural therapy, bird life and conservation activities.

The club meets monthly from September through June. While many meetings are held during the day, at least three meetings are in the evening to accommodate members' schedules. This year we have a wonderful array of programs which cover a wide range of topics reflecting the interest of our members. Our first meeting this year was at Massaro Farm and included a tour and a presentation about different vegetables to plant in the fall. Future meetings will cover topics such as the habits of butterflies, floral design and how to plan your garden for success.

Our next meeting is November 7, 2012, 7pm at the Woodbridge Town Library. Mary Beth Kaeser from Horizon Wings will discuss "Birds of Prey". The meeting is open to the public and the admission is free. Refreshments will be served. Our club always welcomes new members. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Chris Lovejoy, 203-298-4238.

ORGANIZATIONS

The U.N., W.H.A. & Rotary International Unite to Cure Polio by the End of 2012

For 20 years, Rotary clubs have remained determined to do whatever is necessary to achieve a world free of the crippling disease polio. Recognizing this commitment - as well as Rotary's important role as a spearheading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, the United Nations and the World Health Assembly have partnered with Rotary to completely eradicate polio by the end of 2012.

Rotary's chief responsibilities in the initiative are fundraising and advocacy, a role of increasing importance as the end game draws near. Sixty-one Rotary clubs in Fairfield, Litchfield, Middlesex and New London counties have embraced this effort by using Thunderclap, a Social Media tool which enables supporters to sign up to share a single message simultaneously across all supporting accounts on World Polio Day, October 24, 2012 to raise awareness of the fight to end this crippling disease. In addition, these clubs have provided an army of volunteers to promote and assist at national immunization days in polio-endemic countries around the world. Connecticut State Governor Dannel Malloy issued a proclamation on October 24, 2012 in support of End Polio Day.

"When Rotary first started the fight against polio in 1985, the disease affected 350,000 people every year in 125 countries. Since then, polio has been reduced by 99%. We are "This Close" to ending polio," says Brian Amey, Governor, Rotary District 7980.

Rotary, which already has contributed \$1.2 billion to stop this crippling childhood disease, announced its new funding commitment in New York City on September 27 during a special side-event on polio eradication convened by United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon during the 67th Session of the UN General Assembly. Earlier this year, Rotary raised \$228 million in new money for polio eradication in response to a \$355 million challenge grant from the Gates Foundation which promptly contributed an additional \$50 million in recognition of Rotary's commitment.

Polio cases have plummeted by more than 99 percent since 1988, when the disease infected about 350,000 children a year. Fewer than 700 new cases were reported in 2011. Rotary and its partners have reached more than 2.5 billion children with the oral polio vaccine, preventing more than five million cases of paralysis and hundreds of thousands of pediatric deaths. To learn how you can participate in this historic opportunity to end polio once and for all, please visit rotary.org/endpolio.

The 61 clubs in twelve areas of District 7980 are part of a much larger organization-Rotary International (www.rotary.org). Rotary International is made up of 34,000 clubs in 200 countries and geographical areas with over 1.2 million members. The organization works to help the world's needy people and to further world peace and understanding as evidenced by its unique role as a founding member of the United Nations, retaining a permanent seat on the General Council. The Rotary International Foundation invests each year in humanitarian and educational projects throughout the world. The area clubs support many of these programs such as the Polio Eradication program, the Haitian Health Foundation and Clean Water Projects in South India and Ghana.

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Woodbridge Receives its Third Small Cities Grant

Woodbridge First Selectman, Edward Maum Sheehy, is pleased to announce that the Town has received its third Small Cities Residential Rehabilitation Grant of \$300,000. These funds are made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and are administered at the State level by the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD).

Eligibility for the program is based on annual household income and loan to value ratio for the property to determine the availability of equity which is considered when determining maximum loan amounts. These funds are offered as deferred loans with 0% interest and require no payment until a transfer of title, the Owner's demise, or the subject property is no longer the applicant's principal place of residence.

Some of the work that may be eligible for funding includes the correction of health and safety violations, code compliance, roofing, carpentry, electrical work, painting, plumbing, heating, and other non-luxury work subject to approval of the Town. For further information you may contact Pat Crisco, the Grant Administrator, at the Tax Office at Town Hall, e-mail at pcrisco@woodbridgect.org, or phone 203 389-3425 for an appointment or to request an application and brochure.

Gan Hayered Early Childhood Center Celebrates Chanukah with Seniors

On December 13, children from the three and four year old classes at Gan Hayered will visit 'The Willows Rehabilitation and Nursing Center' in Woodbridge to share the joy of the holiday through song and dance. The children, who will learn traditional and modern Chanukah songs leading up to the holiday, will proudly celebrate and bring joy to their senior neighbors. Gan Hayered Early Childhood Center, 75 Rimmon Road, Woodbridge, is a preschool for children ages 2-5. For more information, call 203.389.2111 ext. 214 or ganhayered@gmail.com.

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her work in various local galleries. Now at 86, Brodoff is finding it harder to continue her craft as supplies are expensive and she isn’t able to get around as easily. But she is currently working on a picture of the circus, inspired by the years one of her three sons worked as a clown for Barnum & Bailey and plans to one day paint “belted” cows on a farm in Bethany that have a band of black around their middles. She dreams that one day her paintings will be displayed in New York’s Whitney Museum of American Art, or that someday the town of Woodbridge will decide to turn the former fire department into an art gallery and feature her work there. “There’s not enough women represented in the art world,” Brodoff said. Though her work would best be described as “folk art,” Brodoff said she is not a true folk artist because she studied at the New School in New York and took classes at Yale University and by definition; a folk artist does not have formal training. “I think someday my paintings will be worth a lot of money,” she said.

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November Art Exhibit - Patty Meglio

Opening Reception: Saturday, November 10th - 12:00pm to 3:00pm. The Woodbridge Library is proud to present the art of Patty Meglio during the month of November. Patty Meglio was born and raised in Orange, Connecticut. She attended design school in Boston, Massachusetts and later moved to Houston, Texas where she lived and worked for twenty-two years. She moved back to CT in 2000 and currently resides in Northford, Connecticut.

In pursuit of a lifelong dream, Patty began taking drawing and painting lessons in the late 90s, and in 2003, she began studying painting with local artists, including Marc Antony Massaro in Branford, CT, Terry Oakes-Bourret in Durham, CT, and Hagop Keledjian in Putney, Vermont. She paints mostly in oil on canvas or linen that she carefully prepares herself. Patty's work is modern impressionist style, mostly depicting country landscapes, seascapes, and still life.

Her inspiration stems from twentieth century impressionist art, including works by Sargent, Sorolla, de Lazlo, and Boldini, and modern artists including Schmid, Handell, Guzik, and Liberace. She draws her inspirations, as they did, from early twentieth-century architecture, the art deco and Greek classical styles of urban buildings, weather worn barns and open pastures of the country farms, and rocky and sandy beaches lined with classic New England cottages.

Patty is a past participant in juried competitions for the Clinton Art Society, Madison Art Society, Artwalk for the West Hartford Art League, and the Mavis Fenner Memorial for the Rowayton Arts Center, and is a winner of the Merchant's Prize at the Madison Art Show in 2007. She has exhibited in numerous venues throughout the state of Connecticut and New Hampshire. Her work is held in private collections throughout the country. She is a member of the Milford Fine Arts Council, Clinton Art Association, and the Madison Art Society. For more information, visit her website at www.pattymegliostudio.com or her blog at www.pennpaint.blogspot.com. This exhibit is free and open to the public. All are welcome to visit. Everyone is invited to meet the artist at her Opening Reception on Saturday, November 10th from 12:00pm to 3:00pm.

Programs for Adults

**Book Discussion With Mark Schenker
Great Expectations By Charles Dickens,
Thursday, November 8th @ 7:00 pm**

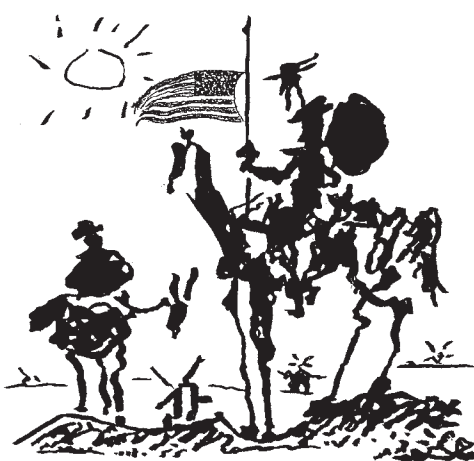
Join us for our next Book Discussion Series entitled Charles Dickens at 200: The Novels in the Context of His Time and Ours. Yale Associate Dean Mark Schenker will explore the fiction of Charles Dickens (born February 7, 1812) in a series of four book discussions that consider him both as a product of the Victorian Age and as a writer who has transcended his time, his place and his medium. The four novels we will read span nearly the entire range of Dickens' novel-writing career; taken together they give insight into his talent, the intersections of his life and art, and his development as a writer.

- September 4: Oliver Twist (1839)
- October 2: David Copperfield (1850)
- November 8: Great Expectations (1861)
- December 4: A Christmas Carol (1843)

Part 3 of the series will focus on Great Expectations. This is a free program, and all are welcome to join. Add your voice to our lively discussion, led by our favorite literary expert, Mark Schenker! Registration is required. Copies of all works will be provided to registered participants.

**Autumn Jewels Floral Class with Michael Derouin,
Wednesday, November 14th @ 7:00pm**

Award-winning floral designer Michael Derouin returns with another hands-on floral class. You will design a centerpiece featuring a birch branch structure that will support flowers in rich jewel tones. Other natural elements such as seasonal produce and berries will complete the design. Class size is limited to 20 and registration is required. A \$20 materials fee is payable to Michael at the program. Please bring wire cutters, scissors and a sense of humor to the class.



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**Sensational Squash Cooking Class with Robin
Glowa, Monday, November 19th @ 7:00pm**

There are an abundance of many different types of squash available at the markets right now. Squash is a versatile vegetable that is a good source of vitamins and minerals and will no doubt be a part of your Thanksgiving menu. At this class Robin Glowa, the Conscious Cook, will share recipes for squash that are healthy and delicious! Samples and recipes will be provided. This free program is open to the public. Space is limited, and registration is required.

Programs for Children

**Eager Readers Book Group (for grades K-2),
Monday, November 5th @ 6:30pm**

There's no school on Tuesday, so join us Monday for our new Eager Readers Book Group! We'll read 'Twas the Night Before Thanksgiving, discuss the book, make a craft, and enjoy a snack! Books are available to borrow at the Children's Desk. Please register in advance.

Nifty Narwhals (for ages 6 and older), Saturday, November 10th @ 2:00pm

What in the world is a Narwhal? Is it a unicorn with fins? A dolphin with horns? Get the facts at our Nifty Narwhal program featuring stories, crafts, trivia, and tasty snacks! Registration is required.

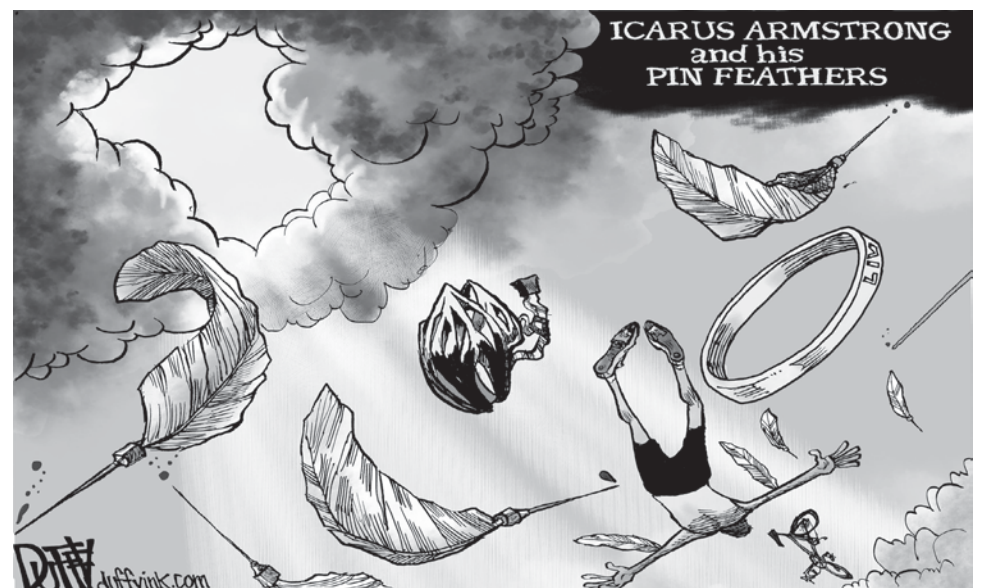
**Flameless Candle Craft (for ages 10 and up),
Wednesday, November 14th @ 6:30pm**

Our 10+ Art and Teen Slap Art sessions unite for this awesome craft! Join us to design your own flameless candle holder. (A flameless candle will be provided to each participant.) Unique supplies will be on hand so that your creative mind can be unleashed! What will yours look like? Registration is required.

Film Screenings

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- November 1st - A Separation [rated PG-13]
- November 8th - NO FILM SCREENING
- November 15th - Safety Not Guaranteed [rated R]
- November 22nd - CLOSED
- November 29th - Brave [rated PG]



Woodbridge Police Bust Family Drug Ring at Jewelry Store

By Richard Weizel – Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

WOODBIDGE – A family drug ring led by a father and his two sons that operated on the premises of a Woodbridge jewelry business -- Connelly Gold & Diamond Exchange, LLC -- was busted and the trio arrested last week through the combined efforts of the Woodbridge Police Department and the Connecticut Police Statewide Narcotics Task Force. Four Woodbridge police officers in the department's Detective Bureau assisted the state task force in the arrests on October 16 of John Connelly Jr., 65, and his two sons, John Connelly III, 26 and, Michael Connelly, 19, according to Woodbridge Police Sgt. Frank Cappiello, head of the Detective Bureau and a department spokesman.

These arrests are the culmination of a police investigation into the illegal sale of prescription narcotics, and the operation of an unlicensed precious metals dealership at the business. Seized during the execution of the search and seizure warrant at Connelly Gold and Diamond Exchange, 1663 Litchfield Turnpike, Woodbridge, were more than 300 Oxycontin/Oxycodone pills, heroin, marijuana, assorted prescription bottles of various painkillers, \$7,000 cash, a large quantity of melted silver/gold, assorted silver and gold jewelry, silver coins, diamonds, and a 2006 BMW sedan registered to John Connelly III in which the Oxycontin/Oxycodone pills were located.

The father was arrested at his Seymour residence and then transported to the Woodbridge Police Department. Connelly Jr. was arrested on three (3) active criminal arrest warrants regarding three (3) separate recent incidents at Connelly Gold and Diamond Exchange. Arrested at the premises during the execution of the search warrant were his sons, Michael Connelly and John Connelly III, both of 200 Pearl St., Seymour. "This was a major drug operation and these are substantial arrests," said Cappiello. "We are grateful to the Statewide Narcotics Task Force in leading this investigation and carrying out these arrests," said Cappiello. "This was the culmination of a cooperative effort by the task force and our department, and our officers are proud to have assisted in the successful completion of the investigation and arrests." Cappiello said the arrests were made about 5 p.m. on October 16.

The charges against John Connelly Jr. include the Sale of Narcotics, Sale of Narcotics Within 1500 ft of a School Zone, Conspiracy, and the Illegal Operation of a Precious Metals Business. Michael Connelly was also arrested for Possession of Narcotics, Interfering with Police, and Destruction of Evidence as he attempted to swallow a quantity of heroin and fought with police as they entered the business. Michael Connelly was scheduled for a court appearance October 25. Charges against John Connelly III included the Sale of Narcotics, Sale of Narcotics Within 1500 ft of a School Zone, Conspiracy, and the Illegal Operation of a Precious Metals Business. Connelly III and Michael Connelly each posted a \$75,000 bond and were scheduled to appear in Superior Court in New Haven on October 25. John Connelly Jr. also posted a \$75,000 bond and was scheduled to appear in Superior Court on October 26.

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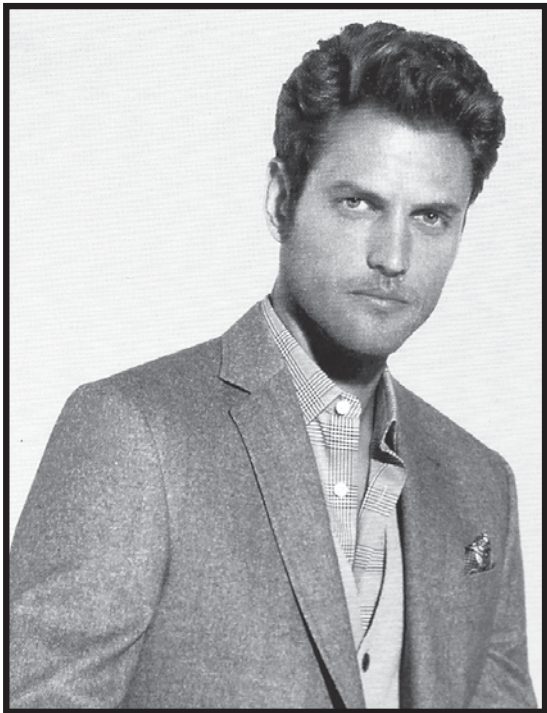
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New Statistics Suggest Teen Driving Restrictions Are Working

State Senator Joseph J. Crisco, Jr. hailed new statistics to suggest the driving restrictions imposed on Connecticut's teenagers in a 2008 law are having a dramatic, positive, and literally life-saving impact. At the time, Senator Crisco supported the legislation intended to limit distractions for inexperienced drivers and impose stricter penalties for violations.

Senator Crisco said teenaged fatalities resulting from highway accidents are fewer in Connecticut over the past four years while in other states nationwide, the number of 16 and 17 year olds killed in car crashes is increasing. "It's gratifying to see the tangible results of this 2008 law and it's heartening to know all these teenagers and their families have been - and will be - spared the unspeakable tragedy of a fatal accident with teenaged victims," Senator Crisco said. "The 11:00 p.m. curfew and prohibition on carrying other teens in the car seems to have helped raise a new awareness of just how treacherous driving can be. There is also a heightened awareness among young people of how texting and talking on a cell phone while driving can lead to serious accidents and I think that has helped in this regard as well," Senator Crisco added.

Senator Crisco pointed out another aspect of the law to include increased parental involvement and participation in the decisions made by young drivers. The 2008 law includes a required session at which parents and teenagers are together when presented with information about safe driving and new, graduated responsibilities granted as new drivers gain experience. "This collaboration among adults, teens, law enforcement and other highway safety experts effectively delivers the tried-and-true message that distracted driving is dangerous driving and that anything and everything we do to impress upon new drivers the serious nature of driving will help them become better drivers," Senator Crisco said. "I'm also pleased to see the state Department of Motor Vehicles dispatch a group of students to area high schools so they can deliver a message about safe driving to their peers."

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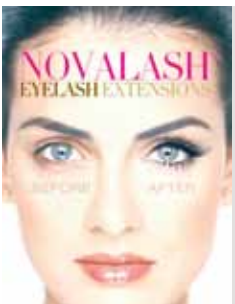
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Fitness Room Will Move to Old Firehouse

By Bettina Thiel – Woodbridge Town News Correspondent



Old Woodbridge Firehouse
Renovations
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Fitness Room members sometimes feel like the stepchildren of the Woodbridge family, moved around to wherever space can be found, sporting very outdated equipment. Now the Recreation Commission is in the process of planning for a new fitness area in the old firehouse at the corner of Newton and Center roads, and they are giving those using the fitness center a chance to participate in the process.

Currently the town has two fitness rooms in the Center Building, one for weights and one for cardio equipment. Those will be moved to Bay 2 and 3 in the old firehouse. Bay 1, facing Newton Road, will be used to store an antique fire truck. Upstairs will be a large conference room, a warming kitchen and a smaller conference room.

Suggested layout plans were posted recently in the existing fitness area for users' comments. Long-time fitness room member Nancy Polk was one who approached the Recreation Commission at its meeting October 22 with a list of requests she felt important for them to consider. Those requests ranged from lighting that simulates daylight to railings in the parking lot as many of the regular users are senior citizens. Also on the list were heart rate monitors, mirrors on the walls and longer opening hours.

The current fitness rooms have large windows facing the green and Town Hall, "Twelve large windows with a lovely view," Polk said. That's why some members refer to the future location as "the cave," she said.

Dwight Rowland, who heads the Firehouse Building Committee, made a note of the requests, but cautioned that what they are looking into at this point is the general layout of the machines. Serving on the committee are Selectman Beth Heller and Fire Commission Chairman Bill Burt. The architect

they are working with is Silver Petrucelli of Hamden.

In a phone interview, Rowland said the suggested layout leaves room for growth, but there is no money in the budget for new equipment or even floor or wall finishes. The building committee is operating with a tight budget, limited to the insurance money the town received when a fire destroyed parts of the old building. The settlement was to restore the space to where it was, such as concrete floors on the ground floor, but wood floors upstairs. Yet, the new use will require some updates such as a sprinkler system and new ADA-compliant bathrooms as well as an elevator to the upstairs meeting room.

Recreation Director John Adamovich said the building will be wired for cable, even if at this point there is no money for TVs. Rowland said an energy audit will be conducted to make the town eligible for state grants. Combined with the newly installed gas lines, the building will be a lot more energy efficient than in the past.

The Building Committee hopes to have plans and specs ready by the end of the year so the town can go out for bid in January. Work could then start in February or March with a targeted move in late spring or early summer. Eventually, the Recreation Department hopes, the new location will attract new users. "Our hope is that our new home is better than what we have now," said Recreation Commission Member Robert Hill.

The restoration of the old firehouse is part of a whole circuit of repurposing and re-arranging of municipal space. Once the fire department has a storage building up behind the new firehouse, it can move its equipment out of the old firehouse. At that point the fitness room can be installed in its new location, to make room for a police dispatch center in the Center Building.

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"Dining with Susan"

By Susan Noonan



Oregano Joe's Pizza

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The DeVellis family has over 100 years of combined food and restaurant experience and use no preservatives or flavor enhancers in their time honored recipes to assure the highest quality product available for you and your family to enjoy! Their motto is "Eat Well, Live Well!" I would like to talk about Joe and Sam as they are definitely young entrepreneurs with a great passion and vision for the restaurant business. In addition to this new venture in Orange, they also own the popular Carl Anthony's in Monroe (Sam serves as head chef) along with Giove's Pizza Kitchen in Trumbull, Shelton, & Fairfield with their cousin Idilio. Their sister Rose DeVellis oversees all the operations as General Manager. I also want to mention that Joe is an award winning pizza maker. He earned 1st place in the Eastern Division of the 2011 International Pizza Challenge for best gourmet pizza and 1st Place in the USA for traditional pizza and 2nd in the world for "The World's Best Traditional Pizza" in 2009. All events took place in Las Vegas, Nevada. In addition, Joe has won many 1st place awards in various local competitions. Great accomplishments for this hardworking and extremely talented chef & business owner.



Oregano Joe's is hand crafted, brick oven, New Haven style pizza, family owned and operated. Oregano Joe's prides itself on fast and courteous service, friendly knowledgeable staff, and the freshest highest quality local ingredients available. Their chefs and pizzaiolo hand form the dough, roast their own peppers, chop their own fresh garlic and onions, slice and dice every ingredient for their fresh, made-to-order pizza, sandwiches, salads and dinners in an effort to serve you some of the best pizza and Italian food that you've ever eaten!

I had an opportunity to sample Oregano Joe's thin crust pizza and can definitely see why Joe won the top awards! They offer some unique signature pizzas such as the "Loaded Potato Pie" (the ultimate comfort food and one of their top sellers) featuring mashed potatoes, bacon, broccoli, mozzarella, cheddar, garlic butter & drizzled with sour cream, "Fig & Prosciutto Pie" with fig jam, mozzarella, gorgonzola cheese, prosciutto with a balsamic drizzle, "Salad Pizza" which is a fresh baked pizza crust topped with mixed greens, fresh mozzarella, tomatoes, prosciutto, & red onions tossed in a oregano vinaigrette. There are so many more-check out the menu on its website. In addition to the award winning pizza, Oregano Joe's has an extensive menu offering apptizers, fresh salads, "Italian Street Food" (sandwiches, grinders, & piada wraps), "Brick Oven Roasted Italian Beef", Calazones, "Italian Soul Food" (pasta & baked dishes), etc. Desserts include mini cannoil, tiramisu, fried cheescake piada, plus a very special treat. Charlie's Cupcake Factory bakes cupcakes in the restaurant on a daily basis. Remember all of this great food is available for delivery or pick-up! Catering menu available for private or corporate parties. In addition, Oregano Joe's offers the "Rolling Stone Mobile Wood Fired Pizza Truck" where they will bring the great brick oven pizza to you for a private party! Website: rollingstonewoodfiredpizza.com.

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Final notes: This new family owned pizza restaurant is definitely one to try. Joe and Sam really know how to do it right and are looking forward to being in Orange for many years to come. They also are very committed to giving back to the community by sponsoring fundraising events. Welcome Oregano Joe's! Remember to support our local family owned businesses. If you have a favorite restaurant, email susan@orangetownnews.com or susan@woodbridgetownnews.com.

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Michael Steger

Q: I finally caught up on season one of the new "Dallas," and I can't wait to see more! Please tell me it will return for another season. If so, when? -- Deena W., via e-mail

A: TNT's hit reboot of "Dallas" -- which stars **Larry Hagman, Patrick Duffy, Josh Henderson, Jesse Metcalfe, Jordana Brewster** and **Brenda Strong** -- definitely will be back for another round of family intrigue, altercations and double-dealings. A 13-episode second season premieres Jan. 28. I don't know about you, but I can't wait to see what Cliff Barnes and his daughter (!) have planned for JR, Bobby and the rest of the Ewing clan. ***

Q: The CW's "90210" is really off to a great start -- it seems to be getting back on the right track since its weird derailment of last season. Can you give me any spoilers for season five? -- Bridget M. in Georgia

A: I spoke with series star **Michael Steger**, who plays Navid Shirazi, and he told me to look for the darker side of Navid to come out.

"Navid is thrown off-kilter a bit to where his character is tested when he learns Silver has chosen Teddy to be the father of her baby," he said. "After almost having a one-night stand, he's really not thinking. It's completely out of character for him. He's trying to get back to Silver, so he's doing as much as he can in that area."

Michael and the rest of the cast are thrilled to celebrate a show milestone: They just filmed the 100th episode. "I feel like everybody's in a place of gratitude and surprise that we've made it this long, and it's nice to see. We're hard at work with this new season, so we hope fans will enjoy it." ***

Q: One of my favorite actresses is the gorgeous **Natasha Henstridge**. Can you tell me what I can see her in next? -- Dustin R., via e-mail

A: The Canadian beauty can be seen next in the Hallmark Channel original movie "Christmas Song," which premieres Saturday, Nov. 3, at 8/7c. Natasha plays a music teacher (named Diana Dalton) at a girls' prep school who must fight for her job when her school merges with the local boys' school, bringing with it the boys' choir director. Natasha also co-stars in "The Bronx Bull," which is a continuation of the story of boxer **Jake LaMotta** that was first brought to the big screen in 1980's "Raging Bull." Look for it in theaters sometime next year. ***

Q: My husband and I enjoyed "Hatfields & McCoys" on the History Channel, but we missed the third part. How can we see it in its entirety? -- Sandy M., Port Charlotte, Fla.

A: The award-winning miniseries -- which earned Emmys for **Kevin Costner** and **Tom Berenger**, and a nomination for Bill Paxton -- is now available on DVD at most major stores and outlets for your viewing pleasure.

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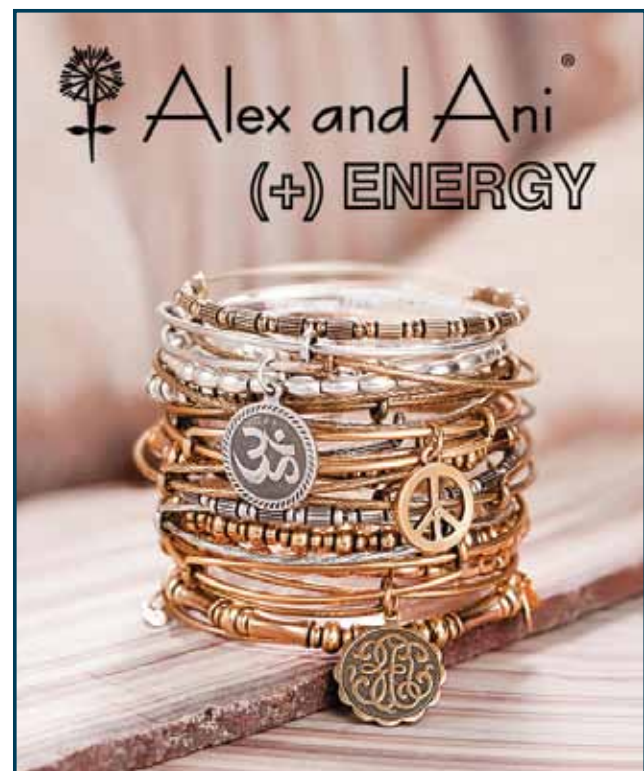
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Boy Scout Troop 63 – Scouting for Food

Boy Scouts from Woodbridge Troop 63 are joining Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts across the nation in one of the area's largest food drives. Each year, our Scouts, leaders and parents collect non-perishable food and other items for local food pantries. This is a two-part event. Scouts will distribute door hangers and bags to fill with food throughout the community. A week later, they will return to collect the filled bags and bring the food to Woodbridge Human Services for distribution to local residents in need.

- Flyer Distribution Day – Saturday, November 10
- Food Collection Day – Saturday, November 17

On Saturday, November 17th, residents may leave food by their mailbox or house door, or deliver it to the collection center at the Woodbridge Community Center across from the public library any time between 9am-12pm. Scouts will be there to assist with unloading vehicles and packing up the food for delivery.

Boy Scout Troop 63, founded in 1963, is one of the oldest Troops in the Connecticut Yankee Council. Our objective is to bring scouting to boys in the Woodbridge, Bethany and surrounding communities. Known as the "outdoor troop" we are active all year. Our outings include all types of camping, hiking, backpacking, skiing, canoe trips, white water rafting as well as cultural events such as visits to historical parks and monuments and much more. We also plan and participate in community service projects each year.

Join the adventure. Join the fun and see what scouting is all about. Meetings are held at Our Lady of the Assumption "Mother" Church located at 1700 Litchfield Turnpike (Rte. 69) in Woodbridge on Monday nights from 7:00 – 8:30 and all boys ages 10 and up or who have completed the fifth grade along with their parents, are encouraged to visit.

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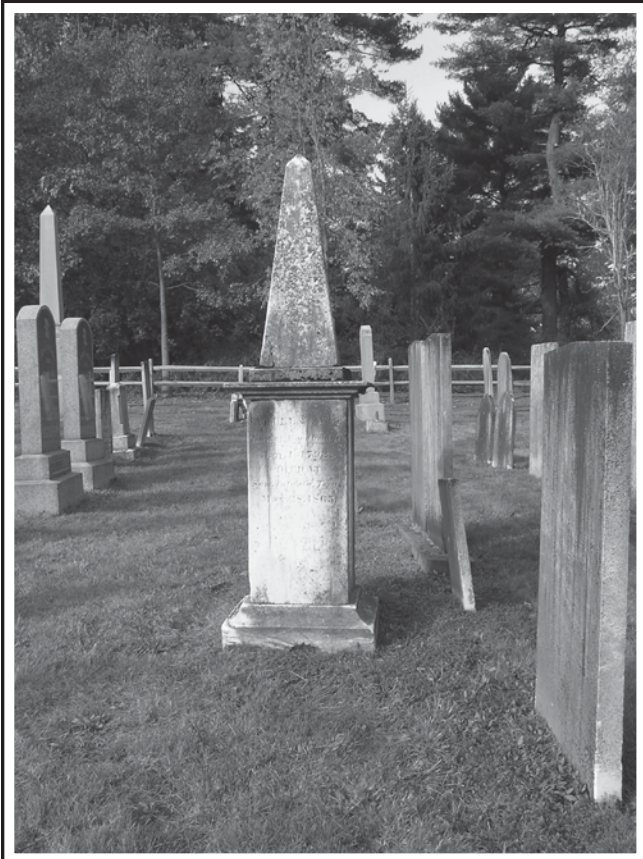
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Ghosts of Woodbridge Past



For the past month the landscape has been ablaze with Halloween decorations as well as autumn leaves. Especially popular are front yards turned into graveyards. The antiqued tombstones boast ghoulish images: grinning skulls with wings, or mysterious moon-eyed faces. Now that Halloween has passed and the pumpkins and skeletons are packed away, you must visit Woodbridge's historic cemeteries to see beautifully carved, enigmatic visages on slate stones.

The founding of our three "burying yards" is mostly lost to history. Although all of them pre-date the 1784 incorporation of Woodbridge, not one is situated next to a church. Milford Side, the smallest at 2.2 acres, is located at 1138 Race Brook Road. Sue Baldwin, who has served as secretary of the Association for 50 years, speculates that some of the undecipherable stones date to the late 1600's. The cemetery's entrance is marked by a large boulder inscribed Milford Side Burying Ground. It was placed there in 1984 after successive handmade wooden signs were stolen. She noted that the vacant area near the oldest stones was used as a burial site for victims of smallpox. Today it offers a peaceful place to walk with the scent of wild thyme underfoot. Earliest extant records date to 1823 when the cemetery was overseen by a group of "Proprietors". Hezekiah

Baldwin was Moderator. In 1854 the proprietors voted to form an incorporated association to run Milford Side. Their treasured "Record Book" opens with clerk Amos Hine's elegant script and continues for 100 years.

East Side Burying Ground at 157 Pease Road is the largest of the three with 8.08 acres. It has been in use since 1743 and was administered by Amity's First Church's Ecclesiastical Society until 1866 when it was turned over to a "Burying Ground Association". There is a large central area of handsomely carved 18th and early 19th c. stones. It is currently being mapped by Scout Ben DiBuduo as an Eagle Scout project, and the results will be available online. East Side's most famous "resident" is our town's namesake, the Reverend Benjamin Woodbridge (1712-1785), beloved minister of the First Church for 44 years. His stylish table stone has been replaced with a replica, and the original is displayed in the library's historic Woodbridge Room. Another celebrity is Donald Grant Mitchell (1822-1908) a landscape designer and writer who achieved fame under the pseudonym Ik Marvel. The cemetery's elegant entrance gates were donated in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell. East Side is distinguished by its lovely plantings of flowering trees and shrubs and hundreds of daffodils lining

the fence in April and May. It is also a great site for birding as it sits on the migratory flyway in line with West Rock.

Northwest Cemetery at 212 Seymour Road (corner of Peck Hill and Seymour) is 3 acres in size and dates to the mid-18th century. Here you will note many familiar Woodbridge names: Beecher, Bradley, Clark(e), Ford, Newton, Peck, Smith, Tomlinson, Wallace and Zwick. In sharp contrast to the simple slate stones is the central, Victorian era monument of the Clarke family who came to Amity from Milford. Under an atmospherically melancholy border of cedars and low ironwork is a large angel resting on the inscribed granite rectangle. This cemetery is owned and overseen by the town.

Although I have heard no stories of ghostly sightings in any of our cemeteries, there are some unsolved mysteries. For example, the beautifully carved stone of Amos Thomas (died 1797) has turned up two miles from East Side under a clothesline! Another 18th century stone was recently discovered underbrush at the back of the Mitchell family plot. Also, there is rumored to be a walkway made of stones from Milford Side! So, take time to visit our historic graveyards, savor the quiet and admire the wonderfully carved texts and winged faces.



HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS



Musical Shabbat Service at Temple Emanuel

All are invited to welcome Shabbat with the Temple Emanuel Band. On Friday, November 9 at 8 PM, Rabbi Michael Farbman will lead a joyous Kabbalat Shabbat service with musical accompaniment by the Temple Emanuel Band.

The band was created in 2009 to celebrate Rabbi Farbman's installation at Temple Emanuel. Made up of TE members from middle school to retirement age, the band, in various iterations, plays at selected Shabbat services and festivals. The band's repertoire includes contemporary and traditional tunes arranged by Laurel Shader. In January 2012, the band made its community debut, headlining the first Debbie Friedman Memorial Concert at the JCC of Greater New Haven.

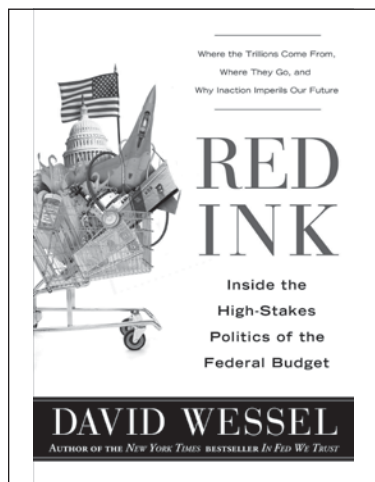
For more information about Temple Emanuel, please go to www.templemanuel-gnh.org or call the TE office at 203-397-3000.

Congregation B'nai Jacob Presents Journalist David Wessel

On Sunday, November 4 at 10:00 AM—the entire community is invited to hear David Wessel speak about his newest book, "RED INK: Inside the High-Stakes Politics of the Federal Budget". RED INK is a compelling, accessible account of the people and politics behind the federal budget that details how we got here, where the trillions come from, where they go, and why this can't go on forever. At Congregation B'nai Jacob (CBJ), Wessel will present these mind-boggling facts and figures in context; explain why they matter and how we arrived at our current fiscal crisis. Weaving facts and figures with anecdotes about the key personalities—including Defense Secretary Leon Panetta, White House chief of staff Jack Lew, as well as Vice Presidential candidate Paul Ryan, Wessel will explain how the government grew to its current scale and illustrate where the money actually goes.



David Wessel



Wessel is the economics editor for the Wall Street Journal and writes the "Capital" column, a weekly look at the economy and the forces shaping living standards around the world. He also wrote the New York Times best seller "In Fed We Trust: Ben Bernanke's War on the Great Panic" (2009). Copies of RED INK will be available for purchase and signing following the program.

For more info: call 203-389-2111 or log onto www.bnaijacob.org.

Our Lady of the Assumption Church Upcoming Events

Our Lady of the Assumption Church, located at 81 Center Road, Woodbridge, www.assumptionchurch.com, invites all to attend the following events.



Our Lady of the Assumption

Fall Fundraising Breakfast

On Sunday November 25th, 2012 the Social Action Committee is sponsoring a Fall Fundraising Breakfast at the Church Hall located at approximately 10:15am (immediately following the 9:30am mass). Tickets: \$8/adults; \$3/children 5-12 years old; children under 5 free.

Menu items include eggs, home fries, ham, sausage, fresh fruit salad, coffee, tea, orange juice, a variety of cold cereals, bagels and donuts. A 50/50 raffle will also be held. Proceeds go directly to funding a number of social ministry programs.

If you are interested in donating a theme basket for the raffle or if you would like further information please contact Mrs. Barbara Bessinger at 203.389.7709.

Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fair

On Saturday December 1st, 2012 the Ladies Guild is sponsoring a Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fair at the Church Hall from 10am to 4pm. Space is limited and all interested vendors are encouraged to reserve space ASAP. Table Fee: \$50 for an 8' x 6' space. Corner Table Fee: \$75 (Limited Quantity). Proceeds go directly to funding a number of social ministry programs, scholarships, etc. For more information please contact Mrs. Diane Ritucci at 203.387.7428 or at dmr0830@gmail.com.

The following remarks were given by First Selectman Edward Maum Sheehy at the 100th Birthday Celebration of the Jewish Community Center Held on October 20, 2012.

On behalf of the Town of Woodbridge and Board of Selectmen, I congratulate the Jewish Community Center of Greater New Haven as it enters its centennial year.

As we salute the Jewish Community Center, we are mindful that Woodbridge has been an integral part of the Jewish experience in the Greater New Haven area. B'nai Jacob Congregation relocated here in the 1960's and is an important center of Jewish culture and religious life. The Country Club of Woodbridge recently purchased by the Town of Woodbridge from the Woodbridge Country Club was founded by a group of Jewish families seeking a haven for relaxation and recreation.

Many Jewish residents of Woodbridge have contributed to the quality of life here by taking an active part in Town Government, Nan Birdwhistell and Roger Harrison have served as our First Selectmen and countless others have served on various Town boards and Commissions making Woodbridge a better place for all of us to live.

Tonight, we salute the Jewish Community Center which moved to Woodbridge in 1993 and immediately became an important thread in the fabric of our community opening its doors to all and providing a variety of programs for the entire family to enjoy. The Community Center has been a good neighbor and was quick to step forward to assist the Town and its residents as it did in 2011 when the Community Center opened its doors to provide for personal services during the unprecedented destruction of Hurricane Irene. In this regard, I would like to thank Scott Cohen, the Executive Director for his co-operation and assistance with the town during these recent storms.

Tonight, we congratulate the Jewish Community Center of Greater New Haven, its Board of Directors and Staff on its 100th Birthday. We look forward to another hundred years of service to our community.

TOWN DEPARTMENTS

From the Youth Services Coordinator *By Nancy Pfund* 

Woodbridge Youth Services Offers Digital Photography For Teens At Amity Middle School-Bethany

A Digital Photography course is forming for Amity Middle School-Bethany students who want to get the most out of their digital cameras and improve their skills. The course will cover camera basics while working through creative assignments on composition, natural and artificial light and color. Students will work in Adobe Photoshop in the computer lab learning professional techniques to maximize their photography. A fee of \$60 covers instruction and materials.

The 10-session course will be held on Thursdays, 2:25 to 3:55 p.m. from November 1, 2012 to January 17, 2013 in the Computer Lab, Room 28. No class on November 22nd or December 27th. If a student does not have access to a camera, arrangements may be made. Contact Youth Services at 203-389-3429 for more information or e-mail youthone@woodbridgect.org. Discounts will be offered for siblings in same class and income-eligible families. Students beginning late will receive a prorated fee. This course is sponsored by Woodbridge Youth Services with assistance from the Town of Bethany. This class is limited to 15 participants, so register now!

Fun Fitness Cooking For Bethany Middle School Students

Learn how to cook in a hands-on, fun environment! This class is offered to Amity Middle School-Bethany students only. This 10-week class will be offered in the Middle School's kitchen after school on Tuesdays from 2:25-3:55 p.m. Class is limited to 12 participants. Students will receive a notebook with recipes, nutrition and food safety information, a glossary of techniques and terms and an apron. We'll start with basic skills and techniques and enhance the fundamentals to help develop a lifetime of great cooking and creativity. Bring home what you make to share with your family.

A materials fee of \$80.00 per student must be paid in advance. A discount for siblings and financial assistance is available for qualifying families. Class will begin Tuesday, October 30th and run through January 15th with a make-up date of January 22, 2013. For more information or to sign up, please call Youth Services at 203-389-3429 or e-mail youthone@woodbridgect.org. Fee is prorated for late starters. Woodbridge Youth Services and the Town of Bethany sponsor these classes. No classes during vacations or due to school cancellations or early dismissals.




Veteran's Day Ceremony - Sunday, November 11th

The Woodbridge Annual Veterans' Day Memorial will be held at the VFW Monument on Sunday, November 11th at 10:45 a.m. The VFW Monument is located on the Town Green across from the Woodbridge Town Hall on Meetinghouse Lane.

This event is a solemn tribute to America's sons and daughters serving and who have served in the defense of our great Country. The program is approximately 45 minutes long - involving Boy and Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Brownies, and brief remarks by the First Selectman and State Legislators.

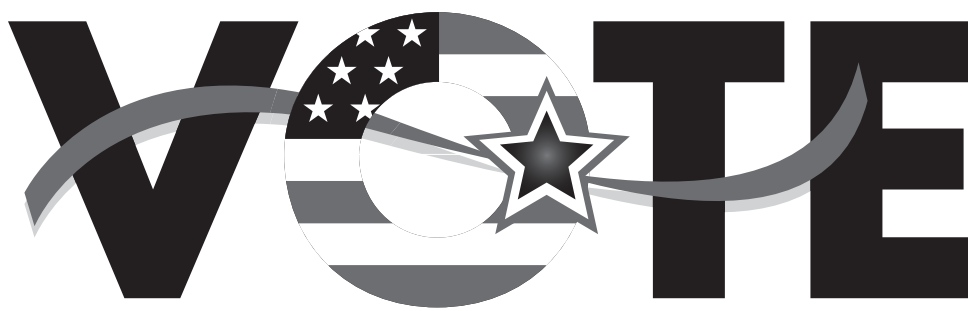
Town of Woodbridge Meetings for the Month of November 2012

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Town Hall

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	EMS Commission..... 7:00pm	Town Hall
	Town Plan & Zoning Commission. 7:30pm	Town Hall
11/6	CUPOP..... 7:30pm	Sr. Center Lounge
11/7	Police Commission 6:00pm	Police Dept.
11/13	Library Commission..... 6:00pm	Library
	Zoning Board of Appeal..... 7:30pm	Town Hall
11/14	Board of Selectmen..... 6:00pm	Town Hall
	Inland Wetlands Agency 7:30pm	Sr. Center Cafeteria
11/15	Investment Committee..... 5:00pm	Town Hall
	Board of Finance 6:00pm	Town Hall
	Conservation Commission..... 7:00pm	Town Hall
11/19	Fire Commission 7:00pm	Fire Station
	Woodbridge Board of Education..... 7:30pm	Beecher School N.
11/20	Econ Development Commission 6:00pm	Town Hall
11/26	Country Club of Wdbridge Comm.. 6:00pm	Town Hall
11/27	Government Access TV Comm. 7:15pm	Town Hall
11/28	Board of Selectmen..... 6:00pm	Town Hall



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LOCAL BUSINESS

New Regional Business Association Will Hold First Networking Breakfast

The West Rock Ridge Business Association will hold its first event November 15th at Wheelers Market & Café – 180 Amity Road, Woodbridge across from Crest Jaguar. The breakfast meeting will begin at 7 am and end at 8:30 am. All attendees buy their own food or beverage, there is no other charge. A discussion entitled “Are your business neighbor’s clients your potential customers?” will be offered from 8 am – 8:30 am. All business owners from the towns of Bethany, Woodbridge, Amity & Westville are welcome to attend the meeting. Seating is limited. Please call 203-671-7372 or email wrrba@live.com to RSVP.

Greyson Guns Opens Local Store

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Road Race Runners Receive Free Treatment from Sponsor

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Clinical therapists Michael Dow and Kyle Branday, along with members of their staff, administered treatment and provided advice to a field of runners of all ages.

Amity Physical Therapy also registered 58 runners of its own including current and past patients. Clinical Director and founder, Michael Dow also participated in the race and finished the 5K event in good time.

For more information on Amity Physical Therapy visit the website at www.amitypt.com or call 203-389-4593

www.WoodbridgeTownNews.com

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Crafters Wanted!

Our Lady of Assumption Church is holding a Christmas Bazaar & Craft Fair on Saturday, December 1, 2012 from 10:00 - 4:00 p.m. \$50 table fee. \$75 corner tables. Looking for handcrafted jewelry, artwork, clothes, or accessories. Contact Diane Ritucci 203-387-7428 for further information.

Willows Hosts Holiday Fair

Willows Care and Rehabilitation Center is pleased to announce its holiday fair scheduled for Saturday, November 10, 2012 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. There will be a variety of items for sale – crafts, hand knitted items, homemade candy, jewelry items, heavenly spa products, Mary K, white elephant items, raffle prizes, baked goods and much more. Cinderella will be here to visit the children from 11am-1pm. Anyone interested in more information can contact Terry Duda at 203-387-0076.

Willows Care and Rehabilitation Center, located at 225 Amity Road, provides skilled nursing and short-term rehabilitation services for up to 90 residents and patients and is operated by SunBridge Healthcare.

Pumpkin and Holly Bazaar

Friday, November 16, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m., and Saturday, November 17, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in the beautifully renovated Parish House of Christ Episcopal Church, 526 Amity Road (Rte. 63) at the blinker light. Come the weekend before Thanksgiving and begin Christmas shopping for unique presents and wonderful bargains. Popular annual bazaar features Thanksgiving Pies, Bountiful Harvest Bakery, Mrs. Claus's Candy Store, Granny's Attic Treasures, Spectacular Gift Basket Raffle, The Elves' Gift Shop, Silver Bells Twice Nice Ladies' Holiday Clothing Boutique, Holiday Cookies on Vintage China Plates, Children's Stocking Stuffers, New and Vintage Christmas Decorations, the Sugar Plum Fairy's Dessert Table, and more. St. Nicholas Café features delicious dinner on Friday and lovely luncheon on Saturday.

BULLETIN BOARD

Please Note: If you have an event for the Bulletin Board, please send it along no matter how far in advance it is. We will include it in the appropriate issue(s) until the event has taken place.

2012 Annual Fund Drive for Bethany's Clark Memorial Library, contributions requested to help for the cost of a website to update services, etc.

Rabies Clinic, Saturday, October 20, 2012, 1:00-3:00pm, Country Companions Veterinary, 9 Amity Road, Bethany; Rabies inoculations/\$15; micro chips/\$20 plus a registration fee; bring proof of current rabies to receive a three-year booster. All pets must be on a leash or in a carrier.

The Ladies Guild of Our Lady of Assumption Church Second Chili Cook-off, Saturday, October 20, 2012 immediately following the 5:00pm mass (about 5:30pm), Our Lady of Assumption Church hall, 81 Center Road, Woodbridge, Taste and vote for your favorite, also a taco bar, salad, corn bread and desserts, BYOB (beverage), a 50/50 raffle, piñata and zumba dancing. Donation: \$10 adults/\$5.00 children 3-12 yrs old/Chef free!

Halloween HOOT, Saturday, October 27, 2012, 11:30am-3:30pm RAIN or SHINE, Beecher Road Elementary School, 40 Beecher Road, Woodbridge, CT. For information, go to www.brspto.org. Don't forget to wear your costume!

Hooked on the Sound Crochet Guild, Saturdays, November 3, 2012, December 1, 2012, 10am-1pm, Case Memorial Library, 176 Tyler City Road, Orange, small meeting room on 2nd level (elevator available); share stitch successes, assist with pattern problems and have a great time crocheting, no fee. For more information, Visit <http://hotscrochetguild.yolasite.com/>, Email HOTSCrochetGuild@Live.com.

Amity Senior High School Class Of 1992 ~ 20th Reunion, Saturday, November 24, 2012, 7:00pm, Eli's on Whitney Avenue, Hamden, CT. For information and/or tickets, email naluciano@yahoo.com.



Smith – DeFelice Wed

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Smith and Ms. Ilene Asprelli DeFelice announce with pleasure the marriage of their children Rebecca Smith & Nicholas DeFelice on August 26, 2012. Mr. & Mrs. DeFelice are graduates of Amity High School. Nicholas is employed by Verizon Wireless and Rebecca is the owner of Woodbridge Body Works, a yoga fitness studio at 1758 Litchfield Turnpike in Woodbridge. The couple lives in Westville.

How to Live the Artist's Life

The Arts Council Presents Author Paul Dorrell

Continuing our dedication to local artists, we are pleased to present an event at the Whitney Center's Cultural Arts Center with Paul Dorrell, author of *Living the Artist's Life: Updated & Revised*, on Tuesday, November 13th at 7 p.m. at 200 Leeder Hill Drive in Hamden, south entrance. The event is open to the public at no cost with free parking.

Dorrell will discuss his book and conduct an abbreviated version of his career workshop, accompanied by a handout with a Q&A session. A book signing will follow his presentation. Dorrell opened Leopold Gallery in 1991 and has been advancing artists' careers on a national level ever since. Learn from his experience and come to this event to take your artistic career to the next level!

Dorrell's books address a myriad of topics; everything from how to get your work into a gallery to how to handle self-doubt. He also tells the story of his gallery's initial failures and eventual successes. Regardless of your place in the arts, you are sure to benefit from the discussion. To learn more about Dorrell and his work, go to LeopoldGallery.com.

Praise for Living the Artist's Life: Update & Revised

"The success of the book hasn't dimmed Dorrell's drive to help undiscovered artists get the recognition he feels they deserve. It's also heavy on pragmatic advice from pricing and promoting one's work to gaining acceptance by galleries." - The Associated Press

"An entertaining and highly valuable guide for aspiring and working artists." - Murray Dessner, Painting Instructor and Critic, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia.

While you're there, be sure to visit the Arts Council-curated exhibition *Dreamy at Perspectives*, The Gallery at Whitney Center. It is a group show by professional artists that addresses ideas about human consciousness. The gallery is open to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information about this event or *Perspectives*, The Gallery at Whitney Center, call The Arts Council at (203) 772-2788.

The Arts Council of Greater New Haven, publisher of *The Arts Paper*, is a regional nonprofit arts agency that provides leadership to and advocates for member artists and arts organizations and connects them to one another, to audiences, and to the Greater New Haven community. Visit the Arts Council online at NewHavenArts.org.

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Wine Talk

With Ray Spaziani

Bull's Blood



The most important wine region of Eastern Europe is unequivocally Hungary. Vineyards have flourished in Hungary since Roman times and today one of the most stunning desert wines found anywhere in the world - Tokay - is produced in Hungary. Bordered on the north by Slovakia, on the northeast by the Ukraine, on the east by Romania, and on the west by Austria, Hungary sits in the middle of Eastern Europe. It ranks eleventh in wine-producing countries worldwide! The Hungarians drink an average of 7.54 gallons of wine per person each year. They rank fourteenth in world-wide consumption.

When the Magyars arrived in the region in the ninth century, (an ancient tribe from the rural valley that most Hungarians are descended from) they found a country where vines were growing everywhere. Hungary has grassy plains, orchards, forests and vineyards. The country is divided more or less in half by the Danube River which runs north to south. The summers are warm to hot and the winters are cold. Although small in size, Hungary boasts an enormous number of different grape varieties, including indigenous grapes and international varieties, such as chardonnay. What put Hungary on the international wine map was the emergence in Tokay-Hegyalia of the rare, extraordinary wine known as Tokay, formally Tokay Aszu. This is considered among the top desert wines in the world.

The most well-known dry red wine of Hungary is Egret Bikaver which is known as bull's blood of Eger. It is made primarily from the kekfrankos grape, grown in Eger, which is about halfway between Budapest and Tokay. The legend behind the wine dates back to the mid-1500s when the fortress of Eger, which belonged to the Magyars and was besieged by the Turks. Far outnumbered, the Magyars fought fiercely, drinking huge amounts of red wine in the process. When the Turks encountered the Magyars ferocious fighting skills and saw their red-stained beards they thought them monsters that had attained their prowess by drinking the raw blood of bulls and retreated in disarray.

Over the millennia of wine's existence, there have been multiple occasions when politics, war, and disease have combined to nearly destroy a wine region and its wines. No more poignant example exists than that of Tokay. Considered one of the greatest sweet wines in the world, as well as the most majestic wine of eastern Europe, today it is a wine few of us have ever tasted. Most of the last century Tokay has fallen far short of Louis XIV's description as the wine of kings and the king of wines. Tokay's long, but thankfully temporary, demise began with the deadly aphid phyloxera. As the twentieth century dawned, the vineyards of Tokay lay in ruin as a result of the pest. Over the next several decades, vineyards were rebuilt only to be devastated again during World War I and World War II. But the biggest upheaval was yet to come. In 1949, as Hungary collapsed under Communist rule, wineries and vineyards were confiscated and nationalized. The preciously refined and highly individual sweet wines of Tokay were blended en mass in big cooperative cellars run by the state. Over subsequent years, vineyards were neglected, equipment deteriorated, the quality of grapes declined drastically. Old wine making traditions were abolished in favor of cheaper, easier shortcuts, and wine making itself was degraded to the point where it was a bureaucratic drudgery.

Luckily, Tokay was not beyond redemption. Hungry became a democratic republic in 1989 and investment in wine making was not far behind. The raisened grapes loaded with special sweetness were once again grown and the wine of kings and the king of wines made a big comeback.

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

SENIOR CENTER

For information or reservations on the following events call the Senior Center at 203-389-3430.

The Senior Center offers exercise (combination of cardio, strength training, flexibility, & aerobic) on Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 am in the gym. All are reminded to bring their own weights.



Lunch Program

Lunch is served on Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:15 pm. Call in reservations at least one day in advance.

Shopping On Wednesdays

Shopping at Amity Shopping Center-- if you need a ride to pick up groceries, do banking, go to the drug store, etc.; please call the office at 203-389-3430 to make a reservation. The cost is \$4.00.

Senior Center Craft Group

The Senior Center Craft Group meets every Thursday from 10 am to 3 pm. Knitting, Crocheting, Sewing, and Socializing are some of the activities of the group.

Free Friday Afternoon Movies At The WSC

\$3 lunch and free popcorn will be served. Movies are shown at the Senior Center on Friday afternoons at 1 pm. Join us at 12:15 for a nutritious \$3 lunch, followed by a movie with free popcorn (or just attend the movie at 1 pm).

Mah-jongg Group

The Mah-jongg group meets every Monday and Friday in Room 15 from 10 am to 12 noon. Novices are welcome – they will teach you.

Computer Classes

Call Lee @ 203-389-3430 to register; Jacalyn Diesenhouse is the Instructor. Classes will be held:

November 7 & 21 – Wednesday – Internet – 9:30 to 11:30 am.

November 14 – Wednesday – Email – 9:30 to 11:30 am.

November 28 – Wednesday – I Pad & I Phone Apps – 9:30 to 11:30 am.

Twentieth Annual Holiday Fair

We will hold our Annual Holiday Fair on Saturday, November 3rd in the Center Cafeteria from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will have a variety of booths consisting of baked goods, books, crafts, tag sale items, Chinese Auction, raffle, refreshments, and many other attractions.

Some of the items we need to stock booths are: homemade jellies, jams, pickles, sauces, baked goods, used books, and usable tag sale items. Also needed are bottles of wine or alcohol for our Basket of Cheer Raffle. New items are also needed for our Chinese Auction table. Last, but not least, we need volunteers to bring all of this together.

TRIPS

November 15, 2012 — Thursday — Radio City Christmas Spectacular. \$151 includes transportation, Radio City Christmas Spectacular, lunch at Carmine's, and driver's gratuity. Departs: TBA.

February 2, 2012 — Saturday — Uconn Women's Basketball Game, Queens NY, \$54 transportation, tickets to UCONN game, and driver's gratuity.

February 16, 2012 — Saturday — UCONN Women's Basketball Game, Piscataway NJ, \$57 includes transportation, tickets to UCONN game, and driver's gratuity.

NEW! Book Club

The Senior Center is interested in starting a monthly book club. If you are interested, please call Mary D'Ostilio at 203-389-3429.

NEW! Walking Group

Put your sneakers on and join us for a walk at the Fitzgerald Walking Trail (AKA the cornfield) on Beecher Road, Fridays at 10 A.M. We will meet every Friday at 10 in the parking lot, weather permitting. Call 203-389-3429 with any questions.

NEW! Lunch Bunch

Share lunch and friendly conversation at a local restaurant. Everyone is welcome, and it is "dutch treat". Van transportation can be arranged for a \$3 fee. Please call Lee at 203-389-3430 to make a reservation for the lunch and/or transportation. November 28th: The Bear and Grill, 385 Boston Post Road, Orange.

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THEATER REVIEW



“A Night of Sips & Giggles” at Lyric Hall

By Zander Opper

You wouldn't know it from driving down Whalley Avenue in Westville right near Fitch Street, but there is a tiny treasure of a theatre tucked away that you simply must go to. It is called Lyric Hall and, since 2006, it has been lovingly restored to its present state to what it originally was: a silent movie house and also a theatre that presented vaudeville. The décor inside the theatre is breathtaking and it is one of the most charmingly intimate theatres that I have ever been in.

On Saturday, October 20th, I was invited to Lyric Hall for an evening called “A Night of Sips & Giggles.” It was a series of short plays and, before each play, audience members were given a little bit of wine and a little something to eat and it was explained that each specific wine and bit of food was chosen to complement the tone of the play. Ranging from the riotously funny to the intensely dramatic and even devastating, the evening of plays proved to be quite a heady night of theatre. As written by Fredrick Stoppel and produced by Joanna Keylock (who was also superb in two of the plays), “A Night of Sips and Giggles” was easily as satisfying as anything I have ever seen on any New York stage (or any other stage, come to think about it).



Zander Opper

Part of what made the evening so special was that Lyric Hall was able to attract the talents of such top-notch performers as Jim Noble (who has an extensive resume of theatre and film credits and who is perhaps best known as the Governor from the 1980's sitcom, “Benson”) and Sachi Parker, who, aside from being the daughter of Shirley MacLaine, has made her mark in such films as “Peggy Sue Got Married” and “Back to the Future.” Indeed, there seemed to be a sense of love in the theatre, that these actors were just simply honored to perform on the stage of Lyric Hall, and that warmth spread throughout the entire theatre. (I must hasten to mention that although I have singled out both Sachi Parker and Jim Noble, all the actors onstage performed on the same high level).

Highlights included Jim Noble's hysterically funny performance in the one-man play called, simply, “Testament” and there was also an amusing four character vignette entitled “Mulberries.” These two short plays certainly supplied the giggles promised in the title of the show, but I was even more impressed with the more dramatic plays presented in Act II. One concerned a young woman and her mentally challenged younger brother who were going whale watching. This beautifully written play managed to embrace both the difficulties of their relationship and the deep love that existed between them.

Finally, the last play, deceptively titled “Harvest Time,” explored the relationship of two brothers, one who is on dialysis and the other who has promised his kidney to his ailing sibling. However, there was a complexity to the play in that the “healthy” brother seemed to want to keep his options open and offer his kidney to the highest bidder. As outright appalling as this was, the playwright somehow managed to supply some very black humor to the proceedings as well.

For the record, the rest of the talented actors included the aforementioned producer Joanna Keylock, Daniel Sarnelli, Peter Parno, Kevin Kash and Tracy James, all of whom, like Jim Noble and Sachi Parker, deserved kudos. It is a testament to Lyric Hall that “A Night of Sips and Giggles” was such a success and, as mentioned, there was a sense of joy of performing in this particular theatre that seemed to pervade the entire evening. Lyric Hall proved to be quite a magical place and I should mention that on its forthcoming calendar of events is an actual silent film called “Cat and the Canary” that will include the Lyric Hall orchestra. For more information about the theatre, including its history, please visit its website at www.lyrichallnewhaven.com. Lyric Hall is indeed a treasure in the New Haven area and it is recommended that you check it out, for a theatre as special as this is simply too good to miss.

Death Notices



Kelly Ryan Hopkins

Kelly Ryan Hopkins was born on September 29, 2012 at 9:14am and passed on to Heaven. Kelly Ryan is the cherished daughter of Brooke and Robert Hopkins and sister to Kate and Kristen of 34 Old Mill Road, Woodbridge CT.



Kelly was laid to rest at St. Lawrence Cemetery in West Haven, CT on October 5, 2012. “Some people believe in angels, and I held one in my arms. You will always be our Princess Kelly Ryan our precious little girl, our angel above.

In our arms for a short while, but in our hearts forever.” Donations in Kelly's memory can be made to YNH, St. Raphael Campus, Neonatal unit, New Haven, CT.

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TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE

November 6, 2012 State Election

The Electors of the Town of Woodbridge are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said town on TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012 for the following purposes:

To cast their votes for Presidential and Vice-Presidential electors, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, Registrar of Voters

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Voting machines will be used. The polls will be opened at six o'clock in the morning (6:00 a.m.) and will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 p.m.).

Dated at Woodbridge, Connecticut, this 29th day of October,
Stephanie Ciarleglio
Town Clerk
Town of Woodbridge



top 10 movies

1. **Taken 2 (PG-13)**
Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace
2. **Argo (R)**
Ben Affleck, Alan Arkin
3. **Sinister (R)**
Ethan Hawke, Vincent D'Onofrio
4. **Hotel Transylvania (PG)**
animated
5. **Here Comes the Boom (PG)**
Kevin James, Salma Hayek
6. **Pitch Perfect (PG-13)**
Amy Kendrick, Brittany Snow
7. **Frankenweenie (PG)**
animated
8. **Looper (R)**
Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Bruce Willis
9. **Seven Psychopaths (R)**
Colin Farrell, Sam Rockwell
10. **The Perks of Being a Wallflower (PG-13)**
Logan Lerman, Emma Watson

TOP DVD RENTALS AND SALES

1. **Snow White and the Huntsman (PG-13)**
Kristen Stewart
2. **The Avengers (2012) (PG-13)**
Robert Downey Jr.
3. **The Five-Year Engagement (R)**
Jason Segel
4. **Battleship (PG-13)**
Taylor Kitsch
5. **What to Expect When You're Expecting (PG-13)**
Cameron Diaz
6. **The Cabin in the Woods (R)**
Kristen Connelly
7. **Dark Shadows (PG-13)**
Johnny Depp
8. **Safe (R)**
Denzel Washington
9. **The Hunger Games (PG-13)**
Jennifer Lawrence
10. **Katy Perry: Party Part of Me (PG)**
Katy Perry

Chartbusters

Top 10 Pop Singles

1. **Maroon 5**
"One More Night"
2. **PSY**
"Gangnam Style"
3. **One Direction**
"Live While We're Young"
4. **fun.**
"Some Nights"
5. **Taylor Swift**
"We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together"
6. **Taylor Swift**
"Red"
7. **Justin Bieber feat. Big Sean**
"As Long As You Love Me"
8. **Adele**
"Skyfall"
9. **Pink**
"Blow Me (One Last Kiss)"
10. **Alex Clare**
"Too Close"



Taylor Swift

Top 10 Country Singles

1. **Taylor Swift**
"We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together"
2. **Taylor Swift**
"Red"
3. **Carrie Underwood**
"Blown Away"
4. **Hunter Hayes**
"Wanted"
5. **Jason Aldean**
"Take a Little Ride"
6. **Florida Georgia Line**
"Cruise"
7. **Dustin Lynch**
"Cowboys and Angels"
8. **Luke Bryan**
"Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye"
9. **Lee Brice**
"Hard To Love"
10. **Taylor Swift**
"Begin Again"

COUCH THEATER DVD PREVIEW

BY DNA SMITH



Andrew Garfield in "The Amazing Spider-man"

EDITOR'S NOTE: New DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of November t5, 2012.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Arthur Christmas" (PG) -- This animated feature from England has enough heart and visual grandeur to get anyone hyped up for Christmas. Santa has two sons; Steve (voiced by Hugh Laury), the tough-as-nails Christmas commando; and Arthur (James Macavoy), a clumsy little guy with funny voice intonations. When a present for one deserving child is left behind, it's up to Arthur and Grandsanta to make the delivery in time for Christmas morning.

This is the first major computer-animated production from Aardman Animations, the studio famous for "Wallace and Gromit." Regardless of

how you handle British humor, "Arthur Christmas" is cheerful and warm. There are some wicked humorists behind the scenes, but Arthur's finished product is as bright and cheery as a star on a tree.

"The Amazing Spider-man" (PG-13) -- With a new cast and new director, the story of Spider-man starts over from the beginning. It seems we did this not so long ago -- with the spider bite and gradual realization of responsibility. However, this new take on the Webslinger packs more emotional punch and has a different edge to it. This new Spider Saga is less colorful, cartoony and campy.

Andrew Garfield ("The Social Network") plays Peter Parker, who's on a journey to discover what happened to the parents he never knew. What he finds instead is a radioactive spider and The Lizard, a creepy enemy never before seen in a Spider-man movie.

"Your Sister's Sister" (R) -- Jack (Mark Duplass) is mourning the loss of his brother when he makes a scene at a memorial. His friend Iris (Emily Blunt) sends him to an old family cabin in the Pacific Northwest to sort things out. Jack finds Iris' sister is already at the cabin, drinking after a big breakup. Jack and Hannah have a one-night stand, and a perfect love triangle forms when Iris shows up the next morning. What is it with cabins adjacent to water that always makes people have heart-to-heart talks and face their inner wants? This movie is part melodrama, part romcom, but certainly interesting and heartfelt.

"Rashomon" (Criterion Collection) -- This 1951 film from celebrated director Akira Kurosawa is often mimicked for its inventive storytelling. In feudal Japan, local authorities try to figure out how a samurai was killed while walking through the woods with his wife. The story is told through the testimony given by each of the witnesses. The stories don't match up, but certain details seem to stick out.

1. What instrument did Buddy Rich play?
2. "My Guy" was a hit on both sides of the Atlantic for "The Queen of Motown." Who was she?
3. Name the duo that created the "Milk and Honey" album.
4. Name the song that has these lyrics: "Hey girl, I don't really blame you, woman like you needs a house and a home."
6. What do "Ruby Tuesday," "Devil with a Blue Dress On" and "Bridge over Troubled Water" have in common?



1. Jazz great Rich played drums. Drummers around the world have attempted to copy Rich's explosive style, especially his solos. 2. Mary Wells, 1964. She was partially deaf as a result of meningitis as a child, but was singing in clubs by the age of 10. 3. John Lennon and Yoko Ono. It was released after Lennon's death and contained music that had been recorded in the final months of his life. 4. "The Worst That Could Happen." After Sept. 11, 2001, the song was on the list of 165 songs that Clear Channel indicated should not be played on the air. 5. They also were on the Clear Channel list of songs not to be played on air after Sept. 11.

Sudoku answers on page 35

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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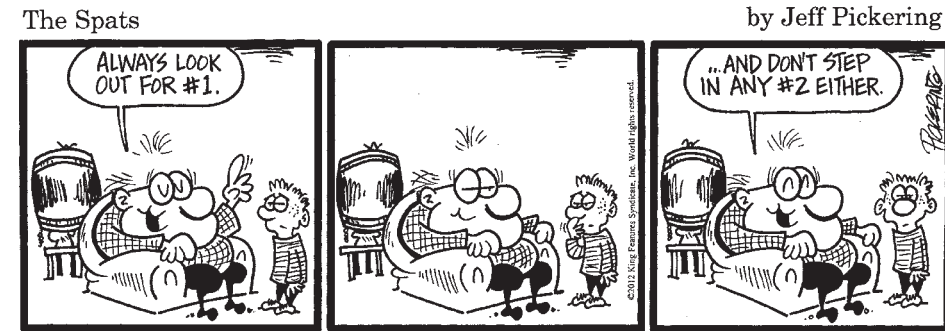
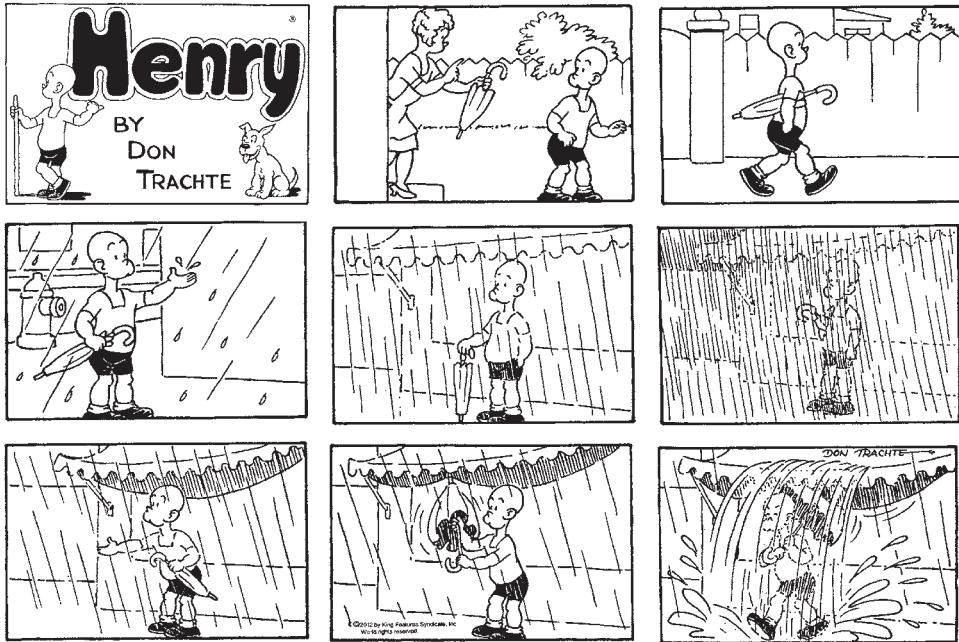
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HOLLYWOOD

By Tony Rizzo



Imogen Poots

HOLLYWOOD -- The long-talked-about remake of "Gypsy," directed and starring Barbra Streisand as Mama Rose, has been put on hold. Barbra is completing her concert tour, which started in Brooklyn, N.Y., stopped in Montreal and The MGM Grand in Vegas, and ends Nov. 11 at The Hollywood Bowl. She next hits the road to promote "Guilt Trip" with Seth Rogan (opening Christmas Day), then hopes she'll direct Oscar-winners Cate Blanchett and Colin Firth in "Skinny and Cat," her first directing chore since "The Mirror Has Two Faces" in 1996.

Aaron Paul and former James Bond actor Pierce Brosnan.

Scot McNairy, in Ben Affleck's film "Argo," will be seen with Brad Pitt, James Gandolfini and Richard Jenkins in the gang picture "Killing Them Softly," and in Pitt's "Twelve Years a Slave." These three actors -- Holbrook, Poots and McNairy -- are on the launch pad. You'll be able to follow their work as they become the next wave of big stars!

Daily Variety, the show-business newspaper, picked its annual 10 actors to watch. Among them was Boyd Holbrook, discovered sawing wood as a carpenter for a small theater company in his native Kentucky. A friend sent his picture to a modeling agency, which led to modeling jobs in Paris, classes at NYU and acting classes. The hard work paid off. Holbrook is in Steven Soderbergh's Liberace biopic "Behind the Candelabra," "Out of the Furnace" with Christian Bale, "Very Good Girls" with Dakota Fanning and Ellen Barkin, and the sci-fi thriller "The Host" for writer/director Andrew Niccol. You might remember Holbrook as Cap Hatfield in the recent Kevin Costner Emmy-winner "Hatfields & McCoys."

Clint Eastwood's planned remake of "A Star Is Born" is back to zero. It was to have starred Beyonce and possibly Tom Cruise, but because they couldn't give her a start date, she bowed out so she could set up her next tour. Now bassist/vocalist Esperanza Spalding, a Grammy winner last year as Best New Artist, is being considered for the role that Janet Gaynor, Judy Garland and Barbra Streisand played in previous versions.

Imogen Poots arrived in Hollywood from London in June, met director Terrence Malick and was cast his "Knight of Cups." She'll appear in the upcoming Jimi Hendrix biopic "All Is by My Side," and co-stars with Oscar-winner Phillip Seymour Hoffman in "A Late Quartet," playing a violin virtuoso. Poots is currently shooting "A Long Way Down" with Emmy-winner (for "Breaking Bad")

Esperanza (age 27) and Cruise (50) may not be a good match. They'd better rethink this ... after all, the title says "A Star Is Born" and has always been played by a STAR. A total unknown, no matter how talented, might render this project ... stillborn!

Send letters to Tony Rizzo's Hollywood, 8306 Wilshire Blvd., No. 362, Beverly Hills, CA 90211.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Send forth
- 5 "— company, ..."
- 9 Scepter
- 12 Broad
- 13 Furnace output
- 14 — out a living
- 15 Find not guilty
- 17 Savings plan acronym
- 18 Person, place or thing
- 19 "Loves me (not)" determinant
- 21 Had a home-cooked meal
- 24 Old woman's home?
- 25 Coffee vessels
- 26 Company agent
- 30 Money of Moldova
- 31 "The Age of Anxiety" poet
- 32 Brewery product
- 33 Insisted on
- 35 List-ending abbr.
- 36 Historic times
- 37 Concerning
- 38 More angry
- 40 Macadamize

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- 43 Work together
- 48 Obtain
- 49 Camel feature
- 50 Singer Campbell
- 51 Sailor's assent
- 52 Puppies' calls
- 53 Harvard rival
- DOWN**
- 1 Lamb's mama
- 2 Blend
- 3 Altar
- 4 Serena's game
- 5 From one end to t'other
- 6 Slowly withdraw (from)
- 7 Cereal tidbit
- 8 Sondheim or Colbert
- 9 Say again
- 10 Veggie in Creole cooking
- 11 Transaction
- 16 Lo-o-ong time
- 20 Dawn goddess
- 21 "— Lang Syne"
- 22 Genealogy chart
- 23 Count
- 24 Coaster
- 26 Lather
- 27 Citric quaff
- 28 Verve
- 29 Hide
- 31 Lawlessness
- 34 Exist
- 35 Vim
- 37 Thoroughfare (Abbr.)
- 38 Long story
- 39 Do as you're told
- 40 "— and Circumstance"
- 41 iPad downloads
- 44 French assent
- 45 Carte lead-in
- 46 Aviv
- 47 Compass pt.

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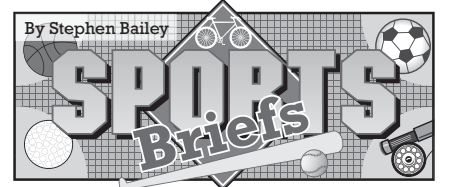
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LOCAL SPORTS

Amity Girls' Volleyball Uponds Cheshire in Dramatic Fashion

Entering the Spartans matchup with Cheshire last week, Amity had not beaten its arch-rival in five years. But in the Rams own gym, Amity rallied for a 3-2 victory (25-22, 25-21, 18-25, 19-25, 19-17). With the victory—and two more over Sheehan and Lyman Hall later in the week — the Spartans finished 7-1 on Housatonic Division play, tying the Rams for the regular season crown.

The Spartans played efficient volleyball, converting on 94 percent of their serves. Allison Denny connected on all 16 of her deliveries and finished with 15 kills and 15 digs. Sydnee Sousa was 13 of 13 from the service line and added two of Amity's four aces. Kathryn Pisano added 32 assists, Amanda Vecchio was 21-for-22 serving and Liz Martino tallied 14 digs. Tied 21-21 in the first set, Kristen Post provided four quality serves to propel Amity to a 25-22 win. The Spartans built on that momentum to take a 2-0 lead. But the Rams bounced back, winning the third and fourth sets to tie the match at 2-2. Trailing 16-19, Denny stepped to the line for Amity. She provided three crucial serves before Post launched the match-winners. The Spartans dispatched Sheehan 3-1 and Lyman Hall 3-1 to wrap up divisional play.



Spartans Outmuscled by Xavier on the Gridiron

With starting quarterback James Semmonella out due to a concussion, the Amity football team had a rough night last Thursday, falling to Xavier 52-17. The host Falcons (5-1), currently ranked No. 4 in Connecticut, cruised to victory behind a 141-yard, five-touchdown performance from running back D'angelo Berry. The Spartans (2-4) committed four turnovers in a losing effort. Xavier jumped out to a 24-0 lead before Amity sophomore QB Tyler Burns scampered up the middle for a 75-yard touchdown.

The Falcons scored on the ensuing possession, but the Spartans kept fighting. Kicker Lyle Luth connected a 22-yard field goal as time expired in the first half.

After Xavier tacked on three scores on the third quarter, Burns provided the final Amity TD, driving the team 90 yards late in the fourth quarter and punching it in from 3 yards out. David Attolino rushed for a team-high 113 yards on 27 carries while Burns and junior David Ryan, who split time at quarterback, combined to complete 4 of 10 passes for 70 yards and an interception. Ben Feola added three catches for 51 yards.

Amity Boys' Soccer Finishes Season Strong, to Host Sheehan in SCC Quarterfinals

With late-season victories over Sheehan and Lyman Hall, along with a 3-3 tie with Cheshire, Amity clinched the Housatonic Division title. The No. 2 seed Spartans against No. 7 seed Sheehan in the first round of the SCC tournament. The Spartans will host Sheehan Oct. 29 at 3 p.m.

Amity 11-1-2 (5-1-2 against Housy opponents) knocked off Lyman Hall 2-0 behind a goal from Sean Bealieu in the 28th minute and another from Ian O'Brien-Cannon in the 48th minute. Jeremy Conn assisted on the second score. Amity outshot the Trojans 11-7 as goalie Griffin Volta made seven saves Schwartz, Joseph Guerra and Justyn Broderick scored for the Spartans against Cheshire with Conn, Schwartz and Guerra tallying the helpers. Amity outshot the Rams 14-9 in that game, but were unable to pull ahead after Broderick's equalizer in the 67th minute.

The Spartans finished the week shutting out Sheehan 2-0 behind first-half goals from Ricky Mayer Austin Duffy — surely a good sign heading into their postseason matchup. The Spartans outshot Sheehan 12-6 and Volta recorded five saves.

Spartans Girls' Soccer Crushes Shelton

The Spartans knocked off Housatonic Division rival Shelton 4-0 on October 15. After falling to the Tigers 2-1 earlier in the year, Amity handily defeated last year's Housatonic Division champions. Kate Simon and Alexa Gibbs tallied first-half goals to give the Spartans a 2-0 halftime advantage before Maeghan Howard and Chloe Brinton finished the scoring in the second half.

Amity Field Hockey Toes Mercy 1-1

Same Testa knocked in a first-half goal as the host Spartans tied Southern Connecticut Conference foe Mercy 1-1 on October 22. Mercy's Mary Niedhardt provided an equalizer in the second half. Amity goalie Hannah Bercovi recorded three saves in a solid Senior Day performance.

Amity High School Seeks Assistant Swimming Coach

Amity High School is seeking an assistant varsity boys' swimming coach. Please contact Athletic Director Paul Mengold at 203-397-4839.

Bethwood Softball to Hold Annual Meeting

The BethWood Softball Little League will hold a meeting at 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 8 to elect the 2013 Board of Directors. The meeting will be held at The Winchester Restaurant on 12 Selden St. in Woodbridge.



LOCAL SPORTS

Woodbridge Basketball Leagues Offered

The Woodbridge Recreation Department Classic Basketball League is November 27th – March 26th. It is for grades 4, 5, and 6 on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at the Beecher South Gym. Registration is limited to the first 32. \$110.00 fee includes t-shirt and enrollment in the Saturday Basketball League 10:15 A.M. – 12:00 Noon at the Center Gym starting December 8th.

The Junior High Basketball League is November 29th – March 28th. It is for grades 7, 8, and 9. It is held on Thursday evenings from 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. at the Beecher South Gym. \$110.00 fee includes t-shirt. Registration is limited to the first 32.

Woodbridge Road Race Winners Announced

The overall winner of the 31st annual 5K Woodbridge Road Race, which was held on Saturday, October 6th, was Nicholas Migani, of Griswold, with a time of 16:35. The first Woodbridge resident to finish was Jeffrey Townsend with a time of 17:46. The first female to finish was Martha Santandreu, of Hamburg, NY, with a time of 19:22. The first female Woodbridge resident to finish was Kelly Horowitz, with a time of 20:11.

The overall winner of the Woodbridge Road Race Children's Fun Run, held on Saturday, October 6th was Spencer Paragas with a time of 6:46. The winner of the girls division was Olivia Kudasik at 6:53.

Soloway Selected to 2013 Maccabiah Games

Benjamin Soloway has been selected as one of six male junior tennis players to participate in the 2013 Maccabiah Games to be held in Israel July 2013. Ben is the son of Scott Soloway and Deborah Shamash of Weston, Mass. His fraternal Grandparents are Marty and Sandy Soloway of Orange, Ct.

There will be approximately 6000 men and women athletes from all over the world participating in the games in 42 different sports with numerous age categories. This past month, final tryouts for the team were held in Philadelphia. Ben is a 16 year old junior playing in the number one position at the River School In Weston. His Dad was a two year captain of the tennis team while a student at Hopkins in New Haven.



Simon Leads Senior Dominated Spartans

By Stephen Bailey – Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

In 15 games this year, the Amity girls' soccer team has allowed just eight goals. The Spartans are 10-3-2, 5-3 in Southern Connecticut Conference competition and cruising as they head into tournament play. Senior forward Kate Simon credits the overwhelming success this year to strong team chemistry. The seven seniors on the team have been playing together for eight years, be it through the middle school and high school teams, South Central Premier League teams or offseason training programs. They know each other's personalities and on-field tendencies down pat.

"I think the strength of our team is that we're all really good friends off the field," Simon said. That senior septet is composed of Simon, Allison Maier, Madeline Lovejoy, Maeghan Howard, Tara Ramirez, Derek RoyDavis and Maddie Dellert. Maier, Lovejoy and Ramirez have helped anchor that stout defensive front with athletic sophomore goalkeeper Zoe Reed between the pipes. Howard and fellow center midfielder Dakota Kelly have been regulars in head coach Owen Quigley's starting 11 with Simon and freshman Alexa Gibbs up top.

Quigley shuffled lineups during the first couple weeks of the season, Simon said, ultimately moving Maier — previously an outside midfielder — to center back. The experimenting has reaped enormous benefits for the Spartans. "We're looking forward to the SCC tournament starting next week," Simons said. "I think we have a good chance of doing fairly well in both SCCs and states."

Simon said that injuries have plagued the Spartans during the regular season, but the rise of three talented freshmen has helped offset that hindrance. While Gibbs is the lone first-year starter, Allyson Tine and Katie Koshes have been sparkplugs coming off the bench. "I think what our coach is also trying to focus on is building the team for next year and getting the underclassmen a lot of experience because we will be graduating seven seniors, six of which get regular Varsity time," Simon said. But there is still a lot of season left for the 2012 Spartans. Impressive late-season performance against rivals Shelton and Cheshire have injected additional confidence into the team heading into the playoffs.

After losing to Shelton 2-1 earlier in the year, Amity dispatched a visiting Tigers squad 4-0 on September 15. Simon recorded a goal and two assists in the victory while Gibbs, Howard and Chloe Brinton finished the scoring. The win marked the program's largest margin of victory over Shelton during Simon's high school career.

Against Cheshire six days earlier, the Spartans fell 2-0. However, Simon said, they proved that they could play with Cheshire, allowing both Rams goals in the closing minutes of the game with multiple midfielders pushed forward. "We know that we have the talent to beat them, but for us it really matters how we perform in the SCC and state tournaments," Simon said.

The rivalry with Cheshire stems deeper, though. The Rams actually eliminated Amity from the state tournament last year and that second-round defeat still resonates with Simon and Co. It's added motivation heading into this year's SCC and state tournaments. Cheshire is 2-0 against the Spartans this season, but for Amity, a win against its arch-nemesis in single-elimination competition would be far sweeter than one in the regular season. And it's highly likely that the Spartans clash with at least one of its two closely matched Housatonic Division foes.

Either way, Simon's confident Amity has what it takes to put together a deep postseason run. "I think it definitely is a game by game thing," Simon said, "but we'd love to win the SCC and also win states. In the SCC and also states, we're definitely going to meet up with Shelton and Cheshire. I think it'd be really great to beat our rivals and I think that's what we're going for."



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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.

Fat Cat

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My cat "Frank" has been classified as obese by the veterinarian. Frank doesn't look that fat, and he moves around fine and plays a lot. How can the vet call him obese? Trying to get him to exercise more doesn't work, either. -- Susan J., Phoenix

DEAR SUSAN: Cats, like people, sometimes put on weight so gradually that it's the scale that sounds the first warning, rather than looks or lack of activity. Frank may not seem too fat, and he gets around just fine, but that good health won't last if the weight stays on him.

He has quite a bit in his favor. It sounds like Frank is a healthy cat who stays active. You can encourage this activity by increasing the amount of time you play with him -- if you dangle a cat toy in front of Frank for five minutes every hour so, increase that to 10 minutes each time.

It's also very important to follow the dietary guidelines set down by the veterinarian. Usually a pet diet involves reducing the amount of calories taken in each day. That means serving smaller portions at feeding time. Food treats must be avoided as well, so the extra calories don't go straight to your cat's midsection.

Keeping Frank's weight down now will help prolong not only his life, but the quality of that life. Being obese will eventually lead to a host of expensive health problems -- diet and exercise cost mostly time and patience.

Send your question or comment to ask@pawscorner.com, or write to Paw's Corner, c/o King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Find more pet advice and resources at www.pawscorner.com.



Bark Bytes...

By Vicki & Richard Horowitz

Are You A Responsible Dog Owner?

Dogs need order and leadership from their "pack leader" which means that good canine manners start with you! Here are some basic tips for responsible dog ownership that will help you have a long and healthy relationship with your dog.

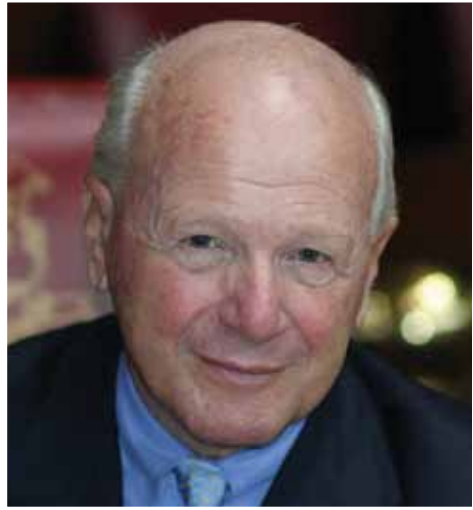
1. Get your dog spayed or neutered. Spayed/neutered pets not only live longer and healthier lives, but they also make better companions. The best age to spay/neuter a dog is around five to six months old, at the beginning of puberty. Talk to your vet about the right time for your dog.
2. Provide proper identification. Your dog should always wear an I.D. tag with your name, address and phone number. Getting your dog micro-chipped gives an added layer of protection and increases the chances that he will be returned to you if he is lost.
3. Get training to help you understand your dog. Knowing your dog's unique temperament and tendencies will help you to better control how he behaves. A well-behaved dog is less likely to upset people and pets in public places, will be more welcome at gatherings, and will enjoy a better relationship with everyone he meets. Plus, his good manners will reflect positively on you, his responsible owner.
4. Schedule regular check-ups with your veterinarian. Choose a veterinarian who shares your medical philosophies and beliefs, then follow his/her recommendations for vaccinations, diet, spaying/neutering, annual checkups, and other care.
5. Make time for your dog. Owning a dog is a big responsibility that takes time and discipline. Make time daily to pet, play with, take on walks, or do other activities with your dog that are fun for both of you.
6. Give your dog regular exercise appropriate for his breed, age, size, and other unique characteristics. Whether it's a short walk or a rousing game of fetch, exercise is essential to your dog's physical and behavioral health.
7. Provide shelter for your dog. A crate or doghouse is an ideal place for your dog to rest and sleep for a limited amount of time. The enclosure should be large enough for your dog to sit, stand and turn around comfortably, but small enough to retain his body heat inside the shelter.
8. Travel safely. Keep your dog safe in the car by using a crate or by attaching the dog to a seat belt with a harness. Never let your dog ride free in the back of a pickup truck (he could be thrown into traffic) or allow him to hang his head out of the car window (a danger to his eyes).
9. Watch for temperature extremes. Never leave your dog in the car if it is extremely hot or cold outside. Your car is like an oven under the blazing sun and a freezer in the bitter cold.

Vicki and Richard Horowitz, of Woodbridge, are dog behavioral therapists and trainers with Bark Busters, the world's largest dog training company. Bark Busters trainers, who have trained more than 500,000 dogs worldwide, are renowned authorities in correcting dog behavior with all-natural, dog-friendly methods. Bark Busters training is the only service of its kind that offers lifetime support. For more information, call 1-877-500-BARK (2275) or visit www.BarkBusters.com.

Rabies Clinic

On Saturday, November 10, 2012, the Milford Animal Control will host a Rabies Clinic at its facility located at 664 East Broadway, Milford, from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. The cost is \$10.00 cash per rabies vaccination; no credit cards, or personal checks accepted.

Dogs must be on leashes and cats in carriers. In order to get a three-year vaccination, a previous and current rabies certificate must be presented. All pets without a current rabies certificate will be given a one-year vaccination. Dr. Stan Weill will be donating his services for this clinic. For additional information please call Milford Animal Shelter at (203) 783-3279.



JOE CRISCO

Democrat *for* State Senate

Joe Crisco: Working to Create Jobs

- ✓ **Reduced taxes for high-tech start-ups** like bioscience and information technology
- ✓ **Suspended certain taxes for “mom and pop” businesses**
- ✓ **Created Enterprise Corridor Zone program** to give businesses access to new tax credits and job-training assistance
- ✓ Established first **small business investment tax credit for manufacturers**
- ✓ **Helped develop training programs** for the Community-Technical College system that prepares workers to meet future job opportunities



Joe Crisco: Working to Protect Women’s Health

- ✓ **Expanded coverage for breast cancer screenings**, including coverage for ultrasounds and MRIs
- ✓ Required **insurance coverage of infertility treatments**
- ✓ Initiated the **Biomedical Research Fund**
- ✓ Fought to require HMOs and big insurers to **cover patient care and necessary hospitalization services associated with cancer clinical trials**

**On Nov. 6th, Re-Elect
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