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URBAN PLANNER SUGGESTS LIMITED DEVELOPMENT FOR GOLF COURSE

By Bettina Thiel – Woodbridge Town News Correspondent



Three months after Woodbridge residents were invited to a community conversation on the Country Club, they were invited back to the Center Gym last week to hear the suggestion of a land-use consultant and react to it.

Controlled Development

The consultant, Michael Looney, with the firm of Milone and McBroom, recommended to parcel out just under 30 acres along both sides of Woodfield Road for development, but leave the golf course and swimming pool for public use. That will allow the town to offset a portion of the purchase cost of \$6.9 million, and generate income from building permits and taxes. The development could be detached single-family homes or attached townhouses, with an age restriction.

The existing club house, which is in need of a new roof and other upgrades, should be made the responsibility of the potential developer, who may choose to use it or tear it down, Looney said. In its stead a smaller facility and parking could be built off Johnson Road. In his broad scenario, he was just pointing to where a new clubhouse could be sited, not who would pay for it or what is needed.

The recommendation, he said, was based on the two community conversations

that took place in October, which he attended, and where the option of some senior housing came up repeatedly, combined with the wish to preserve to the greatest extent possible.

Reactions

Many of the reactions to his recommendation were reminiscent of the discussion in 2011, when the late First Selectman Ed Sheehy proposed to develop 17 of the 155 acres for active adult housing. That vote – in referendum – was defeated, 587 to 1,109.

Some people in the audience pointed out that dense development is not in sync with the Plan of Conservation and Development for that area of town. "People like privacy and open space," said Michael Broderick, adding that is why they moved to Woodbridge. "Plus the school system." Several commented on the fact that another senior housing development is already approved for the "Woodbridge Village District" in the commercial area.

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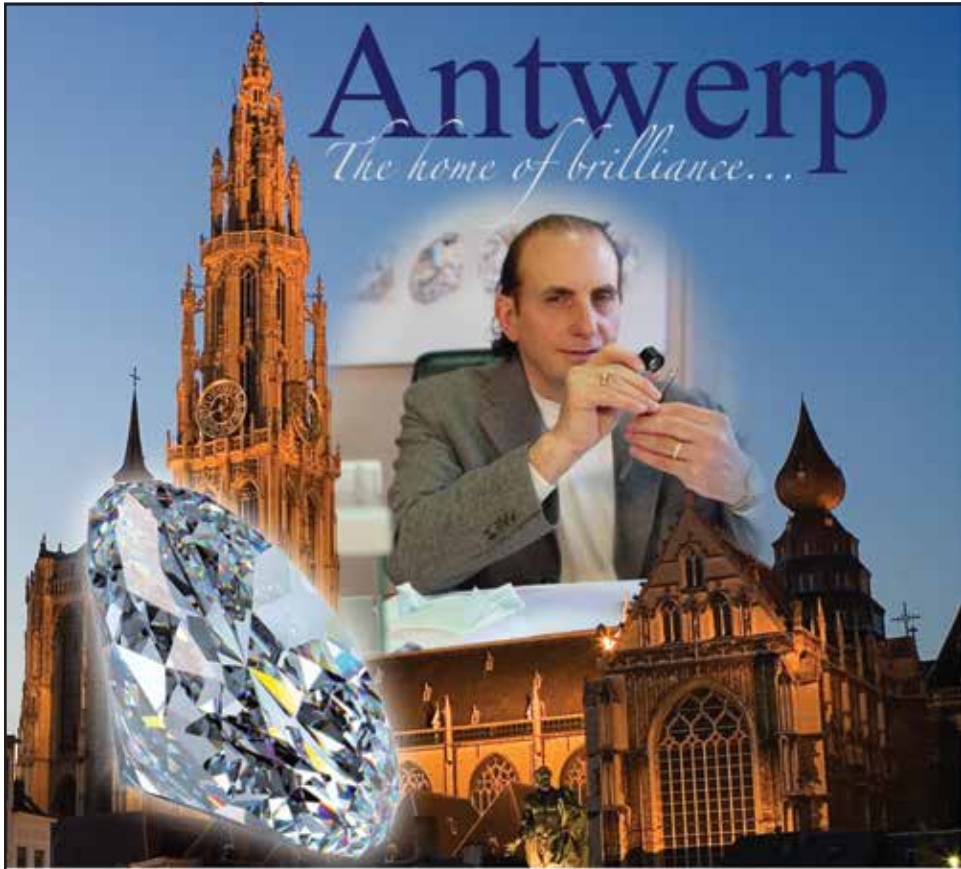
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Recently gathered to support American Heart Day, Woodbridge Town employees wore red to raise awareness to help the American Heart Association support critical research and education for heart disease in women. In addition to wearing red, the Town employees made monetary donations to the American Heart Association.



Recently New England Brewery hosted an evening Woodbridge Rotary Club meeting for Woodbridge Rotarians in the new brewery location at 175 Amity Road. Woodbridge members were joined by several Orange Rotarians, spouses and friends for pizza, beer tasting and fun. Brewery owner Rob Leonard provided the location, delicious beer tasting and an informative tour of the new brewery facilities.

Woodbridge Rotary usually meets for alternate breakfast and lunch meetings on Fridays, but when there is a fifth Friday in the month, an evening social event is planned. If you would like to know more about becoming a member of Rotary or a "friend" of Rotary, please contact Anna Dickerson at annadickerson@yahoo.com.

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Cathy Wick, for one, called the proposal very "back-looking." According to the principles of new urbanism, walk-ability with mixed commercial and residential uses is what planners nowadays are looking for to repair the suburban sprawl. That is the idea behind the Town Plan and was reaffirmed in the Yale plan for the Village District, she said. "Work with the developer and get that project built," she said to the selectmen. However, as First Selectman Ellen Scalettar pointed out, the reality is, "it hasn't happened." It is a private project, and sinking real estate prices may have discouraged the developers from getting the project off the ground.

Chuck Pyne criticized the process, saying selectmen should have hired a developer rather than an urban planner to come up with the solution. The town should solicit real options from real developers, he said, to be able to separate fact from fiction and have exact financial figures to base their decision on.

One speaker thought the proposal was "too conservative" as far as the scope of development is concerned, others hoped selectmen would stop the process and think it over. "Let's get creative," said Erich Davis, who suggested to work with Yale and bring a sculpture park to Woodbridge.

Financial Bleeding

Scalettar in her introduction pointed out that the golf operation had a budgetary shortfall of about \$1 million since the town purchased the Woodbridge Country Club property in 2009 to prevent "uncontrolled development". It has become clear, that "simply operating it as a golf course is not an option we can afford," she said.

Scalettar pointed out that even without the golf operation, the town would still have to maintain the course and lease the equipment to do so, which would cost about \$400,000 above and beyond the annual debt payment of \$400,000. Instead, she renegotiated the contract with Billy Casper Golf for the company to continue the golf operation and cap the town's annual losses at \$200,000. Any losses above and beyond will be borne by BCG. The new contract also allows the town to withdraw should the town decide to give up on the golf operation.

"Some people would like to develop the whole property, some people would like to leave it as open space," she said, adding that it would be very expensive to convert the golf course to other uses. The goal is to balance open space with limited development, she said. "Fiscal responsibility is the key."

Looney called it critical for the town's future to find a solution, but also a chance for the town to achieve a vision. He also encouraged the town to give the revised contract with Billy Casper Golf a chance.

Next Steps

The next step will be for the developers to weigh in. To that effect, the Town will put out a Request for Proposal (RFP), the parameters of which will be determined by the Board of Selectmen, Scalettar said. It will give selectmen the opportunity to direct the type of development "in keeping with the character of the town and for the protection of the neighborhood, including appropriate traffic planning," she said. Should the proposal involve sale of land, it will come back to voters, she said, either in Town Meeting or referendum. "It is important that we have a plan that will pass," she said.

Getting Ready for the Season

In the meantime, the Board of Selectmen have hired Anthony Taddei, "the smiling pool director," to continue managing the pool in conjunction with the Recreation Commission for the upcoming summer season. Pool rates for the season will be \$900 for a single resident/\$1,025 non resident; \$1,325 for a resident family/\$1,500 non-resident. The Recreation Commission is considering to offer some kind of combined membership with the indoor Beecher pool.

Golf rates are for a single membership, \$2,300 public; \$1,900 resident; for a family membership, \$3,450 public; \$2,800 resident. Last season, they had more than 70 golf memberships and about 122 pool memberships. Of the pool members, about 30 were non-resident, Genovese said.

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GIRLS SPEAK UP FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T

Cabaret Performance to Further Women's Causes

By Bettina Thiel – Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

The Amity Girls Helping Girls Club is again planning a cabaret style performance event at Westville's Lyric Hall, Saturday, March 15. Doors open at 6:30, curtain time is 7 p.m.

The group offered a similar cabaret performance last year, and it was spectacularly successful, so that they decided to do it again, said Tina Glusac, this year's club president and one of the founding members. Performances will be followed by a dessert reception and raffle.

There will be about ten performers, offering up some musical, some literary works. The performances are designed to be moving and eye opening explorations of what it means to suffer oppression and poverty and to find ways to overcome it. In addition to the musical performances, some of the club members will read little vignettes they wrote, based on the experiences of women worldwide.

The GHG Club is a student-founded group, inspired by a similar club at Woodland High School in Beacon Falls called "Woodland For Women Worldwide". The club seeks to "advance the rights of women and girls," said Glusac. They want to raise awareness about issues such as oppression, sex trafficking, abuse and poverty, which afflict many women in third-world countries, but are also problems in this country, she said.

Most recently, the FBI cracked a prostitution ring during the Super Bowl, and found some of the women had been brought to New Haven. Tina had followed the story in the media. "It's pretty horrifying that it's happening so close," she said.

During club meetings, they seek to educate themselves about these issues, she said. They have been watching a documentary, "Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide". Half The Sky turned into a movement to promote education, economic empowerment and maternal health and to combat the effects of human trafficking.

The club members have been raising funds and are trying to raise awareness by talking about these issues. One of their fundraisers was a chapstick sale at Amity High School. Each chapstick read "Make a difference – Change the World". And that is what the cabaret is all about.

Last year the cabaret raised more than \$1,000, Glusac said. Proceeds went to the Somali Mam Foundation, which supports a woman's shelter in Cambodia.

Admission is \$20 and includes a dessert reception. Tickets are available online at lyrichallnewhaven.com. All ticket sales will go to charitable foundations.

Sponsors of the event include Lyric Hall, The UPS store of Woodbridge, Wheelers Café and Restaurant, CAST Voice Studio, D'Aniello's Amity Bike, Westville Village Renaissance Alliance, VIP cleaners, Hairs 2 You, Jodi Fit and Progressions Salon and Wig Boutique.

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FROM THE YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

By Nancy Pfund



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Join us for live music by local bands from 7-9:30pm. as well as gaming, basketball, food and fun all for an admission price of just \$5.00! With local bands the Forresters, Henry Sidle and others! Parents are welcome to take a tour of the facility from 6:30-7:00 p.m. with ATC board members. For Amity 7th and 8th graders only.

Volunteers are needed for this event - parents, grandparents, guardians, high school juniors and seniors in need of community service hours are welcome to call Woodbridge Youth Services for more information or to sign up to volunteer. You may email us at youthone@woodbridgect.org or call 203-389-3429 to volunteer or to donate raffle prizes. Woodbridge Youth Services and the Town of Bethany sponsor programming for 7th and 8th grade residents- private school students are welcome! Watch WTNH for inclement weather cancellations under "Woodbridge Youth Services".

Other upcoming Bethwood Bash programs: April 25- Semi-formal Dance, May 16- End of the Year party. Please check our website for more details at www.woodbridgect.org , call 203-389-3429 or email youthone@woodbridgect.org.

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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. Participants will print their best photos each week to build their portfolios.

Weekly projects will allow plenty of time for experimentation. A materials fee of \$80.00 per student must be paid in advance. A discount for siblings and financial assistance may be arranged for qualifying families. For more information, to sign up and complete a permission slip, please call Youth Services at 203-389-3429.

Parent Support Group Friday, March 7, 2014

Amity High School, Woodbridge Youth Services and the Orange Drug and Alcohol Action Committee have teamed up to invite local parents who struggle with children who are, or may be involved with substance abuse to share experiences and concerns in a confidential setting. Please join the Amity Parent Support Group which meets every other Friday morning at 7:45 a.m. in the Woodbridge Senior Center Lounge at 4 Meetinghouse Lane. The next meeting will be Friday, March 7, 2014. For more information, please contact Nancy Pfund at 203-389-3429, or e-mail npfund@woodbridgect.org.

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The other session will be held Tuesday: March 18 thru May 27, 2014, 5:30pm - 6:45pm in Beecher School South Assembly Room. The cost for this session is \$85.00.

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FROM OUR READERS

Dear Editor

Millions of adults will celebrate St. Patrick's Day this year with parties and parades, but it takes more than the luck of the Irish to make sure everyone who observes the holiday gets home safely. That's why Dichello Distributors, Inc., the local Anheuser-Busch distributor, is working with area bars and restaurants to encourage revelers 21 and older to celebrate responsibly and designate a driver or make plans for a safe ride home.

We hope all residents will join us in celebrating responsibly on St. Patrick's Day, and the weekend prior to it. After all, these are our roads and it's our shared responsibility to keep them safe.

Sincerely,

Tony Lota
Alcohol Awareness Coordinator
Dichello Distributors, Inc.

Letter to the Editor

Woodbridge First Selectman Ellen Scalettar needs to step back and solicit more input from town residents on the future of the Woodbridge Country Club. So far, she has embraced a process that restricts thoughtful discussion.

To date, Mrs. Scalettar has offered the opportunity for some 250 people to discuss the club's future in two meetings in the fall, and just a single meeting on a February winter night for residents to hear and react to a consultant's specific recommendations. In repeated statements to the press, Mrs. Scalettar has suggested that the Board of Selectmen will now move forward with a Request for Proposals regarding development of the property.

Yet almost 1800 residents voted on the Toll Brothers development proposal a couple of years ago, showing strong and broad town interest in the future of the Country Club. Given the importance of the County Club's disposition to both the character and fiscal future of our town, why hasn't Mrs. Scalettar offered a process to facilitate input from a large percentage of residents? And why hasn't she offered the public more time to digest the consultant's recommendations, so as to solicit a thoughtful response? As our First Selectman, Mrs. Scalettar should recognize that it is town residents - each one of us - that own the Country Club and should decide its future.

I suggest that Mrs. Scalettar scrap her current plans and find ways to ensure that every town resident has a meaningful opportunity to offer input on the Country Club's future. For example, the town could easily display the consultant's plans at the library, and develop an e-survey for town-wide comment on both the consultant's recommendations and the goals on which they are based.

It is far better to take the time now, to solicit broad public comment, than to rush forward with another development plan that will be rejected by voters at a referendum. Only with broad public input can the First Selectman be confident she is charting a path forward that her constituents support.

Amey Marrella
Former Woodbridge First Selectman

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FROM OUR READERS

Dear Editor

I watched and listened with interest at the February 19 Woodbridge Town Meeting where the future of the Country Club of Woodbridge was discussed. While I heard a lot of questions about the main plan the town consultants offered, I was most struck by the fact that Toll Brothers (the company that had the condo proposal for this property which was defeated in a December 2011 referendum) is a client of the consultant. I asked myself why would our consultant come back with basically double the number of units as the Toll Brothers plan we voted down over two years ago? Could this be a way for the consultant to help its other client, Toll Brothers, get back in the door in Woodbridge?

Conspicuously absent from the discussion was any mention of "disclosure" regarding this relationship between our consultant, Milone & MacBroom, and Toll Brothers until one of the residents who spoke at the Town Meeting asked. This Milone & MacBroom / Toll Brothers relationship looks uncomfortably cozy to me. It seems to me the consultant is "playing both sides." Can we find a consultant that is not so conflicted? I know I'd feel more comfortable that such a consultant was working exclusively on our behalf.

Sincerely,

Maria C. Kayne

To the Editor

The recent Townwide meeting on the future of the Country Club of Woodbridge reminded me of many state and federal level hearings I've seen. It was obvious that the final outcome had been predetermined, and the "public input" was simply an effort to create the appearance that the public was being heard. That's not the way the Town Meeting form of government is supposed to work in a small town like Woodbridge.

Effective town leaders are supposed to listen to people's concerns, develop a broad understanding of what is important to them, and then organize a shared vision of our future. They are not supposed to impose their choices on us. Important town policies should emerge through a bottom-up process, wherein consensus is built with input from a large number of citizens. The "Woodbridge Listens" meetings involved fewer than 4% of the town's voters. By contrast, nearly 1200 people (20% of voters) rejected the Toll Brothers plan -- actually a miniature version of the current scheme, which proposes selling nearly twice as many acres and building twice as many units.

The First Selectman received absolutely no public support for her consultant's recommendation at the meeting on February 19th. Many questions were raised and very few were answered. I hope she will get the message and make a sincere effort to give the townspeople detailed data on a variety of options so we can make an informed, thoughtful choice.

Cathy Wick

To the Editor

There is nothing like personal experience to understand the impact of the helping hands of others. On Friday, February 21, I was involved in a car accident at the corner of Center Road and Meeting House Lane. While the accident was a significant one, thankfully, there were no serious injuries.

At the moment of impact, concerned citizens pulled over to offer assistance and call 911; one woman offered her own coat to me and the warmth of her car for waiting. I would like to thank all of them for their concern and thoughtfulness.

The first responders- police, fire, EMS -were prompt, competent and kind. Richie Monaco, the Investigating Officer, demonstrated the experienced leadership for which he is well known in Town. They all worked together to assure professional and first-rate service. I am thankful to and proud of these dedicated public servants.

With gratitude,

Ellen Scalettar, First Selectman
Town of Woodbridge



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MICHAEL DOW, MSPT OPENS THIRD PHYSICAL THERAPY CENTER

With a new office located in Branford, Michael Dow, founder and Clinical Director of Amity Physical Therapy, has expanded his practice to include three offices: Woodbridge, Hamden and Branford. “I launched the practice ten years ago with the concept of a physical therapy center that would bring a fresh, personal approach to relieving pain with physical injuries.” Dow continued, “From the time a patient enters the door they realize they’re in a different healing environment.”



Michael Dow

Dow chose to create an atmosphere that was not clinical. “No white sterile walls,” he commented. “Each office has a relaxed, informal setting...warm, comfortable and compassionate where our staff can make each patient feel special and never pressed for time.”

The Branford office of Amity Physical Therapy has all the same interior décor touches as Dow’s other two offices in Woodbridge and Hamden. He is personally involved with the interior architecture from marble counters and warm graphics to large patient restrooms and private therapy rooms. The new Branford facility has high vaulted ceilings that give an “airy”, roomy effect to the interior. Every square foot is devoted to patient care. “I wanted to avoid the quick fix and release, turnstile approach to physical therapy. Patients know they’re in an unusual, caring setting. Every member of our staff is committed to thoughtful, personal treatment and pool their knowledge and experience relative to each case.

“Neither is patient care dictated by visit limitations, deductibles and co-payments. The individual needs of the patient are at the core of our practice; health insurance should not mandate quality of care; rather each patient should receive the most effective, expeditious and best quality care for their insurance premiums regardless of the plan.”

Michael Dow views his practice as a “gatekeeper” to the entire Shoreline medical community. “Every injury or pain complaint is intensely diagnosed and, if the problem is beyond physical therapy, we quickly refer patients to a cadre of medical practitioners with whom we work closely. In turn, orthopedic practices send post-surgical patients to us, knowing our proven ability to bring patients back to normal mobility and activity with pragmatic care.”

The new Branford facility is headed by Michael Demetriades DPT, Clinical Site Supervisor, also a Branford resident. The office is located, at 103 North Main Street. Phone: 203-433-4683. www.amitypt.com.

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WOODBIDGE LAND TRUST SETS GOALS FOR 2014

Announces Plans for 50th Anniversary Celebrations

The Woodbridge Land Trust has set its goals for 2014, identifying the protection of Baldwin Farm as a top priority. In cooperation with the farm’s owners, the Trust is actively seeking grant money and has established a separate fund for private donations to help in the acquisition of the farm’s development rights. In keeping with its mission to conserve, preserve and protect open spaces, woodlands and natural resources for the benefit of the public, other important goals for 2014 include continued trail maintenance, increased property donations and distribution of the Elm trees located in the Chestnut tree orchard.

To mark the occasion of its 50th anniversary, the Trust is planning a series of public events, including a fall walk in support of National Public Lands Day, cooperative events with other conservation groups and a photo contest. According to Land Trust President Chris Keevil, “these events highlight the Trust’s commitment to participate in community events and local discussions pertaining to land use issues to help educate and promote awareness of the importance of our natural resources.”

For more information about the goals and activities of the Trust, contact the Woodbridge Land Trust at woodbridgelandtrust@gmail.com or visit its website at woodbridgelandtrust.org.

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FREE PRIVATE WELL TESTING FOR ARSENIC & URANIUM

Homeowners in Bethany, Hamden, North Haven and Woodbridge are invited to participate in a free study to identify arsenic and uranium in private wells. Quinnipiac Valley Health District (QVHD) is facilitating this statewide study in these towns. The purpose of the study is to determine the extent of the presence of arsenic and uranium in private wells. The Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) has received funds from the CDC (Centers for Disease Control) for this study. Excessive levels of arsenic have been identified in a certain region in Connecticut. The CT DPH is seeking to identify other areas of the state that may also have elevated levels.

Arsenic and uranium are metals that occur naturally in bedrock. When groundwater comes in contact with the bedrock, the metals may leach out and contaminate private wells. Both metals are considered toxic. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has recently established drinking water standards for arsenic and uranium because of the impact they can have on human health. Testing the well water is the only way to determine how high the levels are.

There is no charge for homeowners to participate in this study. Private well owners will be informed of the results. If the well tests positive, the homeowners will be given information and advice on the appropriate treatment and follow up. The samples from the well will be collected and transported to the state lab at no cost to you. This opportunity will be limited to 20 properties on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are interested in having your well-water tested as part of this study, contact the QVHD at (203) 248-4528 arrange sampling.

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.

Boy Scout Troop 63, meetings Monday nights from 7:00 pm – 8:30pm, Our Lady of the Assumption “Mother” Church, 1700 Litchfield Turnpike (Rte. 69), Woodbridge; September- April and May-June outdoors at Camp Whiting, all boys ages 10 and up or who have completed the fifth grade are welcome to stop by and see what we’re all about. For more information, visit <http://www.troop963.org> or email Troop63CT@gmail.com.

Woodbridge Republican Town Committee Meetings, second Tuesday of each month. For more information, contact Dorothy Martino at dorothyjmartino@yahoo.com or 203-397-1547 or Kathy Gartland, gartlandkb@aol.com or 203-387-8792.

Woodbridge Rotary Club Meetings, 1st and 3rd Friday of the month, 7:30am breakfast meeting, Country Corner Diner, 756 Amity Toad, Bethany and the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month, 12:15pm luncheon meeting, Carmine Tuscan Grill, 1500 Whalley Avenue, New Haven. Anyone interested in learning more about Rotary should contact Anna Dickerson at 203-710-0223 or email annadickerson@yahoo.com.

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

Trap Falls Kennel Club Obedience Classes, every level, AKC STAR Puppy (obedience for dogs under 12 months) and Family Manners Classes/Obedience & Canine Good Citizen; Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Pawz for Wellness in Shelton, CT. For registration and/or information, call 203-450-9485 or email tfkctraining@gmail.com. Trap Falls Kennel Club is a non-profit member club of the American Kennel Club (AKC).

Bethwood Softball, now accepting player registrations for its Spring season; Girls living in Bethany and Woodbridge between the ages of 6-14 years old are eligible to play. For more information and to register on-line, visit: <http://www.bethwoodsoftball.org/>.

Amity Parent Support Group, meets every other Friday morning, 7:45am, Woodbridge Senior Center Lounge, 4 Meetinghouse Lane, sponsored by Amity High School, Woodbridge Youth Services and the Orange Drug and Alcohol Action Committee, local parents who struggle with children who are, or may be involved with, substance abuse share experiences and concerns in a confidential setting. For more information, please contact Nancy Pfund at 203-389-3429, or e-mail npfund@woodbridgect.org.

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WHAT HAS TO BE DONE?

By Roberta L. Nestor

Inevitably, when a family member or loved one passes on, there are several things that have to be taken care of. It is a confusing time, wrought with emotion but also the compelling need that you have to take care of things. Taking care of things that you are now responsible for contributes to getting through those early days when you lose a loved one. However, well intended family members will start lengthy conversations that begin with “did you do...”? Or, “I know someone who...” and “don’t you think you should...” or “when are you going to ...”? Okay, there are several “things” you will have to do.

Here are some of the most common questions when someone loses a family member.

- Do I need to contact social security? Yes. Does it have to be done right away? It should be done as soon as possible because if social security checks continue to be deposited into the account of the deceased, they will expect repayment. And, social security does give a death benefit. Surviving spouses will generally collect \$250.
- Should I contact an attorney? Most often, yes, you should make every effort to locate the will or trust of the deceased and contact the attorney associated.
- Do I still have to file an income tax return for the year in which someone passed away? Yes, a final return for the individual is required just like for any other tax year. However, this is not to be confused with an estate income tax return or Form 706 (which is prepared by an attorney and needs to be filed within 9 months of the decedent’s death).
- What is involved with opening an account for the estate? You (or your attorney) can go online to www.irs.gov and the executor or trustee can request a tax ID number for the estate. Only then can the executor open a bank account which is generally used to funnel all of the assets of the deceased until they are distributed according to the will.
- Why do I need a probate certificate if everything was owned jointly? Any jointly owned assets should have the name of the deceased removed. That can only be done with a certificate from probate and a death certificate. For example, you will not be able to use a jointly owned checking account if the deceased is still on the account and their name can only be removed with the probate and death certificates.

These are basics for getting started with the process. If your family member had a financial advisor, they are a tremendous resource to assist you with all of the other “things” that you will eventually have to deal with, but not necessarily right away. If you notify the advisor of the death, they will notify the investment companies, and give you the information needed as to values of investments as of date of death. Valuation of all assets that the deceased had ownership in will be needed by the attorney to complete Form 706.

Making any real financial decisions should be avoided, like selling a home or investing proceeds from a life insurance. Don’t ever feel pressured to make any investment decisions. Too often we find surviving spouses inadvertently locking themselves and their money into something not suitable. When someone passes away, it does not mean you have to liquidate and repurchase a new investment and being told otherwise is unethical. It is impossible to make investment decisions when you have no idea of your needs. Investment decisions should only be made when you have a clear mind and when you have given yourself time to access your financial needs.

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ORANGE DRUG ALCOHOL ACTION COMMITTEE UPCOMING EVENT

The Orange Drug Alcohol Action Committee (ODAAC), which serves all of Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge as a community-wide resource for prevention and health, invites you to SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, March 20, 2014 for a community-wide discussion of important issues on creating and sustaining a healthy community. Parents, educators, government leaders, clergy and concerned citizens are welcome to share your thoughts with us as we look for ways to keep our community safe and healthy.

Spend a morning with others from our community examining ways that we can address these four key components of healthy living - healthy relationships, health acceptance, healthy behaviors, and healthy lifestyles.

Bring an open mind, an appetite for brainstorming, and a friend or colleague who will benefit from the experience!

When: Thursday, March 20, 2014, 8:30 am -11:30 am

Where: Grassy Hill Country Club, 441 Clark Lane, Orange, CT

Breakfast to be provided.

Please RSVP to Joan Kreiger, Coordinator Orange Drug Alcohol Action Committee (ODAAC) at jkreiger@orange-ct.gov or (203)215-9780.

WOODBIDGE ROTARY HOLDS SILENT AUCTION

The Woodbridge Rotary Club is planning its Annual Rotary Club Silent Auction and Homemade Wine Contest on Thursday, April 3rd, 6:30 p.m. at the Woodbridge Club, 10 Milhaven Road, Woodbridge. The event will feature homemade wine makers serving their finest and light fare provided by local restaurants. Proceeds will benefit the Bethany Senior Center and Woodbridge Senior Center Program Fund, the Jewish Family Services Food Pantry, and the Woodbridge Rotary Club.

The Rotary Club is seeking donations for its Silent Auction of sports and theater tickets, gift certificates, and any other goods and services that would make the Silent Auction successful and fun.

Tickets for the event are \$35. For more information or tickets to the event, contact Buddy DeGennaro at 203-710-2548 or email buddy.degennaro@gmail.com. Homemade wine makers should also contact Buddy DeGennaro.

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WOODBIDGE RESIDENT RECEIVES "LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD"

Woodbridge resident Jody Robinson Culmone recently received the Lifetime Achievement award from the Milford Chamber of Commerce for her volunteer work and fundraising activities in Connecticut. Jody is a retired partner in Connecticut Insurance Center. Since many of her clients were young working parents, she became aware of the childcare issues they were facing and formed the Milford Consortium for Child Care Initiatives in 1990. To date the Consortium has donated more than \$350,000 to organizations that help working parents and their children. She also worked with United Way and is a co-founder of 12345 Kids Count of Milford, a school readiness program.



Jody Robinson Culmone

Jody is a past President of the Milford Chamber of Commerce and has received awards for Business Person of the Year, Director of the Year and Human Service Award. She currently serves on its Board.

She is also Past President of United Way of Milford and was the first Campaign Chair to raise \$1,000,000 as well as Past President of Network of Executive Women. She has been a Director of The Milford Bank for more than 20 years and is Chairperson of the Personnel Committee as well as the Milford Bank Foundation.

Other awards received include Connecticut State Mother of the Year, Business Advocate of the Year State of Connecticut, Woman of Distinction-Girl Scouts, and Community Involvement award from The Milford Columbus Committee. Jody is a Milford Rotarian and was the first woman admitted to the Club. An avid gardener, her gardens have been featured in Amity's Gorgeous Gardens.

She was listed in Who's Who Among American Women and this year was awarded lifetime membership in Worldwide Who's Who Registry of Executives, Professionals and Entrepreneurs as well as Lifetime Pinnacle Professional Membership in Continental Who's Who Registry of National Business leaders.

In 2004 Jody was diagnosed with Parkinson's and four years ago she joined Team Fox to raise funds for the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research. Together with ten lovely generous women who volunteered to help and her granddaughter, they have raised \$45,000 to date in the search for a cure.

Jody has been married to Vince Culmone for 57 years and they are the proud parents of four successful sons and ten delightful grandchildren.



The Liberty Bank Foundation has awarded a \$2,000.00 Grant to the Amity Teen Center to support the Teens Making a Difference Program. This program allows our teens to give back to their community with various projects.

Pictured are Jen Romanoff, Amity Teen Center's Executive Director; Linda Cohen, Treasurer; Jane Oppen, President; Damaris Garcia, The manager of Liberty Bank's New Haven and Woodbridge Offices and George Thompson, Assistant Manager of the Woodbridge Branch of Liberty Bank.

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FROM YOUR STATE SENATOR

By Joseph Crisco



Protecting and Empowering Seniors

A top priority for me during the 2014 legislative session will be enhancing the quality of life for Connecticut's seniors through a variety of programs and consumer protection proposals.

I recently joined Democratic leaders in the House and Senate to announce an agenda for seniors that will include a new jobs re-employment program, an Aging in Place initiative, and consumer protections from businesses and scammers.

Unscrupulous businesses target seniors and try to take advantage of them by using pressuring or misleading sales tactics. Our proposals will combat this by requiring that offers made by door-to-door salespeople must be put in writing and prominently display a phone number to speak with a customer service representative. Consumers will also have the right to cancel the contract within 30 days of activation for any reason and without penalty.

Additionally, we'll work to give our Do Not Call law teeth. Unsolicited phone intrusions are on the rise, and there is currently little incentive for businesses to comply with the law. We'll change this by markedly increasing penalties for violators and requiring the display of complaint procedures on phone bills.

These proposals will be a big win for seniors across our towns, and I'm looking forward to making them a reality.

Expanding Connecticut's Businesses

I'm thrilled to announce that Stamford-based Frontier Communications, which has 15,000 employees nationwide, has chosen Connecticut for the location of its new captive insurance subsidiary.

A captive insurance company is wholly owned by a parent company to insure the risks of the parent and its subsidiaries. The new subsidiary, Frontier Services Corporation, is headquartered in Stamford and recently obtained its license from the Connecticut Insurance Department.

With operations in 27 states, parent company Frontier Communications Corporation has been headquartered in Connecticut since 1946. Frontier will be the state's fourth licensed captive insurance company since the legislature passed landmark jobs legislation to clear the way for the state to license these specialty insurers.

As Chair of the legislature's Insurance and Real Estate Committee, this is precisely the sort of business expansion and potential job growth I anticipated when we passed the legislation, and I'm thrilled it is bringing new jobs and business to our state.

Holding Metro-North Accountable

I recently joined Democratic and Republican legislators at a press conference to ask the Chairman and CEO of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and the new President of Metro-North Railroad to testify before the General Assembly.

A series of accidents and a breakdown in the functionality of Metro-North have thrown into question the safety and reliability of the railroad. We sent a letter outlining our requests and concerns to the MTA, federal and state transportation officials, Governor Malloy and the state's Congressional delegation.

It is the responsibility of our government to step in and aid Metro-North in whatever way necessary to improve safety and restore credibility to the railroad. It is simply unacceptable what our state's commuters have had to suffer through.

We asked the MTA Chairman and Metro-North Railroad President to come before the Transportation Committee, proposed measurable goals for Metro-North to improve its credibility, and asked for federal and state assistance in helping Metro-North meet these goals. Commuters are calling out to us for help, and as constituent servants it is our responsibility to make these concerns known.

WINTER HEATING BILL HELP IS AVAILABLE

Do you know any families or individuals who need financial help to off-set their winter heating bills? TEAM is the place to apply for assistance. Households qualify for assistance if they fall below these income levels: \$32,190 for a household of one, \$42,094 for a household of two, \$51,999 for a three person household and \$61,904 for a four person household. "This winter's freeze is in full force and we want to help families who are financially struggling to pay their heating bills," said Ellen McAuliffe, TEAM Manager of Energy Assistance.

Applicants are eligible based on review of their total gross household income, such as job earnings, unemployment compensation, social security, pension, etc.; household size; and liquid assets, as shown through bank statements. If an applicant is approved for assistance, TEAM will make direct payments to their home heating provider.

Both homeowners and renters who are residents of Ansonia, Beacon Falls, Bethany, Derby, Milford, Orange, Oxford, Seymour, Shelton and Woodbridge can apply for energy assistance from TEAM. To schedule an appointment with TEAM Energy Assistance, please call 203-736-5420 ext. 3, in Milford, 203-783-3253; Woodbridge, 203-389-3429; and Orange, 203 891-4787).

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SENIOR CENTER

FROM THE DESK OF LEE CANNING

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.

ZUMBA GOLD

The Senior Center offers Zumba Gold classes on Friday at 9 am in the cafeteria. Call 203-389-3430 to register. \$30 for six weeks.

Lunch Program

Lunch is served on Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:15 pm. Call in reservations at least one day in advance. All meals include salad, bread, juice, coffee/tea, & dessert. Meals cost \$3. Take Outs cost \$4

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

The Senior Center Craft Group

The 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

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.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

The Town of Woodbridge is taking Energy Assistance applications. This is available to Woodbridge residents who meet income and asset eligibility guidelines. For more information or to make an appointment, please call 203-389-3429.

PROGRAMS MARCH 2014

- Mar 3—Monday—AARP Driver Safety.
- Mar 4—Tuesday—Income Tax. Tracey Parks, Scams.
- Mar 7—Friday—Zumba Gold. Movie.
- Mar 11—Tuesday—Income Tax. St Patrick's Day Party. Cost \$6.
- Mar 14—Friday—Zumba Gold. Movie.
- Mar 18—Tuesday—Income Tax. Roger Hart.
- Mar 20—Thursday—Advisory Board Meeting.
- Mar 21—Friday— Zumba Gold. Movie. Senator Crisco, "What's on Your Mind"? What issues are seniors concerned with?
- Informal round table discussion.
- Mar 25 — Tuesday — Income Tax. Book Club.
- Larry Batter, Pianist/vocalist.
- Mar 27 — Thursday — Yellow Dot.
- Mar 28 — Friday — Zumba Gold. Movie.
- FUTURE PROGRAMS—2014
- Apr 1 — Tuesday — Income Tax. Shel Cooper, vocalist.
- Apr 4 — Friday —Zumba Gold. VNA Community, "Are You Sleeping"?
- Apr 7—Monday—Life Line Screening.
- Apr 8 — Tuesday — Income Tax. Angelo, vocalist.
- Apr 9 — Wednesday — TRIAD Meeting.
- Apr 11 — Friday — Zumba Gold. Movie.
- Apr 15 — Tuesday — Income Tax. Yale British Art Museum Talk.
- Apr 17 — Thursday — Advisory Board Meeting.
- Apr 18 — Closed. Good Friday!
- Apr 22 — Tuesday — Book Club. Sal Anastasio, piano.
- Apr 24 — Thursday — Yellow Dot.
- Apr 25 — Friday — Zumba Gold. Movie.
- Memory Screening Part I with Dr Varano at 10 am. Free lunch at 12:15pm.
- Apr 28 —Monday—Memory Screening Part II with Dr Varano at 10 am. Free Lunch at 12:15.
- Apr 29—Tuesday—TRIAD Fire Safety Evacuation Drill with Joe Cappucci, Woodbridge Fire Marshal.

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SENIOR CENTER

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TRIPS

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April 15, 2014 — Tuesday — “Heart & Lights” at Radio City Music Hall. \$137 includes transportation, Lunch at Carmine’s, Admission to Heart & Lights and driver’s gratuity.

May 3-8, 2014 — Saturday to Thursday — 5 Night Bermuda Cruise on Royal Caribbean’s Explorer of the Seas. All rates listed are per person double occupancy and include round-trip transfers, cruise, all meals aboard ship, taxes, travel insurance, port charges and gratuities for transfer services in CT. Payment info, ship and ports of call are on the flyer at the senior center. Please stop in or call 203-389-3430.

May 8, 2014 — Thursday — “Mary Poppins” at Westchester Broadway Theatre. \$97 includes lunch and show, transportation, and driver’s gratuity.

June 16, 2014 — Monday—Suffolk Downs. \$67 includes transportation, admission to Suffolk Down, luncheon and driver’s gratuity.

August 13-15, 2014 — Wednesday to Friday — Lake George & Saratoga. \$499 pp/dbl includes Saratoga Raceway Admission, Transportation, Hotel Accommodations, 5 Meals (2 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, & 2 Dinners), Taxes & Baggage Handling, Scenic Train Ride, Sightseeing Cruise, Getaway Tours’ Tour Director, and Gratuities for Tour Director & Driver.

August 19, 2014 — Tuesday—Block Island. \$119 includes ferry ride from Point Judith RI, narrated island tour, lunch at The National Hotel, and driver’s gratuity.

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BOOK CLUB

On March 25th the club will meet in Room 15 at 11:15 a.m. The title of the book was not available at press time, so please call Mary D’Ostilio at 203-389-3429 for details.



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LAND TRUST'S WICK ATTENDS ROUNDTABLE WITH SEN. MURPHY

Woodbridge Land Trust Board member Cathy Wick attended a roundtable discussion for local leaders on February 8, held by CT Senator Chris Murphy.

Senator Murphy, who met recently with a group of young Connecticut farmers, told the group that the demand for locally grown food is strong, but is not being fulfilled because of the shortage of farmable land. Ms. Wick believes that "the efforts of the Woodbridge Land Trust and other town conservation groups protect Woodbridge's precious natural resources, including Baldwin Farm, can help to provide our next generation of farmers with farmable land." According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources and Conservation Service, over 50% of the Baldwin Farm soils are prime farmlands and farmland of statewide importance.

The Senator updated the group on recent developments in Washington, such as the Farm Bill, the funding for land and water conservation in this year's federal budget, and his efforts to ensure that the tax laws that promote conservation easements will be re-authorized. Attendees also discussed local grass roots efforts to support urban farming, to encourage environmental education in schools, and the constant struggle to obtain funding for the protection of valuable open space.

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DINING WITH SUSAN

By Susan Noonan



OREGANO JOE'S PIZZA

Pizza is by far America's most loved and popular food. The result of a recent study about pizza says that nearly every family orders pizza for dinner at least once a week. From the smallest towns to our large cities, you will find pizza restaurants on almost every street corner. American's consume over 3 billion pies per year and spend more than \$25 billion dollars each year. That's a lot of pizza!!

To keep up with this demand, brothers Joe and Sam DeVellis opened Oregano Joe's Pizza Restaurant in Orange in August 2012. Their success with four restaurants in Fairfield county made them feel that it was the right time to venture to New Haven County. The busy Boston Post Road in Orange seemed like the perfect location. Fast forward to February 2014 and Oregano Joe's has become extremely popular with the local community.

The DeVellis family has over 100 years of combined food and restaurant experience. They 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 Oregano Joe's 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 & 1st Place in the USA for traditional pizza & 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. These are 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 love 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 their website. In addition to the award winning pizza, Oregano Joe's has an extensive menu offering appetizers, fresh salads, "Italian Street Food" (sandwiches, grinders, & piada wraps), "Brick Oven Roasted Italian Beef", Calzones, "Italian Soul Food" (pasta & baked dishes), etc. Desserts include mini cannoli, tiramisu, fried cheesecake piada, brownies (stay tuned for some new dessert items being added to the menu). 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 FAMILY OWNED pizza restaurant is definitely one to try. Joe and Sam really know how to do it right and are officially a well established business in the town of Orange. Their staff also shared with me that Oregano Joe's is like the U.S. Postal Service offering delivery in "rain, sleet or snow". They have been especially busy during the past few months with this very challenging weather, always accommodating their customers by delivering no matter what the weather is outside. Oregano Joe's is very committed to giving back to the local community by sponsoring fundraising events. Remember to support our family owned businesses. If you have a favorite restaurant email: susan@orangetownnews.com or susan@woodbridgetownnews.com.



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The Kerry Boys in Concert

Tuesday, March 11, 2014 @ 7:00 pm

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Film Discussion Series with Mark Schenker "The Films of Stanley Kubrick"

Part 1 of 3 Featuring the film: The Killing (1956).

Screening: Wednesday, March 5th @ 7:00pm

Discussion: Wednesday, March 12th @ 7:00pm

In a continuation of his 2013 series How to Read a Film, Mark Schenker will present three lectures on The Films of Stanley Kubrick. The Killing (1956), with Sterling Hayden and Coleen Gray; Paths of Glory (1957), with Kirk Douglas and Ralph Meeker; Dr. Strangelove (1964), with Peter Sellers and Sterling Hayden. Films will be screened at the library a week prior to discussion date.

SAT/ACT Practice Test hosted by KAPLAN

**Saturday, March 22 @ 11am in the Woodbridge
Town Library Meeting Room**

Students will have the opportunity to sample both the SAT and ACT tests and gauge their strengths and weaknesses to determine which test is best for them. The test will last for 4.5 hours and includes a hybrid of SAT/ACT questions. It is proctored by a professional under realistic testing conditions. Students will receive test feedback along with right and wrong answers.

Free College Financial Planning Workshop with Advanced College Funding Solutions

Wednesday, March 26, 2014 @ 6:30pm

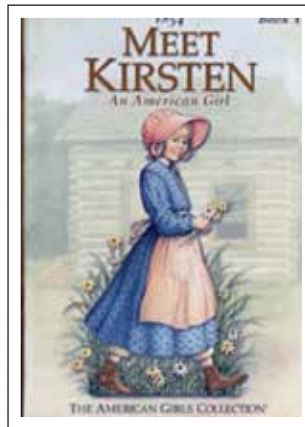
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You can also register for this program online at: planforcollegeworkshop.eventbrite.com.

Celebrate Spring with Healthy Greens with Robin Glowa

Tuesday, April 1, 2014 @ 7:00 pm

Winter is over and the world is fresh and green again! Incorporating green foods such as tender, new, baby lettuces, arugula, kale, and bok choy is a delicious way to enjoy super healthy seasonal ingredients. Robin Glowa, the Conscious Cook will share simple, tasty green recipes that will refresh and invigorate you. Healthy eating never tasted so good.



Children

To register for any children or teen program please stop by the Children's Department, call 203-389-3439, or email childrensprogramslioninc.org.

Read Together

The Woodbridge Town Library invites high school students to join our Reading Together program. Read a book. Ask a question, and share your love of reading with a child! We are training teens to help children in grades K-2 connect with the stories they read and encourage them to read for pleasure. Participating teens can use this project in partial fulfillment of their community service obligations. There are three training sessions, and teens must sign up for one or more in order to read with children in April.

- Session 1: Sat. March 15, 2014 1-2pm
- Session 2: Thurs. March 20, 2014 2:45-3:45pm
- Session 3: Wed. March 26, 2014 6:60-7:30pm

Our April Reading Together events take place on Saturdays (April 5, 12, 19, and 26) at 2 pm. For more information please call the Children's Desk at 203 389-3439 or email childrensprogramslioninc.org



Eager Readers Book Group Grades K-2

Monday March 17, 2014 at 6:30 pm

King Puck - Celebrate all things Irish with Michael Garland's tale. Seamus, the farmer, and Finny, his extraordinary goat seek the chance of a lifetime at the King Puck Festival. Read the story at home and join us for a lively book discussion and craft. Copies of the book are available at the children's Desk.

Meet Kirsten: American Girl Program

Sat. March 22, 2014 @ 2 pm for Grades 2-5

Join the fun as our American Girl Series continues with Kirsten, pioneer girl from 1854. Learn about life on the Minnesota frontier, join the book discussion and make your own pioneer craft. Advance registration is required as space and supplies are limited.

Teen

Teen Slap Art

Monday, March 3rd, 2014 @ 3:30pm for ages 12 and older

This Slap Art session summons mystery with mask making! Join us to make yours! Wear an old tee. We will be painting!

Tens to Teens

Wednesday, March 12 @ 6:30pm Join us to make a shamrock window decoration and a shamrock treat that you can eat! Space is limited so please register.

Teen Book Discussion Group

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Jennifer Lopez

Q: I am devastated by the recent death of **Philip Seymour Hoffman**. Do you know what will become of **"Mockingjay"**? -- Jessica W., via email

A: Philip Seymour Hoffman, who passed away last month at the age of 46, had finished **"The Hunger Games: Mockingjay -- Part 1"** (which is set for release this November), and had one scene left to film for **"Mockingjay -- Part 2"** (to be released November 2015). That scene, however, was an emotional and pivotal scene, and as of this writing, it hasn't been revealed how the filmmakers plan to work around that. A Lionsgate executive told **"The Hollywood Reporter"**: "We're all extraordinarily sad. ... Obviously, we're going to have a couple of work-around issues, but the movie will be creatively whole. His performances in both [remaining] movies will be up to the best of his craft. We feel it will be a good tribute to him."

Q: It's good to see **Jennifer Lopez** back in the saddle as a judge on **"American Idol,"** but I miss seeing her on the big screen. Does she have any plans for a film in the near future? -- Gigi R., Chicago

A: Jennifer Lopez and **Viola Davis** (**"The Help"**) are set to co-star together in the film **"Lila and Eve."** It tells the story of a grief-stricken mother (Viola) who, in the aftermath of her son's murder, attends a support group where she meets Eve (Jennifer), who has lost her daughter. When Lila hits numerous roadblocks from the police in bringing justice for her son's slaying, Eve urges Lila to take matters into her own hands to track down her son's killers. The film is scheduled for a late 2014/early 2015 release date, and is expected hit the

festival circuit before opening to wider audiences.

Q: Please tell me what happened to the miniseries **"The Assets."** It was really good, and I would like to see all of it. -- Marcia H., via email

A: Due to dismal ratings, ABC pulled the eight-part drama after airing only two episodes. At the recent Television Critics Association press tour, ABC Entertainment Group president **Paul Lee** said that he was proud of the show, even if its ratings weren't what they were hoping for. He said the remaining six episodes of "The Assets" would be made available at some point in the future -- either on ABC or ABC.com -- but no specific time frame was given.

Q: I haven't seen **Samantha Brown** on TV in a very long time. Will I see her again soon? -- John L., Leesburg, Fla.

A: Next up for Samantha is co-hosting the Travel Channel's **"The Trip: 2014"** -- which also features **Adam Richman, Don Wildman** and **Anthony Melchiorri** -- as they explore the ultimate insider experiences in Spain and Morocco. This television special is also a sweepstakes: Go to travelchannel.com by March 24, and enter for your chance to win this \$100,000 dream vacation.

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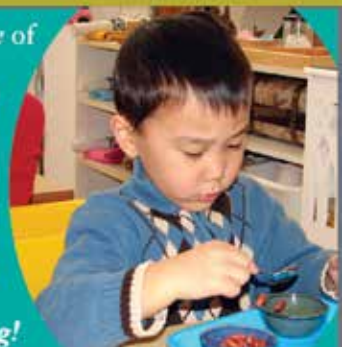
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The Amity Adult & Continuing Education Program recently conducted an online survey asking members of the community for their opinions on a number of issues, including new classes they would like to see offered. Some of the new classes added to the spring catalog as a result are Marketing 101, Social Networking & Social Media for Business, eBay Clinic, iPad Basics, Retirement Income Planning Workshop, Financial Tools for Baby Boomers & Their Parents, Chinese Rhyme-A New, Innovative Method to Learn Chinese, Pet Partners Therapy Dog Course, Permaculture Workshop, Babysitting Basics, Search Engine Optimization/Search Engine Marketing, PowerPointless, Crocheting and more.

Perennial favorites still being offered include Zumba, Jewelry Making, Amazing 1-2-3 Acrylic Painting, Drawing Essentials, Oil Painting, Stained Glass, Microsoft Excel, Word and PowerPoint, Selling on eBay, CPR for Adult, Child and Infant, Hoop Dance Fitness, Public Speaking, Digital Photography, Boating Safety and Personal Watercraft, Fly Fishing, and Tennis Clinics.

For those ready to learn a new language, Italian, Mandarin Chinese, Polish, and Russian classes will be offered. Music courses include Drums! Find the Rhythm Within, Ukulele, and Guitar. Jim Turecek will be instructing his popular class in the art of making one-of-a-kind Handcrafted Knives. Jim has been crafting award-winning knives since 1979. Jeff O'Hara is again teaching Solidworks 3-D Modeling Fundamentals, a must-have course for anyone in the engineering or manufacturing field. Woodbridge's own Dr. Bernie Siegel will return to teach his popular Reflections on the Art of Living and Healing course. Jim Purcival will continue teaching his popular Yoga class, and Steve Kurimai will be again offering Tai Chi & Chi-Kung.

There are bus trips galore! Among the offerings are trips to Boston's Little Italy & Quincy Market, Brooklyn Botanical Gardens & Arthur Avenue, West Point Dress Parade, Macy's Fireworks & Cruise, Lighthouse Cruise-Narragansett Bay, Philadelphia Flower Show, Maple Madness & Butterflies in New Hampshire, and many more.

For full course descriptions and other details, view the complete spring 2014 Amity Adult & Continuing Education online catalog at www.AmityAdultEd.MyProgramPlus.com. For more information, please contact Karen Wade at 203-392-2005.



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TROOP 907 COURT OF HONOR

Troop 907 held its Court of Honor on January 24, 2014 to award merit badges and advancements to its scouts, but this Court of Honor also recognized past Scoutmasters of Troop 907, who were on hand to receive a plaque with their names and the names of all the past scoutmasters. Those present included Nate Case, Bruce Marien, Tom Buffa, Don Roland, and Bob Conniff, the founding scoutmaster of troop 907, all pictured. We were honored that they were able to join us for this special occasion. Present in spirit but unable to join in the festivities were James Bosco, Bob Kuskowski, David Schneider, Tim Wilkins, Jeff Brenzel, and Paul Konwerski. These dedicated individuals are, for the most part, still active in the community, serving as firemen, teachers, with the parks department, and, in one instance, as a Dean at Yale.

Receiving advancement to Life Scout was Jason Luciani. His father, Scoutmaster Tom Luciani, received the Scoutmaster merit badge, earned at Camp Sequassen this past summer. Also given out were the recognition awards for Polar Bear Swim and popcorn sales. Additionally, Troop 907 earned the silver quality unit award from the Boy Scouts of America in recognition of attaining national goals.

One of the highlights of the program was Dima Lober's hilarious review of the year's activities. And on display was our trophy from our recent FIFTH consecutive win of the Klondike Derby!

Troop 907 meets Thursday evenings, 7:15 at the First Church of Christ in Woodbridge. All are welcome to attend.



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THREE AWARDED RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

Boy Scout Troop 41 of Woodbridge is proud to announce that three scouts were awarded the rank of Eagle Scout at a Court of Honor at Congregation B'nai Jacob in Woodbridge on Monday, February 3, 2014: Jacob Wyner, Zachary Arons, both of Woodbridge, and Benjamin Reifler of Hamden. Following is a summary of their Eagle Scout projects:

Jacob Wyner organized the building of a 24'x40' deer proof vegetable garden for Congregation B'nai Jacob of Woodbridge that was completed last spring. Volunteers planted the crops and harvested them during the summer and the harvest was brought to local soup kitchens.

Zachary Arons took inventory of the holdings of the Amity Historical Society collection for the Town of Woodbridge at the Thomas Darling House. He catalogued, photographed and put on a computer program each item for future reference, educational pursuits, and insurance documentation for the town.

Benjamin Reifler organized the renovation of the preschool playground at Temple Beth Sholom in Hamden. In addition to repairing and building new structures, a concrete curb and trench were installed to help drainage.

Troop 41 is based at Congregation B'nai Jacob in Woodbridge, CT and is open to boys aged 11-17 of all faiths. Our scout led program includes monthly outings, skills training, leadership development and high adventure trips.



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Sunday: 7:45 a.m. Traditional Eucharist – no music
9:00 a.m. Church Alive, Eucharist with the worship band

10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist



Church of the
Good Shepherd

March 5th - Ash Wednesday Services

- 12:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist and imposition of Ashes
- 7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist and imposition of ashes with prayer.
- Ashes to Go at Dunkin Donuts (297 Boston Post Rd- near Cold Stone Ice Cream)
- 6:30 a.m.- 8:00 a.m., and Westfield Shopping Mall 4:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. in parking lot

Join Us...

Sunday Evening - Yoga Body Prayer: 7:00 p.m. Using the Vinyasa Yoga Method and taught by certified Yoga Instructor MaryAnn Haverstock, begin your week with Yoga and centering prayer and meditation. This class is for all levels of yoga practice and experience. Bring a yoga mat or towel, water and wear comfortable clothes. Free will offering

New Bible Study: Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. (starts March 12th) Join us as we learn about some of the women of the Bible. No prior bible study knowledge required. Bring your Bibles. Please call the office to register. 203.795.6577.

SHABBAT LUNCH & LEARN AT CONGREGATION B'NAI JACOB

On Saturday, March 1, 2014 Tzvi Rapaport, the Education Director, B'nai Jacob Religious School, will present: The Korbanot (Sacrifices): What were the sacrifices and how did they connect to the Israelite people? The entire community is invited to attend this warm, casual and informative program, which will begin following Kiddush lunch in the Library (around 12:45pm).

For more information, please contact B'nai Jacob at 203-389-2111, or online at www.bnaijacob.org.



Tzvi Rapaport

EXCITING PURIM EVENTS

Join Chabad of Orange/Woodbridge for exciting Purim fun at two wonderful Purim events March 15 and 16 at 261 Derby Avenue, Orange, CT. The fun begins Saturday evening, March 15, 8:15pm with Purim in Hollywood. This blockbuster party at Chabad lounge features a Megillah reading, the music of Nu Haven Kapelye Klezmer Orchestra, and a red carpet photo shoot. Chinese food and a salad bar will round out this festive evening. Come dressed as a favorite film or television character and receive five free raffle tickets. We look forward to welcoming adults and teens over 16 years of age at this exciting event. Reservations made by March 11 are \$18/person, at the door \$20/person. Make your reservations by calling 203-795-7095.

The fun continues Sunday, March 16, 11:00am-2:00pm with Purim Palooza. Bring the entire family to enjoy a megillah reading, masquerade party, great entertainment, and a delicious lunch. A stellar player from Court Jesters Comedy Basketball will thrill the older crowd with laughs, amazing skills, tricks, showmanship and good cheer. For the six and under crowd, fabulous children's entertainer, Bobby Doowah, gets the kids grooving and shaking with his unique style of interactive hands-on music and movement. Bobby Doowah's contagious enthusiasm, originality and creativity charms kids and parents alike. Finally, Eric Girardi with dazzle the entire crowd with mesmerizing skills of object manipulation choreographed to music at his "Bending Gravity Performance". Admission, which includes entertainment and lunch, is only \$10/person and \$8/children under 6 years of age. For more information about these events, please call 203-795-7095.

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EVENTS AT THE JCC

JCC Theaterworks Presents The Last Seder

Thursday, 3/6, 8pm; Sunday, 3/9, 2pm & 7pm; Monday, 3/10, 8pm

Written by Jennifer Maisel, directed by Dana Sachs, with poignancy, hilarity, dysfunction, and grace, four daughters return for their final Passover celebration in their childhood home. Tickets: \$25, \$12 seniors and students. Purchase tickets: <http://jccnh.org/page.aspx?id=265294>. JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525, Contact: DeDe Jacobs-Komisar, dedek@jccnh.org, 203-387-2522 x300.

Bake For Good

Sunday, 3/9, 11am-3pm

The Art of Making Hamantaschen and the Tradition of Shalach Manot! Volunteer your time to bake hamantaschen for Jewish seniors. No experience or supplies necessary. Take home your own hamantaschen and the recipe to try with your family. Open to the public. Suggested minimum age: 6 years. \$5 per workstation (limit 1-2 people per station), Pre-register by Tuesday, March 4, JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525, Contact: Linda, linda@towerone.org, 203-772-1816 x350.

Bagels and Books (Ages 2-4)

Sunday, 3/9, 10:30-11:15am

Monthly, pre-school aged children have the opportunity to attend a free interactive storytime and singalong, JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525, Register: Laura LJ Ross, (203)387-2522 x 317, laurar@jccnh.org.

Arts for the Center: The Colors of Israel by Joan Jacobson Zamore

**Exhibit runs 3/11-Jun. 13
Reception Thursday, 3/20, 7:30pm**

Joan Jacobson Zamore has a BA and MA in Art from Hunter College and an MFA in printmaking from Pratt Institute. She taught in the New Haven Public Schools and currently teaches out of her studio in Milford, CT. Her prize-winning work can be seen at Yale University, Colgate University, Eastern Connecticut State University, the Housatonic Museum of Art, Aetna Corporation, The (Boston) Art Connection, and the poetry publication "Parnassus", JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525, Contact: DeDe Jacob-Komisar, dedek@jccnh.org, 203-387-2522.

Author B.A. Shapiro, The Art Forger

Wednesday, 3/12, 11am

Author BA Shapiro discusses her novel. An artist has entered into a Faustian bargain with a powerful gallery owner by agreeing to forge a Degas in exchange for a one-woman show in his renowned gallery. A thrilling novel about seeing—and not seeing—the secrets that lie beneath the canvas, \$6 suggested donation, JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525, Contact: DeDe Jacobs-Komisar, dedek@jccnh.org, 203-387-2522 x300.

Costume Carnival

Sunday, 3/16, 12-3pm

JCC's Costume Carnival in honor of Purim is the place to be! Rejoice in humor and silliness in costume with carnival games, prizes, face painting, your favorite superheroes and princesses, children's parade and theater, and so much more! Free Admission to children's parade and theater. Purchase tickets for games and food. JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525, Contact: Laura LJ Ross, laurar@jccnh.org, 203-387-2522 x317.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady of Sorrows Church 378 Spring Street, Orange, (203) 795-5076 will be holding Masses for Ash Wednesday and Lenten on the following dates:

- Ash Wednesday Masses (March 5th): 9:00am and 6:00pm *with distribution of ashes;
- Lent, two Masses offered daily (Monday to Saturday), 9:00am and 6:00pm.
- Sunday Masses are 9:00am and 1:00pm.



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MONDAY

BOWLING – Grades K-6 AMITY BOWLING CENTER MAR 31 thru JUNE 9. Busing to Amity Bowling will be provided and is included in the cost. Cost also includes the rental of bowling shoes. TIMES: 3:15 Leave for bowling and 5:15 pick up at Amity Bowling Center BY PARENTS FEES: \$100.00 Residents \$110.00 Non-Residents. Food may be purchased at the refreshment stand at an additional cost.

TENNIS – Grades K-6 Beecher Tennis Courts APR 21 thru JUNE 2 Beginner/Intermediate 3:25-4:25pm. Cost \$100 Residents \$110 Non-Residents – Must bring own tennis racket.

TAEKWONDO – Grades K-6 WORLD CHAMPION TAEKWONDO AMITY RD MAR 31 THRU JUNE 9 \$169.00. Busing to 152 Amity Rd. will be provided and is included in the cost. 3:15 Leave for Taekwondo and pick up between 4:45 - 5:00 at World Champion Taekwondo at 152 Amity Rd BY PARENTS.

RUNNING CLUB – Grades 3 – 6 Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 7:15am-8:15am APR 21- JUNE 6. 3 days per week. Bus Transportation provided to Beecher Rd School at the end of each morning. \$75.

KUMON-MATH.READING.SUCCESS – Grades K-6 MAR 31 thru JUNE 9 after school math & reading program. Busing to 152 Amity Rd. will be provided and is included in the cost. 3:15 Leave for Kumon and pick up between 4:30 - 5:00 at Kumon of Woodbridge at 152 Amity Rd BY PARENTS \$280.

BETH PATELLA'S DRUMMING – Ages 6-8 year old MAR 31 thru JUNE 9. 4:00 – 4:45 pm. Busing to 19 Hazel Terrace will be provided. Pick up BY PARENTS at 4:45, at Beth Patella's Center of Music at 19 Hazel Terrace \$160.

NO PROGRAM APRIL 7, 14 & MAY 26.

TUESDAY

ULTIMATE TEAM SPORTS – Backboard basketball, trash can basketball Grades K-6 BEECHER SO. GYM APR 1 thru JUNE 3 TIMES: 3:15 to 5:00 pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents

LITTLE SCIENTISTS – Grades K-5 BEECHER ROTUNDA APR 8 thru JUNE 3 3:30 – 4:15pm \$148

BRINGTHEHOOLA – Ages 6 and up BEECHER SOUTH ASSEMBLY APR 1 thru MAY 27 \$110

NO PROGRAM APRIL 15

WEDNESDAY

BASKETBALL – Grades K-6 BEECHER SOUTH GYM APR 2 thru JUNE 4. TIMES: 3:15 to 5:00pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents

CHESS – Grades K-6 REC DEPT OFFICE-APR 2 thru JUNE 4 TIME: 3:30 – 4:30pm \$70.00.

WORLD DANCE – Grades K-6 BEECHER SO. ASSEMBLY APR 2 thru JUNE 4. TIMES: 3:30 to 4:30 pm FEES: \$80.00 Residents \$90.00 Non-Residents.

GUITAR – Grades K-6 BEECHER SOUTH ASSEMBLY APR 2 – JUNE 4. TIMES: Beginner 3:30 to 4:30 Advanced 4:30-5:30 pm FEES: \$120.00 Residents \$130.00 Non-Residents. Must bring own acoustic guitar.

TAEKWONDO – Grades K-6 WORLD CHAMPION TAEKWONDO AMITY RD APR 2 thru JUNE 4. Busing to 152 Amity Rd. will be provided and is included in the cost. 3:15 Leave for Taekwondo and pick up between 4:45 - 5:00 at World Champion Taekwondo at 152 Amity Rd BY PARENTS \$186.

NO PROGRAM APRIL 9, & 16

THURSDAY

FLAG FOOTBALL – Grades K-6 BEECHER SOUTH FIELD APR 3 thru JUNE 5. TIMES: 3:15 to 5:00pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents.

MOVENASTICS – Grades K- 6 BEECHER SOUTH GYM APR 3 THRU JUNE 5. TIMES: 3:15 to 5:00pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents.

JUNIOR ARCHITECTS – Grades K-6 REC DEPT. OFFICE APR 3 thru JUNE 5. 3:30 – 4:30 FEES: \$100.00 Residents \$110.00 Non-Residents.

KARATE – Grades K-6 BEECHER SOUTH ASSEMBLY.
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Session 2 MAY 1 – JUNE 5 3:30 – 4:15 FEES \$70 Residents \$80 Non-Residents
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NO PROGRAM APRIL 17

FRIDAY

STICKBALL – Grades 3-6 BEECHER NORTH TENNIS COURTS APR 4 thru JUNE 6. TIMES: 3:15 to 5:00PM LIMITED ENROLLMENT: MAX 36. FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents.

MOVE & BE HAPPY – AEROBICS FOR KIDS Grades K-6 BEECHER SOUTH APR 4 – JUNE 6. TIMES: 3:30 to 4:30 pm FEES: \$120.00 Residents \$130.00 Non-Residents.

PIANO Grades 3-6 BEECHER SOUTH APR 4 – JUNE 6 BEGINNERS 3:30-4:30. ADVANCED 4:30-5:30 \$120 Residents \$130.00 Non-Residents.

NO PROGRAM APRIL 18

SATURDAY

GYMNASTICS/MOVENASTICS –BEECHER SOUTH GYM MAR 29 thru MAY 31. GYMNASTICS ALL LEVELS: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. MOMMY & ME MOVENASTICS (3, 4, and 5 year olds): 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents.

TENNIS – APR 26 thru MAY 31 \$100 Residents \$105 Non-Residents CENTER RD COURTS. 9:00am-10:00am – Munchkin; 10:00am-11:00am – Youth Beginner/Advanced Beginner; 9:00am – 10:00 am Adults. Must bring own tennis racket.

NO PROGRAM APRIL 19

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UI'S 'VEGETATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM'

United Illuminating's plan for dealing with trees near power lines will be discussed at the only public hearing on the topic scheduled by state regulators: March 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the Hamden Middle School Auditorium, (2623 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden). The state Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) will host a public hearing and technical meeting on the public utility's tree-trimming plan, also referred to as a "Vegetation Management Program". PURA is the state agency charged with regulating rates and services of Connecticut's electricity, natural gas, water and telecommunication public service companies.

"I strongly suggest all Woodbridge residents with an opinion or questions about the matter attend this upcoming meeting," says Woodbridge First Selectman Ellen Scalettar. "I hope that the final plan will respect our town's rural character, protect the local environment and keep residents safe through avoiding power failures."

In early 2012, as part of his storm disaster preparedness and recovery initiatives, Governor Dannel Malloy tasked PURA with addressing the utility companies' tree trimming plans to prevent excessive infrastructure damage. In general, UI's plan calls for cutting or removing trees within 8 feet of power lines.

Several Woodbridge residents have voiced concern that the plan is too aggressive. However, United Illuminating says it is necessary to proactively trim trees near power lines, since fallen limbs are the most frequent cause of power outages.

For more information about the tree-trimming plan, you may watch the February 12 Board of Selectmen meeting on Channel 79, which includes a 20-minute discussion with United Illuminating representatives.



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GET READY TO CRUISE NEWS

By Leslie Marsh



Dining is Changing on Cruise Ships

One of the things people love about cruising is the food. The meals are included in the cost of a cruise, and it's true that on many ships, food is available 24 hours a day. But it isn't all about the buffets and the dining rooms; there are many alternatives in dining, food choices and activities.

Many cruise lines now have restaurants and menus created by world famous chefs. Jacques Pepin, the legendary Master Chef, is the Executive Culinary Director for Oceania Cruises. His influence produces some of the finest cuisine at sea in a variety of restaurants that serve many of his signature dishes. Iron chef Geoffrey Zakarian has created the restaurant Ocean Blue, which can be found onboard the Norwegian Breakaway and Norwegian Getaway, offering fantastic seafood choices. Love lobster rolls? Try his outdoor venue onboard! Another Iron Chef, Nobu Matsuhisa, lends his name and expertise to Silk Road, a restaurant on both the Crystal Serenity and Crystal Symphony. In addition to daily menu choices, he prepares a full dinner on board twice a year, complete with sake pairings. Guy Fieri of "Diners, Drive-ins and Dives" has created a new burger venue for Carnival called Guy's Burger Joint where you can enjoy burgers off the grill and hand cut fries.

Many cruise lines are offering epicurean activities and adventures for passengers. Azamara offers cooking classes on such things as Brazilian street foods and sushi. Silversea guests can participate in a unique cooking school experience on several select sailings with cooking demonstrations, a Lunch and Learn class where the chef demonstrates the preparation of and serves lunch courses, and a Market to Plate experience where guests accompany the chef to shop for fresh ingredients which are later prepared onboard. Holland America's Culinary Arts Center offers several activities for lovers of food and wine including hands-on cooking classes, wine tastings and appearances by special guest chefs. By the way, if you have a favorite local chef, you might want to consider organizing a foodie cruise. He/she would sail with you and other restaurant patrons and do some exclusive cooking demonstrations and classes. Call me for info!

Everyone's into food these days with unlimited TV shows, restaurant weeks and learning activities available all over the country. The cruise lines have taken notice of this intense interest and have widely broadened the choices they offer their passengers proving once again that there's something for everyone on a cruise!

Leslie Marsh, ECC owns and operates Cruise Planners of Orange. She can be reached at 203-799-2367 or leslie@getreadytocruise.com.

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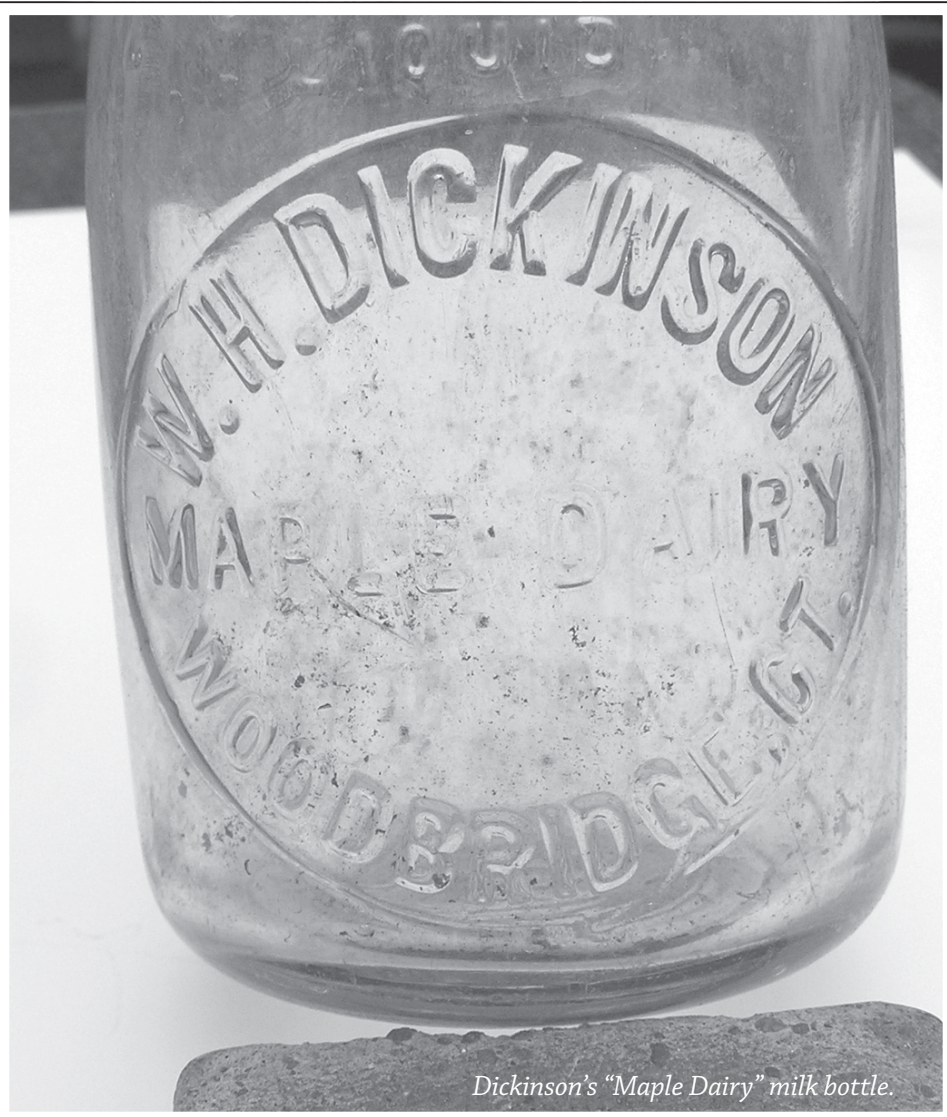
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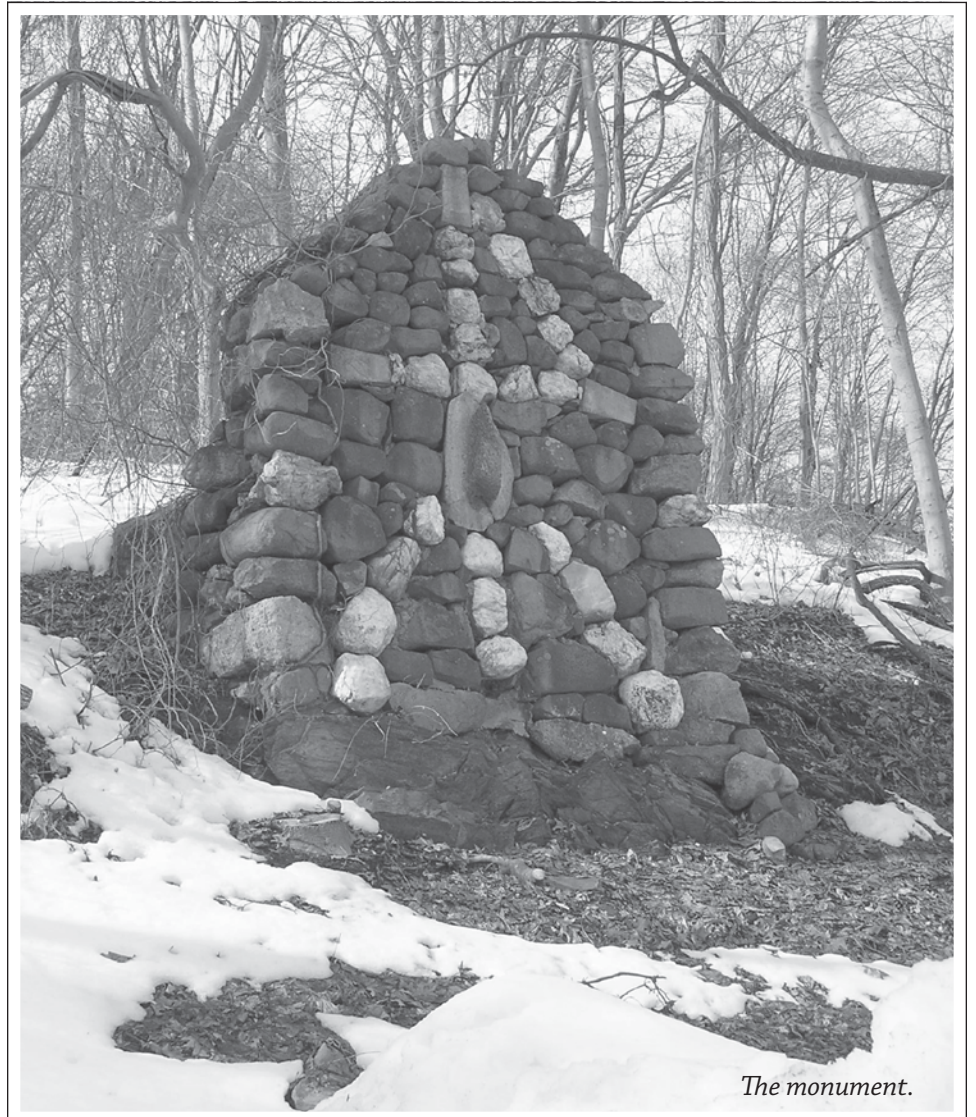
Amity & Woodbridge Historical Society Annual Meeting

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Dickinson's "Maple Dairy" milk bottle.



The monument.

Join the conversation as local historians share their favorite stories and answer questions about our town. All we need is you! Come and tell us about your favorite things in Woodbridge: historic homes, scenic spots, roads, walking trails, etc. Are there favorite places to which you take out-of-town visitors? Do you collect fine furniture, maps, marbles, clocks, Native American tools, post cards? Were any of them made here? Do you know what industries flourished along Litchfield Turnpike in the 19th century? Have you found any curious artifacts in your back yard? Whether you are new to town or a lifelong resident, you must have questions about the town's history and development. Here is your opportunity to have them answered.

To begin with, do you know the derivation of the town's name? It would be easy to surmise that it was based on a topographic feature. Or it might have been a name brought from an English town by early settlers. As a matter of fact, a delegation of residents did travel to England in the 1980s to meet their counterparts in the East Anglian town of Woodbridge. But the real answer is that the town was named in 1784 to honor the beloved Congregational minister, Benjamin Woodbridge (1710-1785). His beautifully inscribed table stone is on display in the library's history room.

Recently, I visited Simon Donato to photograph an antique Maple Dairy glass bottle. He had found it near the corner of Amity and Bradley Roads when the c. 1910 DeGennaro house was torn down to make way for businesses. He connected the name Dickinson with Dickinson Drive and found artifacts there to substantiate his guess about the location of the dairy. To explain how that bottle arrived across town, he speculated that the milk was driven down Amity Road for sale in New Haven with local sales on the way.

Another dairy farm was run by the Beecher family on the site of Center School. It came to a sad end when the cows came down with hoof and mouth disease. Was that why the property was sold to the town in the 1920s? Do you have any idea how many thriving dairies there were throughout Woodbridge in the 19th and early 20th centuries? Edee Lockyer will be on hand with some answers.

Amity Road features another oddity that has puzzled visitors and locals alike. As you drive up Amity Road hill near Rock Hill Road on your left, you will see a fieldstone "monument" built against the hill. I have heard guesses about its meaning ranging from a religious symbol to a secret society site. The less exciting but more factual explanation is that it was constructed by Robert Sch-

roder as a landmark for renters of the cottages he built in the area of Schroder Terrace. Although the cottages were derelict in the 1940s and have since made way for modern houses, the stone monument remains as eye-catching as ever. A short distance beyond it in the woods is a huge "glacial erratic" boulder. Legend has it that Mr. Schroder is buried there! The boulder features both his name and some possibly prehistoric bisecting line carvings.

As many of you gardeners already know, the land of Woodbridge is literally overflowing with artifacts and signs of centuries of habitation. As children, my brother and I pretended to be archeologists digging at random in the soil of the Augur farm on Johnson Road. We found harness bells and leather, cow bones, forks, china dolls, clay marbles, horse shoes, oyster shells, small blue bottles and lots of rusty metal bits. One of the objects, pictured above, sat for years in a dish on the kitchen mantle. It looks like an arrow head, but is made of metal! Was it the tip of a knife blade or a Native American projectile point? How can you prove one over the other? Join us for tea and history on March 30 to find out the answer to this and other questions about Woodbridge!

ENTERTAINMENT

TOP 10 MOVIES

- 1. Ride Along (PG-13)**
Ice Cube, Kevin Hart
- 2. Frozen (PG)**
animated
- 3. That Awkward Moment (R)**
Zac Efron, Michael B. Jordan
- 4. The Nut Job (PG)**
animated
- 5. Lone Survivor (R)**
Mark Wahlberg, Taylor Kitsch
- 6. Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit (PG-13)**
Chris Pine, Kevin Costner
- 7. Labor Day (PG-13)**
Kate Winslet, Josh Brolin
- 8. American Hustle (R)**
Christian Bale, Amy Adams
- 9. The Wolf of Wall Street (R)**
Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill
- 10. I, Frankenstein (PG-13)**
Aaron Eckhart, Bill Nighy

TOP 10 RENTALS

- 1. Captain Phillips (PG)**
Tom Hanks
- 2. Prisoners (R)**
Hugh Jackman
- 3. Lee Daniels' The Butler (PG-13)**
Forest Whitaker
- 4. Despicable Me 2 (PG)**
animated
- 5. The Family (R)**
Robert De Niro
- 6. We're the Millers (R)**
Jennifer Aniston
- 7. Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters (PG)**
Logan Lerman
- 8. Fast & Furious 6 (PG-13)**
Vin Diesel
- 9. The Wolverine (PG-13)**
Hugh Jackman
- 10. The Lone Ranger (PG-13)**
Johnny Depp

CHART BUSTERS

Top 10 Pop Singles

- 1. Katy Perry**
"Dark Horse"
- 2. Pitbull feat. Ke\$ha**
"Timber"
- 3. One Republic**
"Counting Stars"
- 4. A Great Big World & Christina Aguilera**
"Say Something"
- 5. Eminem feat. Rihanna**
"The Monster"
- 6. Jason Derulo feat. 2 Chainz**
"Talk Dirty"
- 7. Passenger**
"Let Her Go"
- 8. Lorde**
"Team"
- 9. Lorde**
"Royals"
- 10. Bastille**
"Pompeii"



Katy Perry

Top 10 Country Singles

- 1. Luke Bryan**
"Drink a Beer"
- 2. David Nail**
"Whatever She's Got"
- 3. Cole Swindell**
"Chillin' It"
- 4. Jason Aldean**
"When She Says Baby"
- 5. Florida Georgia Line**
"Stay"
- 6. Eric Paslay**
"Friday Night"
- 7. Lady Antebellum**
"Compass"
- 8. Rascal Flatts**
"Rewind"
- 9. Brantley Gilbert**
"Bottoms Up"
- 10. Cassadee Pope**
"Wasting All These Tears"

- Name the five jazz musicians that have been on the cover of Time magazine.
- What was pop music's first charity single?
- Who wrote "I Was Made to Love Her"? Hint: His mother helped.
- Which artist released "This Is My Song" in 1967?
- Name the song that contains this lyric: "Losin' you would end my life you see, cause you mean that much to me. You could have told me yourself that you love someone else."



1. Louis Armstrong (1949), Dave Brubeck (1954), Duke Ellington (1956), Telenovis Monk (1964) and Wynton Marsalis (1990).
2. "Bangla Desh," by George Harrison in 1971. The release was to raise awareness for the Bangladesh refugees.
3. Bangla Desh, with his mother and two others.
4. Patsy Cline. The song was written by Charlie Chaplin for use in his film "A Countess from Hong Kong."
5. "I Heard It Through the Grapevine." The song was recorded by Smokey Robinson & the Miracles in 1966, but was rejected by Berry Gordy, owner of Motown. Marvin Gaye recorded it in 1967 -- again rejected. Gladys Knight & the Pips came out with a version in 1967. It was the Marvin Gaye version, finally released in 1968, that's become the classic.

COUCH THEATER DVD PREVIEW

BY SAM STRUCKHOFF



Scene from "Gravity"

EDITOR'S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of Feb. 24, 2014.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Gravity" (PG-13) -- Spiraling off into the dark void of space, two astronauts undergo a pulse-pounding struggle for survival as their odds of ever reaching Earth again plummet with each new obstacle. Sandra Bullock plays a medical officer on her first trip into outer space who is paired with a veteran astronaut, played by George Clooney. While working on the Hubble telescope, a patch of space debris cuts them off from the space shuttle and sends the pair careening into space. During its box-office run, "Gravity"

attracted rave reviews from audiences and critics. Cinema purists have hailed it as a model for how 3-D filmmaking should be done. For us home-video audiences, the movie offers a tenacious survival drama that will leave you gasping for sweet, sweet oxygen.

"Thor: The Dark World" (PG-13)

-- Long ago, the Norse gods of Asgard banished some ancient evil dudes to a far-off dimension. Natalie Portman, while searching for a way to contact Thor, accidentally unleashes the sealed-away evil powers. Once again, the fate of the universe is in the brawny hands of Thor the thunder god (Chris Hemsworth). This time, however, Thor needs to recruit the reluctant aid of his evil brother, Loki (Tom Hiddleston), the god of chaos and the villain of "The Avengers."

While Hemsworth carried the first Thor film on his broad shoulders, this sequel is largely propped up by the caustic and sneering screen presence of Hiddleston. As Thor's adopted brother and chief rival, he's also the balancing point for the movie that allows it to make fun of itself. Audiences get to drink in the foamy, hammer-smashy battles, then wash it down with the refreshingly sour lemonade of Loki's anti-hero.

"Nebraska" (R)

-- A bitter old man and his disillusioned son take an eye-opening road trip from Missouri to Nebraska in this black-and-white dark comedy. Bruce Dern plays Woody Grant, a crusty Midwestern alcoholic who believes he's won a magazine sweepstakes. His son, Dave ("SNL's" Will Forte), agrees to take him on the road. The film gives a lot of consideration to the landscapes surrounding the minuscule drama; lots of wide open, underwhelming backdrops underscore the brief exchanges of dialogue and quiet realizations of missed opportunities.

Sudoku answers on page 27

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

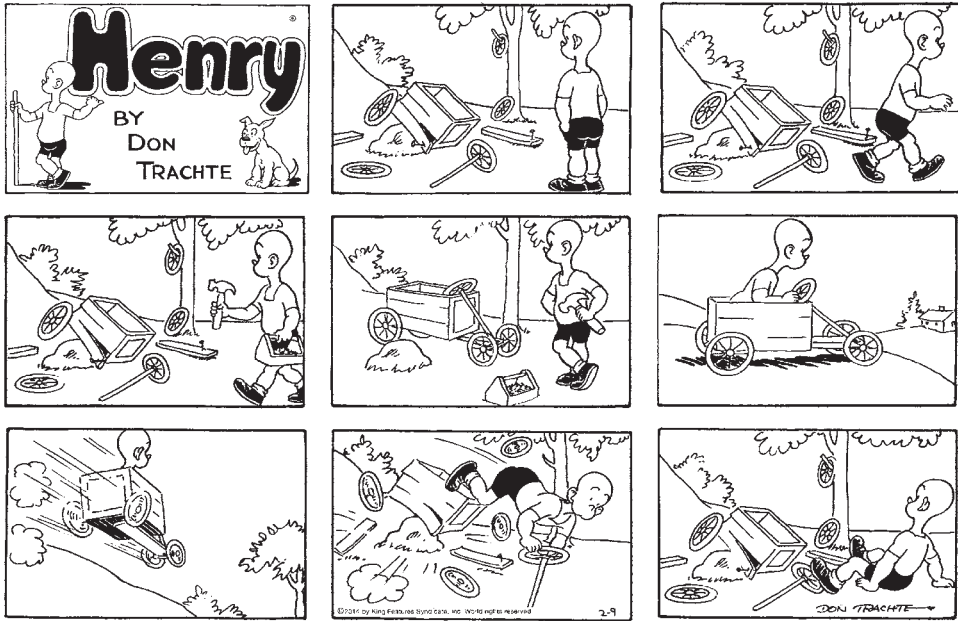
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

COMICS/CROSSWORD/HOLLYWOOD



HOLLYWOOD

By Tony Rizzo



Bradley Cooper

HOLLYWOOD -- Bradley Cooper keeps getting nominated for awards, but as yet, hasn't taken any home. Is he making a move to gain new respectability as an actor by taking on the title role of John Merrick in "The Elephant Man" on Broadway? He'll appear later this year with Patricia Clarkson and his "American Hustle" co-star Alessandro Nivola. Meanwhile, Hugh Jackman, who passed on returning to Broadway in a musical about "Houdini," instead will do "The River" next year. It's about a trout-loving loner and the two women in his life.

was prosecuted for his homosexuality; and with Robert Pattinson in "The Lost City of Z" as Amazon jungle explorer Percy Fawcett, who searched for the lost city but never returned.

Arnold Schwarzenegger has successfully made the jump from California governor back to movie star. "The Expendables 2" cost \$100 million and grossed \$312 million, "The Last Stand" cost \$30 million and made \$50 million, and "Escape Plan" with Sylvester Stallone cost \$50 million and grossed \$134 million. His next \$40 million epic is "Sabotage" with Sam Worthington, Terrence Howard and Joe Manganiello, due out March 24.

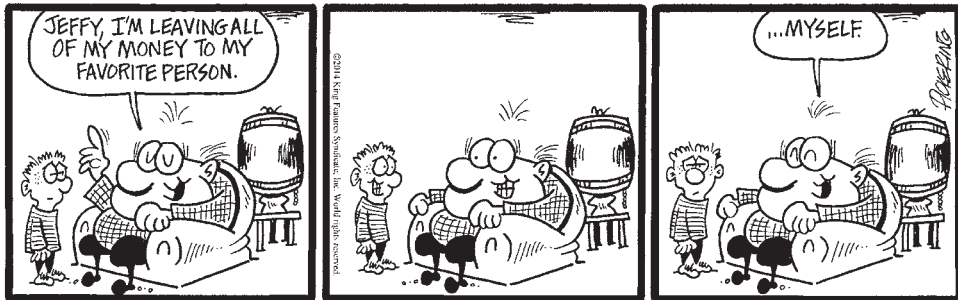
Robert DeNiro must be shocked that his film "Grudge Match," with Sylvester Stallone, did so poorly at the box office. It cost \$40 million to make and so far has not recouped its cost. DeNiro's last film, "American Hustle," cost \$40 million but took in close to \$150 million. Coming up he's got the action/crime thriller "Motel" with John Cusack, the action film "Hands of Stone" with Ellen Barkin and Usher, and the Martin Scorsese film "The Irishman" with Al Pacino and Joe Pesci. And speaking of Pacino, he has the drama "Manglehorn" with Holly Hunter, and the comedy/drama "Imagine" with Jennifer Garner, Annette Bening and Bobby Cannavale in his future. Age isn't slowing these great actors down.

One of our newest actors, Benedict Cumberbatch, must never rest. In addition to "Sherlock" on PBS, he's starring with Gary Oldman (who's also directing) and Ralph Finnes in "Flying Horse" with Keira Knightly; in "Imitation Game" as cryptographer Alan Turing, who

"The Man of Steel" is now "The Man from U.N.C.L.E."! Henry Cavill started shooting the Guy Ritchie reboot of the popular '60s TV series in London. He'll play Napoleon Solo, with "The Lone Ranger" Armie Hammer as Illya Kuryakin and Hugh Grant as Alexander Waverly, their boss, originally played by Leo G. Carroll. It's still set in the 1960s Cold War era. The original series spawned the sequel "The Girl from U.N.C.L.E." with Stephanie Powers and Noel Harrison. David Beckham is set for a small role in this film, and the upcoming "The Secret Service." Soccer star Beckham acting? Hope we don't have to say UNCLE!

The Spats

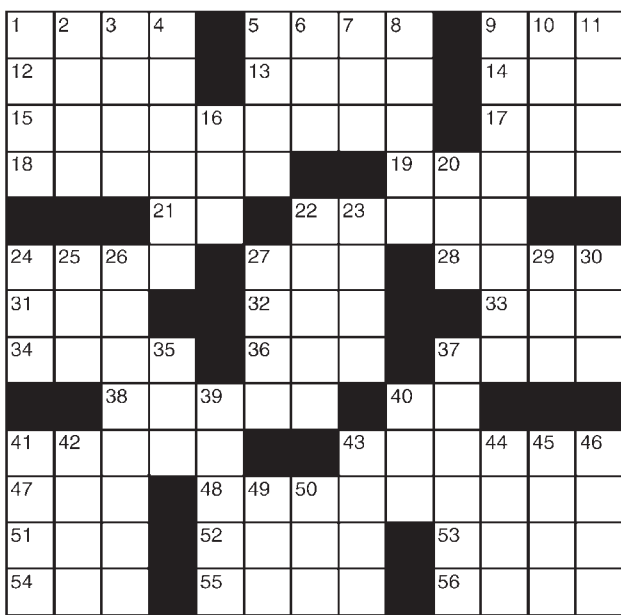
by Jeff Pickering



King Crossword

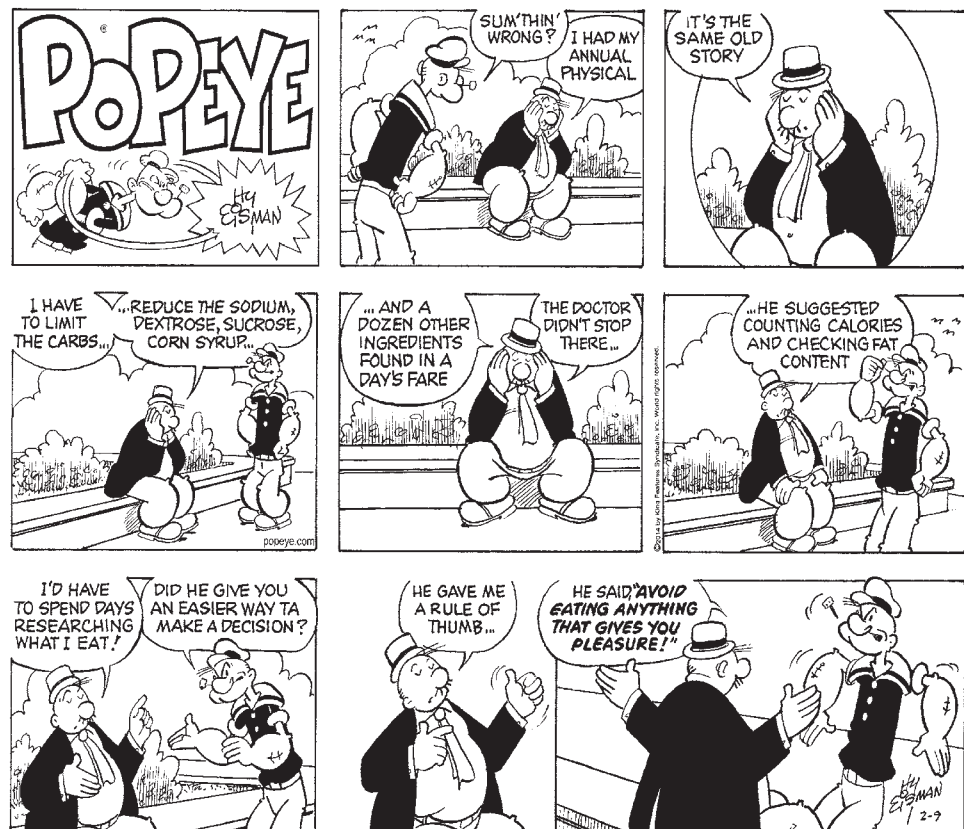
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- 13 Fraternal baseball surname
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- 18 Evening affair
- 19 Depend (on)
- 21 "And this should matter to me ... why?"
- 22 Object
- 24 "National Treasure" star
- 27 Chart format
- 28 Superman's alias
- 31 Melody
- 32 Corroded
- 33 "Go, team!"
- 34 Let the cat out of the bag
- 36 Badly
- 37 Pale
- 38 Aristocratic
- 40 Ego counterpart
- 41 Queenly
- 43 Small beard
- 47 Have bills



- 48 Puts on the line
- 51 "— the ramparts ..."
- 52 About half the children
- 53 Tiger Woods' ex
- 54 "— Dalloway"
- 55 Trade
- 56 Logical
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- 2 Choir member
- 3 Actress
- 4 Last car?
- 5 Senate
- 6 Hearty brew
- 7 Neither mate
- 8 Some Japanese fare
- 9 They make alterations
- 10 Suspended
- 11 Initial stake
- 16 Ultramodernist
- 20 Squid squirt
- 22 Marquee datum
- 23 Command to Rover
- 24 "Cash —"
- 25 Have something
- 26 Farmers
- 27 Bucket
- 29 "Unh-unh"
- 30 Your
- 35 Feathery accessory
- 37 Saws
- 39 Consecrate
- 40 Charged bit
- 41 Leeway
- 42 Basin
- 43 React in horror
- 44 Anatomical tissue
- 45 Ireland
- 46 Slave to crosswords?
- 49 Without delay
- 50 "CSI" evidence

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2. Hold full time residence in Woodbridge.
3. Income does not exceed 34,100 for a single person or 41,600 for a married couple.

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King Crossword

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Weekly SUDOKU

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Senator Joseph J. Crisco, Jr. (D-Woodbridge), Chair of the General Assembly's Internship Committee, welcomes new legislative interns as they begin their orientation program in the State Senate chamber.

Sen. Crisco: Legislative Internship Program Offers a "One-of-a-Kind" Education

This spring, a select group of college students will have the opportunity to get an education they simply cannot find in a classroom. The group has been selected through a competitive application process to participate in the Connecticut General Assembly's prestigious internship program.

As Chair of the legislature's Internship Committee, State Senator Joseph J. Crisco, Jr. (D-Woodbridge) welcomed the students to the Capitol for their orientation. "This is a highly competitive program, and each of the students was chosen based on the quality of their academic work, and the strength of their recommendations," said Sen. Crisco. "The program is intensive and immersive. The students will get a look at the workings of the political process from the inside. They'll engage with legislators and staff, and be an active part of the legislator's office to which they are assigned."

The interns' responsibilities may include legislative research, constituent

letter writing and casework, working on press releases and tracking legislation as it makes its way through the legislative process. The two-day intern orientation included a legislative staff panel on the day-to-day responsibilities of being an intern, and discussions with former interns about their experiences and keys to success. Interns also attended a panel discussion with current legislators, and heard from the Director of the internship program about the academic components required for the internship.

Additional programs will be offered over the next few months to give interns the opportunity to meet with members of the legislature's nonpartisan staff and lobbyists. "I encouraged the interns to be active, and make the most of this exceptional opportunity," said Sen. Crisco. "The simplest and best piece of advice I gave them is to engage with their legislators, with their staff, and with their peers. If they do, then their time here will be extremely rewarding."

Sen. Crisco Appointed to Appropriations Committee

As the 2014 legislative session of the Connecticut General Assembly gets under way, Senator Joseph J. Crisco, Jr. (D-Woodbridge) will be taking on new responsibilities as a member of the legislature's powerful Appropriations Committee. Senate President Donald E. Williams, Jr. (D-Brooklyn) recently notified Senator Crisco of his appointment to the committee, and wished him well in his new position. "This is a great honor that comes with enormous responsibilities," said Sen. Crisco. "I'm grateful to Senator Williams for recognizing my expertise on fiscal matters as Chair of the Insurance Committee and Vice Chair of the Banks and Commerce Committees. I look forward to adding my perspective to the vigorous debates we will surely have this session on some of the most salient issues facing our state."

"Joe is a knowledgeable and dedicated legislator," said Sen. Williams. "His experience and understanding of the state budget will be an asset to the Appropriations Committee." The Appropriations Committee consists of 11 Senators and

45 Representatives. It has cognizance over all matters pertaining to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. Other issues within its purview include state employees' salaries, benefits and retirement, teachers' retirement, veterans' pensions and collective bargaining agreements.

"The legislature's capacity for spurring job creation and creating a pro-small business environment is inextricably linked with state spending," Sen. Crisco said. "We need to strike a fine balance by keeping our fiscal house in order, and also making critical investments that lead to long-term growth and prosperity. This is a challenge I am eager to take on in my new role."

In addition to his appointment on the Appropriations Committee, Sen. Crisco is Chair of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee and Chair of the legislature's Internship Committee. He is Vice Chair of the Banks and Commerce Committees, and a member of the Executive and Legislative Nominations and Legislative Management Committees.

BARK BYTES...

By Richard & Vicki Horowitz

Can't Play Outdoors?

Can't or don't want to take your dog outside? Try these indoor games with your dog.

All dogs need exercise, even when there is inclement weather or you just don't feel like going outside. Try playing some of these indoor games with your dog to keep him healthy and happy. In addition, playing with your dog, like training him, enhances the bond you share and helps him keep his focus on you!

You can change these games depending on how your dog is best motivated: praise/belly rubs, favorite toys, items to fetch, or treats. If you do use treats, one way to keep your dog from gaining weight from too many snacks is to use some of his mealtime kibble to play the games. As with any activity, keep each session short and fun! It's better to end the game before your dog gets bored or overly excited.

WHERE'S THE TREAT? - Start with 3 or 4 buckets (old cups or margarine tubs would work too). Show your dog that you have a treat or a favorite small toy. Put your dog in a SIT/STAY or DOWN/STAY about 10 feet away, then make sure he can see you as you place his prize under one of the buckets. Then say WHERE'S THE TREAT? and encourage him to smell the buckets—give him lots of praise when he paws, sits beside, or barks next to the correct bucket, and then lift it up so he can claim his reward. You can up the difficulty level by changing the position of the buckets after you place the treat or pretending to put treats under multiple buckets.

NAME THAT TOY - Gather a group of toys that are noticeably different (for example, a stuffed duck, pig and shark). Hold a toy up for your dog to sniff and see, get him excited, and toss it, saying WHERE'S YOUR SHARK? When he comes back with it, give him lots of praise, then do the same with the pig, then with the duck, etc. Repeat again and again, and be consistent with your naming. Once he has mastered a few names, set out multiple toys and tell him which to get.

FIND IT! - Put your dog in a SIT/STAY. Show your dog a toy or treat and put it on the floor so the dog can see it. Say FIND IT! Naturally, your dog will enthusiastically—and hopefully, easily—find the toy or treat. Make the next prize a bit more difficult to locate, say, behind a chair. Continue to vary treat placement, or, for a real challenge, set up a roomful of hidden delights in advance. Watch your dog as he searches, and tap your foot and give an OOH—or gasp to get him excited about the ones he's missed.

STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN - Settle in at the bottom of the staircase, putting your dog in a SIT/STAY next to you. Throw your dog's favorite toy to the top of the stairs. Say FETCH or GET IT. After he dashes up the stairs and grabs the toy, call him to COME, ask him to DROP or RELEASE, and repeat as above until your dog slumps to the floor in giddy exhaustion. (Note that this is not a good game for puppies, as their joints are still developing, or dogs prone to injury.)

RECALL REPRISE - Enlist a significant other or child to help with this game. Each person grabs a handful of treats or kibble. Stand a couple of feet apart. One person calls the dog to COME. When he does, he receives praise and a treat. Then the other person calls. Praise and treat. Both people take two steps backwards. Repeat. Every fourth or fifth time, use praise only. See how far apart (Different rooms? Different floors?) you can venture. For even more fun, have three or more people in different rooms calling the dog.

CLEAN UP! - Teach your dog to CLEAN UP after playtime by picking up his toys and putting them back in the toy box. Have your dog pick up a toy while you hold the toy box up to him. Tell him to DROP IT. When he does, give him lots of praise. Repeat with the next toy. Once he gets the idea, put the toy box on the floor and guide the dog over to it and say DROP IT. Keep it fun and simple, and use the same words each time for every command.

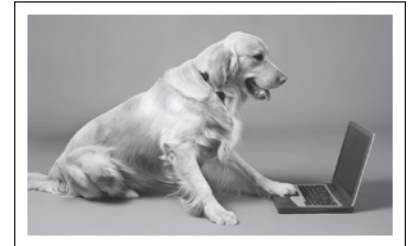
COME WHEN CALLED - Call your dog to COME, put him in a SIT/STAY, and then move away from him. After a minute or so, call him to COME again, and repeat. Try to increase the distance you move away and the length of time you wait before calling your dog to you. This game is great for dogs with attention-seeking behaviors, as it teaches them to wait for your commands.

CIRCUS CLOWN - If your dog likes to jump, you can burn off a lot of his energy by teaching him to jump over and through things. Start with your dog on a leash. Place a pole or stick just barely off the ground, and have your dog walk over it. As you raise it each time, you will need to move him back and let him get a running start. Give him lots of praise every time he jumps over. Once he masters the pole, try a Hula-Hoop!

HIDE & SEEK - This old standby is still loads of fun for you and your dog. Have your dog STAY in one room. Go into another room and hide. Call your dog. Try not to give away your location by laughing! Kids love to play this game with the family dog.

WORK FOR YOUR DINNER - Remember that dogs use about the same amount of energy when they are challenged mentally as physically! Treat-rewarding puzzles, such as the Buster® Food Cube, Canine Genius® connectable toys, or the Wobbler by KONG®, make your dog work for his treats—or you can use kibble with the toys to feed your dog his entire meal.

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



Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Try to say as little as possible about the work you're doing through the end of the month. Then you can make your announcement and accept your well-deserved plaudits.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You face a more difficult challenge than you expected. But with that strong Taurean determination, you should be able to deal with it successfully by week's end.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Before you act on your "feelings" about that upcoming decision, it might be wise to do a little fact-checking first. You could be very much surprised by what you don't find.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A recent workplace success can open some doors that were previously closed to you. On a personal level, expect to receive some important news from a longtime friend and colleague.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Put your wounded pride aside and do what you must to heal that misunderstanding before it takes a potentially irreversible turn and leaves you regretting the loss of a good friend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) One way to kick a less-than-active social life into high gear or rebuild an outdated Rolodex file is to throw one of your well-organized get-togethers for friends and associates.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Getting out of an obligation you didn't really want to take on can be tricky. An honest explanation of the circumstances can help. Next time, pay more attention to your usually keen instincts.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Use your Scorpion logic to push for a no-nonsense approach to a perplexing situation. This could help keep present and potential problems from creating more confusion.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friend's problem might take more time than you want to give. But staying with it once again proves the depth of your Sagittarian friendship and loyalty.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The Sea Goat can benefit from an extra dose of self-confidence to unsettle your detractors, giving you the advantage of putting on a strong presentation of your position.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You might want to ask a friend or relative for advice on an ongoing personal matter. But be careful not to give away information you might later wish you had kept secret.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Use the weekend for a creativity break to help restore your spiritual energy. Once that's done, you'll be back and more than ready to tackle whatever challenge you need to face.

BORN THIS WEEK: You get great joy out of creating beautiful things and sharing them with others who appreciate them.

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



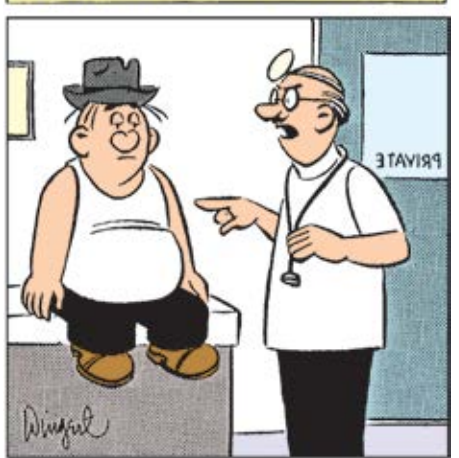
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MISTER BREGER By Dave Breger



HUBERT - - By Dick Wingert



"He wants to know if we can use a foreign sales representative..."

"If you want to go on enjoying life, you'll have to stop living it so well."

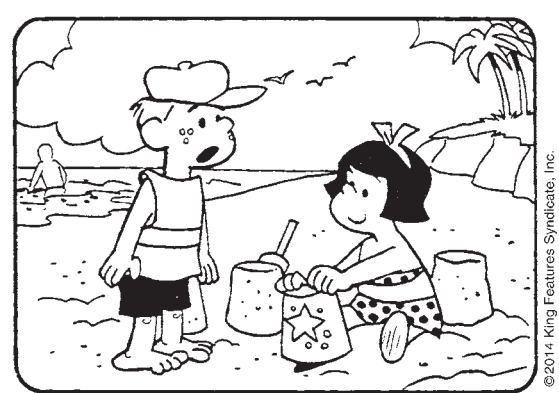
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4. Extra
5. Eclipse
6. Trident White
7. Tic Tac
8. Dentyne Ice
9. Orbit White
10. Ice Breakers

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HOCUS - FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTIKOFF



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PETS, POT DON'T MIX

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I read a report this week that said more and more pets are being treated for "marijuana poisoning" from accidentally ingesting their owners' medically prescribed marijuana. Is this true? Why haven't we heard more about it? -- Concerned in California

DEAR CONCERNED: As the number of states that allow medical marijuana to be prescribed increases, it's likely you will hear more stories about pets being affected by ingesting this drug. A recent NBC News report estimated that calls to the ASPCA's Animal Poison Control Center reporting pet poisonings increased 30 percent between 2009 and 2013.

However, Time magazine disputes that report, noting that the actual number of calls increased from 213 in 2009 to about 320 last year -- a very small percentage of the 18,000 total calls the APCC gets each year from owners.

My take on the issue is this: Marijuana is a drug, so owners need to use common sense. You wouldn't leave other prescriptions lying around for the dog or cat to eat. So don't leave your stash lying around.

Further, many patients use baked goods to ingest marijuana rather than smoking it. "Pot brownies," for example, contain chocolate, which is definitely dangerous to dogs and can cause severe symptoms when eaten. The APCC gets far more calls about poisoning from chocolate ingestion than from any other substance, Time noted.

That said, pet owners who see or suspect their dog or cat has ingested marijuana should contact their veterinarian for advice. They also should watch their pet for unusual symptoms, such as lethargy, excessive drooling, diarrhea or incontinence, and take them to the vet immediately if they begin experiencing these or any other problems.

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

Paw's corner
by Sam Mazzotta

The Garden Bug

Cowslip

is a herbaceous perennial with upright stems bearing bell-shaped, yellow flowers. It is native to the United Kingdom, but can be found in northeastern sections of North America. It is known commonly by many names such as fairycup, lady's keys, palsewort, primerole and St. Peter's wort.

- Brenda Weaver

Detail of *Primula veris humilis*, a woodcut by Carolus Clusius (1526-1609)

Sources: plants.usda.gov; rhs.org.uk; www.picturingplants.com

ARTS & LEISURE

ANNE FADIMAN AND STUDENTS AT NEW HAVEN PUBLIC LIBRARY

New Haven Free Public Library invites the public to enjoy the 8th annual Celebration of the Personal Essay with author Anne Fadiman and her students on Wednesday, Mar. 5, 6-7 pm.

Anne Fadiman has been Yale's Francis Writer-in-Residence since 2005. She is the author of a work of reportage, *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down*, and two essay collections, *Ex Libris* and *At Large and At Small*. She will read from her introduction to *The Opposite of Loneliness*, a forthcoming collection by her late student Marina Keegan '12.



Anne Fadiman

This year's student presenters include

- Eric Boodman, an editor-in-chief of the *New Journal*. He will read from his profile of a master luthier.
- Sarah Maslin, co-editor of the *Yale Daily News Magazine*, who will read from her profile of a pawnbroker.
- Daniel Stern, a sophomore studying Cognitive Science and Political Science. Daniel will read from his profile of a commercial hot air balloonist.

This event is offered free of charge at the downtown Ives Library, 133 Elm St. For more information, call the library at 203-946-8835.

THE GREATER BRIDGEPORT YOUTH ORCHESTRA'S WINTER CONCERT

**Sunday, MARCH 2, at 3PM at Klein
Auditorium in Bridgeport**

The Greater Bridgeport Youth Orchestras (GBYO) will perform the second concert of the 2013-14 season on Sunday, March 2, 3:00 pm at the Klein Auditorium in Bridgeport. The concert will include performances by all six GBYO ensembles. This will be the first concert for the newly formed Jazz Ensemble.

A distinguished Guest Conductor, Emily Freeman Brown, music director and conductor of the Bowling Green Philharmonia, Opera Theater and professor of conducting in the College of Musical Arts at Bowling Green State University in Ohio, will conduct the Principal Orchestra in Antonin Dvorak's "Carnival" Overture, "English Folk Song Suite" by Ralph Vaughan Williams and "Crown Imperial March" by William Walton.

Symphony Orchestra, under the baton of Carrie Mascaro, will perform Beethoven's "The Creatures of Prometheus Overture, Op 43", "Themes from Harry Potter and The Chamber of Secrets" by John Williams and Symphony No. 2 by Alexander Borodin, Movement I.

Erica Messina will lead the Concert Orchestra in "Grand Processional for an Academic Occasion" by Alexandre Guilmant, "Slavonic Dance No. 4 (Op. 46)" by Antonin Dvorak, "Centennial Overture" by William Hofeldt.

Conductor Aaron Lofaro and the String Orchestra will present "Mariachi" by John O'Neill

"Havanaise" by Camille Saint Saëns, Classical Symphony, 4th Movement, Sergei Prokofiev, and "Crocodile Rock" by Elton John and Bernie Taupin.

Brian Miller will lead the Wind Ensemble in "Acclamations" by Ed Huckleby, "Korean Folk Rhapsody" by James Curnow and "Mars" arranged by Johnnie Vinson.

The newly formed Jazz Ensemble will make its debut under the leadership of Rex Cadwallader, performing "Catch The Wind" by Paul Clark and "Lester Leaps In" by Lester Young.

The conductors are assisted by coaches Amy Hannequin, Enkelejda Hasani, Darilyn Manring, Brian Miller, Bruce Sloat, Carla Strauss, and Jennifer Trahan.

Founded in 1961 the GBYO, with four developmentally sequential orchestras and the Wind Ensemble, offers one of the finest musical experiences for young musicians in the area. The 240+ members in the five ensembles were chosen by competitive auditions in early fall and have been rehearsing since September in preparation for this concert. The members, in grades 5-12, reside in 27 communities in Fairfield and New Haven Counties.

This concert is made possible by generous support by the Stratford Masonic Fraternities.

Tickets for the March 2 concert are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors, and may be purchased at the Klein Auditorium after 2:00 pm on the day of performance. For additional information about the GBYO please visit our web site at www.gbyo.org.



THE ARTS CONTINUE TO THRIVE AT BEECHER ROAD SCHOOL

A Focus on the Open (Art) Studio Group

Open Studio Group provides children with the opportunity to explore the creative process. The child enters the South Studio with an idea for a sculpture, a painting, a print, a drawing, a collage, a piece of clay, wood, fashion, a building, a design for a product...Along the way they achieve not just artistic but personal growth...challenging the conventional...occasionally brushing against the avant-garde.

The studio offerings focus on myriad forms of visual expression designed by each child. We celebrate the willingness of our students to try new things. They work toward discovering not just what they want to build, but what they're trying to express.

Until the idea is manifest, its outline is, at best, a bit cloudy...marks are made, colors applied, and the object is set in motion. The creative spark has been lit, but the fire needs tending. The "play" begins, the mistakes happen, thinking is done, judgments are made. The next day decisions made earlier might look weak. Adjust, destroy, rebuild. Some ideas last all year...others for a brief time...the decision is up to the child.

Artists must trust their instincts and intuitions...take risks. The children learn to transform their ideas into something of great personal value...or are just given the time to explore. Most that is done is open-ended.

This year the time allotted for Open Studio is before or after lunch for children in Grades 5 and 6. "Not enough" as most children exclaim! "I live for Open Studio... it is the best time of my day!"

LOCAL SPORTS

ORANGE AMERICAN LEGION TO FORM "PREP 15 & UNDER"

The Orange American Legion program is proud to announce the formation of a Prep 15 and under team which will commence its season in June of 2014. Tryouts will be held in early March at the Grind in Orange. The exact date will be announced shortly. Players between the ages of 13 and 15 who are interested in trying out should contact Bob Mirto at 203-687-8299 immediately.

The program will introduce players from Bethany, Orange and Woodbridge to the esteemed legion program immediately upon their transition from the smaller field. They will obtain all the benefits of a travel program at a reasonable cost, including excellent coaching and workouts as well as an extremely competitive season.

Players who are playing Babe Ruth or Senior Little League are eligible, as we have flexibility in our schedule. This program has attempted to coordinate its schedule with Babe Ruth and Senior Little League and has the endorsement of the Amity High School Coaching Staff. Coach Coppola has been a party to the meetings coordinating the leagues and is extremely supportive of this endeavor.

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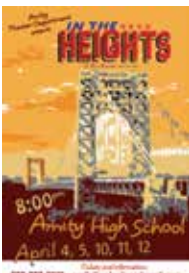
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ARTS & LEISURE

AMITY THEATER DEPARTMENT PRESENTS "IN THE HEIGHTS"

"In the Heights", winner of four 2008 Tony Awards® including Best Musical and the 2008 Grammy® Award for Best Musical Show Album, is coming to Amity High School April 4, 5, 10, 11,12, 2014.

In the Heights, tells the universal story of a vibrant community in New York's Washington Heights neighborhood – a place where the coffee from the corner bodega is light and sweet, the windows are always open and the breeze carries the rhythm of three generations of music. Like Fiddler on the Roof, In the Heights celebrates a community and culture through incredible dance, song, and glimpse into hopes, dreams, and struggles of the residents in New York's vibrant Washington Heights neighborhood. It's a community on the brink of change, where the biggest struggles can be deciding which traditions you take with you, and which ones you leave behind.



The Washington Post said In the Heights, is "Pure Broadway. An evening of old-style, innocent pleasure," and Ben Brantley of The New York Times enthused "In the Heights, is an exuberant, animated shrine to the importance of family ties and being faithful to where you come from."

The Amity High School Theater Department, the 2013 winner of "Best Musical" at the Connecticut High School Musical Theater Awards is delighted to be one of the first theaters in the region to produce this show. The Amity production will feature senior Nick Bottone of Bethany as Usnavi, Senior Shaylen Harger of Orange as Nina, Sophomore Chris Cassella of Orange as Benny, Senior Chelsea Tambis of Woodbridge as Vanessa, Senior Nicole Simon of Woodbridge as Abuela Claudia, Senior Alida Ballou of Bethany as Daniela, Senior Sara Abriola of Bethany as Carla and Senior C.J. Spaziani of Orange as Sonny. The talented cast of 44 has begun rehearsals and is very excited to be able to present this new, family friendly, Broadway smash. The show will once again be directed by Rob and Andrea Kennedy with musical direction by Peter Randazzo.

For tickets and information please go to our website at www.amitytheaterdepartment.com or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/amitytheaterdepartment.

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WOODBIDGE RECREATION DEPARTMENT SPRING SWIM LESSONS

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SWIM LESSONS (two days per week only)

Saturday may be a single day (see below)
Tuesday & Thursday, Tuesday & Saturday, OR Thursday & Saturday

APRIL 1ST THROUGH JUNE 5TH

There will be NO Classes April 15 & 17
3:35 - 4:05 (ALL LEVELS) OR 4:10 - 4:40 (ALL LEVELS)

PLEASE NOTE:

THE 3:35 CLASS WILL GO TO THE NORTH GYM DIRECTLY FOLLOWING SCHOOL DISMISSAL, WHERE THEY WILL BE SUPERVISED UNTIL SWIM CLASSES BEGIN. THE 4:10 CLASS WILL GO HOME AFTER SCHOOL. THERE WILL BE NO AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION PROVIDED FOR THIS CLASS.

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| RESIDENT: | \$95.00 | \$130.00 |
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SATURDAY SWIM LESSONS (one day per week)

APRIL 5TH THROUGH MAY 31ST

There will be NO Classes April 19
ALL LEVELS 10:30 - 11:00 OR 11:15 - 11:45

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SIGN OUT OF ALL CHILDREN AFTER SWIM LESSONS IS REQUIRED.
LOCKER ROOM ASSISTANCE WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL OF THE ABOVE PROGRAMS ARE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS!
PARENTS MUST NOTIFY TEACHERS THAT A CHILD IS ATTENDING AN AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM! No Peanut Butter Snacks!

Classes will not be made up in case of weather related emergencies or student absences.

If you have any questions please call 203-389-3446
Website: www.woodbridgetown.org click on departments

Beecher Road School Family Yoga

BRS Cafeteria

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March 5, 12, 19, 26, 2014

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Questions contact

Dr. Kristine Rose, Psychologist,
Primary Grades

389-2195 ext 124

or e-mail krose@woodbridgeps.org

Bring a mat or towel.

Family Yoga with Bill Banick

Yoga exercises involve coordination of breathing and movement. Breathing rhythms and imagery increase relaxation, self-awareness, and memory. Movement provides the first learning experience and is fundamental to higher learning. (K. Rose)

*Fun Family Yoga is funded by the Primary Mental Health Grant & Woodbridge Board of Education *

Registration: Fun Family Yoga

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