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Canopies over the entrances lend Beecher Road School a new look.

SUPERINTENDENT: BEECHER BUILDING WILL BE “READY FOR THE CHILDREN.”

By Bettina Thiel – Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

When the town's elementary school children step off the bus on the first day of school, Monday, August 31, the first thing they will notice is a brightly-colored canopy jutting out from the school entrance, channeling them through the doors and into the building. The new canopies — one with bright red trusses at the North entrance, the other with blue trusses at the South School — are the most conspicuous sign of the transformation that has been taking

place at the school over the past two summers. They will offer shelter from the elements to anybody who enters or exits the building, and at the same time “give the school a face,” according to School Supt. Dr. Guy Stella – and a cheerful face at that.

Another very visible improvement at the school is the recent paving that has taken place at the South School, including the access road to the traffic circle and the lower parking lot. First

Selectman Ellen Scalettar was impressed with the transformation she was seeing during a visit to the school the week before it opened for teachers.

“This looks amazing,” she said, remembering the patched potholes and crumpled side-walk that made up the road- and walkways. She thanked the local representatives in Hartford, namely Sens. Joe Crisco and Gayle Slossberg and state Rep. Themis Klarides for supporting the STEAP grant

(Small Town Economic Assistance Program) that allowed the paving project to be done.

Most other renovations at the school, such as the updated heating and ventilation system, the roof replacement, the wifi cables and energy-efficient lighting may be improving the students' learning environment, but in ways that are not necessarily visible.

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For the first time in the town’s history, the children will return to uniformly air-conditioned classrooms. In the past, individual units would be running full-blast in certain classrooms, never enough to create a comfortable environment. “Now it’s better temperature control throughout the school,” Dr. Stella said. “And it provides energy savings at the same time.”

The superintendent expects work on the building upgrade to continue until December, although mostly during after-school hours. Last week, many ceilings were still open and all entrances blocked off. As in past years, he predicted the custodial staff to be working “around the clock” to get everything cleaned and cleared and ready for the children when they walk in on the first day of school.

New teachers: Along with Dr. Stella and Principal Gina Prisco, students will be greeted by some new faces when they return to school. There is Assistant Principal Analisa Sherman, who once was a student at Beecher Road School and an Amity graduate; and Special Services Director Clare Kennedy.

New teachers include kindergarten teacher Lori Calabrese and first grade teacher Morgan McClain, both of whom have worked at the school as interns before; World Language teacher Emily Jacobér; technology specialist Danielle Ulacco; and a part-time art teacher Ashley Wagner. Wagner also has worked at the school before, as a teaching assistant. These hires were

made to replace retirees, and do not represent new positions.

Program focus: Differentiated instruction is the new buzzword in education these days, and efforts are well underway at Beecher Road School to adapt teaching methods in that direction. The goal is to “follow the pathway of each child from kindergarten to sixth grade,” Dr. Stella said. It adopts the workshop model, which many teachers and students at Beecher are already familiar with; and encourages student choice and small group instruction as much as possible. “It’s a movement toward personal learning,” Dr. Stella said. One area of focus will be work on a new math curriculum, which is to include differentiated instruction principles.

In addition to the new math curriculum, the school is working on a new three-year technology plan, to encourage innovation, creativity and acceleration of learning, he said.

World Language: In an effort to broaden students’ exposure to different cultures and languages, the school last year has introduced some after-school Chinese lessons as part of the Extended Day Program. The program was open to heritage and non-heritage learners, Dr. Stella said. They would learn about the language and culture through song, role-play and cooking, and he is hoping to grow the program in the future, maybe by adding other languages as well. “Children continue to astound me in what they can do,” Dr. Stella said.



TOWN FINISHES PAVING WORK AT BEECHER ROAD SCHOOL

The Town of Woodbridge recently completed a paving and sidewalk project at Beecher Road School South thanks to a \$500,000 state grant. The sidewalk and paving project was completed by Complete Construction while renovation work was ongoing at the school during summer break.

“The new entryway looks great and sets the tone for a fresh and exciting beginning to the new school year. Our school community will enjoy a more beautiful, safe and energy efficient building,” said First Selectman Ellen Scalettar. Scalettar expressed the Town’s appreciation for the help of our state delegation—State Senators Joe

Crisco and Gayle Slossberg and Representative Themis Klarides—in obtaining financial assistance for the project.

“I am very pleased with how smoothly this project went considering the fact that it occurred while our building facility was a major construction zone,” said Woodbridge Superintendent of Schools Dr. Guy Stella. “This is a wonderful example of collaboration between the School District, the Town, and state agencies. We also appreciate the cooperation and flexibility of our project manager, Matt Ward as well as the team from Complete Construction.”

The first day of school is Monday, August 31.

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ROSE GARDEN OFFICIALLY DEDICATED

First Selectman Ellen Scalettar, Deputy First Selectman Beth Heller, Town Clerk Stephanie Ciarleglio and Executive Assistant Geraldine Shaw attended a ribbon cutting of the Shanti Rose Garden at the community gardens. More than 100 people attended the event.

Shanti Prasad was a dedicated gardener who tended a vegetable and flower plot at the community gardens on the Fitzgerald tract for many years. Shortly before her death the family discussed converting the vegetable garden into a rose garden.

In her memory, her husband Durga Prasad and his family completed the conversion of their plot to a formal rose garden and installed granite benches.

Both the benches and the garden are for public use and enjoyment.

In mid-August the Prasad family invited friends, community members and Town officials to a dinner at the Prasad home followed by a ribbon cutting at the garden. "The opening of this garden for everyone to enjoy says so much about the Prasad family," said First Selectman Scalettar at the event. "This is a generous, thoughtful and community minded contribution to our Town."

The rose garden is the last plot on the left. It is enclosed by an unlocked iron gate and community members are invited to stroll through the garden, sit on the benches and enjoy the sights and smells.

CHILDREN SEEKING READING PARTNERS

YOU can help children in our local elementary schools succeed by volunteering just one hour per week. The Jewish Coalition for Literacy (JCL), a non-denominational/nonsectarian program, recruits volunteer reading partners to share the pleasures of reading and conversation, one to one with a child, who can benefit from the attention of a caring adult. For an investment of just one hour a week, JCL volunteers help young students improve their reading skills and experience the joy of learning. In return, volunteers experience the thrill of helping students love to learn.

JCL invites you to enjoy a unique, custom-built volunteer opportunity to help our community (and from all accounts, the experience has a tremendously positive impact on the volunteers themselves!). You, the reading partner, choose the day, time, specific school and grade of the student that works best for you – just one hour of your time each week to literally help

transform the life of a child. Talking and reading together, the volunteer shares the pleasures of reading and conversation, helping the child to become a confident reader and a better communicator. Can you think of a better way to use an hour?

Attend JCL's Information and Orientation: Thursday, September 17th, 9:30 AM at the JCC in Woodbridge. All our welcome. No previous experience needed. Contact Brenda Brenner at bbrenner@jewishnewhaven.org or 203 387-2424 x 308 for further information.

JCL, a proud recipient of a 2015 TAPS award from the New Haven Public Schools, and the 2007 Superintendent's Award, granted by the New Haven Network for Public Education, is a project of the Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven. JCL continues to be included on each partner school's improvement plan.

WOODBIDGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP

BEECHER ROAD SCHOOL REDUCED LUNCH POLICY

Beecher Road School today announced its policy for determining eligibility of children who may receive free or reduced-price meals served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs or free milk served under the Special Milk Program.

Local school officials have adopted the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) following family size and income criteria for determining eligibility.

The following income guidelines will be used in Connecticut from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 for determining eligibility of participants for free and reduced-price meals and free milk in the Child Nutrition Programs. The above income calculations are made based on the following formulas: Monthly income is calculated by dividing the annual income by 12; twice monthly income is computed by dividing annual income by 24; income received every two weeks is calculated by dividing annual income by 26; and weekly income is computed by dividing annual income by 52. All numbers are rounded upward to the next whole dollar.

Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals or free milk. Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents. To apply for free or reduced-price meals or free milk, households should fill out the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office at each school. Only one application is required per household and an application for free or reduced-price benefits cannot be approved unless it contains complete eligibility information as indicated on the application and instructions. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purposes of determining eligibility and for administration and enforcement of the lunch, breakfast and milk programs. Note that the district MAY share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules. This information may also be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program officials. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year.

For up to 30 operating days into the new school year, eligibility from the previous year will continue within the same LEA. When the carry-over period ends, unless the household is notified that their children are directly certified or the household submits an application that is approved, the children must

pay full price for school meals and the school will not send a reminder or a notice of expired eligibility.

No application is required if the district directly certifies a child based on a household member receiving assistance from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or the Temporary Family Assistance (TFA) program. All children in these households are eligible for free meal benefits. Households receiving assistance under the SNAP/TFA programs will be notified of their eligibility and their children will be provided free benefits unless the household notifies the determining official that it chooses to decline benefits. If any child(ren) was not listed on the eligibility notice, the household should contact the district or school to have free meal benefits extended to that child(ren). Households receiving SNAP or TFA benefits for their children should only submit an application if they are not notified of their eligibility by October 1, 2015.

If a child is not directly certified, the household should complete a free and reduced-price meal application form. The application for the SNAP or TFA households require the SNAP or TFA case number. The signature of an adult household member is also required.

Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Please send in an application or contact the determining official for more information.

When known to the district/school, households will be notified of any child's eligibility for free meals if the individual child is Other Source Categorically Eligible because the child is categorized as either: Homeless; runaway as defined by law and determined by the district's or school's homeless liaison; or enrolled in an eligible Head Start, Even Start or pre-kindergarten class as defined by law. Households with children who are categorically eligible under Other Source Categorically Eligible Programs should complete an application and check-off the relevant box. Questions should be directed to the determining official. For any child not listed on the eligibility notice, the households should contact the school or determining official about any child also eligible under one of these programs or should submit an income application for the other children.

Households notified of their children's eligibility must contact the determining official or school if it chooses to decline the free meal benefits. If households/children are not notified by the district/school of their free meal benefits and they receive benefits under Assistance Programs or under Other Source Categorically Eligible Programs, the parent/guardian should contact the determining official or their school.

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6	42,341	3,529	1,765	1,629	815	6	60,255	5,022	2,511	2,318	1,159
7	47,749	3,980	1,990	1,837	919	7	67,951	5,663	2,832	2,614	1,307
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agency or court, are categorically eligible for free meals. A foster parent does not have to complete a free/reduced meal application if they can submit a copy of the legal document or legal court order showing that the child is a foster child. Additionally, a foster child may be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits. If the foster family is not eligible for free or reduced-price meal benefits, it does not prevent a foster child from receiving free meal benefits. Note however, that a foster child's free eligibility does not automatically extend to all students in the household.

Application forms for all other households require a statement of total household income, household size and names of all household members. The last four digits of the social security number of an adult household member must be included or a statement that the household member does not have one. The adult household member must also sign the application certifying that the information provided is correct.

Under the provisions of the policy for determining eligibility for free and reduced-price meals, the

Gina M. Prisco, Principal – (203) 389-2195/gprisco@woodbridgeps.org will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the determining official, he/she may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis.

If he/she wishes to make a formal appeal, a request either orally or in writing, may be made to: Dr. Guy Stella, 40 Beecher Road, Woodbridge, CT 06525 – (203) 389-2195 for a hearing to appeal the decision. The policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure. Each school and the central office of the school district has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by an interested party.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if household size changes at any time, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for reduced-price meals, free meals, or free milk, if the family income falls at or below the levels shown in the Income Guidelines.

Questions regarding the application process may be directed to the determining official at (203) 389-2195.

LAURALTON HALL FOURTH QUARTER HONOR ROLL

Principal Cynthia Gallant of The Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall has announced the Honor Roll for the Fourth Quarter of the 2014 – 2015 school year. High Honors students have achieved an average of at least 92 in all academic courses; Honors students have an average of at least 86 in all academic courses. The following Woodbridge residents have been named to the Honor Roll:

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Honors: Grade 11: Meghan Hill

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Table with 2 columns: Upcoming Issue Deadline, Upcoming Issue Dates. Rows include September 11th (Autumn Issue), October 2nd (Columbus Day Issue), and October 23rd (Election Issue).

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

FROM OUR READERS

Celebrate Labor Day Responsibly

The arrival of Labor Day weekend is a time to relax, take a trip, and toast to the end of summer, or all three. Many adults will choose to celebrate the holiday with alcohol, so it's important to remember the importance of designating a driver or skipper before festivities begin.

As the local Anheuser-Busch distributor, Dichello Distributors is committed to helping adults celebrate responsibly. These are our roads and we all have a shared responsibility to keep them safe. However you get home this Labor Day weekend, please designate a driver.

Tony Lota
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Republican Selectmen Respond to Scalettar Letter

First Selectman Scalettar's recent letter to the editor entitled "Republicans Continue to Misinform" (Woodbridge Town News, July 31, 2015) demands a response.

Ms. Scalettar claims Republicans continue to misinform the residents of Woodbridge, and she essentially tells Woodbridge residents to believe her and be wary of what Republicans say. It is clear that Ms. Scalettar dislikes challenges to her positions and authority. It is equally clear that, at the same time she accuses others of distorting the facts, she uses her position of power to obfuscate facts for political advantage.

Let's review her letter. There can be no doubt Moody's Aaa rating is great for Woodbridge. Upon close examination, however, it is not without substantive challenges. We need to be very careful in managing these challenges, one of which is future debt and the other the

ownership of the CCW. The national budget and audit awards are likewise a great achievement. But, let's be honest - and transparent. These awards were presented for the style in which we present our budget, not for our fiscal management - another fact conveniently obfuscated by Ms. Scalettar. Although it's easy for her to say and have you believe, the Republican BOS members did not conduct themselves as Ms. Scalettar claims related to the commissioner appointment process. The process we proposed is sound - unless one would rather perpetuate cronyism and forego a non-partisan approach and the best interests of the Town. Further, the Republican BOS members did not go along with the "time-honored" process. To the contrary, the record of the meeting will demonstrate that we promoted a different and summary process to install the Democrat nominated candidates knowing full well that no Republican endorsed candidate would earn a seat.

Unlike Ms. Scalettar, we believe our appointment process requires change irrespective of which party has controlling votes. The current process is not designed to appoint the most qualified person to any particular position to advance the best interests of the Town...it is designed to merely foster partisan, crony politics for the controlling political party. Ms. Scalettar writes that one-third of the nominees were supported by both parties. That is true...and a good thing for Woodbridge. However, she neglected to disclose (1) that those commissioners were incumbents with proven track records, and (2) not one person "nominated" by the Republicans was even put to a vote, much less installed as a commissioner.

Ms. Scalettar speciously accuses the Republican BOS members of adopting a meeting boycott as a tactical ploy if we

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WOODBIDGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP



BARRETTA APPOINTED TO SERVE AS AMITY HIGH ASST. PRINCIPAL

The Amity Regional School District NO.5 Board of Education has appointed Frank Barretta as the Assistant Principal of the Blue Ribbon Award Winning Amity Regional High School. Mr. Barretta is currently serving as the Amity Regional High School Mathematics Department Chairman, and has been a proud and accomplished member of the High School family since 2000.

Mr. Barretta was selected from a pool of more than eighty well-qualified candidates through a process that relied on input and feedback from students, parents, teachers, staff members, and administrators. "Frank clearly impressed the interview committee and administration with his professional, reflective demeanor and his insightful consideration on how to move Amity Regional High School to greater heights," stated Dr. Charles Dumais, Superintendent of the Amity Regional School District. Ms. Anna Mahon, Principal of Amity Regional High School, added that she "is thrilled to welcome Frank Barretta as the newest member of the Amity Regional High School Administrative Team. I have worked with Frank for the past fifteen years and have been consistently impressed by his pedagogy, his focus on students, and his approach to

educational leadership."

Mr. Barretta has been employed by the Amity District since 2000 when he began as a member of the Mathematics Department at Amity Regional High School. In 2010, he assumed the role of Mathematics Department Chairman. Frank is a graduate of The University of New Haven, having earned a BS in Computer Science and an MBA with a concentration in Finance. He completed his secondary mathematics teaching credentials at Southern Connecticut State University and his administrative credentials at The University of Bridgeport.

"I'm very excited to become a part of the administrative team at Amity Regional High School. I've been a member of this district for fifteen years and am very proud of the achievements of all its students, faculty, and staff," commented Mr. Barretta. "I'm thrilled to be able to move forward in my career within such an outstanding school district. I look forward to working with the school's new principal and the Bethany, Orange, and Woodbridge communities as we foster continued success at Amity."

Mr. Barretta began his role as Amity Regional High School Assistant Principal beginning August 17, 2015.



AMITY TO RETURN MOST OF ITS SURPLUS TO TOWNS

By Bettina Thiel - Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

The Amity school district had \$1.2 million left over at the end of the 2014-15 school year, and plans to return more than 80% of it to its member towns. The million-dollar pot will be divided among the three towns as follows: Bethany, \$220,000; Orange \$521,000; and Woodbridge \$317,000, based on the number of students enrolled from each town. These dollar numbers are approximates at this point, as the annual audit has not been concluded, according to district Supt. Dr. Charles Dumais. "It seems like a large number," he said in a phone conversation, "but the fact is in six of the last nine years we've had surpluses of the same size," at approximately 3% of the whole budget.

The Board of Education at its August 10th meeting, voted to use the smaller portion of the surplus to fund a heat exchange unit in conjunction with the planned fuel cell at the high school. The unit will convert exhaust heat from the fuel cell to heat the building and water. The board, after lengthy discussion, committed \$256,000 of the surplus for the heat exchanger (in addition to the \$150,000 already earmarked for that purpose). It also voted to transfer \$150,000 to next year's budget, as it has done in previous years.

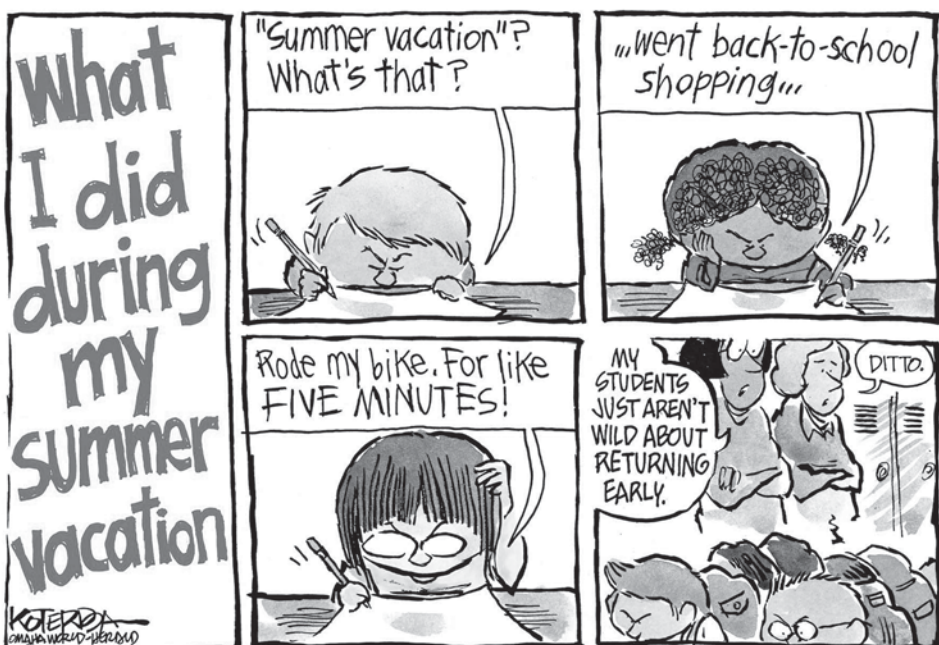
Board members committed the district to return any left-over money from the heat exchanger project - including any potential grant money - to the towns immediately, as a second give-back, rather than wait for next year's closing of the books.

Dr. Dumais said he was also committed to end the practice of forwarding surplus monies from one budget year to the next. The district has been doing this for several budget cycles now to keep tax increases down. However, it also leads to a certain dependence on those funds, Dr. Dumais said. This year's transfer of \$150,000 to the 2015-16 school year budget is only half of what has been transferred in the past. The plan is to eliminate the transfer when budgeting for 2016-17.

Why the surplus: The 2014-15 savings that led to the surplus stemmed from three budget areas, mainly unanticipated savings in special education costs, also savings in staffing, and savings in electricity, water and other efficiencies. In fact, the district was awarded a CQIA award for innovative practices in efficiencies, which the superintendent announced at the August board meeting, and earned a round of applause for the district business office and its director, Jack Levine and administrator Terry Lumas.

Special education costs are always a moving target for school districts, as school officials are trying to estimate the educational needs of the following year's students. In this particular school year, the district managed to provide services to students in house, students who otherwise would have been out-placed in a specialized environment.

As for staffing, some unanticipated turn-over and long-term absences led to additional budget savings.



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TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

FOOD FOR THE HUMAN SERVICES FOOD CLOSET

“The Human Services Food Closet is in need of non-perishable food due to an 130% increase in the number of households receiving emergency food,” stated Mary Ellen LaRocca, Director of Human Services. This past year, the number of households receiving food assistance more than doubled to 46 households in addition to an increase in the number of individuals and families who receive holiday food baskets. Woodbridge Human Services is seeking donations for the Food Pantry to help our families in need.

Current Foods Needed:

Liquids: Boxed Milk (Parmalat, Horizon, e.g.), Juices, Cooking Oil, Evaporated Milk.

Dry Goods: Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup, Cereal, Oatmeal, Granola Bars, Crackers, Cookies, Tea Bags, Juice mixes, and Gravy mixes.

Canned Goods: Stew, Chili, Pasta, Tomatoes, Tomato Sauce, Spaghetti Sauce, Gravy, Canned Vegetables,

Potatoes, Ground Coffee, Frosting, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Tuna Fish, Canned Chicken/Beef/ Fish.

Personal Hygiene Items: Toothpaste, Tooth Brushes, Shampoo, Bar Soap, Feminine Hygiene items, Shaving Cream, Individual Toilet Tissue, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Diapers, etc.

Our inventory is extremely low and your generosity will be much appreciated! Together we can make a difference!

The Food Pantry is also in need of gift cards to Stop and Shop, Walmart, and other local businesses. Food donations can be left at Woodbridge Human Services, Room 14 at the Center Building, 4 Meetinghouse Lane. Human Services Food Closet also welcomes monetary donations to be used to purchase perishable items such as dairy products, meats, fruit and vegetables. Checks can be made out to Woodbridge Human Services. Call 203-389-3429 for more information.

TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE RECEIVES AWARD FOR AUDIT

The Town of Woodbridge recently received a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting (CAFR) from the national Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). This Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

The award was presented to the Town’s Administrative Officer and Finance Director Tony Genovese for the Town’s financial audit. This is the Town’s 19th time earning the award.

The GFOA’s CAFR program is designed to encourage and assist state and local governments to go beyond the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles. The program emphasizes comprehensive annual financial reports that evidence the spirit of transparency and

full disclosure and then recognizes individual governments that succeed in achieving that goal.

Earlier this year Woodbridge also received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from GFOA. Only a small percentage of Connecticut towns earn both awards. “The Town of Woodbridge regularly receives both of these awards that recognize the outstanding work of the Town’s Finance Department and the volunteer Board of Finance,” said First Selectman Ellen Scalettar.

“These awards, coupled with Moody’s recent confirmation of the Town’s Aaa bond rating, affirm that the Town’s Finance Department and Board of Finance are doing an excellent job of managing the Town’s finances and reporting on those finances,” said Board of Finance Chair Matthew Giglietti.

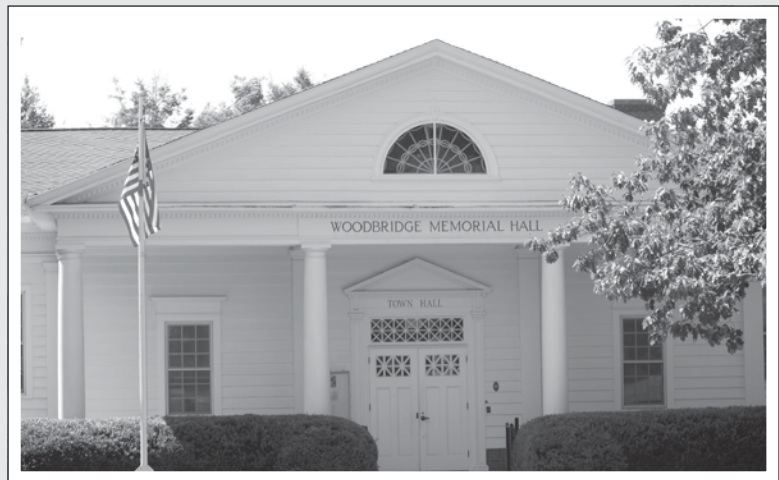
The Finance Department is currently preparing the 2014-15 audit for publication and submission.



As part of the Woodbridge Land Trust’s mission to work cooperatively in its conservation and preservation efforts, Land Trust board members Bryan Pines and Chuck Pyne helped register participants and guided traffic safety throughout the Regional Water Authority’s facility for the Hazardous Waste Disposal and Recycling Services’ Woodbridge Day.

TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2015

(Subject to Change, Check with Town Clerk’s Office, 203-389-3422)



Town Hall

9/1	Police Commission	6:00pm	Woodbridge Police Dept
9/8	Town Plan & Zoning Commission	7:30pm	Town Hall
9/9	Board of Selectmen	6:00pm	Town Hall
9/10	Economic Development Comm.	7:00pm	Town Hall
9/14	Library Commission	6:00pm	Library
	Fire Commission	6:00pm	Fire Station
	Human Services	7:00pm	The Center
	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30pm	Town Hall
9/16	Inland/Wetlands Agency	7:30pm	Town Hall
9/17	Board of Finance	6:00pm	Town Hall
	Conservation Commission	7:30pm	Town Hall
9/21	Zoning Board of Appeals	7:30pm	Town Hall
9/28	Country Club of Woodbridge Comm.	6:00pm	Town Hall
	Recreation Commission	7:00pm	Beecher School South
9/29	GATV Commission	7:15pm	Town Hall



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disagree with an item on the agenda, insinuating a course of conduct. There is no basis for this charge. She continues on to claim that we have abrogated our sworn duty to town residents. We think it appropriate to defer to the opinion of Woodbridge residents as to whether or not we have acted contrary to our fiduciary duty to act in the best interests of all the residents of Woodbridge.

After a narrow victory in May, it appears that Ms. Scalettar feels the need to campaign now for 2017. We suggest Woodbridge would be better served if she commits to governing with transparency; honesty and integrity as there are many real challenges in Town that need her undivided attention and leadership.

*Maria Cruz Kayne, Member of the BOS
Tony Anastasio, Member of the BOS
Joe Dey, Member of the BOS*

Wick Calls for Bipartisanship Spirit of Cooperation & Respect

How interesting that my previous letter to the editor – a call for consensus building and bipartisanship on the evenly divided Woodbridge Board of Selectmen – has provoked such a tantrum from Board of Finance chairman Matt Giglietti. It is only because he has the basic facts so muddled that I need to respond.

Giglietti asserts that the Republican Selectmen protested the First Selectman's tiebreaking vote. False. The Selectmen never objected to the additional vote permitted by Town charter. The protest was over the process in which all of the board and commission positions are filled by the other party before any of the Republican Party nominees could even be voted on. To me this seems undemocratic and treats the Republican nominees as second class citizens. The only justification offered for this process is "that's the way we've always done it." Whether this has occurred in the past is irrelevant.

Past practice is not a good reason to perpetuate a flawed process that treats nominees unequally.

Giglietti then falsely accuses the Republican Selectmen of violating the town charter, which is quite a serious accusation. Yet he does not cite any specific charter provision he thinks has been violated. Of course, he cannot do so because there is no violation. He then accuses me of not understanding how our government works. On the contrary, it is Mr. Giglietti who seems confused about how the government works. I was well aware that if new appointments were delayed, the current officeholders would remain in office and there would be no disruption in town operations. I was surprised that the Scalettar administration was ignorant of this provision.

I am delighted by Mr. Giglietti's invitation to offer my alternative approach. If I was faced with more than half of my board colleagues raising objections about an important matter, rather than dismiss their concerns I would negotiate with them to arrive at a bipartisan, mutually agreeable solution. In this case such an agreement would not have been difficult or time-consuming to achieve and a boycott could easily have been avoided. But if for some reason I arrived at a meeting and found no quorum present, since I am familiar with parliamentary procedure, I certainly would not have gone ahead and conducted invalid votes. I also would not have attempted to justify these invalid votes by asserting that "quorum requirements don't apply" to this type of meeting (ridiculous), nor would I have threatened my colleagues with financial penalties (offensive). Further, I would have a Town Attorney who would know that these actions were improper.

Traditionally in Woodbridge, if you go back further than the last decade or so, a certain courtesy was observed between the two parties. I would like to revive that bipartisan spirit of cooperation and respect for one another that used to govern our town. Woodbridge citizens deserve nothing less.

Cathy Wick



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HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH RESUMES WEEKLY SERVICES

Orange Congregational Church will resume its regular weekly worship schedule for the fall on Sunday, September 6th with an 8:00 a.m. service in the Chapel and a 10:00 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. Our children's programming Bible Literacy Adventure Stations (B.L.A.S.T) will begin for the church year on Sunday, September 13 and run during the 10:00 a.m. service. This year's theme is Women in the Bible. Senior and Bell Choir rehearsals will begin again starting Thursday, September 10th, and on Sunday, September 13th the Junior Choir will also have regular rehearsal. Sunday, September 13th will be our Welcome Back Sunday.



Congregational Church

Children may bring their backpacks in for a blessing, Confirmants will have their first orientation, and the Generosity Team will coordinate a potluck. Please join us as our church community begins an exciting new season! Orange Congregational Church - 205 Meeting House Lane, Orange, CT 06477, 203-795-9749.

OR SHALOM TO FEATURE OPEN COMMUNITY YIZKOR

Congregation Or Shalom, the only Conservative synagogue in Orange, is offering all non-members an opportunity to come to a free community-wide Yizkor Memorial Service on Yom Kippur Day (September 23) at 4:00 PM. This service, which will last under an hour, is open to the public without any membership obligation. The Service will be led by the synagogue's Ritual Committee Chair, Robert Spaulding and his wife Tova Clayman.

Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus, the synagogue's spiritual leader, noted that this is an opportunity for Or Shalom to help fill a void among non-affiliated Jews in



Congregation Or Shalom

and around the Orange community. "Everyone should have the opportunity to come say Yizkor for their departed relatives and we hope they will come and take advantage of this opportunity," Wainhaus said.

Congregation Or Shalom is located at 205 Old Grassy Hill Road in Orange.

ORANGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH POT LUCK LUNCH PICNIC

The Orange Congregational Church, annual "Welcome, Pot Luck Lunch Picnic", will be held at the Church on the Green, 205 Meeting House Lane, Sunday, September 13th at 11:15 a.m.

This is a great time, to greet old friends and meet new.

It will be a good time to hear of forthcoming events spiritual, cultural and fun!



Congregational Church

All are welcome. For further information, call 203-795-9749.

SHABBAT UNDER THE STARS & FAMILY BBQ AT TEMPLE EMANUEL

Come welcome Shabbat under the stars at Temple Emanuel of Greater New Haven on Friday, September 11. The evening begins at 4:30 with entertainment for kids of all ages. At 5:30 we will have a barbecue including hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers, salads and more. Rabbi Michael Farbman will lead a Kabbalat Shabbat service starting at 6:30 on the lawn outside the sanctuary. The highlight of the evening will be the ribbon cutting for our new addition, signifying the official opening of our One Campus project.

Bring a comfortable chair or blanket, and don't forget the bug spray! Following the service, please join us for our traditional tasty TE oneg in our social hall.



Temple Emanuel

Not a member of TE? Come check us out. There is no charge for this event, but please let us know if you plan to attend.

Temple Emanuel is located at 150 Derby Avenue (Rt. 34) in Orange. For more information about this and other services and events at Temple Emanuel, please go to www.temple-emanuel-gnh.org or call the TE office at 203-397-3000.

TRINITY CHURCH SUMMER SUNDAY SERVICES

You're invited to Trinity Church! Summer Sunday Worship Service - 9:30AM. New Fall schedule begins on Sunday, September 13 - Sunday School

for all ages at 9:10AM and Worship Service at 10:30AM. 33 Center Road, Woodbridge. Visit www.trinityefc.com or call 203-387-4711 x.10 to learn more.

CHABAD OF ORANGE/ WOODBRIDGE HOLIDAY CALENDAR

Chabad of Orange/Woodbridge, 261 Derby Avenue, Orange, announces its holiday schedule. Non-members are invited to attend. All are welcome. For additional information, please call 203-795-5261.

ROSH HASHANAH

Sunday, September 13, 2015
Evening Services: 6:30 pm

Monday, September 14, 2015

Morning Services: 9:00 am
Shofar Sounding: 11:15 am
Tashlich Service: 2:00 pm
Evening Services: 7:30 pm

Tuesday, September 15, 2015

Morning Services: 9:00 am
Shofar Sounding: 11:15 am
Holiday Ends at 7:44 pm

SHABBAT SHUVA

Friday, September 18, 2015
Evening Services: 6:30 pm

Saturday, September 19, 2015

Morning Services: 10:00 am
Shabbat Ends at 7:37 pm

YOM KIPPUR

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

Fast Begins at 6:36 pm
Kol Nidre Services: 6:30 pm

Wednesday, September 23, 2015

Morning Services: 9:00 am
Yizkor Memorial Service: 11:30 am
Mincha/Neilah Service: 5:00 pm
Fast Ends at 7:11 pm
Followed by a Community Break Fast

SHABBAT

Friday, September 25, 2015

Evening Services: 6:30 pm

Saturday, September 26, 2015

Morning Services: 10:00 am
Shabbat Ends at 7:25 pm

SUKKOT

For help in building a Sukkah or to purchase a Lulav and Etrog set, please call 203-795-5261.

Monday, September 28, 2015

Morning Services: 10:00 am

Tuesday, September 29, 2015

Morning Services: 10:00 am
Holiday Ends at 7:20 pm



THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

Thus says the Lord God,
"Woe to the foolish prophets
who are following their own spirit
and have seen nothing.
O Israel, your prophets have been
like foxes among ruins."

Ezekiel 13:4



HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

EXPLORE FAITH TOGETHER AT CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Do you want to teach your children about God, but don't quite know where to start? Last fall Christ Episcopal Church in Bethany embarked on a new way to help families grow in faith through their new Children's Chapel, which supports parents in teaching their children about faith and spirituality. Rather than segregating children into separate Sunday School classes while parents go to church, families are invited to come to church and grow in faith together.

The worship space of the church has a few special child-friendly spaces for kids where kids can feel at home during the service. And when it is sermon time, children from age 5 through 5th grade are welcome to go over to the library for Children's Chapel, which is an age appropriate exploration of the day's readings along with songs and prayers. Because Children's Chapel is based on Sunday lectionary reading, families all explore the same Scripture each week, giving them the opportunity to talk together later about what they heard that morning. Last year, many of the parents went over to the library and attended and enjoyed Children's Chapel right along with their children. After Children's Chapel, the whole inter-generational community gathers back together again to share in communion.

Following the service, the parish enjoys time together with snacks and conversation. Children are welcome to

enjoy this fellowship, play with their friends or pull out the ping pong table or play bean bag toss.

Families report that taking part in the Christ Church community has provided support, friendship and new meaning in their lives. Children and parents alike have had the chance to learn about faith while sharing in worship, making friends, and discovering how God is calling us to make a real difference in our hurting world. The Episcopal tradition is a place where ancient traditions nourish modern lives. We have deep, deep roots, but our spiritual faith is not set in stone.

Children's Chapel begins on September 13 this year (the Sunday after Labor Day) and takes place weekly at the 10:30 service. Until then, the Kid's Summer Chapel is still taking place each week during our 9:30 summer worship time. All kids are welcome to hear a story and play during the sermon and quiet prayers in church.

Christ Church is located at 526 Amity Road in Bethany - right near the blinking light in historic Bethany center. During the summer, our Sunday worship is at 9:30am. On September 13 we begin our fall schedule with services at both 8:30am and 10:30am each Sunday. For more information, visit www.christchurchbethany.org or feel free to contact the Rev Elsa Worth at 203-393-3399 if you'd like to talk it over.

TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM OFFERS SELICHOT SERVICES

Temple Beth Sholom, 1809 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, will be conducting its Selichot services on Saturday, September 5th, in preparation for the observance of the upcoming High Holy Days. Join us for a discussion of "The Creation of the World: What do Jews Believe?" starting at 9:00PM, followed

by refreshments. Services will begin at 11:00 PM. All are welcome. For more information, contact the Temple office at (203) 288-7748.

Temple Beth Sholom is a conservative egalitarian synagogue with over 400 member families and singles from the Greater New Haven community.

NEW RECTOR FOR THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Church of the Good Shepherd is excited to announce that The Rev. Diana Rogers recently accepted our call to serve as Priest-in-Charge. "I am very happy and excited to be called to the Church of the Good Shepherd here in Orange, and to join this Episcopal community of committed and welcoming Christians. Our mission is to participate at God's direction in the healing of the world: to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, advocate for the poor and oppressed, and inspire the hopeless through thoughtful, loving worship and service," expressed The Rev. Diana at one of her first services in early August.

The Rev. Rogers was born in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania and holds degrees from the Metropolitan State University in Saint Paul, Minnesota in Non-Profit Management and The General Seminary in New York City. Before graduating from seminary in 2008, Diana worked in a variety of management positions in the corporate world, including retail. Upon taking a job with the Bishop of Minnesota as the Director of Vocations in 2002, she recognized her calling and entered discernment for the priesthood. While in Minnesota, The Rev. Diana served as Interim Director at Christ Church (Austin, MN); Priest in Residence for young adults at St. Paul's on the Hill; and facilitator for Prepare Enrich in the Twin Cities area. Most recently, Diana served as Rector for Church of Epiphany in Durham, Conn. Diana is



Church of the Good Shepherd

a skilled facilitator, with a unique skill set in guiding groups in vision, mission statements and goal setting.

"All persons are welcome at Good Shepherd. Come and join us for services on Sunday or at any of our many activities throughout the week including our Wednesday morning bingo and free lunch at Shepherd's Table, monthly healing services and prayer shawl knitters group, active youth ministry with monthly service projects, vibrant music program with choir and band, men's club, book club and Bible study. Our busy autumn calendar can be accessed through our website", invites The Rev. Diana.

The Church of the Good Shepherd is located on 680 Racebrook Road, Orange, Connecticut. Our worship service with Holy Eucharist, lively music, adult sermon and children's conversation, followed by a lemonade gathering, begins every Sunday at 9 a.m. For more information, please call the Parish Office @ (203) 795-6577, email us @ thegoodspheherd@optonline.net, visit our website @ www.thegoodshepherdorangect.org, and of course, check our Facebook page for frequent postings.

HIGH HOLY DAYS AT TEMPLE EMANUEL

The High Holy Days are a time of joy and reflection at Temple Emanuel. The schedule of services and related activities for 2015/5776 is as follows:

Sunday, September 13 - 8pm Erev Rosh Hashanah ; Oneg after the service

Monday, September 14 - 9:45am Rosh Hashanah Children's Service (in the School)*; **10am** Rosh Hashanah 1st Day Service (in the Sanctuary); Kiddush after the service, followed by Tashlich

Tuesday, September 15 10am Rosh Hashanah 2nd Day Service

Tuesday, September 22 8pm Kol Nidrei/Erev Yom Kippur Service

Wednesday, September 23 9:45am Yom Kippur Children's Service (in the School)*; **10am** Yom Kippur Morning Service (in the Sanctuary); Adult Study Session with Rabbi Steve Steinberg to follow; **4:30pm** Mincha/Yom Kippur Afternoon Service; **6pm** Yizkor/Memorial Service; Neilah/Concluding Service; Havdalah Service; Break Fast to follow



Temple Emanuel

Sunday, September 27 9:30am Come build the TE Sukkah!; **6:45pm** Erev Sukkot Service

Sunday, October 4 6:30pm Erev Simchat Torah/Consecration Service

*Children's High Holy Day Services are intended for children in grades preK-4. Younger children are welcome to attend if accompanied by an adult. Reservations are necessary.

All members of the Greater New Haven Jewish community are welcome to attend our services and celebrations. Please contact the TE office at 203-397-3000 for details and to purchase guest tickets. Temple Emanuel is located at 150 Derby Avenue in Orange.

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FROM THE FIRST SELECTMAN'S DESK

By Ellen Scalettar



The beginning of the school year symbolizes promise and new beginnings. It is an exciting time for our children who return to school with enthusiasm and anticipation for the learning and challenges that lie ahead. It is a reminder, too, of our shared commitment to education and support for our outstanding schools.

As First Selectman I have focused on educational excellence – at both the Woodbridge and Amity School Districts – as our most important investment. Of course, the investment is first and foremost for the sake of our children, but it also is a driver of economic development and the prosperity of our Town. I am frequently reminded by school administrators, realtors and new residents how important our schools are to young families who choose to raise their children here.

The most visible example at this time of our support for education is, of course, the Beecher Road School renovation project. This month students, teachers and staff will return to a school that is safer, more energy efficient and more beautiful (and equipped with new air conditioning!). Additionally, the school community, including parents, will enjoy the newly paved driveway, sidewalks and parking area at the Beecher South area.

This \$13.4 million renovation project and the \$500,000 paving project are the result of the strong working relationship that I have made a priority between the Town and its key partners: Beecher Road School's administration and Board of Education, and the volunteer Beecher Road School Building Committee, as well as our important collaboration with the State Department of Education and our State Senators Crisco and Slossberg and Representative Klarides.

Other Town partners stepped up to

the plate to help as well. We are grateful to Amity Regional High School and our neighbors Ezra Academy and Our Lady of Assumption Church for providing classroom space for the Beecher summer programs during the school renovation project.

Turning our attention to Amity, two recent graduates are making national news! One of the two first-ever women to pass the grueling Army Ranger test is an Amity Regional High School graduate. And an Amity graduate just signed a contract to play major league baseball with the New York Mets. Please join me in congratulating Army Capt. Kristen Griest, of Orange, and Woodbridge resident Vinny Siena for these major accomplishments! They join so many of our graduates who go on to extraordinary careers.

Our schools, staff and students frequently win well-deserved awards and accolades. Our students score well above average on standardized tests, and our staff are recognized for providing exemplary service. Beecher Road School students are among the top achievers in the state, with the vast majority scoring "goal" and "advanced" on state tests. This spring Amity Middle School-Bethany was ranked as the 11th best middle school in Connecticut. Recently, Amity Regional High School teachers were ranked number 9 out of 100 Connecticut high schools. And, of course, Amity has been named a Blue Ribbon School, a national distinction of excellence.

While this is just a small snapshot of the top-notch teaching, learning and extra-curricular activities going on in our schools, it underscores the impact of our investment in education. And this is another example of all that we have to be grateful for and positive about in our small town.

AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION...

Don't Let Your Guard Down!

As we enter September and the end of summer looms, don't think that the mosquitoes and ticks have called it "quits" for the season. In fact, both are still quite active and will be until the first sustained frost (3 days or more.) The health district has had numerous cases of Lyme disease reported this past summer. In addition, the threat of West Nile Virus (WNV) continues to exist, although there have been no human cases reported to date.

As most people know, mosquitoes have been associated with the transmission of West Nile Virus. This virus infects and kills wild birds. It can also infect humans through the bite of a mosquito. While the number of cases of WNV in humans in CT has been low over the past several years, two thirds of the diagnosed cases have required hospitalization.

It is important that you continue to protect yourself against WNV and Lyme Disease until the weather turns cold and we have frost. There are simple actions to prevent becoming infected by WNV. These actions are simple to take, and have been demonstrated (through scientific studies) to provide great protection. WNV is 100% preventable.

#1. Use an insect repellent. Not only will this protect you from mosquito bites, but it will also decrease the chance of a tick bite. Caution should be used when applying repellents, especially on children. Read the directions for use on the product label. (They are there for a reason!) Apply to clothing rather than skin when possible. Do not use any of them on damaged skin. Do not apply to face area or hands. Wash off when you return indoors.

#2. Reduce mosquito populations from your yard. Since any

water-holding container can become a breeding ground for mosquitoes, you should eliminate sources around your home that collect water. Mosquitos need very little water and very little time to breed. Breeding grounds can include something as small as the dish under a plant to larger collection sources, such as a birdbath, pool covers or clogged roof gutters. Any standing source of un-aerated water (water without movement) can breed a lot of mosquitoes. Actions you can take to eliminate mosquito breeding grounds include: Repair leaky pipes and outside dripping faucets; Change water in birdbaths frequently; Change water in pet's dish and chicken coops daily; Empty children's pool daily; Clean clogged roof gutters; Fill in holes in trees with sand or mortar; Stock ornamental ponds with mosquito-eating fish; and drain flower pot/plant dishes two times per week. For stagnant water that can't be drained, there are products you can buy that help reduce mosquito populations. They are called mosquito dunks and are available in most hardware stores.

#3 In addition to using insect repellents to prevent tick bites, daily body checks and prompt tick removal are critical to preventing disease. You don't have to be hiking in the woods to have a tick "hop on" your body.

For more information on West Nile, visit www.cdc.gov/westnile. For information on ticks, visit www.cdc.gov/ticks. Quinnipiack Valley Health District residents (Bethany, Hamden, North Haven and Woodbridge) without internet access can request an informational packet on West Nile, repellents and Tick-borne illness by calling 203 248-4528 or request via email, dculligan@qvhd.org This column was authored by V. Deborah Culligan, MPH.

WHOOPING COUGH IS IN OUR COMMUNITY!

Whooping Cough illness is real. There have been several recent cases in Quinnipiack Valley Health District (QVHD) residents. It is very important to protect infants from this disease as they are not fully immunized until they are a year old. Whooping cough in an infant is frightening and can have devastating results. Don't wait until the baby is born! If you are expecting a new arrival in your family, get vaccinated now. As you protect the baby, you will also be protecting yourself against not only whooping cough (pertussis) but also diphtheria and tetanus. QVHD offers the pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine (in the form of Tdap-tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) to parents,

grandparents, aunts, uncles, babysitters and other caregivers or contacts of newborns and infants 12 months and younger. If you are over age 18 and have never had a Tdap vaccine, (a combined booster immunization containing tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis protection) you are eligible to receive this vaccine.

A \$10.00 administration fee is requested. No one will be turned away for lack of ability to pay this fee. The next clinics will be held on June 17th, August 12, and September 15 from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. Call QVHD, 203 248-4528 for an appointment. (An appointment is not required but is suggested. Walk-ins are welcome.)

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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY ACCEPTING BOOK DONATIONS

Starting in September, the Friends of the Woodbridge Library will be accepting gently used books, CDs, and DVDs. Please stop by the library anytime during open hours: Monday-Thursday from 10am-8pm or Friday and Saturday (Saturdays starting September 12) from 10am-5pm to drop off your donations.

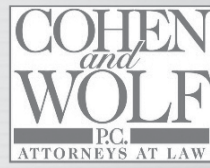
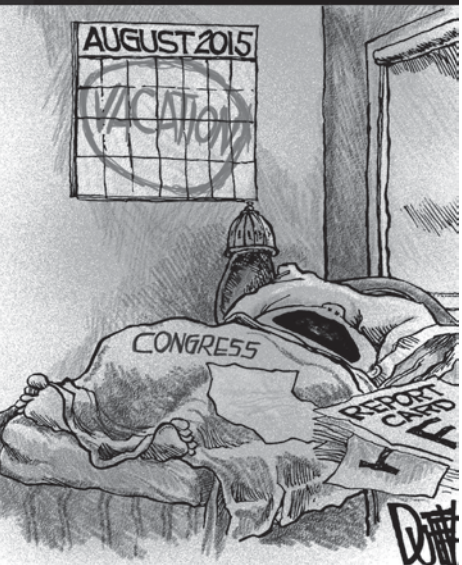
When choosing what to donate, please keep the following in mind. The Friends will accept fiction and nonfiction books in good condition for adults, children, and teens. It cannot accept textbooks, magazines, encyclopedias,

Readers Almanacs, or National Geographic magazines. Materials donated should not have writing, torn pages, underlining, or highlighting in them. Please do not donate books with yellowed pages, odor, or mildew. The Friends are also looking for gently used CDs and DVDs. We are not accepting VHS, cassette tapes, or vinyl records.

The Friends of the Woodbridge Library are always looking for volunteers (adults and teens in grade 9 and up) to help out. Please contact Marisa Von Beeden at 203-650-3640 to get involved.

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ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAIR

Our 22nd Annual Holiday Fair will be held Saturday, November 7th at the center and is always a great event. This year's fair promises to be the best ever and we need you to be a part of it! Do you like to bake, create needlework, help in the kitchen, help sort tag sale items? We welcome new volunteers who can give just a few hours of their time. If you would like to volunteer in any way, please call Lee Canning at the senior center, 203-389-3430.

This year's fair will feature hand-crafted items, new and slightly used costume jewelry, cookies, cakes, bread, pies and a great tag sale table. The Take A Chance Auction and the Silent Auction tables will be back again this year. Tag sale items can be dropped off at the center beginning in September. We cannot accept clothing, stuffed animals or baby equipment. We gratefully accept donations that can be sold in our tag sale table.

SPANISH LANGUAGE CLASSES

If you would like to study Spanish, we will be offering another 8 week SPANISH language class starting September 18th at 10:00 a.m. The cost of the class is \$40.00 and will be taught by a highly qualified teacher who is also a native speaker of the language. This is a very popular class so please call 203-389-3430 to register or for more information.

CURRENT PROGRAMS

Monday, September 7 Senior Center will be closed in observance of LABOR DAY

Tuesday, September 8

"Miller Melodies" a group of 20 seniors who like to sing old songs and show tunes from the 1920s thru 1960s will be here to entertain us.

Tuesday, September 15 Tony Forto - Vocalist, will entertain

Wednesday, September 16 "The Art of Grilling"

Friday, September 18 Glen Englander, Tennis Pro is offering a complimentary tennis lesson today.

Monday, September 21 A.A.R.P. Driver safety class 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 22 Ed Cowern, Batteries Plus Bulbs

Tuesday, September 29 Sal Anastasio, Pianist, will be here to play background music while you are dining.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

Tuesday, October 6 Bob Mel, vocalist will entertain

Monday, October 12 COLUMBUS DAY - CLOSED

Tuesday October 13 Lyme Disease awareness, symptoms and other tick borne illnesses will be discussed.

Tuesday, October 20 Easy Accessible

Solutions - Aging in Place. Chris Frombach, Occupational Therapist will speak
Tuesday, October 20 Flu Clinic/BP Clinic 11:00 - 12:30

Tuesday, October 27 Larry Batter - Vocalist / Pianist

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Wednesday, September 9 \$119.00 SCHOONER SAILING ON THE THOMAS E. LANNON

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Tuesday, October 27 \$114.00 SALEM IN OCTOBER Salem, Massachusetts

Thursday, November 12 \$99.00 "SHOWBOAT" at the Westchester Broadway Theatre

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BOOK CLUB

On Tuesday, September 22 at 11:00 a.m., the book club will meet at the Woodbridge Library Meeting Room to discuss "THE NIGHTINGALE" by KRISTIN HANNAH. Refreshments will be served. Call Lee at 203-389-3430 for more information.

PINOCHLE PLAYERS

If you like to play Pinochle, our friendly group always welcomes new players. It meets on Monday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's from 1:00 to 4:00. If you are interested in playing Pinochle, please call the Senior Center at 203-389-3430.

ZUMBA GOLD CLASS

The class runs weekly at 9:00 am on Friday's and will meet in the cafeteria. All are welcome! Cost for the 6 week class is \$30.00. Payment is due when you register. Zumba Gold was designed for the active older adult, the true beginner, and/or people who are not use to exercising, or people who may be limited physically. It is done at a low intensity. Zumba Gold classes strive to improve our balance, strength, flexibility and most importantly, the heart. To register, call 203-389-3430.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

V.N.A. COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS ARE HELD ON THE 1st & 3rd TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH. A Registered Nurse is available to check your blood pressure, pulse and weight; assess your health and work with you to set goals. The Nurse can also review your medications and help you to create a medication list, as well as discuss how to prepare for an appointment with your doctor.

FINDING HELP FOR SENIORS LIVING AT HOME

The Agency on Aging of South Central Connecticut (AASCC) has a new service entity, Care Network Link, to help seniors and caregivers find help to live in their own homes as long as possible. The website address is www.CareNetworkLink.org. "The main value of our website is that we have credentialed all the providers before allowing them into our network" explains Ted Surh, President and CEO of the Agency, "you can rest assured that these companies are properly insured, have up-to-date certifications and licenses, and have met our standards of excellence."

The website offers a wide range of services: live-in care, home delivered meals, emergency response systems (such as fall buttons), in-home hearing evaluations, home modifications (including wheelchair ramps, stair glides, bathroom grab bars, etc), professional organizing, personal care assistants, companions, homemakers, in-home hair stylists and other services to help those who want to remain in the comfort of their own home and be able to enjoy that lifestyle.

Membership to Care Network Link is free and members are entitled to

discounts from the providers in the network. There are many other resources available to help. For example, the Caregiver Corner features many helpful articles related to caring for aging individuals and how to be an effective caregiver. For those who may need help deciding which services are appropriate, there are Care Advising services available for a fee. Care Advising is available over the phone or for in-home visits.

Another value is that the provider search is tailored to the town you specify and displays a very manageable list of choices vs. internet searches which can bring up hundreds of unknown providers. It is strongly recommended to research providers before letting them into your home, yet most people don't know what questions to ask. When seniors are going through transitions, having a short list of credentialed providers makes the selection process much simpler and less stressful. Care Network Link does the homework so you can rest assured that the service providers in the network are quality-centered businesses with well-trained and trustworthy employees.

SENIOR CENTER TO HOLD ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAIR

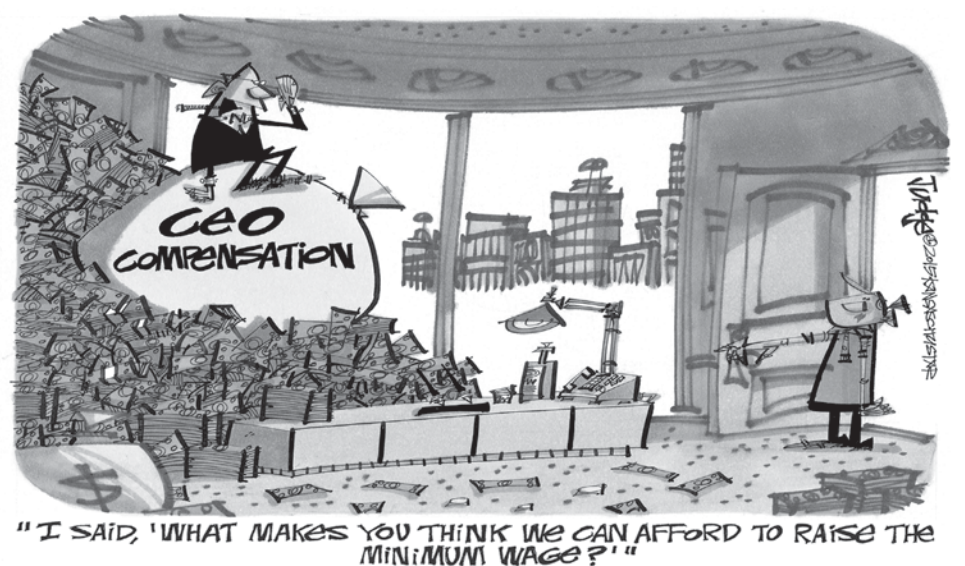
The Woodbridge Senior Center 22nd Annual Holiday Fair will be held on Saturday, November 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This year's Fair promises to be the best ever; however, volunteers and donations are needed to make it successful.

Hand-crafted items, new costume jewelry, cookies, bread, pies, fudge and a great tag sale table will be featured. Items for the tag sale table such as linens, videos, CDs, DVDs, electronics, holiday items, dishes, china, housewares, knickknacks, home décor, and jewelry in good or slightly used condition are needed and can be dropped

off at the Woodbridge Senior Center, 4 Meetinghouse Lane between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30p.m. Monday thru Friday during the months of September and October. Also, this year they are accepting donations of collectables which will be new to the fair.

Donations of gift certificates, gifts, services etc. are also needed for the Take A Chance table and Silent Auction.

Volunteers are needed to bake, create needlework, help in the kitchen, help sort tag sale items and work the day of the fair. To volunteer, please contact Lee Canning at the Senior Center, 203-389-3430.



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Pictured left to right is: Karl Rainey from Public Works, Tony Forto from the Police Department, Elaine Marcucio, Kitchen Supervisor and Bob Hauser from Building Maintenance who cooked a variety of picnic foods for the seniors.

WOODBIDGE SENIOR CENTER ANNUAL PICNIC

The Woodbridge Senior Center recently celebrated its Annual Summer Indoor Picnic on August 4th at the Senior Center.

The event was co-sponsored by the Woodbridge Police Union. Approximately 90 seniors attended the event.

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CHARLES F. BOYLE EVENT A SUCCESS

The Milford Eagles Pop Warner Organization sponsored the first annual Charles F. Boyle Golf Tournament fundraising event on Tuesday June 30, 2015 to rave reviews.

The day started out early with both family and friends pitching in to help at the Registration desk. There were raffle tickets for the baskets and 50/50 tickets. Each participant had an opportunity to buy a mulligan and were given a very full goody bag to take home with them. The day was beautiful and as the foursomes arrived and readied their carts, one could not help but think about Charlie. He would have loved that we were all together in one place and having a good time. Of course the two life-sized cut outs of Charlie helped remind everyone why they were there. Festivities kicked off with a group photo and pictures of each foursome. After pictures and some lunch, golfers were dispatched to their opening holes for the 1pm shotgun start. The two life-size cardboard likenesses of Charlie were included in each of the foursome pictures as well as the group shot.

All three of Charlie's children participated in one way or another at the Tournament. Son Jimmy along with his friends Hayden Hulme and Jake Bombace, manned the "Whack a duck" hole. Charlie's twin girls Hailey and Kari, handed out the Raffle baskets and were responsible for the Mad

Libs made available at each table to be read aloud during the dinner hour. The Woodbridge Country Club was a perfect place for this tournament. They very generously extended the open bar, and provided a smorgasbord of cheese, crackers, and other delicacies. Willies BBQ provided a bountiful amount of pulled chicken, ribs and a few sides including their infamous corn bread. The Country Club provided corn on the cob and mixed greens to balance the menu. Members of the Boyle Family provided assorted cookies and goodies for dessert. The Raffle Baskets generously filled by friends of the family, were large and theme related. One of the largest baskets contained all of Charlie's favorite things. Everyone who bid on the silent auction items, were extremely generous. The valuable items being auctioned included signed baseballs from Mariana Rivera of the Yankees. There were box seats and tickets to a Rangers Game, and of course NY Mets tickets, as the Mets were Charlie's favorite baseball team. The winner of the 50/50 raffle was especially generous by donating the entire amount back to the organization.

Proceeds from this event funded both the Charles F. Boyle yearly Scholarship sponsored by the Milford Pop Warner organization, and the educational Trust Fund for Charlie's three children.

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DINING WITH SUSAN

By Susan Noonan



OSCAR'S BISTRO & BAR

I am pleased to report that Claudio Sanfrancesco, owner of the very popular Jeffrey's Restaurant has opened another restaurant in Milford called "Oscar's Bistro & Bar" named after his business partner Mitch Quinter's grandson.

First of all, I want to mention some of Claudio's background. He was born in Milan, Italy and came to the United States in 1994. He worked at the Monkey Bar in New York City as General Manager accommodating many "A" list celebrities. Claudio moved to Connecticut where he was director of operations for the "Hot Tomato" Group in Hartford. He bought the successful Jeffrey's Restaurant in Milford seven years ago and felt the time was right to open Oscar's Bistro & Bar. Claudio is a true gentleman and the ultimate host with a gift of making every customer feel like they are part of his family.

I grew up in Milford when it was only a small town and over the years it has become a thriving city with many great restaurants. Oscar's Bistro & Bar is located in the former location of Sloppy Jose's Mexican Restaurant in the heart of the Woodmont section of Milford. This centrally located restaurant is just minutes from Milford's beaches and offers passersby the cuisine of a fine restaurant while capturing the comforts of home. The restaurant's completely renovated oak interior reflects the rustic sensibilities of the surrounding area while paying tribute to Milford's storied past including beautiful artwork by many local artists. The family style dining room and cozy bar offer a pleasant and inviting atmosphere.

Oscar's Bistro & Bar is a purveyor of craft beers and modern American cuisine utilizing fresh and local ingredients. Tasty house made potato chips are served to every table. The menu offers APPETIZER choices of crab cakes, baby back ribs, spicy Cajun shrimp, beef sliders, chicken wings, and mussels. SALADS include classic Caesar, Artisan Green, Caprese, Steak & Egg, and BBQ chicken. HAND CRAFTED SANDWICHES include the Oscar Burger, Grilled Chicken Club, Black & Bleu Steak, Mixed Grilled

Vegetable, Surf Village Lobster Salad Roll. ENTREES offered include Fried Chicken & Waffles, Fish & Chips, Salmon in a butter poached parsnip puree & mustard wine sauce, Grilled New York Strip with mash of the day & grilled asparagus, Woodmont Blue Plate Special (house made meatloaf, sloppy loaded potatoes & pan gravy), Pork Chops & Apples (golden graham crusted pork chop, apple gastrique & glazed baby carrots). SWEET TREATS for that finishing touch to your meal include Strawberry Shortcake (angel food cake, local strawberries, coulis & whipped cream), Chocolate Bourbon Mousse (Bourbon Caramel, candied orange peel), Bread Pudding (Crème Anglaise, apple honey sauce), Blueberry Muffin (lemon poppy seed filling, royal icing) Tarte of Santiago (Candied Almonds, nutmeg, sea salt caramel, fresh lemon). Oscar's also offers an extensive and unique Cocktail & "Beer" Cocktail Menu along with a wide range of wine choices by the glass, carafe or bottle. Finally, some of the hand crafted beer choices include Two Roads 2xIPA (IPA brewed in Stratford), Blue Point Summer Ale (blonde ale brewed in Long Island), Stony Creek Dock Time (amber lager brewed in Branford).

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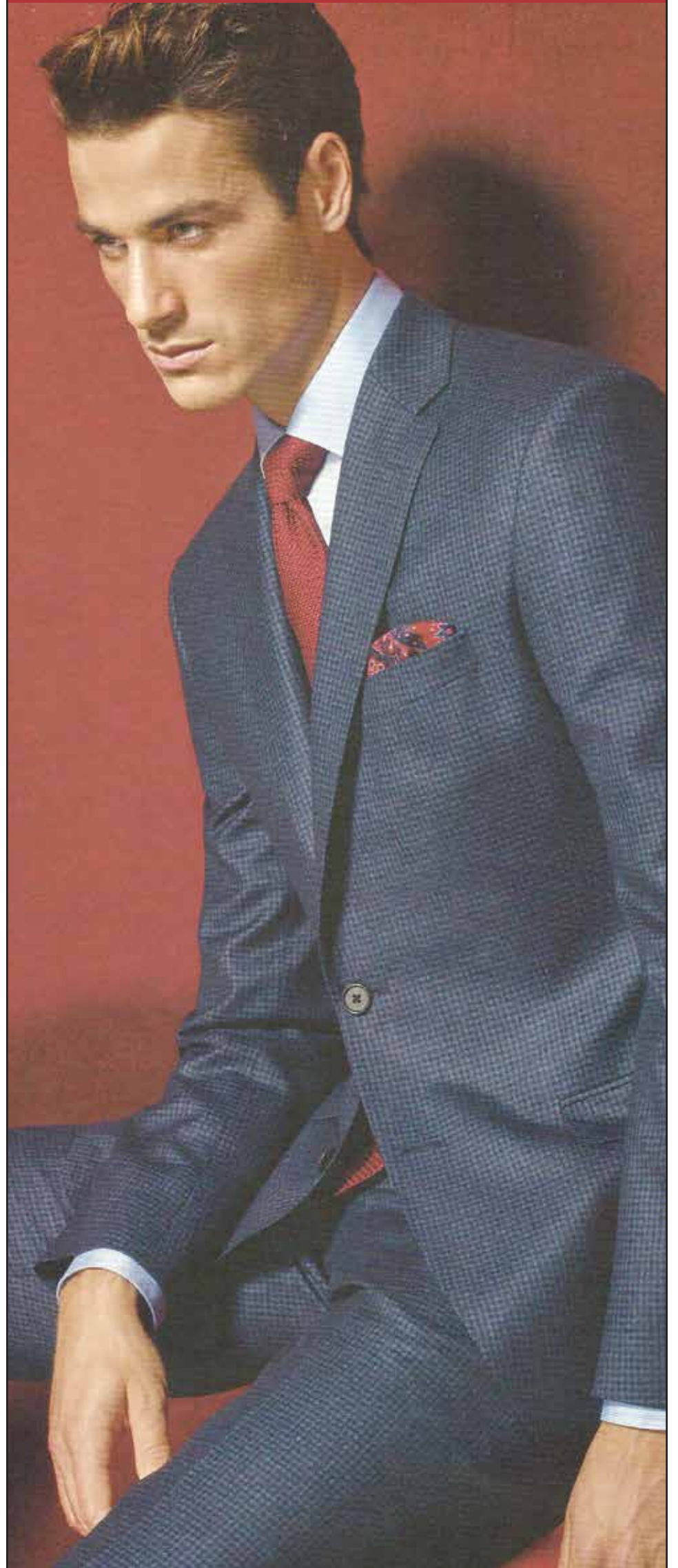
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FINAL NOTES: Make a visit soon to Oscar's Bistro & Bar offering casual dining and great family atmosphere with a touch of class including my favorite cloth napkins. Claudio and his attentive staff will make your dining experience a pleasurable one. Remember to support our local family owned businesses.

If you have a favorite restaurant, e-mail susan@woodbridgetownnews.com.

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**celebrity
extra**
by cindy elavsky

Q: Is it true that **"Twin Peaks"** is coming back on the air? Where and when? Will **David Lynch** be involved?
-- Justin D., via email

A: In order, your answers are: yes, Showtime, hopefully sometime next year, and yes. Showtime's head honcho **David Nevins** spilled the beans recently about the reboot, and one of those beans is that David Lynch will be there to direct season three, which will have at least nine episodes, with some sources reporting as many as 18 episodes.

Nevins revealed at the Television Critics Association panel this summer: "I never had any doubts we were going to get [David Lynch] back. This was a huge priority project to me. It became clear that it was going to take more than nine episodes, which was the originally planned for and budgeted length of the series. I really wanted to get David to direct the whole thing, and he wanted to direct the whole thing. We had to work out the details."

He also teased about whether former series stars will be back (as you'll recall, the series starred **Kyle MacLachlan**, **Lara Flynn Boyle**, **Richard Beymer**, **Sherilyn Fenn** and **Madchen Amick**, and featured a young **David Duchovny**): "You should be optimistic that the people that you want will be there, and there will be some surprises in addition. I'm hoping we make 2016. It's not clear. It's ultimately going to be in their control. They're going to shoot the whole thing and then they'll start posting ... but I'm hoping sooner rather than later."

Q: Can you give me any **"Arrow"** news? -- Kylie F., Baltimore

A: There's lots of casting news for season four, most recently that **Rutina Welsey** of **"True Blood"** and **Parker**



Kyle MacLachlan

Young of **"Suburgatory"** are joining the cast as Liza Warner and Alex Davis, respectively. Liza is a cop and a member of an anti-vigilante task force, while Alex will be a love interest for Thea. And finally, after much teasing throughout season three, we'll finally meet the mysterious Damien Darhk, who'll be played by **Neal McDonough**. Season four of **"Arrow"** premieres Oct. 7 at 8/7c on the CW.

Q: I love **Tommy Dewey**, especially his role of Josh Daniels on **"The Mindy Project."** Can you tell me what else I can see him in? -- Ginger D., via email

A: Coming in October, you can watch Tommy in **Jason Reitman's** latest project called **"Casual,"** which will air exclusively on Hulu. The story centers on divorced mom Valerie (played by **Michaela Watkins**) as she rediscovers herself while living with her brother, Alex (Tommy), and her teenage daughter, Laura (**Tara Lynne Barr**). The dry, sometimes-dark, dysfunctional-family comedy will have a 10-episode first season, with a new episode released each week (not all at once like Netflix tends to do). The series will follow the same approach as Hulu-exclusive series like **"Difficult People"** and the newly acquired **"The Mindy Project."**

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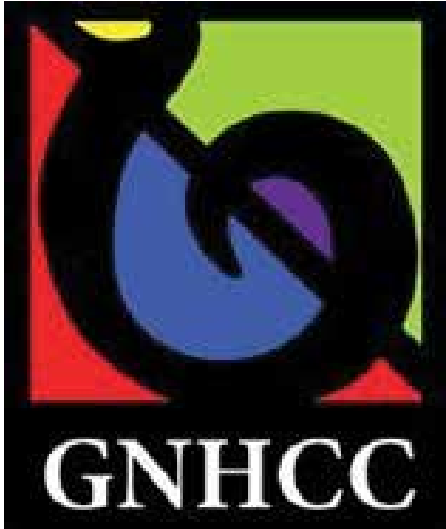
Greater New Haven Community Chorus (GNHCC), a non-auditioned, four part (SATB) chorus is currently inviting singers to join its choral group for the 2015 - 2016 season. The chorus is accepting all voice parts, but currently has a special need for tenors and basses.

GNHCC's December concert, "Holiday Collage" will feature audience favorites: Gloria by Vivaldi; The King Shall Rejoice, one of the Coronation Anthems by Handel; The Twelve Days of Christmas, arranged by Bob Chilcott; and Sleigh Ride by Leroy Anderson, as well as works by Lauridsen, Gawthrop, Olofsson and others. The concert will be held on December 12, 2015 at 8:00 PM in Battell Chapel in New Haven.

Rehearsals for the upcoming season will begin September 3rd and are held every Thursday from 7:00 to 9:15 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, at 704 Whitney Avenue, New Haven. Prospective members are invited to attend three rehearsals as guests before committing to join the chorus. This provides an opportunity to meet the chorus and Artistic Director, Noah Blocker-Glynn, to see if GNHCC provides an appealing atmosphere. Interested singers may visit any rehearsal during the fall enrollment period from September 3 - September 17, 2015. No audition is required for singers who join the chorus during the enrollment period. More information about location, parking, registration,

and repertoire for the upcoming season can be found at www.gnhcc.org.

To fulfill the chorus' mission of achieving the highest possible standard of choral music performed by a non-auditioned chorus, singers must be able to regularly attend and actively participate in weekly rehearsals. An enthusiastic commitment to performance excellence is expected and members are strongly encouraged to share their individual skills and talents with various GNHCC volunteer committees. There



are opportunities to audition for solos and for the GNHCC Chamber Choir, a 30-voice ensemble of singers (selected by audition from the larger, non-auditioned chorus), performing unaccompanied selections and focusing on community outreach.

Greater New Haven Community Chorus consists of approximately 100 voices and draws its membership from throughout the greater New Haven area. GNHCC strives to embrace the wide diversity of the community and is committed to making quality music accessible and approachable for audiences and members alike. Greater New Haven Community Chorus was founded in 1963 as a venture in community singing and continues to perform with pride and distinction.

For more information about GNHCC, please visit www.gnhcc.org or email: info@gnhcc.org.

"SOMEWHAT OFF THE WALL" 2015

Somewhat Off the Wall, a unique art exhibition and party that lets guests choose and take home original works of art, will be held on Saturday, September 12, 2015 from 5-9pm at The Gallery at EleMar, 99-107 Shelton Avenue, New Haven. The evening is part art exhibition, part annual party, and part gallery shopping event.

This year's event features drawings, jewelry, paintings, wood, pottery, and prints by 49 outstanding artists who have each donated three pieces of their work. These works will be on display to the public starting August 31st. At 7pm on the night of the party, numbered premium tickets will be drawn at random. As each premium ticket holders' number is called, he or she will select a piece of original artwork to take home. Each of the 49 participating artists will be given a premium ticket making only 98 premium tickets, at \$100 each, available to the public. An unlimited number of tickets to the party are available for \$45 (these do not include artwork). Also available is a special "30 and under" party ticket for \$35.

Participating Somewhat Off the Wall artists include: Cheryl Albaine, Michael Allison, Cat Balco, Laura Barr, Hayne Bayless, Marion Belanger, Susan Bender, Alexis Brown, Joy Bush, Eileen Carey, Alice Chittenden, Karen Ciocca, Pauline Clifford, Greg

Cochenet, Ted Culotta, Jessica Cuni, Jennifer Davies, Anne Doris-Eisner, Paul Duda, Roxanne Faber Savage, Joan Fitzsimmons, Joyce Greenfield, Larissa Hall, Keith Johnson, Charles Kingsley, Karen Klugman, Mary Lesser, Vanilia Majoros, Barbara Marks, Michael Marsland, Kiara Matos, Irene K. Miller, Christopher Mir, Jay Misencik, David Ottenstein, Liz Pagano, Shanti Rittgers, Ronnie Rysz, Gerald Saladyga, Mark Savoia, Inger Schoelkopf, Harold Shapiro, Alan Shulik, Judy Sirota Rosenthal, Marjorie Sopkin, Thomas Stavovy, Katro Storm, Alison Walsh and Trevor Youngberg.

Please call the Arts Council at (203) 772-2788 or visit www.newhavenarts.org for more information about Somewhat Off the Wall and to purchase tickets.

Somewhat Off the Wall is sponsored by Suzio York Hill, Walter and Martha Maguire, Thomas A. Martin and Harold S. Spitzer, and EleMar New England Marble & Granite with additional support from Affiliated Foot and Ankle Surgeons.

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

HOW TO SAVE ON SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Back to school season can be as expensive for parents as it is exciting for students. Once the initial letdown of the end of summer vacation wears off, many kids are excited to return to school, where they can see their friends, study their favorite subjects and participate in extracurricular activities.

Parents of school-aged youngsters may share in that excitement while also knowing that back to school season can stretch their budgets. One of the ways to salvage those budgets is to save on school supplies. Fortunately, there are several ways parents can do just that.

Be patient. Shopping early can save shoppers money in many instances, but parents may benefit by exercising patience when it comes to buying school supplies for their children. Teachers often give students lists of supplies they will need for each class, and parents who wait to receive such lists can avoid spending money on items their kids won't need. Even if you wait it out, you may be able to get a head start, as some teachers may post supply lists on school websites, while others might email lists to parents before back to school season hits full swing.

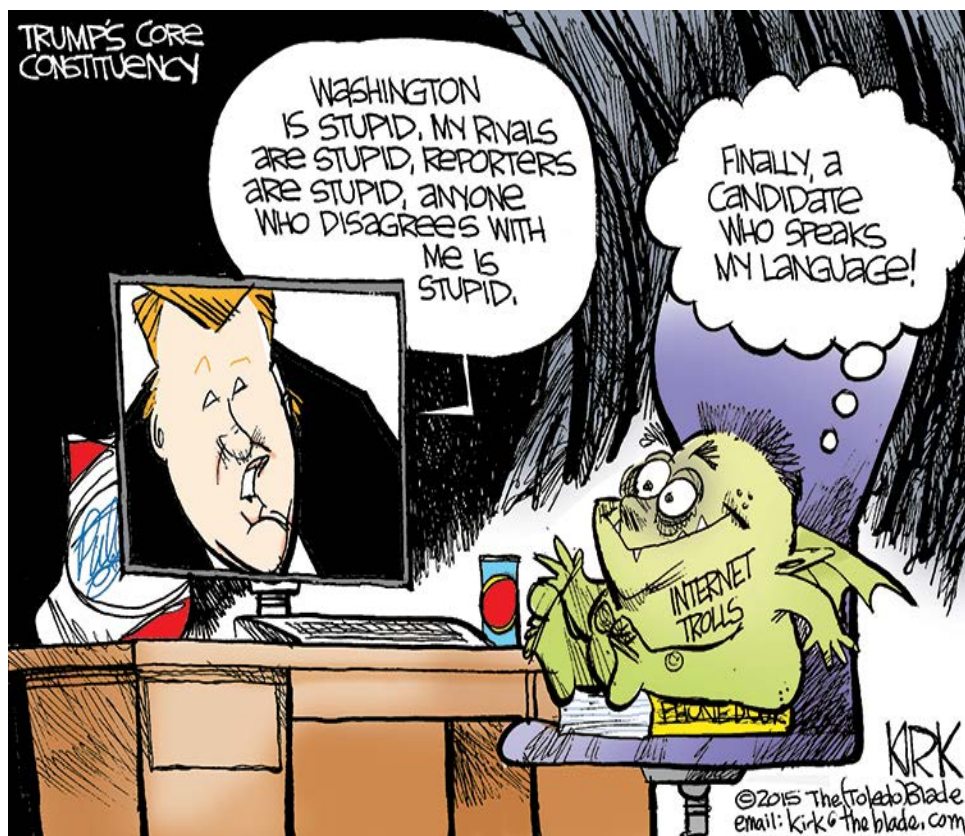
Take inventory. If you have more than one child, chances are you already have lots of school supplies around the house. Dust off kids' backpacks and study areas from last school year to determine which supplies you need to buy and which you already have. Going forward, encourage

kids to store their supplies in a predetermined area once the school year ends, as this will make next year's inventory that much easier to examine and assess.

Spend more now to save later. While inexpensive supplies can be hard to resist, such items likely won't withstand the test of time, forcing you to spend time and money each year buying replacement supplies. Paying more now for certain items, including stronger backpacks and more highly rated calculators, may end up saving you money in the long run, even if the initial pill is somewhat tough to swallow.

Use technology to your advantage. Department stores and businesses that sell school supplies, such as pharmacies and office stores, may or may not discount too many items once back to school season hits full swing. But savvy parents can still find deals by using technology to their advantage when shopping for school supplies. Download apps like RetailMeNot to your smartphone and enable its updates so your phone essentially notifies you of any discounts the moment you walk into a given store. If you don't receive any updates, search for discounts via the app or the Internet as you shop. Chances are strong that there are deals to be had, even if you don't learn of the deals until you arrive at the store.

School supplies can be expensive, but parents can employ several strategies to save on school supplies now and in the future.





Dane with AARF volunteer Cheryl Lipson.

“DOGGIE AND KID DASH” BENEFITS AARF

Dane DeYoung is a 7th grader with a love for animals as well as being an athlete. (Dane enjoys running and rock climbing). He will also be celebrating his Bar Mitzvah in October. What better way to combine his interests than by having a ‘Doggie and Kid Dash’ with the proceeds going to a local rescue group as Dane’s Bar Mitzvah project.

Dane contacted Amity Animal Rescue Fund, (AARF), to enquire about what services the group provided for animals in the community. After several emails, Dane informed AARF that he would be holding a benefit event in the spring and AARF would

be the recipient of the event’s proceeds.

Dane reached out to area businesses and veterinary hospitals for donations for his event. The results were tote bags, tee shirts, dog treats and food....all because a young man cared enough about animals to reach out to the community on their behalf. The Doggie and Kid Dash was a success! Dane recently met with AARF to give them the proceeds from the event.

Being a Bar Mitzvah denotes the time when a boy becomes a man. Dane has shown you don’t have to be a grown up to do good deeds in your community. Thank you Dane, for caring about animals in need.



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WOODBIDGE RESIDENT AWARDED BIC SCHOLARSHIP

Caroline Burkhart, of Woodbridge, is the recipient of a \$3,000 scholarship from BIC Corporation. The scholarships are awarded annually to the children of BIC employees and are based on the students' scholastic achievements, community service and essay response.

Burkhart is studying Theater and English Literature at Sarah Lawrence College and is the daughter of Steven

Burkhart.

BIC Corporation's scholarship program, currently in its 45th year, continues to support future leaders and to help employees' children defray the cost of college and graduate school.

This year, BIC awarded a total of \$130,000 in scholarships to 84 students. Since the program's inception, BIC has awarded more than \$2.4 million in merit scholarships.

JOIN THE ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION & GET 10 FREE TREES

Everyone from Connecticut who joins the Arbor Day Foundation in September will receive 10 free trees as part of the Foundation's Trees for America program. Through Trees for America, everyone is encouraged to plant trees, which benefits the environment and improves quality of life. With nearly 1 million members and supporters, the Arbor Day Foundation is the nation's largest nonprofit organization dedicated to planting trees.

Everyone joining this month will receive an eastern redbud, white pine, sugar maple, white flowering dogwood, pin oak, red maple, river birch, silver maple, northern red oak, and Colorado blue spruce. "This group of trees was carefully selected to yield year-round benefits in Connecticut, including beautiful spring flowers, cool summer shade, spectacular autumn colors, winter berries, and nesting sites for songbirds," said Matt Harris, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation.

"These trees will also add to the proud heritage of Connecticut's 18 Tree City USA communities," Harris continued. "For the past 39 years, Tree City USA has supported effective urban forestry management across Connecticut, and planting these trees will enhance the state's tree-planting tradition."

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between October 15 and December 10. The 6- to 12-inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Easy-to-follow planting instructions are enclosed with each shipment of trees.

New members of the Arbor Day Foundation will also receive The Tree Book, which includes information about tree planting and care. To receive the 10 free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by September 30, 2015, or join online at arborday.org/september.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY TAG SALE

The Amity and Woodbridge Historical Society will host its annual Sylvia's Attic Tag Sale on the grounds of the historic Thomas Darling House at 1907 Litchfield Turnpike in Woodbridge on Saturday October 3, from 8 to 2 PM.

Come find your treasure in the trash or reserve a spot to sell your goods at info@woodbridgehistory.org. The Historical Society is also taking donations of sell-able goods for their spot. Baked goods will be available for purchase.



"STARRY NIGHTS, A QUILT SHOW"

"Starry Nights, A Quilt Show", an exhibit of over 100 beautiful, unique quilts of all ages and styles, including antique pieces from the Civil War period, hosted by the Orange Congregational Church and the Orange Historical Society. There will be an additional historic display. If you have a quilt you would like to show, call 203-464-1994. The exhibit will take place at the

Orange Congregational Church, 205 Meeting House Lane, Orange, CT, Friday September 25th, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m., Saturday September 26th, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Soup, Sandwiches, Dessert and Drinks will be available for purchase. A raffle for a handmade quilt will be held. Admission, \$5.00 per person, \$20.00 maximum per family. For additional information, call 203-795-9749.

Woodbridge Rotary Club recently was visited by Rotary District 7980 Governor Gerry Tom who outlined the Rotary District's goals for the upcoming year. Pictured from left to right is Assistant District Governor Ron Osach, Woodbridge Rotary Club President Robyn Reilly and District Governor Gerry Tom.

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LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP

KATZ NAMED 2016 “LAWYER OF THE YEAR” FOR EMPLOYMENT LAW

Cohen and Wolf, P.C. principal Stuart M. Katz was recently selected as 2016 “Lawyer of the Year” for Employment Law-Individuals in the Stamford, Connecticut metro area by Best Lawyers in America.

Only a single lawyer in each practice area and designated metropolitan area is honored as the “Lawyer of the Year”. These lawyers are selected based on particularly impressive voting averages received during the Best Lawyers peer-review assessments.

In addition to the Lawyer of the Year award, Stuart M. Katz was also listed in the 2016 Best Lawyers in America in the following practice areas: Employment Law (Individuals and Management) and Litigation (Labor and Employment).

Since it was first published in 1983, Best Lawyers has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence.

About Stuart M. Katz

Mr. Katz is chair of Cohen and Wolf’s Litigation Group. He practices primarily in the areas of employment law and business litigation. He represents employees and employers in discrimination, harassment, restrictive covenant, breach of contract, and wage claims. In addition, he has extensive experience in matters involving disputes between owners of closely-held businesses, and in litigating complex business disputes. He practices in both the state and federal courts, often acting as local counsel for out-of-state law firms and companies, and he appears frequently before the Connecticut



Stuart M. Katz

Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, the Department of Labor, and other administrative agencies.

Mr. Katz is listed in The Best Lawyers in America (since 2013) for his work in the areas of Litigation (Labor & Employment) and Employment Law (Individuals & Management). He is included as a leading lawyer in Connecticut in the area of Labor & Employment Law in Chambers USA - America’s Leading Lawyers for Business (since 2008). He was also recognized as one of the Top 10 Connecticut Super Lawyers for 2013 and 2014, and as a “Local Litigation Star” by Benchmark Litigation, the Definitive Guide to America’s Leading Litigation Firms & Attorneys (since 2011).

Mr. Katz lectures on employment law topics and has authored numerous articles in this area and is a Woodbridge resident.

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR SPECIAL CAKES

Soon, Nestor Financial Network will gear up for the new school year to continue its unique program to make sure every child at the Milford Boys and Girls Club receives a homemade birthday cake for their special day. In order to do this, Nestor Financial calls upon its clients to volunteer to bake a cake for a child ages 6 – 12.

Roberta Nestor, owner of Nestor Financial Network, has organized several volunteer opportunities in the past, from Habitat for Humanity to Chemo Caps for Children. In 2014, clients of Nestor Financial made dozens of prosthetic hands (“Helping Hands”) that were sent to small children overseas. “Working with the Boys and Girls Club has given us the opportunity to do something on a local level,” said Mrs.

Nestor.

Over 70 cakes have been made, and by the end of the year, over a 150 different families will be touched by the generosity and time volunteered by the clients of Nestor Financial Network. “Each month we get a list of birthdays along with a little insight as to favorite interest of the child. Our clients have made Oreo cookie cakes, princess cakes, Spiderman, and even the now popular tie dye cakes.”

Clients of Nestor Financial sign up as volunteers and when called upon, Sharon Troy of Nestor Financial sets them up with cake mix, frosting, decorations, a birthday card and a special cake box. “It’s a program we are committed to and we plan on continuing over the years.”

JEWELRY BUSINESS OPENS IN WOODBRIDGE

Two entrepreneurs have opened a retail jewelry store in town, just off the Merritt Parkway, in a deal brokered by Levey Miller Maretz.

Woodbridge Jewelry Exchange has leased the 800-square-foot building at 1663 Litchfield Tpke. The business is owned by Shawn Palmer and Christopher Frazao.

Steve Miller, principal at Levey Miller Maretz, represented the tenants as well as the landlord, KFP Family Limited Partnership.

The site in a high-traffic part of town, just off exit 59 of the Merritt Parkway. It previously was home to Connelly Gold & Diamond Exchange.

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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, 7:30pm, Center Cafeteria. Visitors welcome and urge you to join us. For information, go to www.woodbridgegop.org.

God On Tap, Wednesdays,

5:30-6:30pm, Wheeler’s Restaurant and Taproom, 180 Amity Road, Woodbridge, refreshments with friends & nourishing conversations facilitated by Elsa Worth, priest at Christ Church, Bethany, www.christchurchbethany.org.

Spring Entrepreneur Series, Thursdays, 5:30-8:00pm (PDT), New Haven Free Public Library, 133 Elm Street, New Haven, sponsored by SCORE New Haven (<http://newhaven.score.org/>) and the New Haven Free Public Library to help participants establish a business plan, understand basic financial statements, learn how to build a recognizable brand, and manage technology effectively. Participants will receive a certificate of attendance upon successful completion of the series.

Alzheimer’s Community Caregivers Support Group, 2nd Thursday of the month, 5:00pm, Arden House, Conference Room, 850 Mix Avenue, Hamden. Call Maria Paduano, Program

Director to RSVP or for more information at 203-281-3500, ext. 7669; www.genesishcc.com.

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, Woodbridge Social, 12 Seldon Street, Woodbridge. Anyone interested in learning more about Rotary should contact Anna Dickerson at 203-710-0223 or email annadickerson@yahoo.com.

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).

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@woodbridgedct.org.

You’re invited to Trinity Church! New Fall schedule begins Sunday, September 13 - Sunday School for all ages at 9:10AM and Worship Service at 10:30AM, 33 Center Road, Woodbridge. Visit www.trinityefc.com or call 203-387-4711 x.10 to learn more.

FROM THE YOUTH SERVICES COORDINATOR

By Nancy Pfund



Yo-Yo Guy Performs at Woodbridge Summer Camp

Yo-Yo Guy John Higby delighted campers in July at Woodbridge Recreation Summer Camp as he performed wild stunts with various yo-yos. The Recreation Department and Woodbridge Youth Services sponsored the event.

Babysitter Training Held in Woodbridge

Woodbridge Youth Services held a Red Cross Babysitter Training August 11th and 12th in the Woodbridge Library where students learned basic child care and how to respond to emergency situations. Many of these

students will be joining the Woodbridge Job Bank and may be available for babysitting.

Woodbridge Job Bank Seeks Teens Who Want Work

The Job Bank in Woodbridge offers jobs to teen residents who would like to work to earn some extra cash. The application process offers a chance to learn about the interview process, safety on the job, and how to negotiate pay. Types of jobs may include yard work, babysitting, animal care, house work, and snow shoveling. Call Youth Services to join at 203-389-3429.

Back To School Bash

Bethwood Bash – September 18, 2015- Attention all Woodbridge and Bethany 7th and 8th grade residents: The Back to School Bash will be held on the Woodbridge Town Green (Meetinghouse Lane, near the Gazebo) on Friday, September 18th from 7:00 to 9:30 pm. Inclement weather moves the event indoors to the Center Gymnasium. Have a blast with your friends with Big Daddy’s Auto Racing and Gaming. Hang out, have fun or just chill with friends. The interactive Boppers’ DJ will serve up great music, fun games and contests.

We’ll have pizza and snacks and great raffle prizes. Admission is just \$5.00. Private school students who reside in Bethany and Woodbridge are encouraged to attend. Amity Dress Code applies. No early drop-offs. Prompt pick-up at 9:30 pm, please.

Volunteers needed! The Bethwood

Bash relies on parent volunteers to chaperone at all our events. It’s a chance to meet people and support this important program. Parents, grandparents, college students, high school juniors and seniors please call Woodbridge Youth Services at 203-389-3429 or email youthone@woodbridgedct.org to volunteer. Bethwood Bash Programs are sponsored by Woodbridge Youth Services and the Town of Bethany. Donations are appreciated from individuals and local businesses for program needs and raffle prizes. Please call 203-389-3429 for more information.

Woodbridge Youth Services Offers After-School Programs at Amity Middle School - Bethany Campus

Digital Photography for Teens -with instructor Melanie Stengel

This is a ten-session, introductory class on digital photography for students who want to get the most out of their digital cameras and improve their photographic skills as well as for those more experienced students who want to enhance their skills. The class will be offered Thursdays in the computer lab at the Middle School from 2:25pm-3:55pm. Class will begin October 1st. The late bus is available on Thursdays at 4pm.

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.

Fun Fitness Cooking

Learn how to cook and gain a recipe for lifelong healthy living! This 10-week class will be offered in the Bethany Middle School’s kitchen after school Tuesdays from 2:25-3:55pm. Class will begin October 6th. The late bus is available on Tuesdays at 4pm. Class is limited to 12 participants. Students will receive a notebook with recipes, nutrition and food safety information, a glossary of techniques and terms and an apron. We’ll start with basic skills and techniques and enhance the fundamentals to help develop a lifetime of great cooking and creativity.

A great after school activity! The materials fee of \$100.00 per student must be paid in advance. A discount for siblings and financial assistance may be arranged for qualifying families. For more information or to sign up, please call Youth Services at 203-389-3429.

Parent Support Group

Woodbridge Youth Services invites local parents who struggle with children who are, or may be involved with substance abuse to share experiences and concerns in a confidential setting. The Amity Parent Support Group meets every other Friday morning at 7:45 in Youth Services, Room 12 in the Woodbridge Center Building. Next meeting is September. For more information, please contact Nancy Pfund at Woodbridge Youth Services (203) 389-3429, or e-mail npfund@woodbridgedct.org

FIRST SELECTMAN VISITS NATUROPATH OFFICES

Woodbridge now has three Naturopathic Doctors providing services to residents and patients across the region.

The First Selectman has been visiting local businesses to highlight them as part of the "Shop Woodbridge, Dine Woodbridge, Try Woodbridge" campaign. The visits are designed to create a stronger bond between Town Hall and the Town's business community and to foster economic development in Woodbridge. Additionally, the Town's Economic Development Commission has been inviting new and expanding businesses to its monthly meetings in order to learn about those businesses and why they chose Woodbridge.

"I am so pleased that three NDs have chosen to make Woodbridge their professional home," said First Selectman Ellen Scalettar. "These businesses round out the medical community already well-established in Woodbridge and offer residents a natural alternative when it comes to their health."

Connecticut is one of the few states to offer a license for Naturopathic Physicians, which means they are licensed health-care providers and visits are covered by insurance. The number of NDs in the state has been growing since the University of Bridgeport began offering a degree in naturopathy. Dr. Jennifer Botwick, who practices in Woodbridge, received her ND there in 2003 and now serves as a clinical supervisor at the university.

Instead of prescribing pharmaceuticals, NDs use traditional healing methods combined with prevention strategies. As Dr. Ginger Nash, another Woodbridge ND, puts it, "Our job is to restore the body's inherent ability to rebuild and regenerate".

Until last year Dr. Jennifer Botwick was the only ND in town. Botwick offers acupuncture, reflexology and massage, and she puts an emphasis on nutrition, herbal medicine, chronic pain, mindfulness, and lifestyle counseling. "It's very individualized," she told Scalettar.

One of Botwick's three sons has Down syndrome and Botwick has done a lot of research on the connection between natural medicine, including diet, and the condition. "I love to be a resource for others on the issue. I've done so much research and I can share that with people," she said.

Dr. Botwick's office is in the Woodbridge Professional Office Park at 1 Bradley Road. Dr. Botwick closed her office at a previous location while she was dealing with breast cancer (She's cancer free now!). After resolving her

own health care issue she reopened her practice at a new location. Asked about her cancer treatment, Botwick told Scalettar that she followed a regimen of natural healing and mainstream medicine. "I've had my own health experiences that I can share with patients," she said.

Botwick is a former professional dancer who grew up in Woodbridge. "I never thought I'd have my own business here," she says, "but I love it and I love the business outreach the Town is doing so we can learn about each other and foster community."

Dr. Ginger Nash's office is in Dr. Cofrancesco's space on Amity Road. Like Botwick, Nash is excited that

there are more Naturopathic Physicians in Woodbridge. "The more the merrier! We all know each other and we're all doing slightly different things," she says. For Nash, that means focusing on women's health, hormone imbalance and digestive/gastrointestinal problems. She also frequently treats chronic disease, such as migraines, metabolic issues and allergies.

Both Nash and Botwick say they are not against conventional medicine and they frequently refer patients to specialists. "A Naturopath's goal," Nash says, "is to help people be healthy, not to suppress disease."

Nash received her Doctorate of Naturopathy in Oregon and moved to New Haven in 1999 to start a practice. Shortly after that move she met chiropractor Dr. Cofrancesco and they became fast friends. When he offered her an office space she moved her practice to Woodbridge. Nash has been very happy in Woodbridge, she says, and even receives some walk-in business from curious people who've seen her sign on Amity Road. This fall she plans to bring on an associate to grow her practice.

The third ND in Woodbridge is Dr. Sharon DeKadt, whose office is at 245 Amity Road. Dr. DeKadt received her ND in 1985 and has been practicing naturopathic medicine in New Haven since 1987. Dr. DeKadt is a Woodbridge resident and she moved her practice to Woodbridge in 2014. Dr. DeKadt also has a Physician's Associate degree. She treats general health and fitness, musculo-skeletal conditions, chronic disease, respiratory illnesses, women's health, auto-immune diseases and metabolic syndromes.

"Woodbridge residents are very fortunate to have these three experts in natural health right here in our own backyard," said Scalettar. "This is yet another positive development for Woodbridge."



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TAX DEFERRAL 101

By Roberta L Nestor

A recent retiree expressed her opinions about her retirement income and she said, "Tax deferral was the worst advice I have ever received!" What does she mean? How could tax deferral be so terrible for retirees? Is it better to pay our taxes now or pay later?

Lesson # 1 Tax Brackets

Today we are in a historically low tax bracket environment. It may not seem like it, however, we have had lowered tax brackets since 1986 when the top marginal bracket was 50%. Since then our top tax rates have decreased with a top marginal rate of 39.60%. So, anyone who has worked and since retired between 1986 and 2015 is virtually in the same tax bracket. There are no separate tax tables for retirees, and if you have saved well, chances are you are in the same bracket as when you were working. There is absolutely nothing guaranteed about what tax bracket you will be in during retirement. Withdrawals from tax deferred retirement plans are added to your income.

Lesson #2 Taxation of Social Security Benefits

Retirees didn't always pay taxes on their social security benefits. Taxation of benefits began in 1983 as a result of what is known as the "Greenspan Commission", a committee headed by Alan Greenspan to make recommendations to solve the then short-term social security crisis. When the new law was signed and enacted in 1983, married couples with combined incomes of over \$32,000 were subject to a portion of their social security benefits being taxed. Guess what? The threshold of \$32,000 remains 32 years later. It has never been adjusted or indexed. Virtually all individuals pay or will pay tax on their social security benefits. Withdrawals from tax deferred retirement plans will increase your income.

Lesson #3 Determining Your Medicare Premiums

If you have higher income, the law requires an adjustment to your monthly Medicare Part B (medical insurance) and Medicare prescription drug coverage premiums. Higher-incomes will pay higher premiums for Part B and prescription drug coverage. While the income thresholds for paying this premium are high (individuals with incomes over \$85,000 a year and couples with income over \$170,000 a year), you would have to take into consideration what income could put you into this threshold. For example, a widowed individual with \$60,000 of annual income is now over 70½ and has to take a required distribution from her \$420,000 IRA – that puts her right over

the \$85,000 threshold and will increase her Medicare premiums.

Lesson #4 Withdrawing from Tax Deferred retirement plans

Based on the three lessons above, you now know that having a higher income will potentially affect taxation of your social security benefits and maybe your Medicare premiums. Then you also have to consider how much you withdraw from your tax deferred accounts. Taking large lump sum distributions could push you into a higher bracket. Currently our brackets jump from 15% to the next level of 25%. You could decide not to take withdrawals, except that the government forces you to do that at age 70½. Tax deferral over 30 or 40 years takes its toll when it comes to taking your required minimum distributions. For example, a \$500,000 401k balance at age 75 would force you to take out \$21,800 which will be added to your income.

Lesson #5 ROTH 401ks

When you defer taxes for 30 or 40 years, you have an unknown tax liability. Wouldn't it be easier to pay your taxes now, while you are working instead of when you are retired and on a fixed income? ROTH 401k plans became available in 2006. Employees now have a choice of contribution after-tax dollars for their retirement or the traditional pre-tax contributions. If that same 70½ year old had a \$500,000 ROTH 401k, there would be no required minimum distribution at any age. There would be no additional income to declare that could affect your social security or Medicare premiums. And even better, ROTH money will pass tax-free to your beneficiaries.

There are many lessons to learn about saving for retirement and you should sit down with your financial advisor and tax professional to see what makes the most sense for you in the long run.

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

WOODBIDGE LIBRARY

Reminder: The library will be closed on Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day. Our Saturday hours will begin again on Saturday, September 12 from 10am -5pm.

Adult Events

The Best Backyard Bash Cooking Demonstration with Robin Glowa

Tuesday, September 1 @ 7pm

Join The Conscious Cook for a spectacular end of summer celebration! "The Best Backyard Bash" will feature recipes using delicious local produce such as juicy tomatoes, sweet corn and other delectable ingredients that you'll love to serve at your Labor Day picnics and cookouts. Space is limited; please register at the Circulation Desk, online, or by phone at 203-389-3433.

An Evening with Dr. Siegfried Kra

Tuesday, September 8 @ 7pm

Come and hear local author Dr. Siegfried Kra talk about his book *The Collected Stories from a Doctors' Notebook*. Having been a cardiologist for over 50 years, Dr. Kra uses storytelling to connect medicine with the human condition. Hear stories from post-war France and Switzerland to modern private cardiology practice and the teaching hospitals at Yale, as Kra diagnoses rare diseases, falls in love, and even survives a plane crash on a frozen lake. Please register at the Circulation Desk, online, or by phone at 203-389-3433.

Farmers' Market

Wednesday, September 2,
16, and 30 from 4-7 pm

September 2: Critter Caravan will be at the Market @ 4:30pm. Get up close and personal with critters in this special traveling exotic mammal and reptile show!

September 16: The Stamford Museum and Nature Center will be here @ 4:30pm to present its Incredible Edible Insect program. Learn about the types of insects that are edible, why people eat bugs, how they can be beneficial, and those who want to can even try some edible insects!

September 30: Join the Jewish Community Center of Greater New Haven @ 4:30pm for a story time and apple craft. They will be reading *A Tree is Nice* by Janice May Udry.

Adult Coloring Art Therapy

Drop-in all through September

Did you know that a simple way to relieve stress is by coloring? Coloring stimulates both the left and right sides of the brain to focus your attention away from stressors and help you rejuvenate. Stop by the Circulation Desk and we will provide you with colored pencils and special coloring pages, and channel your day to day stresses into a creative accomplishment!

Film Screenings

Woman in Gold

Thursday, September 3 @ 7PM

Rated PG-13 - 109 minutes. Maria Altmann, an octogenarian Jewish refugee, takes on the Austrian government to recover artwork she believes rightfully belongs to her family. Starring Helen Mirren and Ryan Reynolds.

Age of Adeline

Thursday, September 17 @ 7pm

PG-13 - 112 minutes. A young woman, born at the turn of the 20th century, is rendered ageless after an accident. After many solitary years, she meets a man who complicates the eternal life she has settled into.

Mr. Turner

Thursday, September 24 @ 7pm

Rated R - 144 minutes. An exploration of the last quarter century of the great, if eccentric, British painter J.M.W. Turner's life.

Children's and Teen Events

Please register online for all children's and teen programs at www.woodbridge@lioninc.org.

Critter Caravan

Wednesday, September 2 @ 4:30pm

Get up close and personal with critters in this special traveling exotic mammal and reptile show! Meet chinchillas, rabbits, hedgehogs, lizards, tortoises and guinea pigs. Recommended for ages 3 and up. No registration required. This program will take place outdoors at the Farmers' Market.

PSAT Practice Test

Saturday September 12 @ 11am

Worried about the PSAT? Take a free, proctored practice test with KAPLAN that will mimic the real test day and receive your score with an analysis of your strengths and weaknesses. Space is limited. Please call the library to register at 203-389-3433, register at the Circulation Desk, or register online.

Incredible Edible Insects

Wednesday, September 16 @ 4:30pm

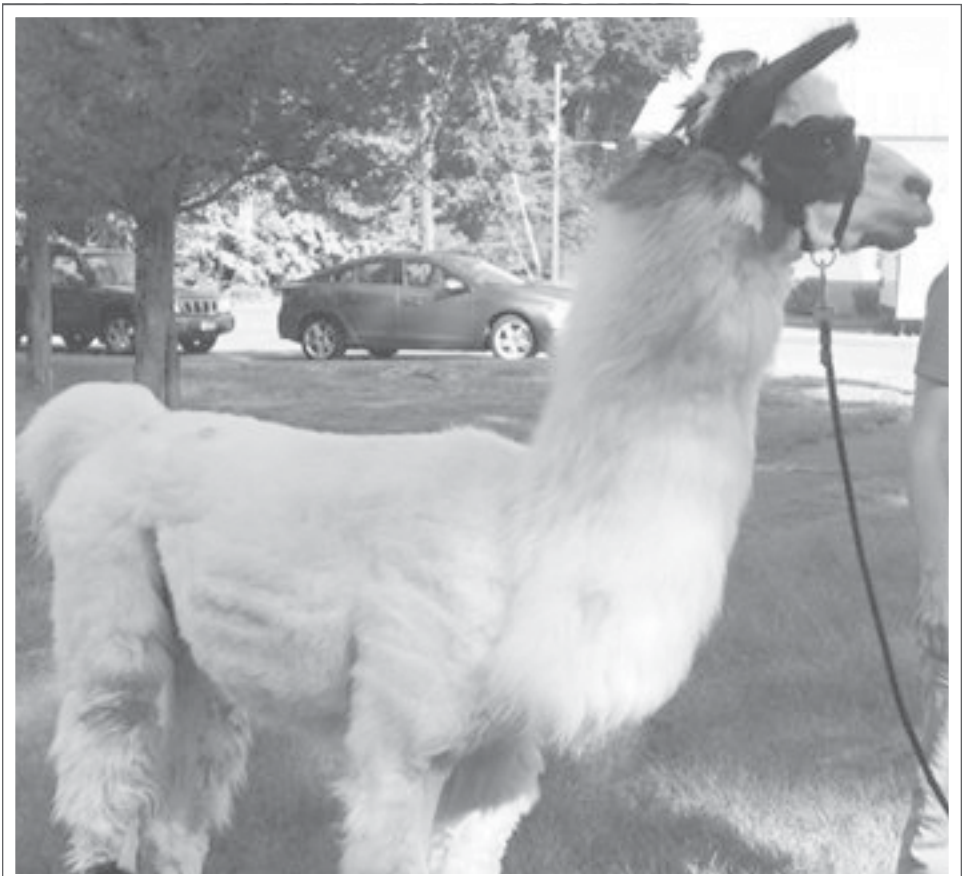
The Stamford Museum and Nature Center will present an interactive program where you will learn about the types of insects that are edible, why people eat bugs, how they can be beneficial. There will be insects available that you can see and touch and those who want can even try eating some edible insects! This program will take place outdoors at the Farmers' Market.

Build with Legos

Saturday, September 19 @
3pm Ages 5 and up

What can you build with Lego's? Join us at the hands-on workshop and find out! Registration required. Please register online.

Eager Readers Book Group



Did you get to meet Theo at the Farmers Market?

Jenna and Laurel met him!

Monday, September 28 @
6:30pm (Grades K - 2)

We will be reading *Raven* this month by Gerald McDermott. Read the book at home and then join us for a discussion and a cool craft! Register at the Children's Desk when you pick up your copy of the book.

Teen Brick Building

Monday, September 21 @ 3:30pm

High school students are invited to join us for a Lego brick building contest, where you can work solo in a team. Drop by for an afterschool snack, construction challenge, and some think tank fun! We will provide the Legos. Please register online.

Tween Time Tube Art

Wednesday, September 30 @ 6:30pm

Join us as we construct using paper towel tubes. We will have all supplies on hand to help you test your engineering skills and let your imagination soar. Students entering grades 4 through grade 12 can participate in the fun! Please register online.

Fall Story Time Schedule

Begins September 8 (No programs on Wednesday, September 23)

All story time programs are drop-in! No registration required. Storycraft for grades K-3,

Tuesdays @ 6:30pm. Join us for a literature based program combining story & craft.

Toddlers & Twos

Wednesdays @ 10:30 am

Rhymes, finger plays, songs and simple stories

Babies up to 12 months

Wednesdays @ 11:30 a.m.

Action songs, rhymes and fun for little ones.

Preschool story & craft for ages 3-5

Saturdays @ 11:00 a.m.

Start your weekend with us and savor some stories!

SEPTEMBER EVENTS AT MASSARO COMMUNITY FARM

September 1, 2:30 -5:30 pm every other Tues & Friday: Open Farm Days in the Learning Garden. Drop in for some planting, weeding, watering, or harvesting in the farm's garden. These informal sessions are open to all and no reservation is needed. Open Farm Days continues throughout the summer until October. Check the farm's website or call us (203) 736-8618 for more information or weather cancellations.

September 6, 5:00-9:00 pm Dinner on the Farm. An annual family-style farm-to-table meal and silent auction to benefit the farm. There will be Hors D'oeuvres, Dinner, Desert, and open bar. Tickets are \$125 per person. To purchase tickets, check out the Farm's website www.massarofarm.org or by sending a check to the farm.

September 19, 9:00am and again at 11:00am - Beekeeping Part V: Winter Prep. This workshop - the fifth and final in our seasonal series - will walk through on closing up the hives at the apiary. Instruction on how to prevent mouse damage, apply appropriate hive ventilation and last-minute feeding techniques. RSVP strongly suggested;

space limited to 20 participants each session. Suggested donation \$10/pp. Register at eventbrite.com.

September 21st, - November 16*, Mondays 3:30-5:30pm (transportation to the farm is provided; parents must pick students up at the farm); Ages 7-12; \$110 for residents; \$120 non residents. Please mail checks made payable to Woodbridge Rec., 11 Meetinghouse Lane Woodbridge, CT 06525. Questions, call 203-389-3446.

*No program on 10/12
The farm is accepting bookings now for educational field trips on the farm through November. Curriculum based programs this fall will be geared towards 6th graders, but all grades are welcome, and can cover numerous topics on farming, biodiversity, life cycle, soils, bees & pollination, and more. Generally \$6/student, however, we take groups on a sliding scale. Call the farm office to schedule your group or trip today, 203-736-8618.

All events take place at Massaro Community Farm, 41 Ford Road, Woodbridge. If you have any questions, go to www.massarofarm.org or call (203)-736-8618.



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WOODBIDGE RECREATION FALL PROGRAMS 2015

RECREATION OFFICE OPEN:
MONDAY – FRIDAY 8:00AM – 4:00PM
Phone: 203-389-3446

MONDAY

BOWLING – Grades K-6 **AMITY BOWLING CENTER** SEP. 21 - NOV. 16

Busing to Amity Bowling will be provided and is included in the cost. Cost also includes the rental of bowling shoes. *Food may be purchased @ refreshment stand at additional cost.* TIMES: 3:30 Leave for bowling and 5:15 pick up at Amity Bowling Center **BY PARENTS**

FEES: \$100.00 Residents \$110.00 Non-Residents

TENNIS – Grades k-6 3:30-4:30pm SEP 21- NOV. 2 \$105 Residents \$115 Non-Res. **Beecher North Tennis Courts.** Pickup is required at 4:30.

TAEKWONDO – Grades K-6 **WORLD CHAMPION TAEKWONDO AMITY RD** SEP 21 - NOV 16 \$186.00

Busing to 152 Amity Rd. will be provided and is included in the cost. 3:30 Leave for Taekwondo and pick up between 4:30 - 5:00 at World Champion Taekwondo at 152 Amity Rd **BY PARENTS**

RUNNING CLUB – FITZGERALD TRAILS MON, WED, & FRI 7:15AM-8:15AM SEP.16 – NOV. 6

Bus Transportation provided to Beecher Rd School at the end of each morning. \$85.00

KIDS DIG FARMS @MASSARO COMMUNITY FARM AGES 7-12 3:30 -5:30pm SEP 21 THRU NOV. 16

Busing to 41 Ford Rd. will be provided and is included in the cost. 3:30 Leave for Massaro Farm and pick up at 5:30 at Massaro Farm at 41 Ford Rd **BY PARENTS** \$110 residents \$120

Non-Residents

KUMON-math.reading.success – Grades K-6 SEP 21 thru NOV. 16 after school math & reading program

Busing to 152 Amity Rd. will be provided and is included in the cost. 3:30 Leave for Kumon and pick up between 4:30 - 5:00 at Kumon of Woodbridge at 152 Amity Rd **BY PARENTS** \$280 **No Program October 12**

TUESDAY

BASKETBALL – Grades K-2 **BEECHER SOUTH GYM** SEP.15- NOV.17

TIMES: 3:30 to 5:00 pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents

LITTLE SCIENTISTS K-5 3:30-4:15 **ROTUNDA** SEP 15 – NOV. 17 \$148

No Program October 13 & November 3

WEDNESDAY

FLAG FOOTBALL – Grades K-6 **BEECHER SOUTH FIELD** SEP.16 - NOV 11

TIMES: 3:30 to 5:00pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents

CHESS – Grades 1-6 SEP 30 – NOV. 18 **REC DEPT OFFICE** \$70 TIME: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

TAEKWONDO – Grades K-6 **WORLD CHAMPION TAEKWONDO AMITY RD** SEP 16 - NOV 11 \$186.00

Busing to 152 Amity Rd. will be provided and is included in the cost. 3:30 Leave for Taekwondo and pick up between 4:30 - 5:00 at World Champion Taekwondo at 152 Amity Rd **BY PARENTS**

No Program September 23

THURSDAY

BASKETBALL – Grades 3-6

BEECHER SOUTH GYM SEP.17 - NOV.12
TIMES: 3:30 to 5:00pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING GRADES 3-6 **REC DEPT OFFICE** SEP.17 – NOV. 12
TIMES 3:30-4:30pm FEES \$194

MOVENASTICS – Grades K- 6 **BEECHER SOUTH ASSEMBLY** SEP. 17 – NOV. 12

TIMES: 3:30 to 4:30pm FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents
No Program October 15

FRIDAY

STICKBALL – Grades 3-6 **BEECHER NORTH TENNIS COURTS** SEP. 18 - NOV.13

TIMES: 3:30 to 5:00pm LIMITED ENROLLMENT: MAX 36 FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents

BRICKS4KIDZ Grades K-6 **BEECHER SO. ASSEMBLY** SEP 18 – NOV. 6 3:30-4:30 \$150

SATURDAY

BASKETBALL CENTER GYM
DATES: SEP. 19 – NOV. 14 If you do Tues. or Thurs. basketball

GRADES K-3 TIME: 9:00 to 10:00am
Sat. basketball is only \$20.00 for full session

GRADES 4-8 TIME 10:15am to12:00 NOON

FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Resident **No Program Oct.3**

GYMNASTICS –BEECHER SOUTH GYM DATES: SEP. 19 – NOV. 14

Pre-K: 9:00 to 9:30 am
Grades K-1: 9:30 to 10:15 am
Grades 2-6: 10:15 to 11:15 am

FEES: \$85.00 Residents \$95.00 Non-Residents **No Program Oct. 3**

TENNIS – **Center Rd Tennis Courts**

SEP. 19 – OCT 31 (No Program Oct. 10)
Munchkin 9-10am, Beginner/Advanced
10-11am \$105 Residents \$115 Non-Res.

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

The Woodbridge Recreation Dept. will make reasonable accommodations to include all members of our community. Let us know if you require assistance to participate in any of our programs. Website: www.woodbridgect.org

Mail Registration to: Woodbridge Rec. 11 Meetinghouse Lane, Woodbridge, CT 06525

ADULT PROGRAMS

BADMINTON – Wednesday evenings beginning on October 7 thru April 27, 2016 \$80

YOGA – Please call for Monday thru Friday Morning classes, and Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday Evening classes. Center Room 16


ZUMBA – Monday evenings. Call for more information

BELLYDANCING – Thursday evenings. Call for more information

NEW ONLINE REGISTRATION visit : www.woodbridgect.org click on Recreation then Registration Information.

34th ANNUAL WOODBRIDGE ROAD RACE ON OCTOBER 3, 2015

1 MILE FUN RUN: 9:00 AM \$15.00
Fitzgerald Walking Trail
5 K Run & Walk: 10:30 AM \$25.00
Start at Town Library

PANTHERS BASKETBALL

The Panthers organization is a non-profit basketball group for 4th-8th grade boys and girls. We will be traveling throughout the state of Connecticut with many local games. Our goal is to teach the kids the true competitive game of basketball and prepare them for their high school careers. We will be competing in both leagues and tournaments as well as clinics from October through March at various sites.

The tryouts for the 2015/2016 season will be held at High Plains Community Center gym in Orange with the following schedule:

- 7th and 8th grade boys: Wed., Sept 9th from 5-6pm
- 5th through 8th grade girls: Fri., Sept 11th from 3:30-4:30pm
- 4th through 6th grade boys: Fri., Sept 11th from 4:30-5:30pm

Thank you for any consideration you have towards the building of this program and hope to see you at tryouts.

Thank you,
Andy Marchitto Program Director
203-997-6121 Andy.Marchitto@ll-vl.com

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EXEMPTIONS TO BE FILED

Town of Woodbridge


The Woodbridge Assessor's Office reminds you that Veterans who have not filed their honorable discharge papers (DD-214) with the Town Clerk must do so by September 30, 2015.

Veterans with a disability rating from the Veterans Administration are reminded that these papers must be filed in the Assessor's Office by September 30, 2015.

Additionally, Certificates of Legal Blindness and Social Security Disability Certificates should be filed in the Assessor's Office by September 30, 2015.

Farm, Forest and Open Space applications are available in the Assessor's Office and should be filed between September 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

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ENTERTAINMENT

TOP 10 MOVIES

- 1. Straight Outta Compton (R)**
O'Shea Jackson Jr., Corey Hawkins
- 2. Mission Impossible: Rogue Nation (PG-13)**
Tom Cruise, Rebecca Ferguson
- 3. The Man From U.N.C.L.E. (PG-13)**
Henry Cavill, Armie Hammer
- 4. Fantastic Four (PG-13)**
Miles Teller, Kate Mara
- 5. The Gift (R)**
Jason Bateman, Rebecca Hall
- 6. Ant-Man (PG-13)**
Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas
- 7. Vacation (R)**
Ed Helms, Christina Applegate
- 8. Minions (PG)**
animated
- 9. Ricki and the Flash (PG-13)**
Meryl Streep, Kevin Kline
- 10. Trainwreck (R)**
Amy Schumer, Bill Hader

TOP 10 VOD

- 1. The Divergent Series: Insurgent (PG-13)**
Shailene Woodley
- 2. Home (PG)**
animated
- 3. Kingsman: The Secret Service (R)**
Colin Firth
- 4. The Longest Ride (PG-13)**
Scott Eastwood
- 5. Get Hard (R)**
Will Ferrell
- 6. Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2 (PG)**
Kevin James
- 7. Dark Places (R)**
Charlize Theron
- 8. True Story (R)**
James Franco
- 9. The Water Diviner (R)**
Russell Crowe
- 10. Far From the Madding Crowd (PG-13)**
Carey Mulligan



Blake Lively in "The Age of Adaline"
Photo Credit: Diah Pera/Lionsgate

EDITOR'S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column are available in stores the week of Sept. 7, 2015.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

"The Age of Adaline" (PG-13)
-- Adaline Bowman (Blake Lively) survives a strange car accident while driving one night in 1938. A Very Authoritative Narrator tells us that due to some science-magic whatever, Adaline stopped aging, preserving her elegant blond 29-year-old form for all time. Tragic, I know.

After some years, Addy's unaging beauty draws suspicion, so she changes identities every decade to keep her immortality a secret -- she's kinda selfish.

This keeps her from getting too close to anyone, or falling in love, until she falls in love with a guy whose father (Harrison Ford) recognizes her as the lost love of his youth.

The film goes for that dreamy, timeless, starlit moody look, and achieves it across different time periods. It all looks good, but the story feels undercooked. Things limp along at times, and the ending feels a little off-kilter.

"Cyber-Seniors" (PG) -- How do you get a senior citizen from knowing nothing about the computers to deftly hustling Facebook friends to check out their latest Youtube video? Very patiently. That's one lesson in this charming documentary about a group of retirees paired with teen volunteers who teach them how to use the Internet. When one senior posts her own cooking video to YouTube, it starts a contest among the old folks to see who can get the most "hits" online.

While at first, the cluelessness of the old folks is played for laughs, the real focus of the story comes from the new connections made and possibilities opened up. It's not meant to be an instructional film, but it does teach us a lot about the generational gap: It sure is deep, but not too wide to cross.

"Beyond the Mask" (PG) -- An English mercenary, Will (Andrew Cheney), working for the British East India company, gets backstabbed by his employer and reinvents himself as a masked vigilante, seeking revenge against his enemies who have relocated to the American colonies just before the revolution. He teams up with an annoying Benjamin Franklin, who spouts popular Benjamin Franklin sayings because that's how he talked, I guess. Will falls in love with a nice lady (Kara Kilmer) and starts to learn that the key to redemption isn't vengeance, but good faith and Christianity. He still gets his vengeance, though.

- Who wrote and recorded "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry"?
- Name the one big hit by James & Bobby Purify.
- Who were Fred Hellerman, Pete Seeger, Ronnie Gilbert and Lee Hays?
- How did Ernest K-Doe (of "Mother-in-Law" fame) get his name?
- Name the song that contains this lyric: "She had a place in his life. He never made her think twice. As he rises to her apology, anybody else would surely know he's watching her go."



1. Country legend Hank Williams. He wrote the song to be spoken instead of sung, until he discovered it was due to be released. 2. "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry" was written by Fred Hellerman and Lee Hays. It was recorded by Ernest Tubb in 1948. 3. The song "I'm So Lonesome I Could Cry" was written by Fred Hellerman and Lee Hays. It was recorded by Ernest Tubb in 1948. 4. Ernest K-Doe was a stage name used by Ernest K. Downey. He was a comedian and actor. 5. The song "She Had a Place in His Life" was written by James & Bobby Purify. It was recorded by James & Bobby Purify in 1966.

SPORTS QUIZ

By Chris Richcreek

- When was the last time before 2014 that St. Louis Cardinals pitchers combined to record at least 23 shutouts in a season?
- Who has the best career regular-season winning percentage among these three major-league managers: Sparky Anderson, Davey Johnson and Earl Weaver?
- In 2014, running back Todd Gurley set a record at the University of Georgia for most all-purpose yards in a game (293). Whose mark did he break?
- The Spurs' Tim Duncan, Manu Ginobili and Tony Parker set a record in 2014 for most NBA postseason wins of any trio. Who had held the record?
- Name the last team before the Los Angeles Kings in 2015 to miss the NHL playoffs a season after winning the Stanley Cup.
- Who holds the men's soccer record for most appearances as a captain in the World Cup?
- In 2015, Lindsey Vonn set a World Cup skiing record for most career wins (63). Who had held the mark?

1. The Cardinals had 30 shutouts in 1968. 2. Weaver, with a .583 winning percentage in 17 seasons, topped Johnson (.562 in 17 seasons) and Anderson (.545 in 26 seasons). 3. Rodney Hampton had 290 all-purpose yards in a game in 1987. 4. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Michael Cooper and Magic Johnson had 110 playoff wins for the Los Angeles Lakers during the 1980s. 5. The Carolina Hurricanes, in 2007. 6. Diego Maradona, with 16 appearances for Argentina (1986-94). 7. Austria's Annemarie Moser-Pröll, with 62.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

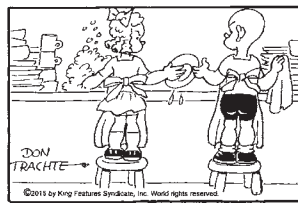
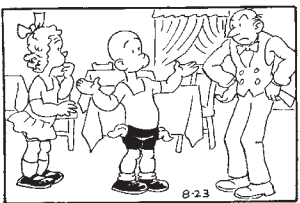
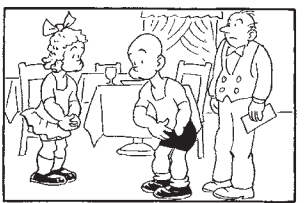
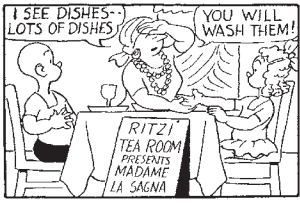
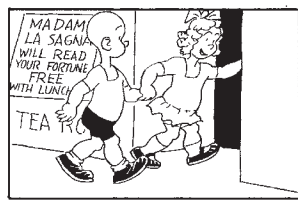
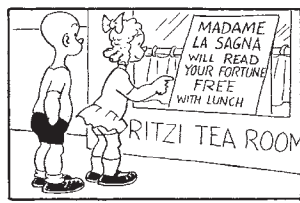
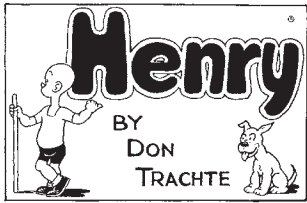
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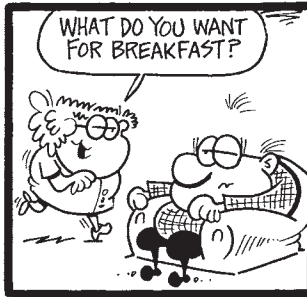
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The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



HOLLYWOOD

By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- Leonardo DiCaprio and Martin Scorsese are together again filming "Devil in the White City," based on Eric Larson's book "Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic and Madness at the Fair that Changed America." Their last effort, "The Wolf of Wall Street," netted Leo a Golden Globe and Oscar nominations for Best Picture, Director and Actor. It cost \$100 million and earned \$392 million. Leo has "The Revenant," with Tom Hardy, arriving in theaters Christmas Day.



Tom Hanks

Director Clint Eastwood's next epic is a bio-pic about Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, the pilot who safely landed his commercial airplane, with 155 people aboard, in the Hudson River in 2009. Tom Hanks will play Captain Sully, but before we see that, he has a big slate of films being released. The historical-biographical thriller "Bridge of Spies," directed by Steven Spielberg, with Mark Rylance and Alan Alda, arrives Oct. 16. The film about the 1960 U-2 spy plane incident was written by the Coen Brothers and Matt Charman. That precedes the comedy-drama "A Hologram for the King," with Tom Skerritt, and "Ithaca," with Meg Ryan, Sam Shepard and Melanie Griffith. October 2016 brings the Ron Howard thriller "Inferno," with Felicity Jones and Ben Foster.

"Dallas" fans who were upset when TNT pulled the plug after three seasons may be celebrating soon. Word is that CBS, which aired "Dallas" for 14 seasons from 1978-91, is almost set to pick it up for season four. Filming probably will start at the end of the year for a 2016 airing. Meanwhile, "CSI: Las Vegas" has been axed after 15 seasons, but will get a TV movie send-off Sept. 27 with William Peterson, Marg Helgenberger, Ted Danson and the rest of the cast. "Franklin and Bash," "Hart of Dixie," "Melissa & Joey," and "Welcome to Sweden" also are history.

Hanks' "Sully" co-pilot, Aaron Eckhart, has the horror film "Incarnate" due Sept. 23; the sports drama "My All-American" coming Oct. 9; and the action-thriller "London Has Fallen," with Gerard Butler and Morgan Freeman, hitting screens Jan. 22. Somewhere in the middle of all this we'll get the boxing film "Bleed for This," with Miles Teller and Katy Segal.

Jim Carrey's pilot for Showtime is "I'm Dying Up Here," about the '70s stand-up scene in comedy clubs. "Dumb and Dumber To" (2014) may have cost \$40 million but it made \$170 million. Carrey's next film, "The Bad Batch," is a romantic-horror thriller with Jason Momoa, Keanu Reeves, Suki Waterhouse and Giovanni Ribisi. It's a love story about a community of cannibals in a Texas wasteland. A romantic-horror thriller? It gives new meaning to the phrase, "You're so cute I could just eat you with a spoon!"

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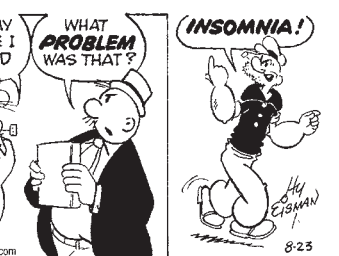
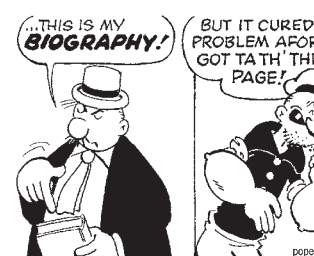
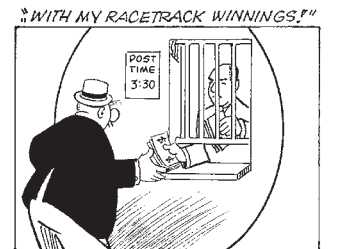
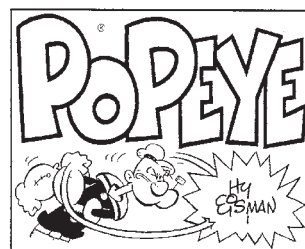
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- 5 "Clue" weapon
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- 12 Within reach
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- 14 Wall climber
- 15 - Major
- 16 Yarborough of NASCAR
- 17 "A mouse!"
- 18 Canal zone
- 19 Sort
- 20 Remedy
- 21 Thither
- 23 Spring mo.
- 25 Sailing ship
- 28 Titanic's resting place
- 32 Attu dweller
- 33 Blue hue
- 34 Flight from danger
- 36 "Annus Mirabilis" poet
- 37 Started
- 38 Blond shade
- 39 Arrest
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- 44 Look lasciviously

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- 53 Run-down part of town
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- 55 "Pretty Woman" star
- 56 Taro root
- DOWN**
- 1 Responsibility
- 2 Lima's land
- 3 Relaxation
- 4 Hodgepodge
- 5 Wisconsin city
- 6 Elliptical
- 7 Welk favorites
- 8 Ram's partner
- 9 Place
- 10 Maintain
- 11 Youngster
- 20 Little Big Horn commander
- 22 Bizarre
- 24 Bartletts, e.g.
- 25 "Humbug!"
- 26 Hearty brew
- 27 Rule, for short
- 29 Future bloom
- 30 Before
- 31 Lair
- 35 Urge, formally
- 36 Lag
- 39 Boxer Max
- 40 Incite
- 41 Halt
- 43 Hebrew month
- 45 Neuter
- 46 Praise highly
- 47 Red Muppet
- 49 Trot

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Weekly SUDOKU

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LOCAL SPORTS



First row (kneeling): Liam Coyne, Ethan Conners, Kevin Black, Aidan Crainich, Sam Cassidy and Evan Grieger; 2nd row: James Rolf, Andrew Behr, Avery Dillon, Dylan Spark, Johnny Aldi, Richard "Connor" Martinello and Jacob Vitale; 3rd row: Coach Greg Coyne, Manager Drew Behr, Coach Bill Conners and Coach Tony Aldi

BETH-WOOD BASEBALL LEAGUE HOLDS FRIENDSHIP TOURNAMENT

Beth-Wood Baseball League hosts an 8-year old Friendship Tournament every year where Teams throughout the State of CT Team compete in a friendly competition during late June/entire month of July. This year we had 17 Teams compete – we divided these Teams into an American League & National League Division, predicated on geographic boundaries.

The Tournament consists of each Team playing a total of 8 games in a round robin format – then after 8 games, each Team gets seeded according to their records to play in a Single Elimination Tournament at Woodbridge's Acorn Hill complex which began play on July 22nd and the Finals were played July 29th. The Beth – Wood 8's Team

was seeded 5th overall in the American League but played tremendous baseball by defeating the 5th, 1st and 2nd seeds to capture the American League Championship on July 28th. They then faced off against Milford (who captured the National League championship) on July 29th to determine the overall Tournament Champion – however, Beth – Wood's run ended as Milford came out victorious with a hard fought 9 – 6 win.

This is the first time since 2009 that a Beth – Wood Team has reached the Finals of this Tournament – this Team of 13 Players was a very special group of kids who came together and created quite a bit of excitement in the entire community, with fans coming out in droves to cheer them on.



WAC COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON

Woodbridge Aquatic Club (WAC) completed its most successful long course season under Head Coach Dave Reilly. Over the past three weekends, WAC has participated in the CT Senior Open Championships, the CT Long Course Regional Championships, and the CT Long Course Age Group Championships. From July 9-12, five WAC swimmers competed in the CT Senior Championships. From July 17-19, 43 WAC swimmers competed at the CT Long Course Regional Championships. For the 12 and under age group, WAC swimmers captured a total of 10 first place finishes. At the 13 and overs Regional Championship, WAC claimed a total of four first place finishes, including first in the Boys 13-14 200 Meter

Freestyle Relay.

From July 24-26, 22 WAC swimmers competed at the State Championship level at the CT Long Course Age Group Championships. WAC had a total of 19 'A' Final swims over the course of the weekend, and captured 7 first place finishes: Kate Alvarado (15 -18 yo girls 100 and 200 meter butterfly), Kevin Yanagisawa (13-14 yo boys 400 meter freestyle) and William Zhu (11-12 yo 50,100, and 200 meter freestyle and 100 meter butterfly). Ten WAC swimmers qualified to go on to compete at the Eastern Zone Championship in Richmond, Virginia from August 5-8.

left to right: Kevin Yanagisawa, William Zhu, Head Coach Dave Reilly, Kate Alvarado.

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Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov. 4, (no11), 18

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Sick children should stay home from school to protect themselves and their classmates and teachers.

TIPS FOR A HEALTHY SCHOOL YEAR

Students are most likely to get sick when school starts because being at school put children's immune systems to the test, offers The Mayo Clinic. Young children who are in close proximity to others in large groups tend to spread organisms like bacteria and viruses that cause illness. Breaking the cycle can take some work, but it's possible to make this a healthy school year.

Encourage Handwashing

Frequent handwashing is a great way to prevent illness. Handwashing habits are essential for school-aged children and should be taught as soon as possible. Children should wash their hands after they use the bathroom and before they eat. If they've been playing outside or have interacted with children who are sick, handwashing can help remove some of the germs lingering on their hands. Antibacterial wipes are another option, but they may not be as effective as washing hands with warm, soapy water.

Promote Adequate Sleep and Nutrition

While adults may need between seven and nine hours of sleep a night, children often require more. The National Sleep Foundation recommends eight to 13 hours of sleep a night for school-aged children. Begin adjusting sleep schedules during the latter part

of summer vacation so that children can readjust to their regular sleep schedules.

Parents also should feed kids nutritious diets consisting of a variety of foods. Avoid high-calorie junk foods, reserving such items only as special treats every so often.

Stop (Some) Sharing

Sharing develops good manners and can foster new friendships. But children should be discouraged from sharing food, drinks and other personal items. Once the item has been placed in a child's mouth, it should not be shared.

Take a Sick Day

Rare is the student who will never come down with an illness. When kids get sick, keep them at home. Schools may have guidelines indicating when it is acceptable for children to return to school, and it's important that parents adhere to those guidelines so illnesses cannot spread around the school.

Donate Cleaning Supplies

Some schools may be underfunded and may not have enough supplies to keep all of the classrooms and surfaces clean. Parents can help by donating cleaning wipes and sprays so that students and teachers can thrive in clean, healthy environments.

BARK BYTES...

By Vicki & Richard
Horowitz



PREPARE YOUR DOG FOR THE ARRIVAL OF A NEW BABY

Dogs can feel rejected and become confused or stressed when parents suddenly shift their attention from dog to baby. A dog doesn't understand why a baby is being elevated above the dog in the pack. In trying to regain his pack position, the dog may seek attention through behaviors such as barking at the baby's cries, jumping up or chewing on baby's things.

In support of Baby Safety Month in September, the following tips can help families ensure a smooth transition for their dog when bringing home a new baby. If you are expecting a baby and you have a dog, take time now to prepare your dog for the day you bring home your new child. By being proactive, you can help reduce bad behavior, ease everyone's stress and help keep baby safe.

Set new rules before baby arrives. For instance, if you decide to keep your dog out of the baby's room, start this new rule several weeks or months before the baby arrives. Thus, your dog will not associate baby's arrival with exclusion from the room. Also, begin to introduce an erratic schedule so the dog does not know when he will get walked, fed or played with.

Prepare your dog for baby's arrival. Introduce your dog to the new sights and smells he will soon encounter. An easy way to do this is to buy an inexpensive doll that makes baby sounds. Wrap it in a blanket and hold it in your arms as you walk around the house. Apply to the doll the same baby products (powder, shampoo, lotion) that you will use on the baby. After the baby is born, bring home the newborn's blanket prior to your baby's arrival home to allow your dog to become accustomed

to the scent of the newest member of the family.

Make introductions on the first day the baby arrives home. Your dog will need to "touch scent" the baby to find out what it is. While another adult controls the dog on a loosely held leash, hold your newborn up high and let your dog sniff the baby's bottom or feet. If the dog misbehaves or is too exuberant, correct his behavior.

Allow frequent, supervised visits by your dog. The more the dog and baby are together, the better behaved and less stressed your dog will be. However, neither newborn nor toddler should ever be left unattended in the same room with any dog.

Teach your dog the difference between his toys and your child's things.

If and only if you catch your dog chewing on something unsuitable, interrupt the behavior, then give the dog an acceptable dog appropriate toy and praise him lavishly when he takes it in his mouth.

Dogs can be possessive about their food, toys and space. Although this is normal, it is NOT acceptable for him to growl or snap at you or your child. At the same time, children need to learn to respect their dog as a living creature that is not to be teased or purposefully hurt, and that needs time to himself. If your dog is growling or snapping at your child for any reason, the situation needs IMMEDIATE attention.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Cupid is strong in the Aries aspect this week, with the cherub opening romantic possibilities for single Lambs, and strengthening ties 'twixt loving pairs already in a caring relationship.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your dramatic flair might make things more interesting as you recount an event to your colleagues. But be careful not to exaggerate reality to the point that facts and fancy combine to form fiction.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You love to talk, and this week you should get lots of chances to share your thoughts with people who will not only pay attention to what you have to say, but will want to hear more.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The pattern of recent changes could begin to shift from mostly workplace-related events to more personal matters. Continue to keep an open mind as you prepare to deal with them.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) An opportunity for work-related travel could be just what the Terrific Tabby needs to get a new perspective on a balky situation. The trip also could prove to be personally rewarding.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might want to suggest resolving an old disagreement before it can affect a matter expected to come up for discussion. It's always best to start with a clean slate.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) The week favors combining dollops of creativity and practicality to work out both professional and personal problems. A longtime friend could have something of note to suggest.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Some surprising facts could come to light if you decide to probe deeper into an "opportunity" than you might usually do. What you'll learn could determine what you'll earn.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Someone close to you might seek your counsel. Hear him/her out, but hold the line at giving actual advice until you get credible answers to all your questions.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) What seems to be an overwhelming workplace project can be dealt with quite well if you handle one category at a time. Things will soon begin to fall into place.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A personal matter might need more of your time than you had expected. Try to prioritize between your many outside commitments and your domestic responsibilities.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A developing situation still needs more time to grow, and more time to study before you can plunge in and make some attention-getting waves. Patience is best for wise Pisceans.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for organization that would make you a fine archivist. (Are you listening out there, Library of Congress?)

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



LAFF-A-DAY



THE CASHIER



Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas



top ten

CHINESE TOURIST DESTINATIONS

1. Australia
2. Japan
3. France
4. Hong Kong
5. South Korea
6. USA
7. Maldives
8. Germany
9. Thailand
10. Taiwan

Source: Hotels.com

HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Shirt is different. 2. Firewood is missing. 3. Arm is moved. 4. Hot dogs are missing. 5. Trash can is missing. 6. Strap is shorter.

OVEREATING PUPPY ISN'T SO CUTE

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I watched a "cute" commercial today where a toddler sneakily pours dog food on the floor for the family puppy to eat. I think it was really irresponsible of the dog food company to show that without noting the risks to dogs that overeat, particularly puppies. Maybe a better commercial would be the mom rushing the dog to the veterinarian to make sure he doesn't die of bloat. Why would the company present this as cute? -- Shocked in Syracuse, New York

DEAR SHOCKED: You don't need me to answer why the pet food company presented the commercial in that way. Cute sells, right?

Because you're concerned about the way the situation is presented, with no apparent consequences for the puppy (bloat is a possible risk for dogs that eat a large amount of food in one sitting), you can contact the

company either through its website or in writing.

Now, what if that situation happened in real life? Your toddler gets into the dog food and sits there happily feeding the family pet, for who knows how long before you discover them.

You'll need to monitor the dog closely. Bloat, known clinically as GDV (gastric dilatation-volvulus), happens when a dog's stomach enlarges, twists and puts pressure on surrounding organs. It's a very serious condition that can cause death in just hours. Overeating is one possible cause of bloat.

If your dog's stomach is distended, it tries to belch or vomit without success, it's weak, panting and salivating, rush it to the vet.

If your pet shows no symptoms but you're concerned, contact the vet for instructions.



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The Poison Garden Bug

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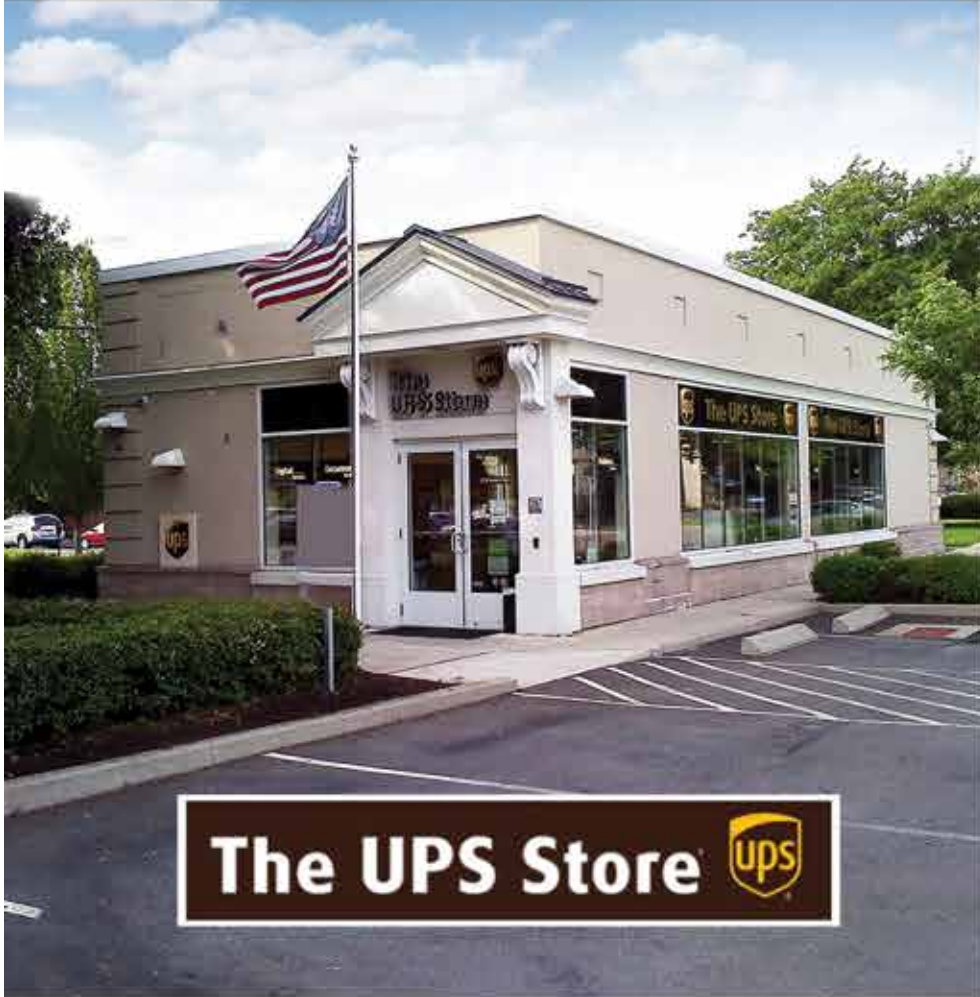
This bulb blooms from August to September; its common name is "autumn crocus." It likes sunny or partly shady areas. **Be warned:** this plant contains colchicine, which is very toxic. Many human deaths have been reported from ingesting this plant, as it can be mistaken for wild garlic. Deer, rabbit and other wild creatures will avoid this plant.

- Brenda Weaver

Source: www.thepoison garden.co.uk

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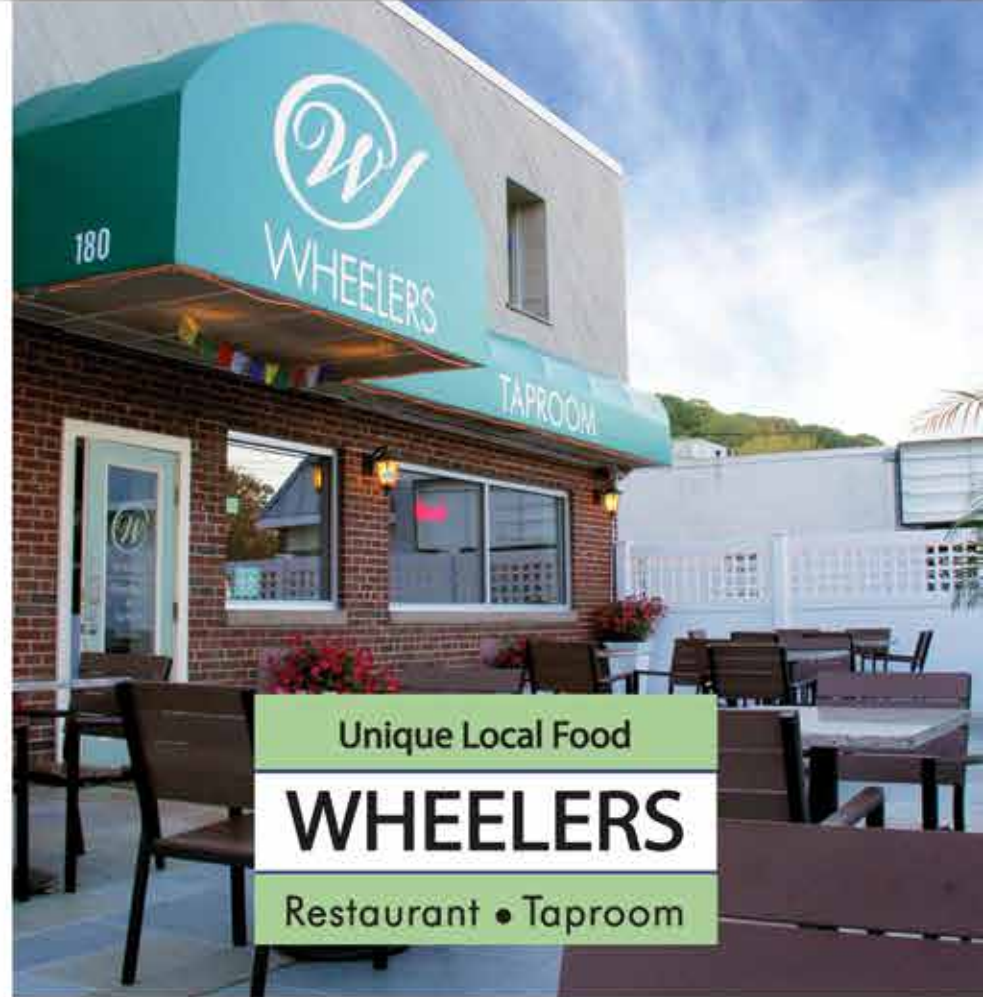
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