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State Rep. Themis Klarides talks to reporters about the last budget session.

# KLARIDES STAYS CLOSE TO HER CONSTITUENTS

By Bettina Thiel – Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

Even 16 years after first running as a freshman Republican to the Connecticut Legislature, Themis Klarides still goes door to door when she is campaigning. "People want access to you," she said in a phone conversation after a long day of meetings, "personal contact is really important". Constituents call her with issues ranging from personal problems to state issues — and she will try to accommodate them, no matter where they are calling from.

In the 114th District she represents, 40% of voters live in Woodbridge, 40% in Orange and 20% in Derby, she said, but she will try to help them whether they call from "her" side of Derby or the other side of town. And that is what she loves about the job. "It makes you feel like you are making a difference," she said. That is why she is running for her ninth term. "It is such an honor to do what we do," she said. "Still, after all these years sometimes it's like I don't believe that people entrust me with that job."

Since she first joined the Legislature, Klarides has climbed the party ranks. She now is deputy leader, which makes her second in command. She has to tend to the caucus and run the floor for House Republicans.

It takes skill, knowledge and a good deal of diplomacy to stand up for what you believe in, and to move people's position towards compromise where feasible. Part of her job as deputy is to negotiate with the majority leader to get legislation passed. She also serves on the legislature's Appropriations, Judiciary, Legislative Management, Screening and Public Health committees and was formerly the Ranking Member of the Insurance and Real Estate Committee.

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## ELECTION DAY

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>





State Senator Joe Crisco receives the 2014 Legislative Champion Award from the Connecticut Alliance of YMCAs.

# CRISCO LOOKING FORWARD TO NEW CHALLENGES

By Donald Eng – Special to the Woodbridge Town News

The best part about being an 11-term incumbent is getting to see the results of legislation passed in previous terms, said Woodbridge Democratic state Sen. Joseph Crisco, D-17th.

"There's always a new challenge, and there's always the satisfaction of seeing things that you worked for being achieved," Crisco said.

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#### "Crisco" continued from Page 1

With 22 years experience in Hartford, Crisco has an established track record to run on, one that has gotten him endorsements of environmental groups like the Sierra Club, which announced it was backing Crisco "due to his commitment to the environmental issues and his strong record of environmental support in the legislature."

In addition to his environmental stance, Crisco said he was proud to have supported Gov. Dannel Malloy's economic agenda that the legislature passed in the last four years.

"We increased the minimum wage, passed measures on domestic violence and universal prekindergarten, and balanced the state budget without cutting aid to towns and cities," he said.

Crisco disputed the commonly held belief that Connecticut is business-unfriendly or excessively taxed. Taking control of the state economy did require some tax increases, Crisco said, but he added that "when you inherit a fiscal situation like he [Malloy] did, you have to work with it."

Crisco cited an Ernst & Young study that showed state taxes are not especially high. For example, many top executives at New York firms reside in Fairfield County, so their income tax payments are inflated because they pay to both states.

"So because they are Connecticut residents, it shows that they pay a lot of taxes, but not to whom those taxes are paid," he said.

Where Connecticut does have a tax problem it is that much of the tax revenue the state and municipalities depend on comes from taxes he called regressive.

"It's not equitable that as a percentage of their income, lower earners pay a higher percentage in sales and property tax," Crisco said.

If re-elected to a 12th term, Crisco said he would challenge a 2012 ruling by the federal Department of Health and Human Services that any state health care mandate must be paid for by the state, Crisco said.

Such a ruling, Crisco said, hamstrings the legislature's ability to increase cancer and pediatric illness screenings in the state.

"We want to do something and we can't because of this legislation," he said. He also intends to begin preparing the state for the upcoming "Silver Tsunami" as the population ages and more people require health care and social services.

"As always, the main objective is making life better for state residents," he said.

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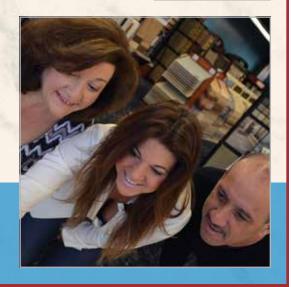




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# TRIPP TO FOCUS ON ECONOMIC & EDUCATION ISSUES

By Donald Eng – Special to the Woodbridge Town News

What you see is what you get when it comes to Phil Tripp, the Republican challenger to 11-term incumbent Joseph Crisco in the 17th Senate District race. Tripp, a Hamden native and president of the Ansonia Board of Aldermen, is hoping voters see the state Senate as a natural extension of his military career. He retired as a lieutenant colonel from the Army Reserve last year, and his campaign signs and pamphlets include his rank.

"I'm very proud of my service to the state and the country, and I want to bring the same dedication to service with me to Hartford," Tripp said. "I feel like it's a title I've earned and I'm proud to have it."

Though an underdog against Crisco, Tripp has run his campaign with military precision, methodically accomplishing tasks like fundraising that frequently foil political newcomers. In fact, his campaign has even attracted some star power, with movie and television actor John Ratzenberger appearing at an event. "Phil comes from a place that's real," Ratzenberger said. "He deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. It doesn't get any more real than that."

Tripp's campaign has focused on the state of Connecticut's economy and opposition to the federal Common Core curriculum standards. Citing Connecticut's traditional ranking near the top of the nation's best-educated states, Tripp said forced adherence to a federal standard would be a step backward for state students. "I don't see where we need the federal government dictating how our children are taught," he said. "I don't see the need for Connecticut to adhere to federal guidelines. It's wrong on so many levels."

Reliance on standardized tests to evaluate students is also wrong, he said. In talking to people throughout the district, including parents and teachers, Tripp said, both parents and teachers have expressed concerns about increased standardized testing. "They do not like testing for the sake of testing," he said.

But if Connecticut ranks near the top of education lists, the opposite is true when it comes to economic indicators, Tripp said. "I'm tired of the state being at the bottom of every economic indicator," he said. To get the economy moving, Tripp said rolling back last year's tax hikes was the single highest priority. "A lot of families were already struggling, and this is breaking their backs," Tripp said.

The tax burden also harmed businesses, siphoning off funds that could have been used to hire workers. "We are abusing the very institution that we rely on to create jobs," Tripp said. "We need to get the private sector going again."











# FALL NEWS FROM MASSARO COMMUNITY FARM

As the fifth successful growing season at Massaro Community Farm draws to a close, we'd like to share several exciting and important updates with you. In our upcoming Annual Report, you will read about the farm's hugely successful annual farm-to-table dinner held over Labor Day weekend and our sixth annual Family Fun Day held over Columbus Day weekend. You'll also see highlights of educational offerings that draw ever-increasing attendance and Massaro Community Farm's continuing commitment to donate organic produce to local hunger relief organizations.

With the growth of subscribers to our seasonal CSA vegetable program, as well as our educational programs and events, it recently became important for the farm to assess its facility needs for the future. Last fall, a Facilities Planning Committee representing a cross-section of farm interests was convened to review the farm's infrastructure with the goal of making recommendations for needed additions. The committee determined that improved parking was the highest priority for the farm, and spent a substantial amount of time considering the best possible location. The committee gratefully acknowledges the volunteer contributions of Woodbridge architects, Beck Swanson and Bob Tucker.

Earlier this month, both boards governing the farm adopted the recommendation of the committee to provide for improved parking in a subsection of field off of Ford Road, just north of the two-story dairy barn. It is anticipated that the proposed parking area will be permeable and grass covered, with a mixture of native plantings for visual appeal. The proposed parking area will remove

primary parking from the center of the farm where equipment and people currently cross back and forth. It will also: provide designated handicapped parking;

allow farm machinery to operate unobstructed by visitor traffic;

provide a drop off/pickup zone separate from parking; and

allow for deliveries to occur away from pedestrians.

Continued farming remains our primary goal at the farm, with the secondary purpose of giving back to the community, providing education and open space. It is worth noting that additional priorities identified by the planning committee include an equipment shed on the eastern (rear) side of the high tunnels, an improved wash station, increased refrigeration space for storing produce, and upgraded education space.

We are so pleased to have such tremendous community support for farming here in Woodbridge, and we are working hard to continue our practice of mindful land use and growing a self-sustaining business. Examples of that include the addition of three new high tunnels to lengthen the growing season for many crops, replenishing native plantings, and erosion control work.

Massaro Farm is grateful for the support of its many volunteers and friends as it continues to fulfill its mission: Keep Farming, Feed People, Build Community. For more information about the farm, please contact the farm office, or visit our website – www. MassaroFarm.org – where you can view a copy of our strategic plan and past annual reports.



## ELECTION DAY ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH

By Bettina Thiel - Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

Federal and state elections are coming up on Tuesday, November 4. There are now two voting districts for Woodbridge, but both vote in the same location, the Center Gym, 4 Meetinghouse Lane. Election workers will be present to direct voters if they are not sure which district they belong to. Hours for the polls are 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

#### **Voting District 1**

The federal and state offices that residents of the two districts are voting for overlap except for that of state senator. Voting District 1, which encompasses the majority of Woodbridge residents, votes for Senatorial District 17. That seat is currently held by State Senator Joseph Crisco, a Democrat. He is being cross-endorsed by the Working Families Party. Crisco is being challenged by Philip Tripp of Ansonia. Tripp is being cross endorsed by the Independent Party. Both their names will appear twice on the ballot, but voters can only check off one name once.

#### **Voting District 2**

Voting District 2 is part of Senatorial District 14. The seat is currently held by Gayle Slossberg of Milford, a Democrat. She is being challenged by Matt Gaynor. Gaynor is being cross-endorsed by the Independent Party.

#### Other Offices

The rest of the ballot is identical for all Woodbridge residents.

#### **Governor and Lieutenant:**

- Thomas C. Foley and Heather Somers (R) (cross endorsed by the Independent Party)
- Gov. Dannel P. Malloy and Nancy Wyman (D) (cross endorsed by Working Families Party)
- (Petitioning)Joe Visconti and Chester Frank Harris

#### **US Representative:**

- James E. Brown (R)
- Rosa DeLauro (D) (cross endorsed by Working Families Party)

#### State Representative:

- Themis Klarides (R), (cross endorsed by the Independent Party)
- Aldon Hynes (D) (cross endorsed by Working Families Party)

#### Secretary of the State:

- Peter Lumaj (R) (cross endorsed by the Independent Party)
- Denise W. Merrill (D) (cross endorsed by Working Families Party)
- S. Michael DeRosa (Green Party)

#### Treasurer:

- Timothy M. Herbst (R), (cross endorsed by the Independent Party)
- Denise L. Nappier (D) (cross endorsed by Working Families Party)

#### **Comptroller:**

- Sharon J. McLaughlin (R) (cross endorsed by the Independent Party)
- Kevin Lembo (D) (cross endorsed by Working Families Party)
- Rolf W. Maurer (Green Party)

#### Attorney General:

- Kie Westby (R) (cross endorsed by the Independent Party)
- George Jepsen (D) (cross endorsed by Working Families Party)
- Steven E. Fournier (Green Party)

#### Judge of Probate:

• Clifford P. Hoyle (D)

#### **Registrar of Voters:**

- Anna D. Dickerson (R)
- Jeanette G. Glicksman (D)

#### **Constitutional Question:**

In addition, voters get to answer the question whether or not to make it easier to vote by absentee ballot. "Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to remove restrictions concerning absentee ballots and to permit a person to vote without appearing at a polling place on the day of an election?"

Traffic at the Center Building will be one way on Election Day. Voters can enter from Meetinghouse Lane, and then exit onto Center Road.

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## **EDUCATION**



## SACRED HEART ACADEMY ENTRANCE EXAM

The Sacred Heart Academy Entrance Exam will take place on Saturday, November 8 from 8 am until noon on the school's campus at 265 Benham Street in Hamden. All students applying for grades 9 and 10 are required to take the entrance exam.

To register for the exam, candidates for admission must submit the Application for Admission online at www.sacredhearthamden.org with the \$60.00 fee by November 3, 2014. For further information or to arrange an interview or "shadow day," contact Elaine Lamboley, Director of Admission, 288-2309, x307.



Sacred Heart Academy

Sacred Heart Academy, an independent Catholic college preparatory school for young women in grades 9-12 founded in 1946 by the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, successfully prepares young women for learning, service and achievement in a global society. There are currently over 500 students enrolled hailing from New Haven, Fairfield, Middlesex, Hartford and New London counties.

#### STUDENT NEWS

#### Jessica Lassiter Makes Goodwin Dean's List for Summer 2014

East Hartford, CT -- Jessica Lassiter has earned a spot on the Goodwin College Dean's List for the Summer 2014. Lassiter, a student from Woodbridge, is one of 744 students to make the Dean's List, reserved for those who demonstrate great academic performance. Dean's List inclusion requires a student to earn a minimum 3.5 GPA, the equivalent of an A- average, during a given academic session. The student must also be enrolled in a minimum of six academic credits to qualify. Goodwin College congratulates Lassiter on making the Dean's List and demonstrating such a high standard of excellence in the classroom and beyond.

Goodwin College is a nonprofit institution of higher learning located on the Connecticut River in East Hartford, Connecticut. The college specializes in extending educational access to underserved groups, including minority and first-generation college students, and offers career-focused degree programs designed to promote workforce readiness. For more information, please visit www.goodwin.edu.

#### Hopkins School Graduate Alexandra Macey Receives Dean's Award Recognition at Colgate University for Spring, 2014

Hamilton, NY -- Alexandra Macey, a Theater major from Woodbridge, CT, has been awarded the Dean's Award for academic excellence by Colgate University for the spring, 2014 semester. The Dean's Award is given to students with a 3.30 or higher grade-point average while enrolled in 3.75 or more course hours.

#### Elizabeth LaMay Receives Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Boston University

Elizabeth LaMay, a Bethany resident and graduate of Amity High School in 2008, has received a Doctorate of Physical Therapy from Boston University. Elizabeth has also passed her APTA exam and is currently practicing at Patient First Chiropractic and Physical Therapy in Waltham, Massachusetts.

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Please limit letters to 500 words and include a daytime phone number in case we have any questions. Letters must be exclusive to the Woodbridge Town News for publication. We reserve the right to reject any letter.

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#### **A Wrenching Decision**

Two years ago, a gunman entered Sandy Hook Elementary School and shot indiscriminately at anything that moved – killing 20 children and six adults. The resulting discussion about gun control put her – and many of her colleagues into a very difficult position. "It probably was the worst experience I ever had in the 16 years. It was very emotional, a tragedy," she said, to the degree that legislators felt they needed to do something, even though Connecticut already had the third or fourth strictest gun laws on the books.

Klarides said she supported the bill, which closed the loophole of "straw purchases" — second-hand gun sales, which could by-pass background checks. Obviously Sandy Hook would have occurred irrespective of the new laws, she said. "It was a difficult vote for me, the most intense experience. "I believe there were a lot of good things in the bill," but also parts she was not in favor of. "You have to weigh the good and the bad," she said, and she voted for it.

#### **Common Core**

Together with her Republican colleagues, Klarides decried the Democrats for adopting the Common Core standards without a public hearing. "The Democratic leadership refused to hold a public hearing," she said. Republicans in return petitioned the leadership for a hearing. Her firm stance got her the endorsement from the Connecticut Education Association.

#### **Budget Battle**

Looking forward, she sees another budget battle looming. "The budget is such a big deal," she said, adding that much depends on the governor's initiative. The problem is the economy, she said, deploring that Connecticut is consistently ranked at the bottom in the nation for being not very business-friendly.

The political leadership has to keep in mind that the majority of all businesses are small businesses, and owners don't pay corporate taxes, she said. "Any tax increase we pass affects those small businesses," she said. "And I don't expect much to change until there is a different party in power."



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# HYNES: "IN IT FOR THE LONG HAUL"

By Bettina Thiel - Woodbridge Town News Correspondent

For the second time, Woodbridge resident Aldon Hynes has put his name into the hat to represent the residents of the 114th District at the state level. "I am not running just because I want to, I am running because it is important work that needs to be done," he said when he accepted the Democratic nomination back in May.

Having done this before, he knows he's facing an uphill battle against long-time Republican incumbent Themis Klarides. But in terms of name recognition, Aldon Hynes says his quest to join the Legislature representing the 114th District is going very well. "Definitely people are much more engaged," than two years ago, he said in a telephone interview. "They know who I am and what I stand for."

Much like his opponent, Hynes is campaigning door—to—door in all three communities that make up the 114th District — his hometown, Woodbridge, and parts of Orange and Derby. And increased notoriety also means more volunteers to help spread the word to friends, family and neighbors.

"The biggest issue facing the state is job creation," he said, adding that the questions we need to ask ourselves is whether we are creating good jobs and what can be done to address employment issues such as transportation, energy costs and workforce development. How can it be that a majority of college graduates in Colorado want to stay and work in Colorado, which they say is due to the quality of life, while most Yale graduates end up somewhere else, he wondered. "What are we doing that would make people stick to the area?" he asked. "What are the strengths Connecticut has that could make it attractive to young people to hang around?" He doesn't have all the answers, but has thought these things through.

#### Connecticut's Strengths

"We do have a strong tradition of manufacturing ingenuity," he said. Workforce development and retention are part of the challenge of creating a business-friendly environment, he said. These are issues he deals with in his professional life and which he would like to take to the legislative level.

Hynes is social media manager at Community Health Center, Inc in Middletown. He deals with health care issues every day, and is trying to do his part to improve health care accessibility and outcomes. Last year, he was named a fellow with the CT Health Foundation and co-chair of the communications committee for the CT Multicultural Health Partnership. In all of these arenas, he is already dealing with health-care related issues and taking them to the Capitol. "I'm already involved with the issues, he said. "Being a legislator can take it to the next level."

Asked whether he agrees with the notion that Connecticut has a hostile business environment he said the talk about a hostile business environment is "part of a negotiating position," and one "that does not serve the business community or the state well". "We need to all be working together," he said. "Connecticut is well positioned to be a leader in the 21st century healthcare industry, and in the energy industry. We need to move toward real collaboration, he added. "That will really build businesses."

#### Aiming for Efficiency

A business friendly environment does not necessarily mean a state free of regulation, he said. Rather, the concept that he comes back to again and again is efficiency. Regulatory efficiency, work flow efficiency, organizational efficiency, processes that prevent waste. Instead of doing things the same old way, we need to think about ways to make processes more efficient. Questions like how to deal with Medicaid will need to be answered. Even if Medicaid is only 1% more effective, it can make a big difference, he said.

#### **Aiming for Innovation**

As social media manager at Community Health Center, Inc., Mr. Hynes was invited to participate in the Google Glass Explorer and became one of the first people in Connecticut to use and develop for Google Glass. People will recognize him for what looks like a little camera on his classes. It even got a lengthy write-up in the daily paper.

But Google Glass is not, as many people tend to think, a camera snapping pictures for social media. Instead, it serves as a "wearable computer" – it keeps certain information in his sightline and can be called upon at any time. For a health care provider, that technology has the potential to reduce cost, while improving quality and outcome, he said. "You can also use it for telemedicine," he said. If a patient comes in with a complicated medical issue, the doctor can integrate a specialist right then and there, which may be beneficial especially for the underserved populations. "The closer you are to the information the less likely you are going to miss something important," Hynes said.

He will continue working with Google Glass until new and better technology comes along. "I will continue to use the best form of wearable computing technology," he said. In his acceptance speech back in May, he made reference to the Google Glasses. "Some people are bound to give me advice about how I should change my looks. I should lose some weight, I should cut off my beard, I shouldn't wear those dorky looking Google Glasses," he commented. I feel too much of politics is based on looks, personality, and popularity. We should be spending campaign funds on talking about the issues, not buying giant pictures of ourselves. If I try to be more popular or better looking than my opponent, I have less of a chance of winning, not only the popularity contest, but also the more important goals of talking about the issues and giving the voters a real choice.

"When I ran two years ago, I received 36% of the vote, yet when people asked me the outcome of the election, I told them that I had won. I hadn't gotten elected, but I had won. I won by giving people a choice. Over  $4{,}000$  people voted for me last time, and I want them to have someone to vote for this time.

I won by discussing the issues. And I am going to win again this fall, whether it be with 56% of the vote, or 36% of the vote.

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Every November and December, the JCC brings Jewish-themed art, music and author events to the entire New Haven community. All events are open and appealing to everyone. The months are packed full of tributes to historical performances, stories by contemporary authors and exposure to local artisans.

This year, events kick off on November 6 with author Gail Sheehy at R.J. Julia Booksellers in Madison, but most other events take place at the JCC, 360 Amity Road in Woodbridge. More information is available at jccnh.org. This year's Festival features:

#### Author Gail Sheehy, Daring: My Passages

Thursday, November 6, 7 PM

Library of Congress calls Daring one of the ten most influential books of our time. Sheehy tells the story of her unconventional life and gives a bold perspective on all of life's passages. \$6. Reservations suggested at rjjulia.com. Location: R.J. Julia Booksellers, 768 Boston Post Road, Madison.

#### Author Laura Silver, Knish, In search of the Jewish Soul Food

Friday, November 7, 12 p.m.

Explore the knish with the world's current leading expert on this iconic Jewish food staple. Free. Knishes available for purchase. Location: JCC

#### Bar Kochva Art Exhibit

November 9-12, Sunday 10 AM-6 PM, M-W 10 AM-8 PM

Peruse and purchase outstanding artwork found in galleries and fine stores internationally, and support more than 45 different Israeli artists. Free. Location: JCC

#### Author Tracy Newman, Shabbat is Coming! (Ages 3-8)

Sunday, November 9, 10:30 AM

A special kids event in partnership with the monthly Bagels and Books program features storyteller Tracy Newman who shares the story of a family and pet puppy preparing for Shabbat. Includes snack and craft. Free. Location: JCC

#### Irving Fine Centennial Concert

Sunday, November 9, 4 PM

Emily Fine, daughter of celebrated composer Irving Fine, and Elm City Winds are joined by Sara Kohane and Annie Rosen. Free. Location: JCC.

#### Author Tova Mirvis, Visible City

Thursday, November 13, 7 PM

Bestselling author of The Ladies Auxiliary shares her most recent novel, Visible City, which is about the intersecting paths of three Jewish couples living in a glass apartment tower. \$6. Location: JCC

## Global Day of Jewish Learning: Author Naomi Schaefer Riley, Got Religion?

Sunday, November 16, 10:30 AM

Got Religion? How Churches, Mosques and Synagogues Can Bring Young People Back examines defection and how the solutions for one religious group can be adapted to work for another. Free. Location: JCC

#### Global Day of Jewish Learning: Noah's Bed with PJ Library (Ages 3-8)

Sunday, November 16, 12 PM

This year's Global Day of Jewish Learning kids event focuses on the theme of courage. PJ Library presents Noah's Bed, an enchanting retelling of the Ark tale and a little boy's courage. Storytelling, craft and snack. Free. Location: JCC

#### Author Judith Frank, All I Love and Know

Tuesday, November 18, 11 AM

A searing drama of a modern American family on the brink of dissolution that explores adoption, gay marriage, and love lost and found. Suggested donation: \$6. Sponsored by Women's Philanthropy. Location: JCC

## FROM THE FIRST SELECTMAN'S DESK

By Ellen Scalettar



It's Halloween and I know many of you will enjoy the third annual Truck or Treat event hosted by the Woodbridge Volunteer Fire Association. Thank you to our volunteer Firefighters for providing a fun and safe community event that is becoming a Woodbridge tradition!

Election Day is just around the corner on Tuesday, November 4. The Center Gym will be open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. for all Woodbridge voters. At the polling place, you will see that we have two voting districts in Woodbridge: some residents are in State Senatorial District 14 (incumbent Democratic Sen. Gayle Slossberg versus Republican challenger Matt Gaynor) and others are in State Senatorial District 17 (incumbent Democratic Sen. Joe Crisco versus Republican challenger Philip Tripp). All Woodbridge residents are in the 114th House District (incumbent Republican Representative Themis Klarides versus Democratic challenger Aldon Hynes). Also on the ballot are the Third Congressional District candidates (incumbent Democratic U.S. Representative Rosa DeLauro versus Republican challenger James Brown) and all statewide Constitutional offices.

Woodbridge residents turn out in higher than average numbers in both presidential and mid-term election years, but we can do better! Please don't forget to vote.

Also in November, the Town is hosting a workshop to introduce the Woodbridge Energy Challenge. At this workshop you will hear about energy saving measures identified through home energy audits, and about solar installations. The workshop is on November 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Center Gym. (Please note that the location was changed from the Town Library due to the high interest in this event.) You can register online at www. ctsolarchallenge.com/woodbridge. There will be another workshop in the spring.

To learn more about this and other programs, stay tuned to the Town's enewsletter (sign up here: tinyurl.com/WoodbridgeEnews), the Town's website (woodbridgect.org) and our Woodbridge Facebook page (Facebook.com/WoodbridgeCT).



## PTO HARVEST HIKE

The Woodbridge Park Association and the Beecher Road School Parent Teacher Organization teamed up for the 11th annual Harvest Hike in early October. "This event is to bring awareness to the Alice Newton Street Memorial Park and introduce it to families who might not be familiar with it," said Tim Kelley, who is a board member of both organizations. "Plus, it's a good excuse for the kids to get outside, learn about the park and get together."

About 60 families walked the blue trail through the park on a sunny afternoon. They stopped at the water fall to play and then returned to the park entrance for a snack of apples, pretzels and apple cider. "What a great event to introduce our young people to an important and beautiful park in Woodbridge," said First Selectman Ellen Scalettar.

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## WOODBRIDGE ELECTION COVERAGE 2014

## STATE SENATOR - 17TH DISTRICT

## JOSEPH CRISCO, JR. (D)

My name is state Senator Joe Crisco and I am asking for your vote on Election Day, November 4. Connecticut has come a long way in the past two years in recovering from the national recession and I'm proud to have played

a role in that recovery in the state legislature.

Recent newspaper headlines prove Connecticut is on the right track. Just in the past few days we've seen news reports that Connecticut's unemployment rate is at its lowest point since 2008; in September we added the most monthly jobs in over 20 years. The private sector in Connecticut has added 26,000 jobs in the past year and has recovered 85 percent of all jobs lost during the recession. Meanwhile, government jobs have been cut by 8,400.

The world-famous Jackson Laboratory for Genomic Medicine in Farmington just opened its doors thanks to a vote I took in 2011. A Milford company that received start-up assistance from Connecticut Innovations (the state's business incubator) has just been sold for \$233 million. A national accounting firm says Connecticut has the second-lowest business tax burden in the nation. And UTC's quarterly profits are up 29 percent on strong sales. (I recently voted to keep UTC hiring and growing in Connecticut.)

I have voted in the state legislature for issues overwhelmingly supported by state residents, be they Republican, Democrat or unaffiliated: raising the minimum wage, requiring paid sick leave and allowing the medicinal use of marijuana. 70 percent of all state



residents support these policies, yet Republicans barely supported those bills. I was happy to add my voice when others were silent.

I've been busy in the past month. I held my 29th Annual Senior Fair

in Ansonia, was the first man in 17 years to be honored by the Valley Women's Health Initiative in Derby, received an award from the YMCA in Waterbury, testified on behalf of our state veterans in Hartford, toured some laboratories at Yale where they received funding from the Biomedical Research Trust Fund I helped create, and lauded Amity Regional High School in Woodbridge when it was named as a 2014 National Blue Ribbon School by the U.S. Department of Education for its high levels of student achievement and graduation rates.

When someone asks me about spending and taxes, I tell them to look at the increased state education aid and town aid that the legislature has delivered over the past two years. That helps to keep your local property taxes down and your municipal services high. Republicans talk about spending and tax cuts but offer no alternative: their 2015 budget proposal spent 99.85 percent of Governor Malloy's general fund budget, and they used every penny of tax revenue, offering no cuts.

I have six children and 18 grand-children, and I commit myself every day to ensure that the Connecticut they live in and will inherit is a safe, clean, vibrant and economically sound place to work and raise a family. And this is my commitment to you.



## PHILIP TRIPP (R)

I'm retired Lt. Col. Philip Tripp, husband, father and native of the 17th district. I'm running for State Senate because Connecticut as a whole, and the 17th District in particular, have not experienced the kind of eco-

nomic growth and prosperity our state was known for in years past. Quite the contrary, we have sunk to the bottom of nearly every national rating of state economic health. This didn't happen overnight, but over the last two decades, as we taxed and legislated good paying jobs out of the state, and increased the financial burden of paying for generous state services on those of us who have remained. As a 34-year veteran of the Army and National Guard that included tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, I experienced first-hand how leadership can make the difference between success and failure. As I see the \$75B+ underfunded state employee pension, our roads rated as the worst in the nation and a recent survey that 49% of us would move elsewhere if given the



choice, it adds up to failed leadership out of Hartford. Our 20-year incumbent has been an active participant in crafting laws and policies that have left us worse off than we were when he became our State Senator. I'm not alone in

believing enough is enough. The incumbent has built a good reputation for constituent service, to his credit. As your State Senator, you will receive no less from me and I'll work to do even better. But being a State Senator also means showing leadership in the right direction. It's this difference between us that highlights why it is time for a change. For my part, as the current President of the Ansonia Board of Aldermen, we delivered the first tax decrease to our residents in decades. It took discipline, prioritization and a commitment to living within our means to make that happen. The same needs to be done in Hartford, and we need a new face from this district to make the tough, right choices for the people of the 17th and our state.

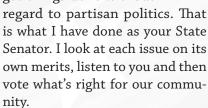


## WOODBRIDGE EFFECTION COVERAGE 2014

## STATE SENATOR - 14TH DISTRICT

## GAYLE SLOSSBERG (D)

Everywhere I go, people tell me times are tough. We have too many people still struggling to make ends meet. In order to solve the challenges we face, we need leaders, not labels; people who can get things done without



When it came to raising taxes and increasing spending, I voted no, because I know people have nothing more to give. I recognize that many jobs in this District rely on their connection to UTC/Sikorsky. That is why I supported the agreement with UTC/Sikorsky that saved over 1211 jobs and 95 businesses right here in Milford, Orange, West Haven and Woodbridge. I supported a bipartisan jobs bill that is helping businesses in the District survive, thrive and hire more people. In fact, as many as 64 businesses in this District have already applied for, and received, grant monies under the Small Business Express Program which was part of this legislation. In order to promote efficiency and eliminate waste in government, I co-chaired a bipartisan commission that identified nearly half a billion dollars in government savings. That work has saved taxpayers millions of dollars and will continue to do so for many years in the future.

Over the past two years, we have increased our investment in education, workforce training and strengthening the connection between school and business. I am

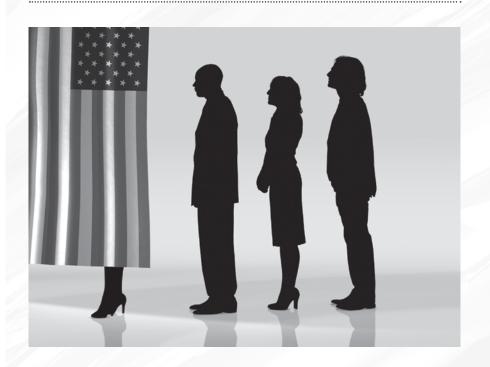


proud to have supported the midterm adjustment budget that increased funding for education. We restored the senior renter's rebate program that helps many seniors stay in their homes. We have also invested in in-

novation, especially bioscience and manufacturing. We have increased investments in transportation, but we still have a long way to go to build the modern transportation system this state desperately needs.

In order to build the future we all want, we have much work to do. My priority has been and continues to be to build a Connecticut where everyone who needs a job can find a good one, where our children can obtain a quality education, where our families can afford to live and stay, and where we can afford to enjoy our golden years with respect and dignity. That means we must not only continue to hold the line on taxes and wasteful spending, but must also make investments in our future. I will continue to advocate on behalf of our children, teachers and schools, to stand with our veterans, just as they stood for our Country, and to advocate for our seniors, to ensure that they can stay in our community and afford the necessities of a good life.

My greatest joy is being able to help so many people with everyday struggles and problems. I have always viewed that as an essential part of the job as your State Senator. Whether it is a problem affecting the whole state or just your neighborhood, you can count on me to be there for you 100%. I hope I can count on you on November 4.



## MATHEW GAYNOR (R)

In meeting people around the 14th District, some have asked why, in my early 20s, I'm running for state Senate. The answer is simple: I love this area. I could not continue to sit idly by and watch Connecticut fail. Young

people like me, seniors on a fixed income, and folks in the middle class who pay exorbitant taxes are all at risk if we don't stop the economic slide.

We can't change the way Hartford is doing things until we change the people we send there. As a start, here are five bills I would propose on day one:

- Repeal Common Core and put the children's education back in the hands of our teachers. A strong educational system will create a strong town economy.
- Institute initiatives and referendums to allow voters to decide important issues.
- Repeal the Early Release Program that enables dangerous criminals to reenter our communities before completing their court-ordered sentence.
- Establish term limits so legislatures serve no more than 10 years.
- Repeal and reconfigure the 8-30g Statute that governs affordable housing.

It's been too long since career politicians have put any real thought into governing Connecticut. And when no one is watching the ledger sheet, spending spikes out of control.

As your state senator, I would begin with what I call a "Grand Audit" to determine where every penny of taxpayers' hard-earned money is being spent. During my first year in office, I will propose an immediate 3% reduction in spending, and I'll vigorously fight against any proposed tax increases. Once spending is under control, I would propose to repeal the Malloy tax increases. We can then streamline state government so it can properly fund important programs like



mental health and family support.

On the topic of funding, did you know that the legislature over time has enacted 1,200 unfunded state mandates? These are state-imposed regulations or requirements upon local

governments, which then pass the financial burden of compliance on to us taxpayers. The end result of these unfunded mandates is an increase in local property taxes.

I see people being crushed by Connecticut's tax burden. Young people are moving to other states for jobs because there are not enough entry level positions. Many seniors, who have worked their fingers to the bone, unfortunately can't afford to stay here. So the people "in the middle" who stay in Connecticut to live and work are left to shoulder the massive tax burden. On average, Connecticut residents pay more than \$9,000 annually in state and local taxes. That is too much.

I love my hometown; my family has lived here for generations. My grandparents met at the old Milford High School, my mother used to life guard at Gulf Beach, and my family owned a factory in the north end of Milford. Connecticut is more than a state to me – it's my family's history. From the beautiful coastline of Milford and West Haven to the picturesque farms in Woodbridge and Orange, this area is a unique region. I don't want to lose this place we all call home, or lose its people, or its character.

I'm determined to make a difference for people like Andy, who served as a Marine in Afghanistan, and for others now attending college. I'm determined to reverse the "outbound ratio" of more people moving out of Connecticut than moving in. I'm determined to end the stagnation of Hartford that has earned Connecticut the unfortunate distinction of having the nation's second worst economy.

I respectfully ask for your support on November 4th and together we can turn Connecticut around!





## WOODBRIDGE ELECTION COVERAGE 2014

## STATE REPRESENTATIVE - 114TH DISTRICT

## ALDON HYNES (D) (WF)

Aldon Hynes believes that our elected representatives should work toward a better Connecticut. To do so, we need to move beyond career politicians whose focus becomes their own political career and move toward a model

that returns our politics to its source: constituent services that puts people over politics.

Aldon currently serves on the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Government Access Television Commission in Woodbridge. He works at the Community Health Center and is a leader in how technology and innovative communications can improve health care for Connecticut residents. He currently serves as Health Leadership Fellow with the Connecticut Health Foundation and co-chair of the communications committee of the Connecticut Multicultural Health Partnership.

In these roles he has helped diverse groups of people work to address problems in our state to reduce health care costs while improving outcomes and access to quality health care. His experiences in the business, health care, and non-profit spheres gives him skills



that can be used to make our government more efficient and effective.

Aldon understands the important role improved government efficiency plays, along with workforce development, and transportation issues, in

making Connecticut a destination for businesses seeking to create good jobs.

He will fight to make sure that our education system helps workforce development by teaching important twenty first century skills instead of focusing on an ill thought out core curriculum with too much emphasis on standardized testing.

Most importantly, Aldon will work to foster an atmosphere of cooperation instead of the current hostility and divisiveness. Such cooperation needs to be a cornerstone of building a successful Connecticut in the twenty first century.

Aldon and his wife Kimberly live in Woodbridge, and they are parishioners of St. Peter's Church where he serves on the Vestry. Their youngest daughter attends Amity Middle School, and they have a dog and two cats, all of whom were rescued.



## THEMIS KLARIDES (R)(I)

I have been honored to represent the people of the 114th district in the State House of Representatives since I was first elected in 1998. Since then, I have consistently worked at the state level to improve the business climate for em-

ployers to create jobs, keep taxes low, and rein in state spending, while assuring that Woodbridge, Orange and Derby receive their fair share of state funding for education and other projects. I am committed to three important areas heading into the next session-the economy, education, and public safety.

The Economy - Under the past four years of Governor Dannel Malloy and Democrats in the state legislature we have seen the largest tax increase in state history enacted - roughly \$1.8 billion per year. This massive tax increase, which has been aimed directly at the middle class, coupled with an increase in state spending of nearly \$1 billion per year, has caused Connecticut to be one of the last states to recover from the Great Recession.

I believe that instead of squeezing taxpayers to the point where 49% of them say in a Gallup Poll that they would leave Connecticut is simply bad policy. I want to roll back these massive tax hikes, get our state budget under control, cut wasteful spending, and create an atmosphere where those who worked and raised families in Connecticut will actually be able to afford to retire in Connecticut. These positions have earned me the endorsement of the Connecticut Business and Industry Association, and the National Federation of In-



dependent Business.

Education -I believe that our system of public education needs to be supported at the state level while control of our education decisions remains local. I was greatly disturbed this past year when leaders of

the Education Committee denied parents, teachers and administrators the opportunity to voice their concerns at a public hearing over the controversial Common Core curriculum which was implemented unilaterally by the State Board of Education. That is why I joined with my Republican colleagues to force a public hearing through a procedural petition which finally allowed these important voices to be heard.

I am proud to have once again earned the endorsement of the Connecticut Education Association, and the 49,000 teachers and retired teachers they represent, and I look forward to the opportunity to continue to partner with them on issues of concern to educators in the next session of the legislature.

Public Safety- In the aftermath of the terrible event at Sandy Hook School in Newtown, I supported bipartisan measures that attempted to strike a balance between the Constitutional rights of law-abiding gun owners, and the paramount safety of children and our communities. Additionally, I opposed efforts to reduce the number of state troopers, and a bill that would have reduced the size of drug-free zones around schools. I am proud to have earned the endorsement of the Connecticut State Police Union, and Council 15 Connecticut Council of Police.



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## ARE THE MARKETS SPOOKED?

By Roberta L Nestor

For over a 100 years, October has been the spookiest month for the stock market and that dates back to the "Panic of 1907". That particular financial crisis took place in mid-October and over three weeks the New York Stock Exchange lost nearly 50% from its peak the year previous. The headlines were all about the economic recession, run on the banks and trust companies, illiquid markets and the downfall of the Knickerbocker Trust Company which was New York's 3rd largest trust. The panic spread and many large, and small businesses went bankrupt. Just replace Knickerbocker with Lehman Brothers and you could have been reading the headlines of 2008!

More often the history books focus on the Crash of 1929, also known as Black Monday, there the crash actually started on Monday October 28th and continued through the 29th. That absorbed \$30 billion dollars of investors' wealth and was the onset to the Great Depression. The next Black Monday was on October 19th, 1987. A precipitous one day drop of 22.60%. That was the worst one day drop in history, and now the next largest loss of wealth - \$604 million dollars. That crash was enough to spook investors as they went running to the safety of banks. For years to come, October was known as the largest renewal of CDs in history.

Then there was a mini crash on Friday, 13th in 1989. This was because of a fallout from global markets and the bankruptcy of United Airlines. Fast forward to October 27th, 1997 when a global crash was brought on by the economic crisis in Asia. This crash is known for the number of points lost on the Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA) as it still ranks as the 8th largest point drop in history. Similar economic crises arose on October 9th, 2002 and on October 11th in 2007 when the DJIA experienced a 20% decline from the peak of the previous year. If the markets themselves are not spooked, investors certainly have been over the years.

Let's add some perspective to the spooky month of October. Since the market's inception there has been domestic and now international events that have occurred. And, going forward there will always be domestic and international events that will most likely affect our markets. It is a part of investing, markets tend to react to events. Today, world markets are intertwined as a result of globalization of industries, banking and businesses. However, our markets have historically survived depressions, several recessions, a global financial crisis, a tech bubble that investors will never forget; we have survived wars, terrorist attacks, embargos, gas shortages and oil shortages. In recent years the United States bond rating was downgraded and we had a government shut-down, but the markets continued to march forward. There will always be something happening in our economic world and you can be sure future events will likely continue to affect our markets, even if it isn't the month of October.

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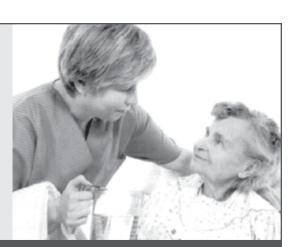
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## HISTORY BUFFS UPDATING BOOK ON WOODBRIDGE HISTORIC HOMES

"Historic Woodbridge — An Historic and Architectural Resource Survey," published 20 years ago, is a compilation of historic homes in Woodbridge, shown with black and white photographs. That first edition has been sold out for several years now, and needs to be updated, said Sheila McCreven, a member of the committee. The advisory committee also includes Town Clerk Stephanie Ciarleglio, Kathryn Gartland, Beth Heller, Richard Jeynes and from the Amity Woodbridge Historical Society Don Menzies, Martha German and Mary Dean. Jean Cunningham, the architectural consultant the Historical Society used for the first edition, is also in contact with the group.

It turns out to be a much larger project than first anticipated, as the original printing files do not exist any longer and it all has to be recreated digitally. They have contacted the homeowners of the 186 houses featured in the first edition, and McCreven has been driving around town, taking digital pictures.

In addition to color photos, there will be some expanded content with new information that surfaced along the way. When a press release from the group appeared in the New Haven Register, they were contacted by a lady from Madison, whose grandfather had been town clerk in Woodbridge in the 1840s. Among his materials, they found pictures of the people who lived here at the time, and a hand-written listing of all houses in Woodbridge.

"We had a great deal of information and feedback from contacting the present homeowners," said Ciarleglio when she, McCreven and Gartland approached the Board of Selectmen to ask for funding for the project. They also dug through old photo albums in the archives of the Historical Society or personal collections, to understand the different family trees and how they interconnected. "My mother used to joke there are just four families in Woodbridge," said Richard Jeynes at a recent committee meeting. "The Sperries, the Pecks, the Baldwins and the stones – referring to the stone walls."

This will not be an inclusive listing of all historic houses in Woodbridge, Mc-Creven said. Rather, like the title of the original publication says, it is a survey; highlighting good examples of different historic styles, which at the same time represent the history of the town. It includes houses from 1820 to 1947. "It is a very exciting project and has been greeted with just a tremendous amount of enthusiasm, Ciarleglio said in her presentation to the Selectmen.

The committee is at a point where they are putting the information together for print. They are still accepting pictures, and are especially interested in portraits of people who lived in the houses featured in the first edition.

Of the 186 properties, five have been demolished since the first edition appeared, and four are abandoned and boarded up. They will still be included in the book, the committee decided, but with a little banner indicating their status.

Books will go to the printer sometime before the end of the year. They will have 1,000 copies printed, which will be sold for \$45, and will be available sometime in January.



## HOLIDAY FAIR AT THE WILLOWS

Willows Care and Rehabilitation Center, 225 Amity Road, Woodbridge, is pleased to announce its holiday fair scheduled for Saturday, November 8, 2014 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. There will be a variety of items for sale – crafts, hand knitted items, homemade candy, jewelry items, white elephant items, raffle prizes, baked goods and much more. Anyone interested in more information can contact Terry Duda at 203-387-0076.

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Left to right: Kate Brown, Co-Chair Scarecrow Fest; Ellen Scalettar, First Selectman; Tin Man Business Themed Scarecrow from Air Handling Systems; Jamison Scott & family and Santulli children.

## SCARECROW FESTIVAL

The second annual Scarecrow Festival in the Woodbridge Village district was a huge success! Kate Brown (of Brown Fitness Training Consultants) and Rob LaTronica (of Wheelers Restaurant and Taproom) organized the festival to bring attention to all the wonderful things Woodbridge businesses have to offer.

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Pat Santucci knew he would love a job entertaining people, but when the retired production control worker



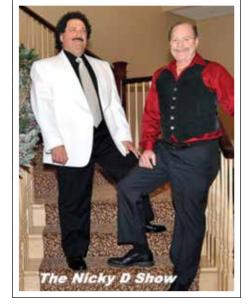
Laura Fantarella

founded the "Nicky D Show," he didn't expect he would have as much fun as his clients.

A former production control worker in a West Haven factory, Santucci retired in 2011 with

a plan to kick back a bit and maybe spend more time enjoying his lifelong hobby music. But an idea to combine his talent as a musician and disc jockey with a captivating performer-partner is slowly blossoming into a second career for the 65-year-old Santucci. Banking on the popularity of a DJ playing tunes and the public's love of karaoke, Santucci thought combining the two would be a hit. So he placed a newspaper ad seeking a charismatic partner and the one and only applicant, "Nicky D", a lawyer and stay-at-home-dad, fit the job perfectly. Their act is a bit of a variety show with Santucci as DJ providing the "heartpumping music" for dancing and the accompaniment for D'Amato's vocals. And in true variety-show style, there's plenty of audience interaction. "Nicky was exactly what I was looking for. He's extremely talented, experienced and charismatic. He's a ham and I like being the back-up ham," Santucci said. "People love to be entertained, and we offer a duo instead of just a solo performance." A mainstay of D'Amato's act is singing standard favorites like Sinatra, Humperdinck and Elvis combined with some "oldies" and music of the 70s and 80s.

What ensued has surprised them both. Since teaming up in 2012, their gigs are steadily increasing to include regular appearances around the state at local restaurants and events and they are gaining unexpected popularity at



Pat Santucci

senior centers and assisted living residences. Seniors themselves, Nicky D. and Santucci are finding the older set to be among their best audiences. "They are all there waiting for us to start and they don't want to let us go. They are a lot of fun to play for," he said. "They love us and we love them." In fact, the residents at local Maplewood Assisted Living enjoyed the show so much they booked the duo for several more appearances on the spot. "Pat and Nicky were very professional and they brought a lot of lively energy," said Maplewood Program Director Briana Benn-Mirandi. "The residents were cheering them on the whole time."

This new "career" is a dream come true for Santucci who began playing the accordion at age nine and the piano, organ and synthesizer soon after. By high school he was playing keyboard regularly in bands, a hobby he continued throughout adulthood. "I never took it too seriously, I would say 'I got the job done," he said.

When he's not performing, Santucci can frequently be found walking several times a day at the High Plains Community Center track. "I have to keep my diabetes in check!" he said. For more information visit www.nickydshow.com or call 203-915-1977.



Woodbridge Residents! Help me make this column a success. Send me your suggestions – if you think you may make an interesting subject, or someone you know should be featured, let me know at laura@woodbridgetownnews.com.





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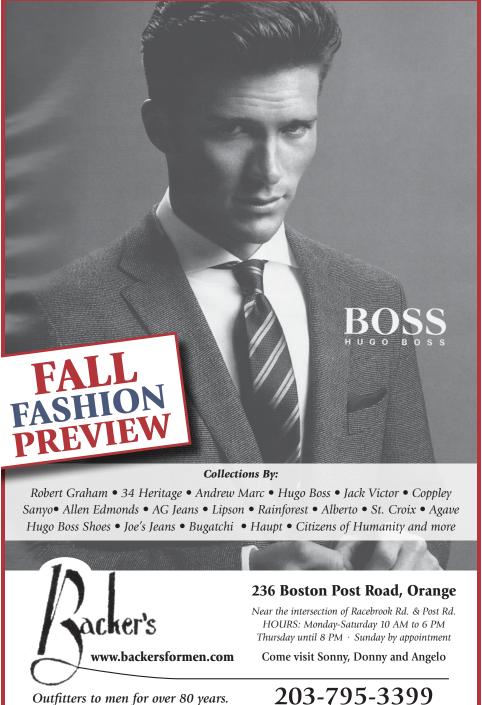
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Recreation Commission member Kathy Adamovich, First Selectman Ellen Scalettar, Matt McDermott and daughter Sofia, who ran in both races.

## WOODBRIDGE ROAD RACE

Despite the rainy cold weather, 82 people participated in the Woodbridge Road Race 5k in October. "Recreation does such a good job putting this event together every year. Even though it was cold and wet, people still had a great time," said First Selectman Ellen Scalettar.

The overall winner was Nicholas Migani at 15:39, and the overall female winner was Kelly Horowitz at 20:54. The first male Woodbridge resident was Aaron Barkin at 16:29, and the first female Woodbridge resident was Miriam Cheng at 24:17.

The mile-long children's fun run winners are: Boys: Parker Paragas, 5:46; Drew Pedigo 6:33; and Spencer Buynak, 7:09; for the girls: Mia Pedigo, 6:58; Nell Grant, 7:35; and Sophia McDermott 8:02. There were 46 children who participated in the Children's Fun Run.

Congratulations to everyone who participated! Visit the Recreation page on the Town's website for a full list of participants and their times: www.woodbridgect.org.







**Q:** Please tell me the rumors I've been hearing about a "**Say Anything**" TV series are not true! -- Callie F., via email

A: I am thrilled to tell you that NBC's planned "Say Anything" TV show has been canned. Less than 24 hours after news broke -- lighting up the Internet -- about a comedy sequel based on the hit 1989 movie, which was directed by Cameron Crowe and starred John **Cusack** and **Ione Skye**, NBC pulled the plug on the series. Apparently, Cameron called producer **Aaron Kaplan** (who was producing the series with writer **Justin Adler**) and voiced his objections to the project. Aaron and Justin were unaware that Cameron had not been contacted about or approved of the project, so they pulled out. NBC and 20th Century Fox followed suit and canceled the series.

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**Q:** I saw **Cameron Mathison** in the Hallmark movie "**Along Came a Nanny**" and realized how much I had missed him. Can you tell me what else he has going on? -- Lola F., Erie, Pa.

**A:** The sweet and sexy former soap star is currently hosting a homerenovation competition show in Canada called **"Game of Homes."** I spoke with Cameron about it recently, and he's really excited about this new project. "It's a really fun renovation/reality show where they're taking four dilapidated houses off their foundations, and moving these houses to a really cool downtown location. The contestants make up four teams, and every week they renovate a new room of their assigned house. And every week there is a new challenge with prizes. You can win a trip to Paris or a weeklong cruise in the Caribbean. The ultimate prize is you win your house and



Cameron Mathison

a piece of land to put it on. Initially it's going to air in Canada, but I have a feeling it's going to appear elsewhere."

Cameron continued: "Another aspect I like is that I graduated with an engineering degree like 700 years ago, and my dream was to go into a design firm with my best friend, who's an architect. I was going to be the engineer, and he was going to be the architect. And then I bailed on him and went in the entertainment world. But since that time, this is the closest gig I've ever had that involves design, construction, engineering, load-bearing walls, header beams — all that kind of stuff. For me it's kind of coming close to my original dream of what I wanted to do with my life."

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**Q:** When will "**Hot in Cleveland**" be back with a new season? -- Jeremy T., via email

**A:** Season six of the hit TV Land sitcom returns Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 10 p.m. ET/PT. Get ready for 24 new episodes of this fun series, with **Betty White, Wendie Malick, Valerie Bertinelli** and **Jane Leeves** all returning.

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## ARTS & LEISURE



Starring in the upcoming November musical Singin' in the Rain are Sacred Heart Academy students Andrea Sanchez '15, Lauren Celentano '16, Rose Iannacone '16, and Kayla Hansen '15.

# SACRED HEART ACADEMY TO PRESENT "SINGING IN THE RAIN"

A talented cast of more than 125 students, including male actors from ten different schools, will be Singin' in the Rain this November at the newly renovated Shubert Theatre! The "Greatest Movie Musical of All Time" is faithfully and lovingly adapted by Broadway legends Betty Comden and Adolph Green from their original award-winning screenplay in Singin' in the Rain. Each unforgettable scene, song, and dance is accounted for, including the show-stopping title number, complete with an onstage rainstorm! Hilarious situations, snappy dialogue, and a hit-parade score of Hollywood standards make Singin' in the Rain the perfect entertainment for any fan of the golden age of movie musicals.

Sacred Heart students starring in the musical are senior Kayla Hansen from West Haven as Kathy Selden and junior Rose Iannacone from North Haven as Lina Lamont. The male leads are Austin Iovanna, a senior from North Haven High School, as Don Lockwood and Gabe Katz, a sophomore from Hamden Hall, as his Make 'Em Laugh sidekick Cosmo Brown. The Singin' in the Rain ensemble features ladies from Sacred Heart Academy and gentlemen from various schools including North Haven High School, Hamden Hall, Hamden High School, Sheehan High School, East Haven High School, Hopkins, Notre Dame West Haven, and St. Rita of Hamden. Singin' in the Rain is directed by MaryLee Delaney and produced by Frances Saukas. Musical direction is provided by Chad Hardin and choreography by Janet Gambardella Bracale '77.

Along with rehearsals, cast and crew members also participate in several service projects. Inspired by the show's theme of implementing technology, they have identified areas of need to help the elderly, school children, and children with special needs become better acquainted with the positive innovations of technology.

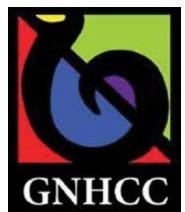
Tickets are \$25 for orchestra seats, \$20 for the mezzanine, and \$10 for the balcony. Performances are Friday, November 14 at 8 pm and Saturday, November 15 at 2 in the afternoon and 8 pm. For tickets and information, call (203) 562-5666, visit www.shubert.com, or visit the box office at 247 College St., New Haven or purchase at Sacred Heart Academy, 265 Benham Street, Hamden.



## GNHCC ANNOUNCES 2014 FALL CONCERT PLANS

Greater New Haven Community Chorus will be presenting its annual Fall Concert on Saturday evening, December 13 at St. Mary's Church in New Haven, under the

direction of Noah Blocker-Glynn, Artistic Director, with Mark Sullivan, accompanist. The GNHCC Fall 2014 Concert – War & Peace – Reflection, Honor and Hope is a concert commemorating the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I, the 75th anniversary of the start of World War II, honoring those who served, and the hope for peace. The program will feature Requiem for the Living with chamber orchestra by noted composer Dan Forrest. The program will also include Veni, a new composition on historic war texts by composer Matthew Cramer, the music of Bach, and other selections celebrating peace, hope and love.



GNHCC will be joined for this performance by

Connecticut Children's Chorus - Primi Voci, for young treble voices. The Connecticut Children's Chorus (CCC) is one of the region's most comprehensive youth chorus programs. Under the artistic direction of Dr. Stuart Younse, CCC continues to thrive as our region's premiere children's chorus, boasting performance invitations with the region's best professional ensembles and provides strength and excellence in training Connecticut's youngest talented voices. The Connecticut Children's Chorus is now the official children's chorus of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra.

Concert tickets are available through GNHCC members and online at www. gnhcc.org.

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.

# ARTS COUNCIL'S WRITERS' CIRCLE PROGRAM BACK FOR A 2<sup>ND</sup> SEASON

The Writers' Circle is a free program presented by the Arts Council of Greater New Haven designed to help writers, poets and freelancers by connecting them to writing experts. The panel discussion style meetings will take place once a month at the Arts Council on a range of topics such as How to Break Into Freelance, How to Write an Impressive Grant, How to Pitch a Novel and more. This program is a great tool for writers searching for publishing tips or even just a place to share work, ask questions and meet other local writers.

To launch the new season of The Writers' Circle, The Arts Council will host a free launch party on October 22, 2014 from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the Institute Library, 847 Chapel Street, New Haven. The public is invited to attend. This kickoff event will feature a live liter-

ary performance by Allan Appel, a New Haven novelist, poet, and playwright whose books include Club Revelation, High Holiday Sutra, winner of a Barnes and Noble Discover Great New Writers Award, and The Rabbi of Casino Boulevard. Allen Appel is also a writer for The New Haven Independent. Please come mingle with the organizers and learn more about how this exciting program, now entering its second season, works. Wine and refreshments will be served.

This program is organized by David Brensilver (Writer & Editor of The Arts Paper) Stephen Grant (Writer & Communications Manager at the Arts Council), Daisy Abreu (Writer & Arts Council Board Member) and Lucy Gellman (Writer, New Haven Independent). For more information, please contact Stephen Grant at the Arts Council (203) 772-2788.



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## ARTS & LEISURE

## LIBRARY PARTNERSHIP WITH LONG WHARF THEATRE

The Woodbridge Town Library announces a partnership with Long Wharf Theatre in conjunction with the upcoming play Picasso and the Lapin Agile, written by Steve Martin and directed by Gordon Edelstein. The play will run from November 26 through December 21, 2014 on the Claire Tow Stage in the C. Newton Schenck Mainstage Theatre at Long Wharf. The library will hold three events around the play that will allow patrons to become acquainted with it, discuss it, and even see it live.

What happens when Picasso and Einstein walk into a bar? Intellectual fireworks, verbal gymnastics, amorous intentions, and the arrival of a mysterious man in blue suede shoes. On an October evening in 1904, Albert Einstein and Pablo Picasso end up at the same small bar in Paris - the Lapin Agile. The two young geniuses, joined by an eccentric cast of characters, spar over art and science, their respective libidos, where inspiration comes from, and the promise and dreams of the 20th century.

On Thursday, November 13 at 7pm the library will host a Talk Back with Director Gordon Edelstein in the Library Meeting Room. Edelstein will discuss the play and allow for audience questions.

Subsequently, on Wednesday, December 3 at 7pm, Dr. Mark Schenker, Senior Associate Dean of Yale College, will host a discussion on the play. Copies of the play will be available for check out at the library Circulation Desk.

These events will culminate Thursday, December 11, when library patrons can participate in "Woodbridge Night" at Long Wharf and receive a 25% discount off ticket prices and a special reception before the show. Please call Marketing Coordinator Deena Nicol at 203-772-8242 and reference "Woodbridge Night" to purchase your discounted tickets. Long Wharf Theatre is located at 222 Sargent Drive in New Haven, CT.

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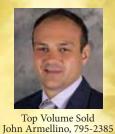


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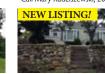


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# CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS



Left to right: Maryellen Bespuda, President of The Garden Club of Orange; Carol King Platt, Floral Designer; Susan Antinozzi and Pat Bakke, Co-President of The Garden Club of Woodbridge. Photo by Lana Ho

# LOCAL GARDEN CLUBS HOLD JOINT MEETING

On October 14, 2014, The Garden Club of Orange hosted The Garden Club of Woodbridge for a fun filled meeting with flower arrangements from Nature's Bounty, Carol King Platt. Carol entertained us with beautiful, nature inspired arrangements from the backyard, roadside and with a little help from the florist shop. Many of us went home with a beautiful arrangement! The Garden Club of Orange is a member of The National Garden Clubs, New England Region, and The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut. Interested to lean more, call Teresa Evangeliste at 203-795-3195.



## OCTOBER HORTICULTURE THERAPY

Community outreach is one of the most important activities of the Garden Club of Woodbridge. As part of that program, the Horticultural Therapy Committee meets at Coachman Square on Bradley Road from September to May on the third Monday of the month. The Committee's purpose is to work with the residents specifically in areas such as motor skills, communications, memory and mental health. At the October meeting, committee members Marie Dube and Linda Cederbaum (pictured) helped the attendees create Fall foliage arrangements. All of the foliage came from Marie's magnificent garden.





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For more information about Sea Scout Ship 721, including how to join, please visit www.seascout.org and contact Cristy Jones, via email at crjones@optonline. net or by cell at 203-494-2483.



Pictured Cindy Marien, Judy DeCoster, Pat Croasmun an Marie Dube

# PUTTING THE TOWN'S GARDENS TO BED

It's that time of year, the town's gardens need to be put to bed before the ground freezes. Garden Club of Woodbridge members work on the The Adella Baldwin Stuart Garden at the corner of Center Road and Meetinghouse Lane.

The Thomas Darling House Perennial Herb Garden, the Firehouse 9/11 Memorial Garden, the Senior Secret Garden and the Library Garden are waiting their turn. Club members work each week from April'til October to keep the gardens in bloom all season and weed free.



## TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

# WARM HEARTS, WARM HOMES CAMPAIGN

Woodbridge Human Services has kicked off a Warm Hearts, Warm Homes Campaign to seek donations for the Town Fuel/Food Fund. The drive will run through December 31st. We are anticipating a need for \$5,000.00 for our Fuel Bank and \$2,000.00 for our Emergency Food Fund. These funds provide Woodbridge residents with emergency assistance with their primary heating source and emergency food.

"We are expecting an increase in the number of families applying for emergency fuel and food assistance this winter due to the decline in the economy," stated Mary Ellen LaRocca, Director of Human Services. Since Human Services is anticipating an increased need for fuel and food this year, it is inviting schools, church groups and civic organizations to consider sponsoring fundraisers to join its mission to keep our residents warm and safe this winter season.

Checks should be made out to the Town of Woodbridge Fuel/Food Fund and mailed to Woodbridge Human Services Department, 11 Meetinghouse Lane, Woodbridge, CT 06525.



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## TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE MEETINGS FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2014

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



Town Hall

11/3	Human Services Commission7:00pm Town Plan & Zoning Commission7:30pm	The Center Town Hall
11/4	CUPOP7:00pm	Town Hall
11/5	Police Commission6:00pm	Police Department
11/10	Library Commission6:00pm Zoning Board of Appeals7:30pm	Library Town Hall
11/12	Board of Selectmen6:00pm	Town Hall
11/13	Economic Development Comm 7:00pm	Town Hall
11/17	Fire Commission8:00pm	Fire Station
11/20	Investment Committee	RegionalWaterAuthority Town Hall Town Hall
11/24	CC of Woodbridge Commission 6:00pm	Town Hall
11/25	Government Access TV Comm 7:15pm	Town Hall

## YOGA & MEDITATION FALL 2014

#### **Woodbridge Recreation**

A new class that begins with gentle yoga, & includes deep relaxation and meditation. Wednesdays 5:30-6:45; November 5, 12, 19 at Old Center School, Room 16, 4 Meetinghouse Lane, Woodbridge. 7 classes \$55/\$10 Drop-in. Questions? Email yogadiane@gmail.com or call Diane King at 203-494-3745 or Woodbridge Rec 203-389-3446.

#### Yoga and Meditation

**Week One:** Yoga focus on posture and alignment, balance, strengthening back and opening hips: areas important for ease in meditating.

Meditation focus: Meditation basics; overview of the 7 weeks ahead

**Week Two:** Yoga repeat week one with added focus on importance of breath *Meditation focus:* Physical and mental benefits of meditation; the journey inward **Week Three:** Yoga focus on review but adding tension/relaxation practice

Meditation focus: influence of Buddhist traditions

Week Four: Yoga focus - Posture, Prana, Pranayama

Meditation focus: Breath oriented and mantra meditation

Week Five: Yoga focus on postures as moving meditation/flow yoga

*Meditation focus*: Mindfulness and meditation **Week Six:** Yoga focus on mindfulness in practice

*Meditation focus*: Affirmations: training your mind, aligning your spirit **Week Seven:** Posture review/Connection of yoga and meditation Discussion and guided meditation

#### Suggested Readings

- Meditation on the Mat Rolf Gates Daily reflections on the path of yoga.
- Meditation for the Love of It Sally Kempton Enjoying your own deepest experience
- Full Catastrophe Living or any books by Jon Kabat-Zinn Using the Wisdom of Your Body and Mind to Fact Stress, Pain, and Illness (but great for anyone!) Jon is the creator of Mindfulness Based Stress Release programs that utilize yoga and meditation
- 365 nirvana here and now Josh Baran Living every moment in enlightenment
- 365 Yoga Julie Rappaport Daily thoughts about yoga
- $365\, Tao$  Deng Ming-Dao Daily meditations on life and nature
- Kripalu Yoga: A Guide to Practice On and Off the Mat Richard Faulds
- Lilias! Yoga Gets Better With Age Lilias Folan
- Exercises for Joints and Glands: Simple Movements to Enhance Your Well-Being as taught by Swami Rama
- The Yoga Way to Release Tension: Rachel Carr's Techniques for Relaxation and Mind Control Rachel Carr

And there are so many more one could recommend relating to specific conditions like arthritis, osteoporosis, anxiety... emailing Diane is the best way to let her know of your interest and/or concerns.

Websites she likes: dailyzen.com; yoganews@yogabasics.com; yogajournal.com; liberated body; and yinyoga.com

Explore the public library, bookstores, and the web for books, CDs, and DVDs. There is a wealth of information to start and sustain you on the path to inner knowledge, balance, health, and equanimity. Yoga and meditation are not specific religious paths, rather they are vehicles to bring you closer to your personal understanding of life's purpose.

# WOODBRIDGE VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY

The Woodbridge Veteran's Day ceremony will be held on Tuesday November 11 at 10:45 a.m. at the flagpole in front of the Center Building, 4 Meetinghouse Lane. U.S. Army Captain and Vietnam Veteran Barry Josephs will give the welcoming remarks. As is tradition, the ceremony will include a reading of Flanders Field, a moment of silence, the reading of names of recently departed veterans and reflections on Veterans Day from local elected officials.



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## WOODBRID CHE LIBRAIRY

#### **Adult Events**

#### Murder, Mayhem, and Mystery with author David Handler

Monday, November 3 @ 7pm

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#### Talk Back of Picasso and the Lapin Agile with Director Gordon Edelstein

Thursday, November 13 @ 7pm

Join Director Gordon Edelstein as he shares his experiences directing three shows at Long Wharf Theatre this season, including Picasso and the Lapin Agile. Edelstein will give us insight into the play as well as take audience questions. Copies of the play are available for check out at the Circulation Desk and a discounted rate for the play is available for library patrons. Please register for this event online, in person, or by phone at 203-289-3466. See the Circulation Desk for further details.

#### Keep the Stress out of Holiday Shopping with Couponing Expert Gina Juliano

Thursday, November 20 @ 7pm

Shopping for the holidays shouldn't be stressful or break the bank. Join Gina Juliano, couponing expert, as she shows you how to use coupons to cut your grocery bills in half, earn cash back on the gifts you purchase online, buy \$25 restaurant gift cards for as little as \$2, and fill your kids stockings for FREE. Please register for this program online, at the library Circulation Desk, or by phone at 203-389-3433.

#### Art Exhibit

#### November Art Exhibit - The work of Gregory Karas

Opening Reception Saturday, November 8 from 2pm -4pm

Gregory Karas is a Connecticut native painter that is comfortable using several mediums to depict landscapes, wildlife, and portraiture. Gregory is formally trained and attended Paier College of Art and has been involved professionally in the arts since graduating in 1983. Greg is employed as a full time commercial artist at Portfolio Arts Group and whenever his hectic schedule allows, he teaches at the Bob Boroski School of Art in Shelton. He is a board member on the Valley Arts Council and a member in the Connecticut Society of Plein Air Painters and the Easton Arts council.

His painting styles range from highly detailed studio works to loosely painted atmospheric paintings depicting the local landscape. Gregory's work can be found hanging in several private collections throughout the United States. For

purchasing information, questions, or comments, Greg can be reached at greg. karas@sbcglobal.net and be sure to visit his website at: www.gregkaras.com.

## Film Screenings Maleficent

Thursday, November 6th @ 7pm

A vengeful fairy is driven to curse an infant princess, only to discover that the child may be the one person who can restore peace to their troubled land. Starring Angelina Jolie and Elle Fanning. Rated PG. 97 minutes.

#### **Jersey Boys**

Tuesday, November 18th @ 7pm

The story of four young men from the wrong side of the tracks in New Jersey who came together to form the iconic 1960s rock group The Four Seasons. Rated R. 134 minutes.

#### Children's Events

#### Eager Reader's Book Group

Monday, November 10th @ 6:30pm

Learn how Chipmunk prepares for winter in this beautiful and informative book by Victoria Shernow. Books are available to check out at the Children's Desk. Please register online at www. woodbridge.lioninc.org.

## Crazy 8's Math Club is coming soon!

Saturday, December 6, 2014 at 2pm for GRADES K-2

Math gone WILD! Are you ready for glow in the dark geometry? Have fun with polygons at our opening session. Math will never be the same again! Space is very limited. Advance online registration begins November 1, 2014 at www.woodbridge.lioninc.org.

#### **Tens to Teens**

Wednesday, November 12 @ 6:30pm

Our November 10s to Teens session has us gobbling up Thanksgiving Treats while we exchange book chats. Come; let's talk about books we've been reading while making festive turkey treats. This program is for students in grade 4 and up.

#### **Teen Events**

#### Teen Slap Art

Wednesday, November 5 @ 6:30pm

Our November Teen Slap Art Session presents a creative challenge for community teens. The children's department would like to create a Thanksgiving cornucopia to display using paper, paint, and recyclables. We invite creative high school students to help us with this project. In return you will earn community service hours. If you would like to create with us, please register online at www.woodbridge.lioninc.org.

## ACT Practice Test with KAPLAN

Saturday, November 22 @ 11 am

Representatives from KAPLAN will administer a free, proctored practice test for the ACT exam under test day conditions. All participants will receive a comprehensive analysis of their performance on the test, detailing individual strengths and weaknesses. Gain invaluable experience at this practice session! Space is limited and registration is required. Please register online at www.woodbridge.lioninc.org or call 203-389-3433. Registration begins on November 1st.

## FAMILY-FRIENDLY VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Many parents encourage their youngsters to volunteer in the hopes that their kids will grow up recognizing the importance of helping the less fortunate and giving something back to their communities.

Depending on a youngster's age, he or she may be hesitant to volunteer. Young children may be shy, while older kids may already be burdened with schedules far busier than their parents ever had to contend with. But volunteering can help kids establish a strong connection to their communities and introduce them to new people, the likes of which they may otherwise never get a chance to meet or befriend.

Youngsters hesitant about volunteering may be more likely to embrace it if they are joined by their parents. The following are a handful of family-friendly volunteering opportunities perfect for parents looking to find ways to give back to their communities while instilling the value of volunteering in their kids.

· Nature cleanup: Whether it's working to remove litter from a nearby beach or pitching in to clean up

a local park, a volunteering opportunity in the great outdoors is hard for adults and kids to resist. Kids likely will enjoy the idea of spending a weekend morning or afternoon at the park or beach, and parents can get some sun as they teach their kids the value of protecting the planet and pitching in to keep a community looking great.

· Soup kitchen: Many kids may find it hard to relate to people without a home to call their own. Volunteering at a soup kitchen, where youngsters can witness firsthand that not everyone is fortunate enough to enjoy three meals a day and have a roof over their heads, is a great way for parents to instill a sense of compassion for the less fortunate in their children. Youngsters can serve meals alongside their parents or help deliver meals to men and women who have been rendered immobile by medical conditions.

· Nursing home: Nursing homes accept volunteers of all ages, and families can go together to pitch in and brighten the days of elderly men and women. Kids

can read to or play cards or other games with nursing home residents while their folks lend a helping hand in other areas around the facility.

· Special Olympics: Volunteering with the Special Olympics is another great way for families to give back together. The Special Olympics is the world's largest sports organization for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, and millions of people volunteer with the Special Olympics across the globe. Families can volunteer to work directly with the athletes or work as event volunteers and fans. Kids who like sports will love the chance to give back in a sporting atmosphere, and parents will love the lessons kids learn about having compassion for those with disabilities.

· Animal shelter: Many kids love animals, so volunteering with a local animal shelter is a great way for families to bond as they give back to their communities. Animal shelters may need help during special adoption events, or may simply need some extra hands to maintain their facilities.





Rabbi Sheya Hecht & Jeff Wilson

## TREAT FARM HOSTS SUKKAH AT THE FARM

Sunday, October 12th was a spectacular fall day which was the perfect weather for Chabad of Orange Woodbridge's annual Sukkah Hop commemorating the Jewish fall holiday. As it is customary to eat all meals and snacks in a temporary 3 walled structure with a roof made of natural materials, the last stop on the hop was held at Treat Farm on Old Tavern Road. Jeff Wilson and Beau Clark constructed a beautiful Sukkah for a crowd of 60 people, who came to eat dessert in the Sukkah, take a hayride and explore the Corn Maze. Chabad of Orange Woodbridge has already reserved the Sukkah for next year and is planning an even larger community event for the local Jewish Community.

## HOLY INFANT WOMAN'S **GUILD TAG SALE**

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild is having a Fall Tag Sale on Saturday, November 15 from 9 am to 2 pm. It is in the school gym at 450 Racebrook Road. There will be over 35 vendors selling a variety of items. Lots of great bargains! Books, household items, collectibles. Refreshments will be available. For more information, call Gloria at (203)795-4679.



Holy Infant Church

## INDIAN DINNER AND **GOURMET COOKING CLASS**

An entertaining cooking demonstration and a gourmet buffet are on the menu at Temple Emanuel of Greater New Haven on Saturday, November 8 at 6:30 pm. Chef Jawahar "Jack" Dorasiwamy will create and serve a wonderful, three-course, mildly spiced and Kosher Indian dinner for your enjoyment. Exciting raffle items will also be available, including

gift baskets and the opportunity to help Chef Jack in the



Temple Emanuel

kitchen. All attendees will leave with a complete set of recipes from the evening as well as starter bags of spices.

Reservations are required for this event. The deadline is November 2. Tickets cost \$54 per person. Please sign up on the TE website: www.templeemanuel-gnh.org.

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.templeemanuel-gnh.org, or call the TE office at 203-397-3000.



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#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

1:00 PM (Light Lunch) | 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (Presentation)

Attend this session and learn more about Veterans' Aid and Attendance Pension Benefits by Anne James, an experienced Veteran Service Officer with the State of Connecticut, Department of Veterans' Affairs. VA pension benefits can help pay for home care and assisted living and are available for surviving spouses. Q and A following presentation.

> RSVP to Concierge by November 2nd at 203-795-3117 or email at orangereception@maplewoodsl.com.

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## LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP

## RENOWNED NY PIZZERIA OPENS 1<sup>ST</sup> CT LOCATION IN WOODBRIDGE

Grimaldi's Coal Brick-Oven Pizzeria, a Brooklyn institution that Zagat has repeatedly named the "best pizza in New York," has opened its first Connecticut loca-

tion in a deal brokered by Levey Miller Maretz. The restaurant is now open to the public at 1646 Litchfield Turnpike in Woodbridge, with a grand opening celebration scheduled for October 14.

#### Levey Miller Maretz

It is the first Connecticut site for the eatery and company officials plan to expand in the state. They aim to open six to 10 more locations statewide within the next two years.

Steve Miller, principal and broker at Levey Miller Maretz, represented Grimaldi's in its long-term lease deal. He will be working with the company to secure other sites in the state as well.

Grimaldi's has a long history in the New York metro area, including its most famous restaurant under the Brooklyn Bridge. The coal-fired ovens used in all of its restaurants weigh 25 tons and are heated by 100 pounds of coal a day, heating up to 1200 degrees, according to the company.

Patsy Grimaldi, the founder of Grimaldi's, learned to make pizza as a teenager at his uncle Patsy Lancieri's pizzeria in Harlem in 1941. He later opened his own restaurant in Brooklyn, Patsy's Pizzeria, which eventually became Grimaldi's.

About Levey Miller Maretz Real Estate Services: Levey Miller Maretz is a full-service commercial real estate firm based in Woodbridge, Connecticut, that specializes in the sale and leasing of industrial, office, retail and investment properties, as well as property management. Learn more at www.lmmre.com.

## JOHN GIAMETTA, DPT JOINS AMITY PHYSICAL THERAPY

Woodbridge. John Giametta, DPT has recently joined the growing staff of Amity Physical Therapy, founded eleven years ago by Michael Dow, Clinical Director.

Giametta received his Doctorate in physical therapy from Sacred Heart University in Fairfield and is an active member of APTA, the national organization of physical therapists. His clinical experience ranges from cardiopulmonary, neurological, and post-surgical conditions to his special interest in treating orthopedic and sports-related injuries.



John Giametta

An avid outdoor sports enthusiast, Giametta conditions himself with athletics from ice hockey to rock climbing and golf. He will be based at the Woodbridge facility at One Bradley Road.

Amity Physical Therapy maintains three offices in Hamden, Branford and Woodbridge. For more information call 203-393-4953 or visit www. amitypt.com

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## WOODBRIDGE PHYSICIAN ELECTED TO YNNH MEDICAL BOARD

The Yale-New Haven Hospital Medical Staff Elected Lynn Tanoue, MD, of Woodbridge, as the new president-elect. She will serve a two-year term on the medical board, which sponsors about 20 committees to evaluate and improve the professional activities of the medical staff and the quality of healthcare at Yale-New Haven Hospital.



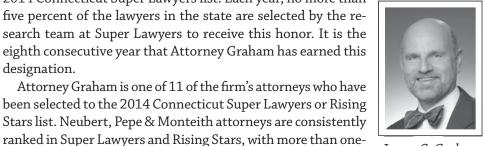
Dr. Tanoue is professor of medicine at Yale School of Medicine and vice-chair for clinical affairs in the Department of Internal Medicine. She is director of the Winchester Chest Clinic at Yale-New Haven Hospital, co-director of the Yale Cancer Center

Thoracic Oncology Program, and director of the Yale Lung Screening and Nodule Program. Dr. Tanoue graduated from Yale School of Medicine and completed her residency in internal medicine and pulmonary/critical care medicine at Yale-New Haven Hospital.

## **WOODBRIDGE RESIDENT** RECOGNIZED AS "SUPER LAWYER"

James C. Graham, a Woodbridge resident and attorney with Neubert, Pepe & Monteith, P.C., a Connecticut general practice law firm, has been selected to the

2014 Connecticut Super Lawyers list. Each year, no more than five percent of the lawyers in the state are selected by the research team at Super Lawyers to receive this honor. It is the eighth consecutive year that Attorney Graham has earned this designation. Attorney Graham is one of 11 of the firm's attorneys who have



James C. Graham

third of the firm's attorneys earning the designation in 2014. Attorneys selected to the 2014 Connecticut Super Lawyers in their primary practice areas are: Bankruptcy: Business - James C. Graham and Douglas S. Skalka; Business Litigation - Simon I. Allentuch; Personal Injury Medical Malpractice: Defense - Michael D. Neubert and Eric J. Stockman; and Real Estate - Andrew R. Lubin.

Attorneys selected to the 2014 Connecticut Rising Stars in their primary practice areas are: Business Litigation - Lucas B. Rocklin; Personal Injury Medical Malpractice: Defense - Brittany S. Cates, Adam V. Maiocco and Vimala B. Ruszkowski; and Real Estate - Jane E. Ballerini.





## AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION

#### **Ebola Information From Your Local Health Department**

Ebola has been forefront in the media for several weeks and will most likely continue to cause a flurry of news activity through the new year. Media reporting can be quite accurate, but sometimes the manner in which information is presented coupled with the unknowns of a situation, worry and fear can grow among residents. Quinnipiack Valley Health District, the local health department for Bethany, Hamden, North Haven and Woodbridge, wants you to know that our staff is working closely with the CT State Health Department and will perform any actions necessary to safeguard our community. You can get credible and reliable information from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), www.cdc.gov and from the CT Department of Public Health (www. ct.gov/dph.) Myths and rumors about Ebola will not help us to stay protected. A calm, knowledgeable approach will work best to protect the community.

At the time of this writing (October 24, 2014) there are several things we know: (Note: information may change rapidly. QVHD will post changes that affect our district on the QVHD website.)

You do not get Ebola from the air, water or food. You get Ebola from direct contact through broken skin or mucous membranes (like your eyes, nose or mouth) if you have contact with body fluids from a person who is actively ill with symptoms of Ebola. If a person does not have symptoms, they cannot spread the virus. Body fluids include, but are not limited to, blood, urine, feces, saliva, breast milk, vomit, sweat and semen.

Travelers returning from an affected area will now be required to enter the United States through one of five major airports where they will be screened and given an Ebola care kit. (The airports are JFK, Washington Dulles, Newark Liberty, Chicago O'Hare and Hartsfield-Jackson in Atlanta.) However, if you learn about a traveler from an affected region who did not come through one of these airports and resides in one of the district towns (Bethany, Hamden, North Haven or Woodbridge), please notify QVHD. The chances of this occurring are slim.

At this time Connecticut will be requiring all symptom-free travelers from an affected area to remain at home for 21 days during the incubation period (2-21 days with an average of 8-10 days.) The process of notification of such an individual will go from airport screening to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) to the CT Department of Health (CT DPH). Should such a traveler reside (or be visiting) one of our district towns, QVHD will be notified by the CT DPH. QVHD will be responsible for the monitoring of the asymptomatic traveler with temperatures twice a day.

Upon airport screening, travelers

with symptoms will be immediately isolated and referred for medical care.

Should a traveler or person who cared for an Ebola patient return to one of the district towns, QVHD will be responsible for monitoring their quarantine. This means that the person will remain in their home for 21 days following their last exposure and will be actively monitored for early signs of infection. You should note that others in the household with the quarantined individual who did not have an exposure to Ebola will be free to go to work or to school. Remember, the science of Ebola has shown that you can only get Ebola from someone with an active infection (persons showing signs of illness).

If a quarantined person should become ill, they will immediately be isolated and hospitalized. The nonquarantined family/friends who were with this person when they became ill will then be quarantined and actively monitored.

The family and friend contacts of the patient who died in Texas have been released from their 21 day confinement period. None of those who lived with this patient have developed the disease. This is comforting news that should help ease fears about Ebola's transmission.

With the precautions taken for travelers from affected areas (noted above) who are ill or who are not ill, it is not likely that a person ill with Ebola will appear at the office or in school.

Due to Ebola outbreaks, there are currently CDC Travel Warning Level 3 for Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea, that states to avoid non-essential travel to those areas. There is a Level 2 Alert, "Practice Enhanced Precautions" due to Ebola for the Democratic Republic of the Congo and a Level 3 Alert, "Practice Usual Precautions" for Nigeria. Visit www.cdc.gov/travel for updated information on travel to any country.

Actions you can take to prevent illness in your household:

Get a flu shot for everyone 6 months and older.

Frequently wash your hands with soap and water. In the absence of soap and water, an alcohol-based hand gel can be used, however these products do not remove dirt.

Avoid touching the nose, eyes and mouth with dirty hands.

Cover your coughs and sneezes. Dispose of tissues properly.

Frequently disinfect common sur-

Stay home when you are sick and avoid visiting persons who are ill.

See a health care provider if you have symptoms of an illness that is getting worse or experience difficulty breathing.

District residents (Bethany, Hamden, North Haven and Woodbridge) can call QVHD, 203 248-4528 or submit a question or concern on line, www.qvhd.org.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

## TOP 10 MOVIES

#### 1. Gone Girl (R)

Ben Affleck, Rosamund Pike

#### 2. Dracula Untold (PG-13)

Luke Evans, Dominic Cooper

#### 3. Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (PG)

Steve Carell, Jennifer Garner

#### 4. Annabelle (R)

Ward Horton, Annabelle Wallis

#### 5. The Judge (R)

Robert Downey Jr., Robert Duvall

#### 6. The Equalizer (R)

Denzel Washington, Marton Csokas

#### 7. Addicted (R)

Sharon Leal, Boris Kodjoe

#### 8. The Maze Runner (PG-13)

Dylan O'Brien, Kaya Scodelario

#### 9. The Boxtrolls (PG)

animated

#### 10. Left Behind (PG-13)

Nicolas Cage, Lea Thompson

## TOP 10 RENTALS

#### 1. Transformers: Age of **Extinction (PG-13)**

Mark Wahlberg

#### 2. Blended (PG-13)

Adam Sandler

#### 3. Captain America: The

Winter Soldier (PG-13) Chris Evans

#### 4. The Other Woman (PG-13) Cameron Diaz

#### 5. Think Like a Man Too (PG-13)

#### Kevin Hart

#### 6. Mom's Night Out (PG) Sarah Drew

#### 7. Divergent (PG-13)

Shailene Woodley

#### 8. The Amazing Spider-Man 2 (PG-13)

Andrew Garfield

#### 9. Draft Day (R)

Kevin Costner

#### 10. Transcendence (PG-13)

Johnny Depp

# OUCH THEATER



Angelina Jolie in "Maleficent"

EDITOR'S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column will be available in stores the week of Nov. 3, 2014.

#### PICKS OF THE WEEK

"Maleficent" (PG) -- The evil witch from "Sleeping Beauty" gets her chance to set the story straight. In this addendum to the popular fairy tale, the sinister sorceress (Angelina Jolie) has a softer side; she originally was a happy little fairy girl with powerful eagle wings and a family of benign supernatural creatures in her magical forest kingdom. Betrayal from the neighboring human kingdom changes Maleficent, making her into the menacing matriarch we know from the old story.

Jolie inhabits her title role, making the scorned fairy queen creepy and beautiful. She just looks like somebody who would fly you into the air and drop you into a ravine if you don't mind your manners. What's missing is a compelling script to take this story to another level, where the characters have as much emotional depth as visual flair.

#### "Hercules" (PG-13) -- After accomplishing all of his legendary feats -- slaying a big lion, tanglin' with a hydra -- Hercules (Dwayne Johnson) has rock star status all over Greece. The big guy is called upon by a mighty king (John Hurt) to train and lead an army against the invading forces of Thrace. Mr. Muscles must prove he's the warrior everyone thinks he is while facing desperate odds. One thing the movie gets right is that a good Hercules is more than muscles. Johnson plays the mythical brute with some charm and humor, putting the right amount of humanity into a movie that's mostly war cries and death wails. The plot and battles are as straightforward as a spear.

"The One I Love" (R) -- A young couple gets a prescription from their therapist: a short stay at an exclusive resort, where they can repair their relationship and rediscover marital bliss. Ethan (Mark Duplass) and Sophie (Elisabeth Moss) enjoy the stay at first, before everything gets weird. You see, there's something strange going on at the resort. The couple is pushed to the edge by some too-cleverto-spoil twists that bring them face-toface with issues of intimacy and identity. It's about love, but it's not entirely romantic. It's funny, but you might not laugh out loud much. You'll be forced to question things, but you might not get

## CHART BUSTERS

#### Top 10 Pop Singles

#### 1. Meghan Trainor

"All About That Bass"

#### 2. Taylor Swift

"Shake It Off"

#### 3. Iggy Azalea feat. Rita Ora

"Black Widow"

#### 4. Jessie J, Ariana Grande

& Nicki Minaj

"Bang Bang"

#### 5. Nicki Minaj

"Anaconda"

6. Tove Lo

#### "Habits (Stay High)" 7. Jeremih feat. YG

"Don't Tell 'Em'

#### 8. Maroon 5

"Animals"

#### 9. Sam Smith

"Stay With Me"

#### 10. Ariana Grande feat. Zedd

"Break Free"

#### Top 10 Country Singles 1. Jason Aldean

"Burnin' It Down"

#### 2. Carrie Underwood

"Something in the Water"

#### 3. Florida Georgia Line

#### 4. Blake Shelton

"Neon Light"

#### 5. Sam Hunt

"Leave the Night On"

#### 6. Luke Bryan

"Roller Coaster"

#### 7. Kenny Chesney

"American Kids"

#### 8. Chase Rice

"Ready, Set, Roll"

#### 9. Miranda Lambert Duet With Carrie Underwood

"Something Bad"

#### 10. Jason Aldean

"Just Gettin' Started"

- Who recorded the 1959 version of "Living Doll"?
- Name the singer-songwriter of "Laughter in the Rain."
- Who recorded "Got My Mind Set on You" in 1962? What stage name did James Newell Osterberg, Jr. take?
- Name the song that contains this lyric: "Neon signs a-flashin', taxi cabs and buses passin' through the night, A distant moanin' of a train seems to play a sad refrain to the night."



5. "Rainy Night in Georgia," by Brook Benton (1970). The song shot up the charts to gold and ended up on Rolling Stone magazine's list of 3. James Ray, an R&B singer. In 1987, George Harrison of the Beatles covered the song both as a single and on his "Cloud Wine." album. "Iggy Pop. 1 tegor that name after he'd beat a drummuch a rad and and a last cames. "Eggy Pop. It is got that name after he'd beat 2000." "The search is the search of the sear

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I. Cliff Richard and the Drifters. It was written for the "Serious Charge" film, with Richard contractually bound to do the song. . hated. He changed the tempo and it became more palatable. 2. Weil Sedaka, in 1962.

## Weekly **SUDOKU** by Linda Thistle

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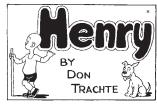
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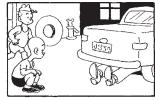
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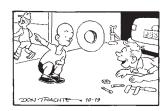












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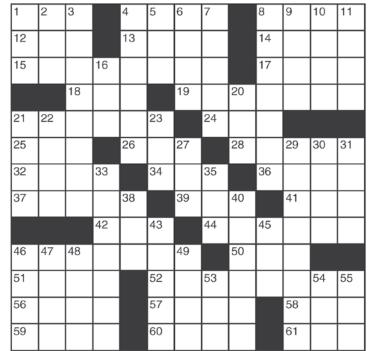




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#### By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- Jimmy Fallon's recent duets with Barbra Streisand -- who returned to the talk-show genre after a 50-year absence -- as Elvis Presley, Blake Shelton and Michael Buble, were magic moments! One of Barbra's conditions for doing the show was to show only the left side of her face, which she favors. It would have cost a fortune to turn the entire set around, as Rosie O' Donnell did when Barbra appeared on her afternoon show, so Fallon playfully suggested she take his seat and interview him.

When Jay Leno graciously handed over "The Tonight Show" to Fallon, he said he had no hard feelings toward NBC, and he meant it. It's obvious he still considers himself part of the NBC family. When Leno left his 22-year stint hosting "The Tonight Show," he continued his nbc. com web series, "Jay's Garage." It became popular, and now he's set to host a new show on CNBC centered around his love of cars.

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Last year was definitely the best for Bryan Cranston. Not only did he win the Outer Critics Circle Award and the Tony Award for his portrayal of Lyndon Johnson in the play "All the Way," but he also won the Critic's Choice, the Saturn and two Emmy Awards, one for himself and one for "Breaking Bad." After a short stint battling "Godzilla" last summer, he's jumping into "Trumbo," the bio picture about Dalton Trumbo -- who was blacklisted during the McCarthy/House Un-American hearings era -- with Helen Mirren and John Goodwin. In January. he starts the thriller "The Infiltrator," which will shoot in London, Paris and Florida ... Florida?

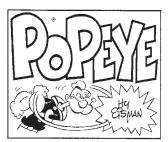


Robert Downey Jr.

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Would you believe plans are afoot to reboot "Ghostbusters" with female leads? If director Paul Feig gets his way, "Ghostbusters 3" will be just that. It's hard to believe they'll be able to find female stars to equal the magic of Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, Harold Ramis and Ernie Hudson. ... Former "Superman" Tom Welling, who starred for 10 seasons in "Smallville," then hit the big screen in "Draft Day," will next star in the film version of Nicholas Sparks "The Choice."

Robert Downey Jr. told both David Letterman and Ellen DeGeneres that he would not star in "Iron Man 4." "Iron Man" grossed \$585.1 million; "Iron Man 2" grossed \$624 million; "The Avengers," in which he played Iron Man, grossed \$1.5 billion; and "Iron Man 3" grossed \$1.2 billion. There will be an "Iron Man 4," and there is no way it will be made it without him. These interviews must be a ploy to get a bigger paycheck. That franchise is not made of iron ... it's made of solid gold!

















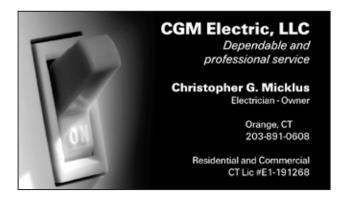


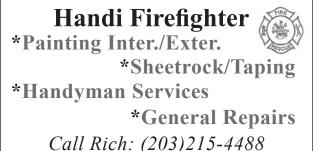


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Boy Scout Troop 63, meetings Monday nights from 7:00 pm – 8:30pm, Our Lady of the Assumption "Mother" Church, 1700 Litchfield Turnpike (Rte. 69), Woodbridge; September- April and May-June outdoors at Camp Whiting, all boys ages 10 and up or who have 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. Spring Entrepreneur Series, Thursdays, 5:30-8:00pm (PDT), New Haven Free Public Library, 133 Elm Street, New Haven, View Map, 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.

**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@ woodbridgect.org.

The Arts Council of Greater New Haven Art Show, Thinking through Painting: Exploring the ideas of Peter Geimer and Isabelle Graw, Sumner McKnight Crosby Jr. Gallery, 70 Audubon Street, 2 FL, New Haven, on view through November 7, 2014. For more information, contact Debbie Hesse at (203) 772-2788 or online at newhavenarts.org. Gallery hours are Monday – Friday, 9am to 5.m.

Pumpkin and Holly Bazaar, Fri.day., November 21, 2014, 5:00 - 8:00pm and Saturday, November 22, 2014, 9:00am - 2:00pm, Parish House of Christ Episcopal Church, 526 Amity Road (Rte. 63) at the blinker light. Come with family and friends, buy delicious Thanksgiving pies, and begin Christmas shopping for unique presents at bargain prices. This popular annual bazaar features The Bountiful Harvest Bakery, Sugar Plum Fairy Fudge, Granny's Huge Attic Treasures Shop, 25 Spectacular Gift Basket Raffles, The Elves' Crafts and Needlework, Silver Bells Twice Nice Ladies' Clothing Boutique, Holiday Cookies on Beautiful China Plates, Children's Stocking Stuffers, New and Vintage Christmas Decorations, and The St. Nicholas Café.



## **CANCER BENEFIT CONCERT**

Woodbridge resident and Amity Middle School-Bethany 7th grader Victor You and his mother are seeking your support for a cancer benefit concert on Saturday, November 22, 2014 at 7 PM. The concert, to be held at Center Church on the Green in New Haven, will feature for the first time together in performance Victor You and NYC-based pianist Steven Beck presenting music of Bach, Mozart, Chopin and Bartók. Following the 7 PM concert, a reception with refreshments will follow at 8 PM.

Suggested Donations: Adult & 13 up: \$25, Children 6 - 12: \$15, Children 5 & under free. Proceeds of the concert will be donated to Smilow Cancer Hospital to the "Parenting at a Challenging Time (PACT) Program"/Oncology Social Work Fund.

To purchase tickets, mail checks payable to: "Empowered by Music", P.O. Box 5078, Woodbridge, CT 06525. Tickets will be emailed as pdf files or your name will be added to our will-call list. Tickets will be sold at the door as well. For more information, go to EmpoweredbyMusic@gmail.com. If you wish to make a donation with or without a ticket purchase, please make separate checks payable to Smilow Cancer Hospital (memo: Empowered by Music Benefit) and mail to above address.

Victor You is a 12-year-old pianist and a Beecher Road School graduate. He is a winner of several student piano competitions which includes 1st place in the elementary/middle school division of the 37th Renée B. Fisher Competition for Young Pianists in April 2014. Victor began his piano studies at 5. After studying with Ms. Ludmila Ozeryansky in Connecticut for many years, he studied with Mr. Steven Beck. Currently, he is a student of Dr. José García-León from the Juilliard School. Victor and his mother, Dr. Hanna Chao, visit veterans in assisted living facilities, where Victor performs both classical and contemporary piano works.

Empowered by Music, registered with the town of Woodbridge, is a new organization seeking non-profit status that pairs budding young artists with professional musicians. The proceeds of the benefit concerts will be donated to a number of causes in the community.

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LEGAL NOTICE

## TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE WARNING

November 4, 2014 State Election

The Electors of the Town of Woodbridge are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said town on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for the following purposes:

- To cast their votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General, Judge of Probate, and Registrar of Voters\*.
- II. To vote on the following question for the approval or disapproval of a proposed AMENDMENT to the Constitution of Connecticut, a vote of "YES" being a vote for approval, and a vote of "NO" being a vote for disapproval:

Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to remove restrictions concerning absentee ballots and to permit a person to vote without appearing at a polling place on the day of an election?

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The vote on the proposed questions is taken pursuant to the Constitution of Connecticut.

Notice is hereby given that the location of the polling places is as follows:

Voting District: 1 & 2

<u>Location of Polling Place:</u> Center Gym 4 Meetinghouse Lane Woodbridge, Ct.

Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following central location:

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

Dated at Woodbridge, Connecticut this 20 day of October, 2014.

Stephanie Ciarleglio, Town Clerk, Town of Woodbridge

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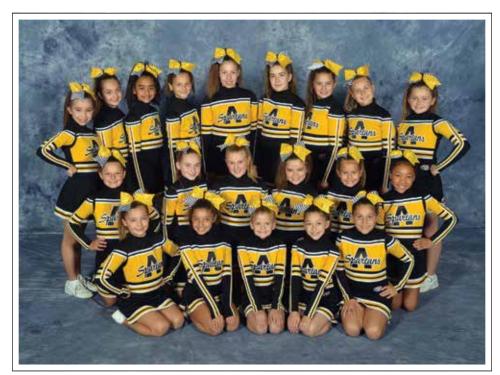
Andrew Eldredge was struck by a motorcycle while walking in NYC on 8/29, just days before he was to begin studies at Harvard Law School. Since he was injured, Andrew has been unconscious. His progress has been steady and encouraging, but it will be a long road to recovery, both in the hospital and in extended rehabilitation for traumatic brain injury. His parents, Stacey and David, and his sisters, Lindsay and Madeline, have kept a constant vigil by his bedside since the accident

Andrew grew up in Woodbridge, Connecticut, and graduated from Amity High School in 2007. He graduated magna cum laude from Colgate University ('11), worked at Orion Consultants in NYC for two years, and completed a year at Boston University School of Law before transferring to Harvard.

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After the excellent performance at the Southern CT championships which helped clinch the Grand Town Champion Trophy for Amity for the first time in Amity Pop Warner history, the Amity Pee Wee cheerleading team has qualified for the regional competition in Springfield, MA on Saturday November 15th. If they are placed in the top two in Massachusetts, they will earn a chance to compete at the National Pop Warner Championships at Disney World in December. Amity Cheerleaders

had won the National Title in the past, and this year, they are determined to get it back.

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## BARK BYTES...

By Vicki & Richard Horowitz

#### Bringing Home a Rescue or Shelter Dog

The first week in November is National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week...why not choose to adopt a rescue dog? Rescues and shelters everywhere house wonderful dogs, each of them just waiting to become a member of your household.

While shelter dogs come from various backgrounds and experiences, they all have one important thing in common: They are dogs, and the dog you choose needs to be understood and treated as such.

Dogs need order and leadership. They seek pack structure, structure which you must provide. Your dog needs to know that you are the boss and that you have a set of house rules. This makes the transition from the shelter to your home easier, faster and more rewarding.

Below are tips to help ensure a smooth transition for your new furry friend.

#### If You Have Not Already Done So...

**Hold a family meeting to create rules about caring for the dog.** Will he be allowed on the couch, the bed, and in all rooms of the house? Where will he sleep and eat? Who will walk him and clean up after him? As a family, you must all be consistent with your decisions or you will confuse the dog, usually resulting in the dog making his own rules and causing unnecessary tension.

**Have the necessary items your dog will need from the start:** ID tags, a collar and a 6 foot leash, food and water bowls, food, dog toys, a crate and bedding, and basic grooming tools.

**Bring your new dog home when you can be there for a few days** so you can get to know each other and establish rules.

Just before you bring your dog into the home, take him for a walk to tire him out a little. Walks are not only good exercise, but they also serve as a training tool and an opportunity to establish the lines of communication that better educate him.

#### Establish Ground Rules in the First Days

**At first, limit your dog to one room or area.** Allow him time to become familiar with the smells and sounds of his new home. Try to limit your time away from home those first days; your spending time with him will help him to become more comfortable in his new, unfamiliar home.

**Keep your dog on leash for the first few weeks** so you can immediately teach him what behaviors are and are not acceptable by showing and guiding him through the appropriate exercises. For safety's sake, NEVER leave a leash on your dog when he is unsupervised.

**Your rescue dog should NOT be left alone in the house with your existing pets** until you have carefully monitored and controlled their interactions for a period of time.

**Expect housetraining accidents.** Your dog is in a new territory and is establishing a new routine, so accidents probably will happen. Review housetraining information available from the shelter, your veterinarian or your local Bark Busters trainer. The key is to be consistent and maintain a routine.

**Dogs instinctively like to den,** and a crate makes the ideal place for your dog to sleep and get away from household hubbub. While a crate also makes housetraining and training in general easier, limit the amount of time the dog is crated. The crate should be roomy enough to allow your dog to stand up, turn around, and lie down comfortably. An alternative to a crate is to confine him in a dog-proofed part of your home, such as a laundry or mud room. You can use a baby gate or dog gate to block off the area from the rest of the house.

**Most rescue dogs have been given basic vaccinations and many have already been spayed or neutered.** It is important that your dog is examined by a veterinarian within a week after adoption for a health check and any needed vaccinations. While there, arrange for the spay/neuter surgery if needed.

For the first few days, limit guest visits to allow your dog to get comfortable with his new family. When you do have guests, ask their help in training your dog by instructing them not to pay attention to him until he has calmed down. One way to communicate this request is to post a sign on your front door informing visitors that you have a new dog in training.

#### A Trained Dog Makes for a Happy Human-Canine Bond

**Get guidance for training your dog.** A well-trained dog is a happier dog and a joy to have around. Your animal shelter may have performed a behavioral evaluation on your dog to help the adopter understand what, if any, potential behavioral issues the dog may have. Knowing this information ahead of time may be helpful when you begin training with your new dog. If you already have a dog, whether he was adopted from a shelter or not, a helpful tool (called the Behavioral Rating Quiz) to determine how he compares to other dogs is available at www.barkbusters.com.

**Dogs need consistent pack structure.** If they don't have a consistent set of rules to follow, then they try to become the leader, which can create numerous behavioral problems. Thus, you—and all humans in your home—need to be consistent. Practice obedience training, set rules and apply them calmly and consistently, and praise your dog's good behavior. He will be much more comfortable in a pack with structure and will bond more quickly to you.

It is amazing how quickly dogs learn what is acceptable and what is not. Dogs have a language of their own, and once we understand it, we can communicate better what we expect of them.

**A Bright Future. Hats off to you for bringing home a rescue dog!** Your patience and training will help to create a bond that will reward you both for years to come. With the right balance of discipline, understanding and affection, your rescue dog will become a loyal, grateful and loving companion.

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





**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Lots of choices could make it difficult to select what is best for your needs. Avoid snap judgments. Take the time to check them all out to find the one that really meets your goals.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** You could once again experience pressure from others who would like to see you move in another direction. But heed your Bovine instincts to stay on your own path.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** Taking charge of a project that seems to be about to stall or collapse altogether could be a challenge. But once everyone knows what you expect of him or her, things should go smoothly.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Avoid the pressures of the upcoming holiday period by setting a time right now to discuss how to divide up the responsibility of helping a loved one come through a difficult period.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** It's not too early for all you Leonas and Leos to start making long-distance travel plans. The sooner you stop procrastinating and start deciding where, when and how you're going, the better.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Someone you've known for years might disappoint you, or even make you feel you've been betrayed. But check the facts carefully before you make charges that could backfire on you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October

**22)** A holiday plan might need to be revised to accommodate an unexpected complication. Come up with an alternative arrangement as soon as possible to avoid more problems down the line.

#### **SCORPIO (October 23 to November**

**21)** Don't accept halfway explanations for a situation that requires full disclosure. The more you know now, the better able you will be to handle any complications that might arise.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) The cooperation you relied upon might not be easy to get. Maybe there's an information gap. See if everyone understands the situation. If not, be sure to offer a full explanation.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Problems caused by that recent workplace distraction should soon be easing, allowing you to resume working at a less frantic pace. That personal matter also begins to ease up.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Changing your mind about a job decision isn't easy for the usually committed Aquarian. But once you check it out, you'll find facts you didn't know before. And facts don't lie.

#### PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

Your unique way of sizing up a situation gives you an edge in resolving that upsetting workplace problem. Stay on your current course regardless of any attempts to distract you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You are emotionally attuned to what's going on around you, and you easily pick up on people's needs.

# Just Like Cats & Dogs By Dave T. Phippe OK, I'M NOT A CODE BREAKER. PLEASE STOP WITH ALL THE TEXTING ACRONYMS. I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.

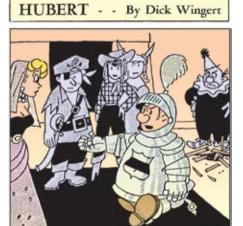




#### LAFF-A-DAY



"You and your big admiring mouth!"



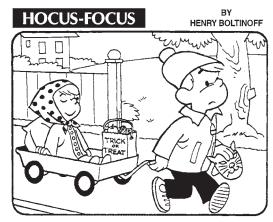
"Must we pay them for a new hardwood floor just because my pants fell down?"



## Most Valuable Global Brands

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- 6. Coca-Cola
- 7. Visa 8. AT&T
- 9. Marlboro
- 10. Amazon

Source: BrandZ





CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below. "peacous is 8e1 'g '6uissiu si 198W 'S 'Jellews is 4e2 'y '6uissiu si 8eq 1e91-10-10-1011 'C 'Jellous's 15od 'Z '6uissiu si dults outing 'L SEONENEJEJIC

## WHY CAN'T DOG JUST "GO" IN THE WOODS?

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** I enjoy simple pleasures in life, including your Paw's Corner columns. I was particularly interested in the reply to the couple asking about their doggie "Trip's" adventures with them into state



parks. What are the preferred actions to take when a hound is in a state park and leaves a "deposit" somewhere? Is it the owner's responsibility to collect said deposit and carry it to wherever the nearest refuse container may be found? I love dogs and realize certain chores should be carried out in regard to responsible ownership. Sign me -- Woof!

**DEAR WOOF:** You're absolutely right! It is the owner's responsibility to clean up after his or her dog. Even in a state park, where one would think that, heck, wild animals can poop wherever they want and leave it, why can't my dog?

There are a number of reasons why it's not just a good idea to clean up after your dog -- it's a rule in most parks. First and foremost, you and your dog usually are hanging out in the same areas that everyone else frequents. Other dogs, people and small children roam those same trails and play in the same areas. Nobody wants to roll in a dog's leavings (except other dogs).

Before going into a park, review the rules for that park regarding dogs. For example, California's state parks do not (in most cases) allow dogs on the beach "for sanitary reasons." Dogs are restricted from some trails, and they have to be on a leash at all times during the day.

Even if a park doesn't have strict rules, being a good neighbor by picking up after your dog helps breed good will and can keep restrictive rules from being enacted in the first place.

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

## **Leaves into compost**

Rake leaves into a pile low enough to run over with a lawn mower. This shreds the leaves into smaller pieces that break down more quickly. Bring these to your compost pile and add them in, alternating a few inches of leaf bits with a few of green matter, spraying each layer with water. Mix the layers together with a pitchfork. Mix the pile once weekly; it should completely compost in 3 to 6 months.

- Brenda Weaver

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