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Eva Glassman, seated, a recent Amity graduate, helped the town complete the application for sustainability certification. First Selectman Beth Heller was grateful for her volunteer work.

Sustainability Means Going The Extra Mile

BY BETTINA THIEL

WOODBRIDGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

"You have in your packet a letter that we have received bronze certification!" This announcement by Sheila McCreven, the town's communication director and grant writer at the October selectmen's meeting was brief and to the point, and it did not speak to the amount of work – both volunteer and on the clock – that went into making the grade.

The state-wide program which aims to encourage sustainability efforts across the board, requires towns to look back as much as looking forward. For the bronze certification it requires

participating towns – and participation is voluntary – to document all of their efforts in the last 10 years regarding environmental sustainability. Things like UI's streetlamp program, the microgrid, the electric car charging stations, even the farmers forum counted toward the 200 points each participant needed to accumulate for the bronze designation.

"It's a massive amount of work," said Jon Gorham, the chairman of the town's ad-hoc Sustainability Committee. However, the bronze certification is "a key to open up a treas-

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Registrar Expects Lively Turnout For Mid-Terms

BY BETTINA THIEL

WOODBRIDGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Voter registration has been swift in Woodbridge in the weeks leading up to the 2018 mid-term election. "We've been getting a lot of registrations," said Registrar of Voters Anna Dickerson, adding, "we are expecting a big turnout." As of October 18 – almost three weeks ahead of Election Day November 6 – registrars had received 23 online registrations and eight through the DMV online. In addition, several voters tried to register online, but were unsuccessful, she said.

People can actually register right up until Election Day. The registrars will be available in the Senior Lounge in the lower level of the Center Building, 4 Meetinghouse Lane, as long as the polls are open, from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. See below details for Election Day Registration.

Voting Districts

Election Day is Tuesday, November 6, and polls will be open as usual, from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. In Woodbridge there will be two voting districts, although both will be held in the same location, namely the Center Building gym at 4

Meetinghouse Lane. For those who are unsure whether they are part of Voting District 1 or 2, there will be election workers to help guide them.

The majority of the town will vote in District 1, which is part of the state senatorial district 17, made up of a conglomerate of seven towns ranging from Naugatuck and Ansonia in the west to Hamden in the east. Voters will choose between incumbent George Logan, a Republican, and Jorge Cabrera, a Democrat.

Voting District 2 encompasses senatorial District 14, joining parts of Orange, Milford and West Haven. Voters get to choose between Pam Staneski, a Republican, and James Maroney, a Democrat. This state senate seat was held for many years by Gayle Slossberg, who chose not to run this time around. Staneski is currently a state representative.

Other than the two senatorial districts, the ballots in both voting districts are identical. Sample ballots are available on the town website, for District 1, <http://www.woodbridgect.org/DocumentCenter/View/2125/Bal>

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Full Election 2018 Coverage
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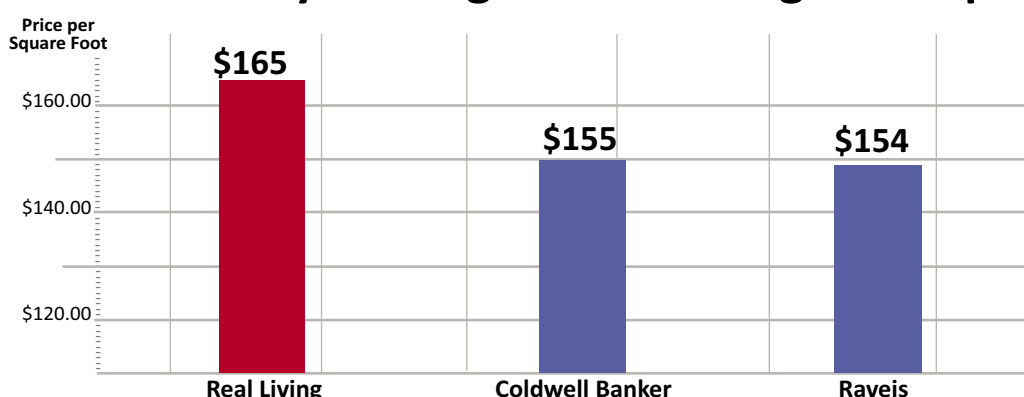
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Upcoming Issue Deadline

November 16 | Thanksgiving Issue November 9

December 14 | Holiday Issue December 7

January 11 | New Year's Issue January 4

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

FROM OUR READERS

Progress on Baldwin Farm Easement

Over the past year, the Woodbridge Land Trust has been working with the State of Connecticut Department of Agriculture to purchase an agricultural conservation easement on Baldwin Farm, and we are grateful for the overwhelming support that we have received from our donors. We want to assure you that efforts are ongoing,

and that we are continuing to follow the State's process to gain approval for the purchase through the Connecticut Farmland Preservation Program. While the process is slow, we are making progress. Thank you to those who have donated to this worthy cause. We appreciate your patience and ongoing support.

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CORRECTION

In the October 5 story on the failures of the HVAC system at Beecher Road School ("Officials Look Into Air Conditioning Failures At School") it was stated that Jeff Kaufman was a member of the review committee that First Selectman Beth Heller convened to look into the causes and possible remedies. Kaufman has since contacted the Woodbridge Town News to say that he had resigned several months ago and was no longer on the committee. We regret the error.

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State and local officials congratulate Boy Scouts Troop 907 on the troop’s 50th anniversary celebration. Back row, from left, Anthony Luciani, State Sen. George Logan, State Rep. Themis Klarides, MC Tom Morrissey, Rich Forselius, holding the proclamation; Scout Master Tom Luciani and First Selectman Beth Heller. Kneeling, from left, Scouts Evan Morazzini, Jason Luciani, Ben Rickel, Senior Patrol Leader Rich Zheng, Matt Longo, Daniel Zhang, Jason Zhang and Felix Liu.



Gerry Langelier (center) became an Eagle Scout in 1929. Now 102 years old, he attended the 50th anniversary of Troop 907 at the First Church of Christ. He is shown with First Selectman Beth Heller (left) and his daughter, Penny Rogers.

Troop 907 Takes A Look Back And Celebrates The Present

BY BETTINA THIEL
WOODBRIDGE TOWN NEWS CORRESPONDENT

Boy Scout Troop 907, which meets each Thursday night at the First Church of Christ, this year marked its 50th anniversary.

The Scouts celebrated in style at a church luncheon on Oct. 28, with local and state officials in attendance and several former scouts and scoutmasters reconnecting over soup and cake.

Several former scoutmasters stepped up to the podium to talk about the times of fellowship they shared. “We did things you can’t do today,” said Robert Conniff, Troop’s 907’s first scoutmaster back in 1968. As an example he brought a pair of boxing gloves.

But it was not all fun and games. “You had to teach to lead and then let them lead,” he said. “We formed the troop on that principle.”

Former Scoutmaster Nate Case remarked that there are 35 Scout-led projects in Woodbridge, 25 of them performed by Troop 907 Scouts, many at the Alice Newton Street Park.

The oldest Scout in attendance was

Gerry Langelier, who reached the rank of Eagle Scout in 1929, way before Troop 907 existed. Langelier went on to serve as scoutmaster in the 1940s and 50s, when Charlie Whiting was a young Boy Scout himself. Now 102, Mr. Langelier lives in New Haven. Other former Scouts and parents, such as Geoff Smith, came up all the way from North Carolina to reconnect with old friends.

First Selectman Beth Heller delivered a proclamation from the town, which congratulated troop leaders for instilling a sense of ethics and leadership in the future generation of young leaders. Similarly, state Senator George Logan and state Rep. Themis Klarides brought a citation from the General Assembly. Klarides said the qualities that these adult leaders are nurturing are those “we all want in a person: integrity, strength and morals.” Logan thanked them for their commitment to take on a leadership role.

Committee Chair Rich Forselius also touched on the struggles that the

See “Troop 907” On Page 27

Did You Know? We’ve been busy at Floman DePaola, LLC – here is the latest news!



Please join us in congratulating Allison and her husband, Scott, on the birth of their son, Austin Michael Drozd. Austin was born in September and is a healthy, happy baby. Please note that Allison has changed her last name to match Scott’s and baby Austin’s last name and will now be using Allison DePaola-Drozd.



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WOODBIDGE EDUCATION ROUNDUP



Left to right in the first row are: Nick and Amy Esposito, Cailey Esposito, Rotarian Dr. Guy Stella and Woodbridge Rotary President Spencer Rubin. Second row: Orange Superintendent of Schools Dr. Vince Scarpetti, Bethany Superintendent of Schools Colleen Murray, Amity High School Counselor Lisa Conley, Associate Principal of Amity High School Dr. Jason Tracy and Amity Regional School District Interim Superintendent Jim Connelly

Esposito Honored as Student of the Month

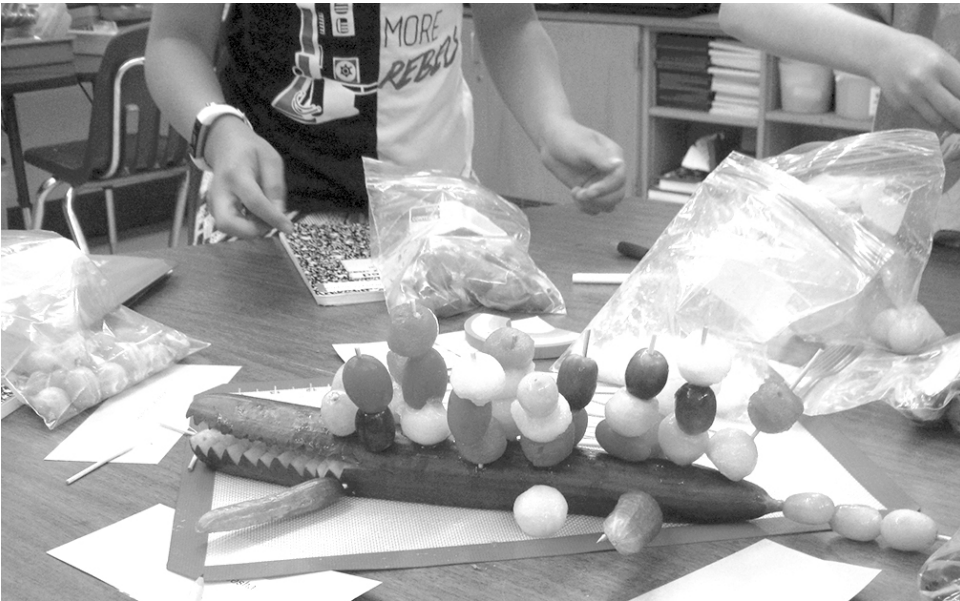
Amity High School senior, Cailey Esposito was recently honored as Student of the Month by the Woodbridge Rotary Club. Monthly, the Woodbridge Rotary Club and Woodbridge Social Restaurant partner to honor an Amity High School Student.

Ms. Esposito was nominated by Amity High School Counselor Lisa Conley. "Cailey is one of few students I have worked with who has known what she wanted as a career choice since she entered Amity. Her passion for education, in particular, working with special needs children, is evident in all that she pursues", stated Lisa Conley.

Cailey Esposito has excelled in academics at Amity High School, enrolling

in AP courses and honor levels courses. She is a member of the National and Chinese honor societies. She has also excelled as an athlete being a varsity member of the soccer program since her freshman year and currently serves as captain. In addition, she also participated on the ski team. Ms. Esposito has participated in a wide variety of activities to gain exposure to the special education career including being part of the summer Sidekicks Program assisting with both the Unified Sports program as well as being a mentor in the Unified PE class. In addition, she founded the Unified Sign Language Club at Amity High School.

Ms. Esposito resides in Orange with her parents Nick and Amy Esposito.



It is never too early to have fun learning. Ms Reizfeld's fourth grade class at Beecher Road school learned that during their edible math enrichment problem solving lesson the very first week of school. The students used teamwork problem-solving, fractions and patterns to create healthy fruit and vegetable alligators. One of the students commented, "I never knew eating an alligator we made could be so yummy" at the end of the activity.

Local Board of Ed Member Honored

A local Board of Education member took the incredible initiative to further her own education so that she could better serve her community's board. She has accomplished something great that very few people in her position look to do.

Sheila McCreven, a member of the Region 5 Board of Education, recently achieved the level of Certificated Board of Education Member in the CABA Board Member Academy for the 2017-2018 school year.

McCreven was one of only 9 board of education members throughout the state recognized for their achievement in participating in numerous hours of board-related professional development activities. A board member must accumulate at least 20 credits to become a Certificated Board of Education Member. Areas of study

are designed to strengthen leadership skills and give members a firm foundation in the essential governance skills needed to carry out their responsibilities. The areas of study are: board relations with the superintendent, with the community, and with each other, policy, curriculum, school finance, school law, labor relations and board operations.

"CABA is pleased to acknowledge and celebrate the accomplishments of members of Boards of Education across Connecticut who have attained the Certificated Board of Education Member level," said CABA President Robert Mitchell. "These board members have rightfully placed an importance on their own professional development, focusing on a range of relevant topics, including fiscal operations and positive school climate."

Teachers' Association Places Rep. Klarides on Honor Roll

State Representative Themis Klarides voting recorded in Hartford put her on the Connecticut Education Association's Honor Roll list.

The Connecticut Education Association's 43,000 active and retired teachers informed Rep. Klarides last week that she received an Honor Roll designation from the organization for her work throughout the 2017-2018 legislative sessions.

CEA President Jeff Leake said in his letter to Rep. Klarides, "You have proven yourself to be an advocate for students, teachers, and public education." He added. "Your constituents and teachers throughout the state

are fortunate to have you working for them in the General Assembly."

"Active and retired teachers have my full support," said Rep. Klarides. "During these tough state budget times, I made it a priority to protect education funding, fund teachers' retirement, and stop Governor Dan Malloy's plan to shift teachers' pensions onto cities and towns. We need to make sure teachers have the necessary tools to educate our next generation and have the confidence in state government that when they retire their pensions will be there and fully funded."

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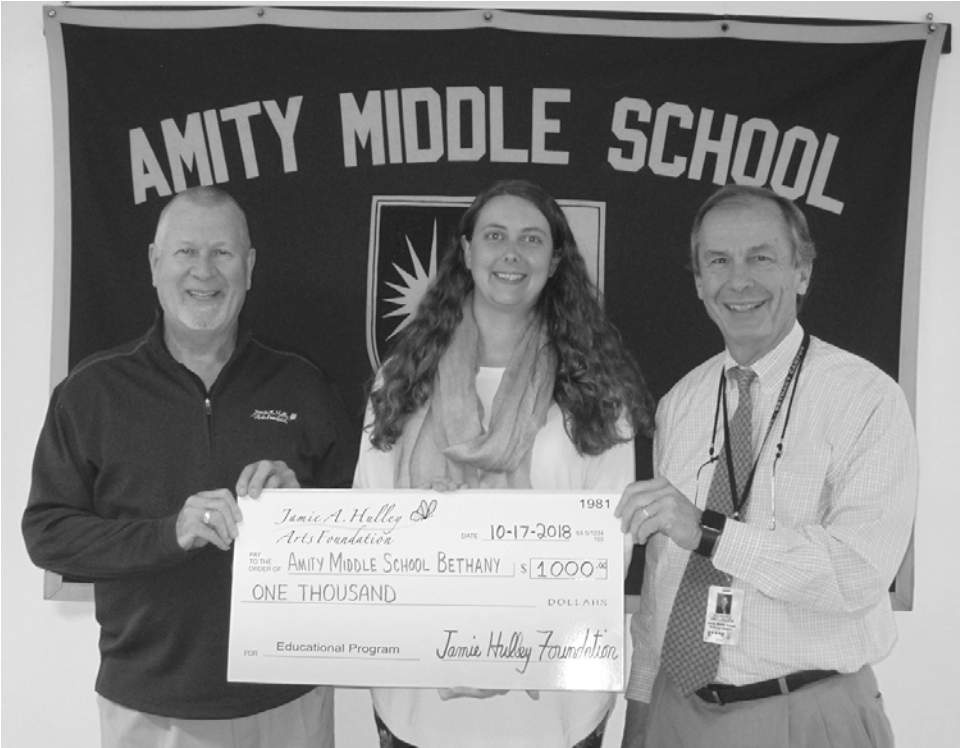
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EDUCATION



Left to right: Fred Hulley, Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation; Marika Wissink, 8th grade teacher at Amity Middle School in Bethany; Richard Dellinger, principal at Amity Middle School in Bethany.

Hulley Arts Foundation Gives Grant For Fiber Art Project

The Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation (<http://jamiehulleyartsfund.org/>) recently awarded \$1,000 for a special inter-disciplinary project to Marika Wissink, eighth grade Social Studies teacher at Amity Middle School in Bethany.

Ms. Wissink's students will work with visiting artist, Heather Stoltz, to create fiber arts projects to demonstrate student learning of the 19th century U.S. Social Reform Movements. The fiber arts projects will be created in February 2019.

STUDENT NEWS

Dean's List
Scripps College

Alexandra Hunter of Woodbridge was named to the 2018 spring semester Dean's List. To be named to the Dean's List a student must achieve a GPA of at least 11 (A-) in four letter-graded courses in a semester.

Enrollments
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Osteopathic Medicine

Grace C. Ewing of Woodbridge, CT received her white coat in a ceremony

marking their symbolic entrance into the medical field in a ceremony at the Merrill Auditorium, University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine in Portland, Maine on September 22, 2018. At the ceremony, physicians presented white coats to the first-year students as a symbolic mantle of the medical profession, underscoring their bonds as future professional colleagues. Stephen Shannon, D.O. '86, president of the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM), delivered the keynote address.

From the First Selectman BY BETH HELLER



November Planning Underway

Below a brief update on topics that were discussed at the October 10th Board of Selectmen meeting. Please visit the Town website (woodbridgetown.org) for further details on any items that interest you – and, as always, please let me know if you have ideas or thoughts you might like to share with me. The Selectmen received updates on several ongoing projects:

Old Firehouse

Architect David Stein of Silver Petrucelli attended the meeting to update the Board on the Old Firehouse project. We discussed the budget and the potential to lease the second floor to the Amity School District's Transition Academy program. We requested further information regarding the potential bonding of the project and plan to continue discussion of this exciting project at our next Board of Selectmen meeting, which will take place on TUESDAY, November 13th.

Farmland Preservation

I am pleased to announce that the Selectmen voted to authorize me to sign a cooperative letter of agreement between the State of Connecticut and the Town of Woodbridge for the joint partnership of the farmland preservation program and the Community Farms Preservation Program (CFPP). This is an important first step in working with the CT Department of Agriculture to become pre-qualified for any future initiatives in Woodbridge to apply for State grant funding of cooperative state-local farmland preservation projects. Such projects involve the voluntary application by a landowner for the acquisition and ownership of development rights easements to maintain agricultural land for farming purposes and prevent the conversion of such land to non-agricultural uses. You can learn more about this program by visiting the CT Department of Ag-

riculture's website.

Former Country Club Property

The Selectmen also received a new proposal for the former-Country Club of Woodbridge property from Robert Sachs, the developer of Fieldstone Village in Orange. Should it be the Board's desire to move this proposal forward, I will keep the public informed of any next steps.

Sustainable CT Program

We received word at the beginning of October that the Town of Woodbridge has earned Bronze certification in the Sustainable CT program. The program is a statewide initiative meant to inspire and support communities in becoming efficient, resilient and inclusive. Of Connecticut's 169 municipalities, twenty-two met high standards in a broad range of sustainability accomplishments to qualify for certification, and I am proud to say that Woodbridge now stands among this prestigious group of leading communities in our State.

The list of certified communities spans every county and includes some of Connecticut's largest cities and smallest towns. With input from municipal leaders across the state, Sustainable CT was developed over the past few years under the leadership of the Institute for Sustainable Energy at Eastern Connecticut State University in partnership with the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM). I look forward to sharing more news about our Bronze Certification and the new opportunities for grant funding that will become available to us as a result. Stay tuned!

Beth Heller is Woodbridge First Selectman. She may be reached by phone at Town Hall, 203-389-3401, or by email to bheller@woodbridgetown.org.



HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS

Congregation B'nai Jacob Adult Education Fall/Winter

Guest Speaker Series

Sunday, November 4, 10 am
at BEKI, New Haven
Rabbi Martin S. Cohen, Editor of
the new Lev Shalem edition of
Pirke Avot: Ethics of the Fathers
“How to Live a Good Life: What does
Jewish Wisdom Literature Teach?”

Rabbi Cohen will speak about the newest volume in the Lev Shalem series, which features commentary by upcoming Elm City Kallah scholar Rabbi Tamar Elad-Appelbaum and Gordon Tucker, prominent rabbi and former dean at JTS. Participate in a panel discussion with Rabbis Fred Hyman, Rona Shapiro, and Jon-Jay Tilsen, analyzing the wisdom of the sages with historical and contemporary insights. Order the book in advance to enhance your engagement. Register for the free brunch. Be part of the conversation.

Saturday, December 1, 12:30
pm, after Kiddush
Jaime Gerber, MD, FACC,
Assoc. Prof. Clinical
Medicine, Yale University
“You Should Live so Long!
A Guide to Longevity”

Israel ranked 5th for healthy longevity as cited in the UN World Happiness Report 2018! What are the secrets to a healthy lifestyle? Is there a fountain of youth? Yale cardiologist and BJ member Dr. Jaime Gerber will be our teacher and guide. Young or old, come and join the discussion.

Sunday, December 9, 10 am
Hasia Diner, PhD, Steinberg
Professor of American Jewish
History and Director of the
Goldstein-Goren Center for
American Jewish History at NYU
“Roads Taken: The Great Jewish
Migrations to the New World and
the Peddlers Who Forged the Way”

Between the late 1700s and the 1920s, nearly one-third of the world's Jews emigrated to new lands. Crossing borders and often oceans, they followed paths paved by intrepid peddlers who preceded them. Hasia Diner's new book tells the story of millions of discontented young Jewish men who sought opportunity abroad. These traveling men brought change to the geography of Jewish history. We are privileged to hear this fascinating story from Dr. Diner, scholar, author, and National Jewish Book Award winner.

Special Events

Sunday, November 11, 9:30-11:30 am
Challah Baking
Dana Schwartz, MD and Leslie



Congregation B'nai Jacob

Zackin will demonstrate two ways to prepare your challah dough: hand kneading and using a standing mixer with a dough hook. Home baked challah is a real treat and much easier than you might think! RSVP by November 7 to 203-389-2111 or cbj.receptionist@gmail.com. No fee to participate, but an \$18 donation to the Congregation B'nai Jacob Kiddush Fund is suggested.

Ongoing Classes

Mondays evenings 7:30 pm -
November 5, 12, 26; December 3, 10
Reading the Talmud
Rabbi Rona Shapiro

The Babylonian Talmud, in many ways more so than the Bible, is the core text of the Jewish people and yet it is unknown to many of us. We will explore some of its breadth and depth, looking at both stories (agga-dah) and law (halacha) as we work to gain insight into the rabbinic project and its meaning for us. No knowledge of Hebrew or Aramaic is required. Registration closed.

Saturdays at 1pm, November
17 and December 15
The Poetry of Yehuda Amichai
Rabbi Rona Shapiro

Amichai is Israel's poet laureate. He, more than any other poet, captures the paradoxes of faith and love and “Israeliness” in familiar language and bold simile. We will take two Shabbat afternoons to explore a poem or two each time. Poems will be sent out to participants ahead of time, so registration is necessary.

Learning and Prayer

Bread & Torah
EVERY Shabbat Morning Before
Services, 9:00 - 9:45am - Rabbi Shapiro



explores the weekly Torah portion and how its story relates to our own.
This year we will explore the Book of Jonah and the Five Megillot. Lively discussion over bagels and coffee. No experience necessary.

“Shir Magic” Weekend With Jacob “Spike” Kraus

An annual musical weekend in loving memory of Rabbi Jerry Brieger z”l. Rabbi Jerry Brieger z”l was the spiritual leader of Temple Emanuel from 1977 to 2009, and Rabbi Emeritus from 2009 until his death in 2016. He was known not only for his vast knowledge of all things Jewish, but also for his sleight of hand tricks and his love of music. He loved to study, to teach and to sing, and so we honor his memory by celebrating Jewish music.

November 2-4, 2018, Jacob ‘Spike’ Kraus returns to TE with his new album “Cornerstones”! Tickets, which can be purchased on the TE website or at the door, are \$18 for adults, \$10 for teens, children under 12 are free.

Friday, November 2
6:30pm - Family Shabbat Service

Saturday, November 3
10 am - Shabbat Morning Minyan
7 pm - “Shir Magic” Concert, Spike
will be accompanied by TE band.

Saturday night concert tickets
AVAILABLE NOW! via the TE website.

Sunday, November 4
11:30 am - mini concert featuring
TE religious school students.

All services are open to the public
(and always free!).

Jacob “Spike” Kraus has three studio releases: “The King’s Beanie EP,” “Shake Off The Dust,” and he released



Temple Emanuel

his second studio album ‘Cornerstones’ in May 2017. His music has been included in the cantorial curriculum of Hebrew Union College – Jewish Institute of Religion, and is featured on Jewish Rock Radio & PJ Library. A member of the Jewish A Cappella group Six13, JSK believes in music’s power as a community-builder. He tours the country singing with multi-generational communities and using Jewish music as a tool to educate and engage the next generation of Jews. Find out more about Jacob and his music at www.jacobspikekraus.com.

For more information about Shir Magic, TE’s music groups and all events, celebrations and services at Temple Emanuel, please go to the TE website, www.tegnh.org, or call the temple office at 203-397-3000. Temple Emanuel is located at 150 Derby Avenue in Orange.

Congregation Or Shalom Events

Weekly Services

Minyan Services

- › Sunday 9:00 AM
- › Monday 7:30 AM
- › Thursday 7:30 AM

Healing Circle

- › Wednesday 7:30 AM

Shabbat Services

- › Friday 7:00 PM
- › Saturday 9:30 PM

Coffee And Learn With Rabbi Wainhaus

Every Wednesday, beginning on November 7, (please call the office for schedule) Rabbi Alvin Wainhaus teaches an hour-long class focusing on the ancient texts of our heritage and the light they shed on current issues. The class begins at 11:00 am and ends at 12 noon sharp. All Welcome. Synagogue office: (203) 799-2341, Website: orshalomct.org, email: info@orshalomct.org.



Congregation Or Shalom

ZUMBA GOLD At Or Shalom

Congregation Or Shalom announces the continuation of ZUMBA GOLD on Tuesday night at 7 PM. ZUMBA Gold is an easy to follow dance movement program that incorporates music from every decade to create an upbeat and fun exercise class. Burn lots of calories, meet new friends, and have a blast. No experience needed and classes are on a drop-in basis. Contact Robin at zumbarobin@gmail.com or call 203-314-8176 or temple office at 203-799-2341.

HOUSES OF WORSHIP EVENTS



Semi-Annual Rummage Sale

AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd invites the public to visit our semi-annual Rummage Sale on Friday, November 2nd from 1-6 pm and Saturday, November 3rd from 9am to 2pm. Shoppers will find a wide array of fall and winter men's, women's and children's clothing, along with shoes, handbags, scarves, jewelry, accessories, children's games, puzzles, toys, books, DVDs, housewares, glassware, pictures, linens, etc. "There is something for everyone! Make sure to stop by and peruse our treasures", says Elaine Swirsky, long-standing Chairperson of this fun event. Start your Christmas shopping early and find a special

treasure to put under the tree. All are welcome to stop. The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd is located on 680 Racebrook Road, Orange, Connecticut. Sunday service times include Rite II Holy Eucharist without music at 8 a.m. and Rite II Holy Eucharist with music @ 10 a.m. For more information about The Church of the Good Shepherd's many other programs, please call the Parish Office @ (203) 795-6577, email us @ thegoodspeherd@optonline.net, visit our website @ www.thegoodshepherdorangect.org, and, of course, check our Facebook page www.facebook.com/cgsorangect for frequent postings.



Annual Interfaith Service

Orange's Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 18th at 7:00 pm. Clergy from the different faith communities of Orange and surrounding areas will come together at Holy Infant Church, 450 Racebrook Road, for this year's service. Light refreshments to follow in the Guild Hall.

The Holy Infant Church Women's Guild will hold a Pasta Supper on Thursday, November 15th from 5 - 7 pm in the school gym. Pasta with a choice of 3 sauces, salad, bread, dessert, coffee, tea, soft drinks are on the menu. There will be a basket raffle with great prizes! Tickets are \$12 for Adults, Children under 5 free, Children under age 10, \$5, Family (2 adults, up to 3 children) \$30. No

tickets will be sold at the door. Call (203)799-2379 for tickets and information.

On October 13th, the 101st anniversary of the Blessed Virgin Mary's "miracle of the sun" at Fatima, the Holy Infant Women's Guild hosted a public prayer rally in conjunction with the America Needs Fatima movement. Forty-two men and women gathered to offer prayers for peace and the protection of America.

It was a wonderful feeling to add our prayers to approximately 23,000 other groups holding prayer rallies on the same day and time, and all for the same intentions.

We look forward to hosting another rally next year. And, of course, all will be welcome to join us!



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & CRAFT FAIR

At Our Lady of Assumption Church
81 Center Road, Woodbridge

Sponsored by our Parish Ladies Guild

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2018

9:00AM- 3:00PM- FREE ADMISSION

Come join us for a fun, relaxing, shopping experience!

Over 40 tables of Unique Vendors and Crafters

Fabulous Homemade Bake Sale

Breakfast, Lunch and Snack selections for purchase served by KofC

Santa for photos (11am - 2pm)

Children's free Craft Room

White Elephant Sale - Many Generous Raffle Baskets

Children's Choir at noon - Adult Choir at 2pm

NEW: Christmas Train display - three trains running all day

NEW: Anginetti Cookie Contest- 10am/ info: olateengroup@gmail.com

NEW: Griffin Hospital Mobile Health Resource Van - 11-2pm

The First Church Of Christ Events

First Church would like to thank the Woodbridge community for helping make our Homecoming Arts and Music weekend in October a success. Special thanks to those artists in the community who donated artwork that graced the walls of both our Meeting-house and our Parish House during the weekend. For those of you who enjoyed the concert given by our organist, Nenad Ivovic, he has two more concerts at First Church scheduled for the coming months.

As always, we invite all members of the community to join us at 5 Meeting House Lane, Woodbridge for our regular weekly services and special events:

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

Church School - Sunday at 10 a.m. the second through fifth Sundays during the school year. Children aged 4 and up are welcomed to join our classes.



The First Church of Christ

Middle School Youth Group for 5th - 9th graders - The Youth group generally meets the 2nd Sunday of the month from 4 - 6 pm. In November, the Youth Group will be participating in Chapel on the Green on Sunday the 11th from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Boy Scout Troop 907 - meets weekly on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

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

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

LOCAL BUSINESS ROUNDUP



Elm City Trailer Moves To New Woodbridge Home

Elm City Trailer, one of the state’s largest trailer companies, has moved to Woodbridge at 240 Amity Road. Well known area resident, Bobby Fantarella, President of the five year old firm needed more room and easier access for his fleet of trailers. “Woodbridge is a perfect location for us,” Fantarella commented. “We ran out of room for our growing trailer brands at our former location. Amity Road, Route 63, is ideal.” Elm City Trailer has a large inventory from contractor trailers to landscaping... trailers for dumping... Car, ATV, motorcycle and equipment

hauling as well as utility trailers for yard work. “The inventory is huge, the prices are right,” Fantarella commented. The firm covers every possible need for the popular trailer market from expert service to hitches, and a large showroom with extensive trailer accessories. The company is family owned, that includes Fantarella’s daughter, Brittany, and son, Blue, both eager to follow in their dad’s tire tracks. For more information and directions call 203-535-0075 or visit www.elmcitytrailer.com Email: mbobby@elmcitytrailer.com

Logan Endorsed By Small Business Advocacy Group

The National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) recently endorsed State Senator George Logan for reelection. “It is important lawmakers create an environment that allows its businesses and individuals to successfully compete with the products and services they provide,” said Sen. Logan. “I have been a strong advocate for small businesses and fighting against tax increases by the majority party. We need to throttle back burdensome taxes and fees to let our job creators grow and create good-paying jobs. This is the path back to economic prosperity in our state – through economic growth – not taxing our already overtaxed businesses and families.” On his website, reelectlogan.com, Logan has highlighted the pro-business legislation he has cosponsored and passed. As a longtime member of the Greater Valley Chamber of Com-

merce, Senator Logan is regularly in touch with business leaders who share their experiences and challenges growing their businesses in Connecticut. It is this first-hand knowledge that guides the Senator to push for pro-growth legislation in Hartford. NFIB is the leading small-business association in the nation with thousands of members in Connecticut representing a cross-section of the state’s economy. For more than 75 years, NFIB has advocated on behalf of America’s small and independent business owners, both in Washington, D.C., and in all 50 state capitals. NFIB is nonprofit, nonpartisan, and member-driven. Since its founding in 1943, NFIB has been exclusively dedicated to small and independent businesses and remains so today. For more information about NFIB, visit www.nfib.com.



Pictured: (left to right) Mike Sirochman, Tom Cavaliere, Toni Ross, Joe Valvano (President Coldwell Banker CT/Westchester), & Nick Mastrangelo.

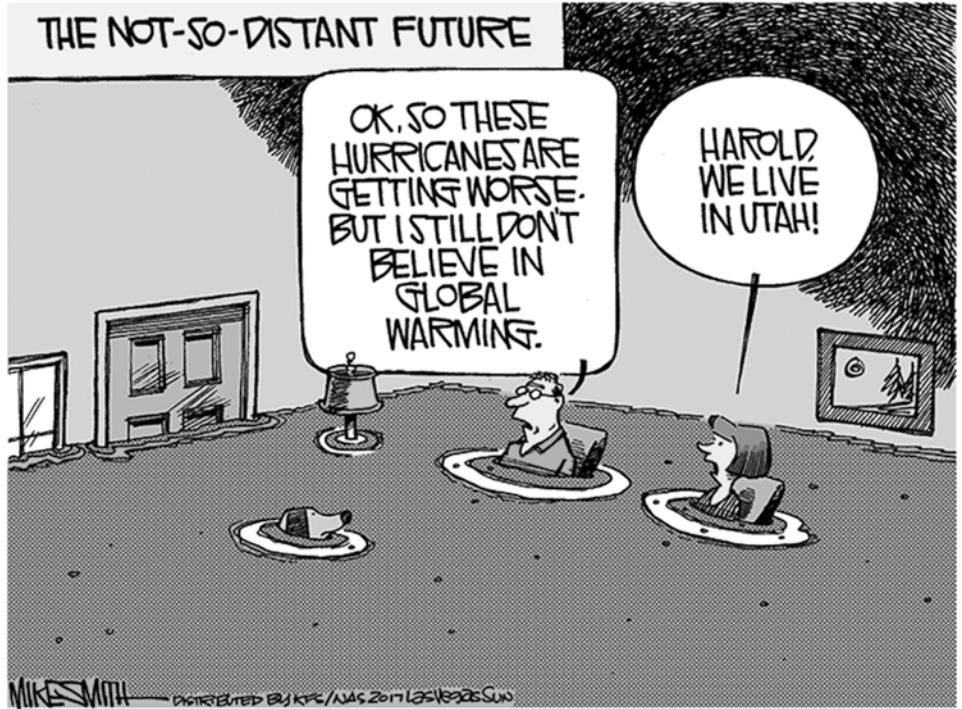
Coldwell Banker Agents Honored

Joe Valvano president of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Connecticut and Westchester County, N.Y., is proud to announce the affiliated real estate agents who were honored at the Coldwell Banker NRT LLC Celebration of Success, a conference held October 7-10 at The Boca Raton Resort and Club in Florida. Approximately 600 top-performing Coldwell Banker NRT LLC sales professionals from throughout the United States were invited to attend the event in recognition of their outstanding sales production in 2017. The following Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage agents from the Orange Office attended the 2018 Coldwell Banker NRT LLC Celebration of Success:

- › Nick Mastrangelo
- › Tom Cavaliere
- › Mike Sirochman
- › Toni Ross

“I am proud to congratulate all of these honorees who earned an invite to the Celebration of Success as a result of their impressive accomplishments, unmatched professionalism and dedication to buyers and sellers,” said Valvano. “They rank among the most

distinguished real estate professionals in the nation.” Agents enjoyed a luxurious stay at The Boca Raton Resort and Club, a Waldorf Astoria Resort that offers a world-renowned spa, private beach, boating, surfing, a FlowRider Wave Simulator, golf, tennis and 11 award-winning restaurants, along with a wealth of luxury shopping and entertainment nearby. During the retreat, agents attended receptions, meals, educational sessions and a final night party as they networked with top Coldwell Banker sales professionals and enjoyed plenty of free time to experience the resort. Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, a leading residential real estate brokerage company in Connecticut and Westchester County, N.Y., operates approximately 51 offices with more than 2,300 affiliated sales associates serving the communities of Connecticut and Westchester County, N.Y. Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage is part of NRT LLC, the nation’s largest residential real estate brokerage company. For more information, please visit ColdwellBankerHomes.com.



LOCAL BUSINESS



Klarides Recognized for Breast Cancer Legislation

The Radiological Society of Connecticut has recognized State Rep. Themis Klarides for her advocacy of patients and legislation that will encourage women to have life-saving breast cancer screenings.

The award is timely as October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

The radiologists gave Klarides their “Patient Hero” award at their semi-annual meeting in New Haven on September 13.

Klarides was the lead sponsor of House Bill 5208 this past session that will enable women to have their annual breast exam using the latest technology without having to pay a deductible or co-pay.

“A 3-D mammogram is vital to detecting breast cancer early,” said State Rep. Themis Klarides. “No women should be denied a 3-D mammogram because they can’t afford to pay a deductible or co-pay. I am proud my colleagues in the legislature recognize the importance of a 3-D mammogram and supported this legislation that will help save hundreds of lives.”

The technology, called Breast Tomosynthesis, is a three-dimensional

mammogram which enables the radiologist to better determine if small cancers are present in the breast. The test has reduced by 40 percent patient callbacks for an additional test due to the uncertainty of images.

“This legislation is critical for our ability to make sure that patients continue to have access to these needed mammography tests. We thank Representative Klarides for her leadership on the issue,” said Alan Kaye, MD, president of the RSC.

House Bill 5208 includes Breast Tomosynthesis in the definition of a mammogram so that a patient no longer will be charged a deductible or co-pay for the annual screening.

The RSC thanked Klarides for sponsoring the bill and for showing a “significant knowledge” of healthcare policy using that knowledge to benefit patients.

Klarides serves as the leader of the 71-member House Republican Caucus.

The legislation passed both the House and Senate this year and was signed into law by Gov. Dannel P. Malloy as Public Act 18-159. It is effective January 1, 2019.

HEALTH & FITNESS

Beware The Pitfalls Of Fall And Winter

When the leaves falling are telling you to grab a rake and get the yard clean, consider how easy it is to make the wrong moves and hurt yourself. Raking requires upper body strength and endurance. Warm up to yard work by exercising your primary muscles that include biceps, deltoids, rotator cuff, forearm and parascapular muscles. Do it before and after raking.

Simple exercises like arm circles, pendulums, forearm and upper trap stretching will help loosen these muscle groups. Proper posture while raking is a must. Stay upright, head up, shoulders back and don’t hunch forward. Good postural habits will prevent rotator cuff impingement, strain on neck and upper back and puts the upper body in position for the greatest mechanical advantage to create force and leverage. You’ll also use less energy. Once you’ve got those leaves raked into piles, now comes the real trial. The body’s trunk and core are being tested, requiring the lumbar spine and hips to generate force to move leaf piles. The strain is on your obliques, glutes, and hip rotators along with the lumbar extensor muscles. What that means is there’s a lot of muscle groups interacting to get those leaves moved. Never bend from the waist to pick up these mounting piles of leaves. It is vital to squat and bend your knees while you pick up leaves. Keep a flat back while you lift. This takes the stress off the lower lumbar spine eliminating the possibility of strains and sprains or worse injuries such as herniated discs and sciatica. Helpful, also, are warm up and cool down exercises such as hamstring, knee to chest, and trunk rotation stretches.



Kyle Brandy

Winterize your body. For you anxious snowbirds with skis already racked up on the roof, prepare yourself with proper exercise. Knees, hamstrings, calves, back, shoulders, biceps and triceps all come into play on the slopes. Many of the exercises used in preparation for yard work, apply to winter sports. Trunk rotation stretches, hamstring stretches, light weight workouts with dumbbells for biceps, triceps and deltoids are important in preventing serious injury. Squats with light barbells for your quads, hamstrings, and glutes strengthen these important stress absorbing muscles. The spine

and lower back also take a heavy shock, absorbing a beating during both skiing and snowboarding. Prepare yourself with warm up knee to chest exercises, trunk rotations and quad and hamstrings stretches.

The physical torque on the hips is another skier’s stress moment. Whether you’re maneuvering moguls or into competitive downhill events, hips can take a beating in twists and turns. One of the most overlooked muscle groups which plays a dramatic role in performance is your hip rotators. The same potential injuries pertain to snowboarders who perform more like gymnasts than skiers. Torso twists, hip movement, high impact landing all combine to test even a professional’s performance. So, warm up on the carpet, floor, or exercise pad before you take on the powder. Proper exercise techniques, either at home or with a professional physical therapist or trainer, can keep you fit and in action throughout the winter.

Kyle Brandy, MSPT, is a licensed physical therapist and partner at Amity Physical Therapy, founded fourteen years ago by Michael Dow MSPT CEO/Director with offices in Woodbridge, Hamden and Branford. Kyle is a graduate of Quinnipiac University with his Masters in Physical Therapy. He works with patients of all ages and ability levels, treating high level athletes with fractures and sprains to gait and balance dysfunction in the elderly. Kyle can be reached to set up an evaluation at (203) 389-4593 or visit www.amitypt.com.



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lot_14th_District and for District 2, http://www.woodbridgect.org/DocumentCenter/View/2126/Ballot_17th_District.

Candidates for Office
For Governor and
Lt. Governor:

- ✓ Democrats - Ned Lamont and Susan Bysiewicz (cross-endorsed by the Working Families Party);
- ✓ Republican - Bob Stefanowski and Joe Markley (cross-endorsed by the Independent Party);
- ✓ Libertarian - Rodney Hanscomb and Jeffrey Thibeault;
- ✓ Amigo Constitution Liberty Party - Mark S. Greenstein and John Demitrus;
- ✓ Griebel Frank For CT Party candidates - Oz Griebel and Monte Frank.

For US Senate:

- ✓ Incumbent Democrat Christopher Murphy (cross-endorsed by Working Families Party);
- ✓ Republican Matthew Corey;
- ✓ Libertarian Party candidate Richard Lion;
- ✓ Green Party candidate Jeff Russell.

For Congressman/
Congresswoman

- ✓ Incumbent Democrat Rosa DeLauro (cross-endorsed by Working Families Party);
- ✓ Republican Angel Cadena.

For State Senate in
Voting District 1

- ✓ Incumbent Republican George Logan (cross-endorsed by the Independent Party);
- ✓ Democrat Jorge Cabrera (cross-endorsed by the Working Families Party).

For State Senate in
Voting District 2

- ✓ Democrat James Maroney (cross-endorsed by both the Working Families Party and the Independent Party);
- ✓ Republican Pam Staneski.

For State Representative:

- ✓ Incumbent Republican Themis Klarides (cross endorsed by the Independent Party);
- ✓ Democrat Mary Welander (cross endorsed by the Working Families Party).

For Secretary of the State:

- ✓ Incumbent Democrat Denise Merrill (cross endorsed by Working Families Party);
- ✓ Republican Susan Chapman (cross endorsed by the Independent Party);
- ✓ Libertarian Party candidate Heather Lynn Sylvestre Gwynn;
- ✓ Green Party candidate Michael DeRosa.

For Treasurer:

- ✓ Democrat Shawn Wooden (cross endorsed by Working Families Party);
- ✓ Republican Thad Gray (cross endorsed by the Independent Party);
- ✓ Libertarian Jesse Brohinsky.

For Comptroller:

- ✓ Incumbent Democrat Kevin Lembo (cross endorsed by Working Families Party);
- ✓ Republican Kurt Miller (cross endorsed by the Independent Party);
- ✓ Libertarian candidate Paul Pasarelli;
- ✓ Green Party candidate Edward Heflin.

For Attorney General:

- ✓ Democrat William Tong (cross endorsed by Working Families Party);
- ✓ Republican Sue Hatfield (cross endorsed by the Independent Party);
- ✓ Green Party candidate Peter Gose-

lin.

For Judge of Probate:

- ✓ Incumbent Democrat Clifford Hoyle

For Registrar of Voters:

- ✓ Incumbent Democrat Elia Alexiades;
- ✓ Incumbent Republican Anna Dickerson.

Constitutional Questions:

Voters will be asked to approve or reject two constitutional amendments, one concerning the Special Transportation Fund, the other concerning the sale of public land.

Question 1:
Transportation ‘lockbox’

By voting yes, voters support amending the state constitution to ensure that all monies in the Special Transportation Fund be used solely for transportation purposes. According to an explanatory flier by the Office of Legislative Research, these protections already exist as part of the General Statutes. By making them part of the constitution they preserve the fund as a permanent fund. The amendment requires that the fund be used exclusively for transportation purposes, which include paying transportation-related debt. It also requires that any funding sources directed to the fund by law continue to be directed there, as long as the law authorizes the state to collect or receive them.

The proposal has broad bi-partisan support. Critics, among them Themis Klarides, have been cited as saying the measure is not worded strongly enough.

Question 2:
Sale of Public Land

By voting yes, voters support amending the constitution to require that the General Assembly hold a public hearing when selling or disposing of

state-owned or state-controlled property. It also requires a two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly in cases when the property is under the custody or control of the Department of Agriculture or the DEEP.

In its explanatory text, the Office of Legislative Research explains that under current statutes, state agencies must follow certain procedures. However, alternatively the General Assembly can transfer property through legislation known as “conveyance bills.” The amendment would prohibit this procedure.

Election Day Registration

Residents who have never registered to vote or have moved into town and are still registered in a previous town may appear, register to vote and cast a ballot. They must be a U.S. citizen to register to vote. Hours for the Election Day Registration (EDR) are 6 a.m. until 8 p.m. The applications to register to vote must be fully completed by 8 p.m., however that is also the time polls close. Registrar of Voters Anna Dickerson in a conversation urged those who want to register the day of the election, not to do it too close to the end. The Senior Lounge is handicapped accessible.

Voter must appear in person and provide proof of identity and residence at EDR location. A driver’s license will satisfy both proof of identity and residence. Other sources of proof of identity can be a birth certificate, Social Security card, college photo ID, oath of another elector or proof satisfactory to registrars; out-of-state drivers licenses can be used for proof of identity.

Examples for proof of residence can be a utility bill (no later than 30 days post-election), current college registration, a lease; a library card with current address; a bank statement or property tax bill, driver’s license or non-driver’s license or learner’s permit with current address.

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ure chest.” McCreven said that faced with the challenges of documenting all their efforts going years back, some neighboring towns such as Hamden threw up their hands. In Bethany, the all-volunteer committee submitted paperwork to apply for 100 points, but they were only granted 18. That was frustrating for them, but a warning for their neighbors to the south. If they wanted to attain bronze status, they had to put in the work.

McCreven found the solution by tapping into the pool of tech savvy Amity High School students. Eva Glassman, then a senior, spent her Senior

Service Learning Program weeks last May at the Town Hall, working on an open space inventory. She came back for several weeks in the summer to help create a spreadsheet for the sustainability application. That required at times going back years in town records, trying to find the origin of a particular policy. The no-smoking policy in public buildings, for instance, can count toward the sustainability program, but they had to document when it was approved and instituted, then go out and take a photo of the signs and upload all the data to make it count.

“If we didn’t have the interns helping with this, this might have been a hill too steep to climb,” McCreven said

at the time.

SustainableCT benefits participating towns in myriad of ways, according to the program’s website. For one thing it inspires municipal leaders to think in terms of sustainability and to encourage networking to allow an exchange of information and best practices. It creates community, such as the cooperation of the ad hoc committee and the school system. It encourages towns to track data and drive innovation. Economic benefits are expected to result from these efforts as well, leveraging existing funding, but also in making towns a more vibrant and forward-looking community.

Of the 66 municipalities that joined

the initiative, a third attained certification so far, of which five are leading the pack with the silver certification. The first awards ceremony was scheduled to take place Oct. 30 at the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) annual convention at Foxwoods Resort.

As for McCreven and the ad-hoc committee, they are already looking at next year’s focus. One area they will be looking at is the town building energy use, which includes the municipal buildings as well as Beecher Road School. The other focus area will be the “looming waste crisis,” she said, with an effort to increase recycling and reduce solid waste.

“Elections remind us not only of the rights but the responsibilities of citizenship in a democracy.” — ROBERT KENNEDY

TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES

Upcoming Important Election Dates

The Bethany, Orange, and Woodbridge Registrars of Voters announce important election dates for the upcoming mid-term election to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018. Registration sessions will be held during the times listed below. All registration sessions will be held in the Registrar's office for that town.

Monday, November 5th from 9am until 5pm - Limited registration session for voters whose qualifications changed as to age, citizenship or residence since October 30th. This date is also the limited registration session for physically disabled, servicemen, and persons out of the country up until 5:00 pm.

Absentee Ballots: Applications for absentee ballots should be made through the Town Clerk's office. Applications may be obtained from the Town Clerk or may be downloaded from the Connecticut Secretary of the State website at www.ct.gov/sots.

Deadlines: All voter registrations must be postmarked on or before Tuesday, October 30th in order to vote in the November 6th election. The deadline for registrations taken in person is Tuesday, October 30th

by 8:00 pm.

Town Clerk's Offices are available to accept voter registrations and party changes, or provide absentee applications Monday through Friday, from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Registrar of Voters contact information:

Bethany – Jan Loomis and Allyson Rogers (203) 393-2100 ext 1121, 40 Peck Road.

Orange – Janice Casey (203) 891-4715, and Frederick Kendrick (203) 891-4716, Orange Town Hall, 617 Orange Center Road.

Woodbridge – Elia Alexiades (203) 389-3408, and Anna Dickerson (203) 389-3409, Woodbridge Town Hall, 11 Meetinghouse Lane.

Election Day Registration will be available from 6am-8pm on November 6th at the following locations:

- › Bethany Town Hall upstairs in the Commission Room;
- › Orange Town Hall;
- › Woodbridge Senior Center.

Polling locations are open from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. Check your local Registrar of Voters offices for questions regarding polling locations.



The Woodbridge Dogpark Cooperative had its first annual Pupkin Festival Oct. 28 at the Town Green. Both dogs and their owners were encouraged - but not required - to come in costume. Here, Monica Aversa is holding her long-haired chihuahua Bianca, and daughter Brooklyn got a face paint. Mary Breitenstein's French bulldog was dressed up as a sailor. He was to enter the competition for Best Kisser.

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Give Back And Protect The Environment All At Once

Companies and individuals across the globe volunteer their time and donate their money to nonprofit groups and worthy causes. Hundreds of billions of dollars are raised, and many hours are clocked furthering the efforts of charitable groups.

Although nonprofits in various categories receive support, one sector has experienced the largest percentage gain: environmental and animal welfare organizations.

According to a report released in 2017 from Giving USA, interest in charities involved with animal welfare support and environmental issues rose 5.8 percent when adjusted for inflation.

Even though the first piece of legislation concerning widespread environmental concerns in the United States was the Federal Water Pollution Control Act in 1948, environmental causes are still gaining steam. The discovery of a growing hole in the ozone layer prompted change in the mid-1980s, as did the devastating Exxon Valdez tanker spill. However, environmental issues have gained considerably more attention over the last two decades



than they used to. As a result, curbside recycling, solar energy, electric cars, low-energy light bulbs, and reusable tote bags are now some of the eco-friendly mainstays of everyday life.

Environmentalists have founded numerous charities with a goal of protecting the planet and its natural resources. Donating directly or vol-

unteering with environment- or animal-based charities is one way to elicit environmental change. Yet, there are other philanthropic efforts people can take of their own volition.

Target trash. Men and women can organize like-minded individuals who can make a difference by ridding parks, beaches and public recreation areas of

as much litter as possible. Litter can impact ecosystems, adversely affect animal welfare and threaten humans. All it takes to make a difference are some volunteers to sweep areas of trash and discard it responsibly.

Support animal welfare groups. Thousands of relinquished or lost pets reside in area shelters awaiting homes. Adopt family pets from shelters to help reduce overpopulation. Spreading the word about animal adoption is another noble effort.

Educate others. Share knowledge about alternative products and techniques for lawn and garden care, pool maintenance, home upkeep, and more that are less harmful to the environment than standard techniques. Share your thoughts with friends and neighbors directly or broadcast them on social media.

Advocate for change. Speak at town hall meetings and with legislators about what can be done to promote environmental protection in your community. Raise funds where possible to implement small actions that can lead to change.

TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES



(L-R): Officer Matthew Lima, Chairman Robert Berke, and Police Chief Frank Capiello.

Meet Officer Matthew Lima

The Woodbridge Police Department recently welcomed a new patrol officer. Officer Matthew Lima was sworn-in during the October 9, 2018 meeting of the Woodbridge Board of Police Commissioners.

Officer Lima joins the department following his recent retirement from the Milford Police Department where he served for 20 years in various capacities, inclusive of being a K-9 Handler and a member of the Special Response

Team, with assignments in both the Patrol Division and as a detective in the General Investigations Section. He is also a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

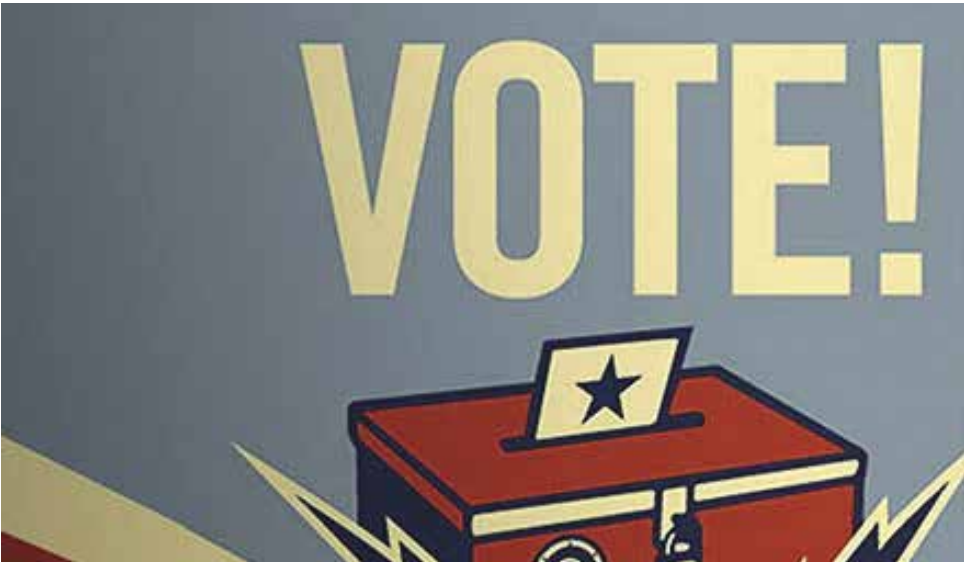
Police Chief Frank Capiello stated that Officer Lima brings a wealth of experience and exemplary attributes that will complement the goals and objectives of the Woodbridge Police Department, and wished him many years of continued success and safety.

Accepting Applications for Holiday Food Baskets

Woodbridge Human Services is now accepting applications for holiday food baskets. In addition, families may apply for the Toys for Kids Program Inc. and the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program both administered by TEAM Inc. Residents can contact Woodbridge Human Services at 203-389-3429 for eligibility

guidelines and an appointment to apply for a holiday basket, toys, or fuel assistance.

Sponsors are needed to participate in the Adopt-A-Family Program to provide holiday food baskets to families in need for the December holidays. To adopt a family, please call Human Services at 203-389-3429.



Woodbridge First Selectman Beth Heller and Veteran's Day Ceremony organizer and Master of Ceremonies Barry Josephs, U.S. Army Captain, Vietnam War Veteran, are pictured at last year's ceremony in the Center Gym.

Veteran's Day Ceremony

TO BE HELD MONDAY NOVEMBER 12TH

The Town's annual Veterans Day Ceremony will be held at 11:00 am on Monday, November 12th 2018. The ceremony will take place inside The Center Gym (4 Meetinghouse Lane). The public is invited and encouraged

to attend!

The program will include a history of the holiday, patriotic music, a memorial wreath presentation, the Woodbridge Police Department Honor Guard and remarks by local elected officials.

Town of Woodbridge Meetings for the Month of November 2018



Town Hall

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

11/5	Human Services Commission..... 7:00pm	Center Bldg.
	Town Plan & Zoning Commission..... 7:30pm	Town Hall
11/8	Economic Development Comm. 7:00pm	Town Hall
11/13	Police Commission 6:00pm	Police Dept.
	Library Commission..... 6:30pm	Library
	Zoning Board of Appeals 7:30pm	Town Hall
11/14	Board of Selectmen..... 5:00pm	Town Hall
	Inland Wetlands Agency 7:30pm	Town Hall
11/15	Investment Committee 5:30pm	Town Hall
	Board of Finance..... 6:00pm	Town Hall
	Conservation Commission..... 7:30pm	Town Hall
11/19	Fire Commission..... 6:00pm	Fire Station
	CUPOP..... 6:30pm	Town Hall
	Emergency Medical Services Comm... 7:30pm	Dept. Public Wrks
11/26	Recreation Commission 7:00pm	Beecher School So.
11/27	Government Access TV Commission . 7:15pm	Town Hall
11/29	Boards of Finance/Selectmen Budget Mtg. . 5:00pm	Town Hall

TOWN DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES



Halloween MonSTAR Mash

Youth Services from Woodbridge and Orange with assistance from the Town of Bethany conjured up a night of fun at the recent MonSTAR Mash Halloween Party. The Amity High School cafeteria was brimming with fun as costumed middle school students faced challenges like Jousting, Donut Eating, and the Mummy Wrap. Teens made souvenir wax hands and enjoyed great music, snacks, a costume contest and a raffle.

Kindness Klub at Amity Middle School-Bethany Campus

Students in 7th and 8th grade have

Youth Services

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an opportunity to join a club to make gifts for humanitarian groups in a relaxed setting with snacks, music and friends. No special skills are needed, except a kind heart. The Kindness Klub meets after school in the Amity Middle School-Bethany cafeteria and will dismiss in time for the late bus. Dates planned are as follows: January 15 and March 21 (subject to change due to weather and enrollment). Additional dates will be announced. Students may join as many as they like, and no payment is required. To join, call

203-389-3429 or email Youthone@WoodbridgeCT.org. Community service hours are approved. Parent permission form is required.

Toys 4 Kids

Income eligible residents who need holiday toys for children 12 years of age and under should call Youth Services at 203-389-3429 for assistance to obtain toys from TEAM, Inc. Applications will be accepted between November 13 and December 13, 2018. Toy donations will be accepted in

the Woodbridge Library through December 13, 2018.

Woodbridge Job Bank

Woodbridge teens willing to rake leaves and pull weeds wanted. Help residents and earn cash by joining the Woodbridge Job Bank. Call 203-389-3429 or email Youth Services at npfund@woodbridgect.org to join.

Be the first in your neighborhood to start raking those leaves or shovel the snow to earn some money before the holidays. Other jobs in yard work, child care or animal care also available. Residents may call 203-389-3429 to hire help. Please call at least one week before help is needed.

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Living Treasure Award winners Louisa Cunningham, Robert Conniff, Leland Torrence Sr., and Dorothy Martino with First Selectman Beth Heller (Left) and Human Services Commission Chair Sharon Bender (Right)



The Woodbridge Center offers two sections of Tai Chi each Wednesday.

Giving Thanks and Veteran's Day

November is a month rich with opportunity. We have the chance to practice Democracy by voting on Election Day, honor those who served in the military on Veteran's Day, and express heartfelt gratitude with loved ones on Thanksgiving.

In honor of Veteran's Day, The Center begins a pilot program providing free transportation for qualifying veterans and their spouses to medical appointments and to The Center through April 2019. These services are provided to Woodbridge residents who are veterans over 60 years old or disabled. Call for more information.

November also provides opportunities to be more involved at The Center. There are so many wonderful "resources" here and a wealth of talented individuals. Come share the wealth of your experience with the craft group or the bridge, pinocle, book club, mahjong, lunch or Pickleball members. People of all abilities are welcome to share what they know or learn from the experts. Opportunity beckons.

"A mentor is someone whose hindsight can become your foresight." — fortune cookie proverb

Breakfast at 10 – Lecture Series

November 28: Tips for Healthcare Self Advocacy with Jeanne Hughes, BSN, RN of Seabury Care at Home, Woodbridge Library meeting room.

January 30: Estate Planning and Asset Protection with Guertin and Guertin, LLC—Center lounge.

October Lunch Menu

Lunch is served Tuesday and Friday at the First Church of Christ Church, 5 Meetinghouse Lane at 12:15 pm. Cost is \$3-dine-in meals, \$4-take-out. RSVP is required by noon one day prior. Meals include bread, juice, coffee/tea and dessert. 11/2 Chicken parmesan

over angel hair pasta, 11/6 Closed-Federal and State Election, 11/9 Veteran's Day! Spinach Alfredo served with salad, 11/13 Thanksgiving Celebration—RSVP by November 7th, 11/16 Stuffed cabbage and potatoes, 11/20 Lasagna and salad, 11/23 Closed-Thanksgiving holiday, 11/27 Baked stuffed shrimp over rice pilaf, salad and vegetable, 11/30 Garlic chicken with whipped sweet potatoes.

Special Programming

RSVP is required one day prior unless otherwise noted

November 6: Closed for Federal and State Election –Vote!

November 7: Reverse Bids Bridge Class with Rita Brieger, 6:45-9 pm in the Center gym. Learn reverse bids and recognize when your partner makes one. Intermediate level, space limited to 40, \$5 fee. RSVP required.

November 8: Trip! Newsies at Westchester Broadway Theatre. Included in the trip is transportation, lunch and the show for \$106.

November 9: Veteran's Day! The Center hosts a presentation on the services and programs available to veterans through the New Haven Vet Center with Army Sergeant 1st Class Jolene Montalvo, E-7. Veterans and family members are invited.

November 12: Woodbridge Veteran's Day commemoration in the Center Gym at 11 am with master of ceremonies Barry Josephs. The ceremony will include history of the holiday with special emphasis on women in the military.

November 13: Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon at noon in the Center gymnasium with entertainment by John Paolillo. This seasonal feast is sponsored by the Woodbridge Police Union, Coachman Square, and the Willows-Woodbridge. RSVP required by November 7.

November 17: Trip! UCONN Huskies vs. Vanderbilt Commodores at Mohegan Sun Arena (Saturday). Call

for details.

November 27: Lunch entertainment with Brian Gillie, begins 12:15 pm.

Living Treasure Award Dinner Successful

Many thanks to all who worked to make the Living Treasure Award Dinner a successful fundraiser for The Woodbridge Center. Thanks to the committee members, celebrity servers, sponsors, staff and volunteers as well as all those who attended and donated. We're already looking forward to next years' event!

Meetinghouse Café remains open through Construction

The Meetinghouse Café located at 4 Meetinghouse Lane on the lower level is open to all ages from 8 am to 2 pm, Monday-Friday, and serves breakfast and lunch. During the renovation the café will be open for business. Please call 203-389-3491 to place an order or drop in for a tasty meal! The Woodbridge Center is undergoing construction to add an accessible restroom and ramp to the facility to improve service to the community. During this renovation all activities will continue without interruption. For more information regarding individual activities, please call The Center at 203-389-3430.

CHOICES Counselors Available

Medicare's Open Enrollment period runs from October 1 to December 7. The Town of Woodbridge has certified CHOICES Counselors available to provide counseling and information on topics such as Medicare, Medicare Supplemental Insurance, Medicare HMO's, Long-Term Care Insurance and other state and federal benefit programs. Please contact Mary Ellen LaRocca or Judi Young for an appointment at (203)389-3429.

On-Going Programming

Calling all knitters and crocheters as well as poker, canasta and spades players! Call The Center and let us know you are interested and we'll put a group or a game together!

Poker on Tuesdays, 1-3:30 pm - join in for a friendly game of poker in the Center Building, Room 11. Call for details.

New! Art Class: Class begins October 31 and meets each Wednesday 10 am - 12 pm in the Center Building, room 11. The class is taught by local artist Graham Dale. Call to register for the ten-week class—\$60.

Tai Chi with Instructor Gabriella Connolly, R.N. Wednesdays, 10-11 am and 11 am - 12 pm, 9/26-12/12.

Bocce: Tuesdays 11 am - 12 pm at the Bocce court in the picnic grove behind the Old Firehouse. RSVP.

Exercise with Laurie: Workout includes a combination of strength training, cardio, flexibility and balance. Bring weights if you have them. Class is in the Center gym, Tuesday and Thursday, 10-11 am. No need to sign up—just pay a drop-in fee of \$2.

Book Club: The book club meets the 4th Tuesday of each month, 11 am at the Woodbridge Town Library. The next meeting is November 27. This month's book is Library at the Edge of the World by Felicity Hayes-McCoy. New members are welcome.

Friday Movies: Following lunch in the Woodbridge Library Meeting Room at 1 pm: 11/2 no movie, 11/9 Adrift, 11/16 BlackKKlansman, 11/23 Closed, 11/30 Favorite Film Friday: Dr. No.

Ask the Nurse: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month, 11 am - 12:30 pm in the lounge at the Congregational Church Parish House, 5 Meetinghouse Lane: blood pressure screenings, weight and conversation with a registered VNA Community Healthcare

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Nurse.

Duplicate Bridge: Mondays, 9 am, in the Center Gym.

Bridge: The Center’s Wednesday bridge group invites new members! Join the group for a friendly card game. No reservations necessary—just come to the Center Building, Room 11, 1-4 pm.

Pinochle: Meets Mondays and Thursdays in the Center Building room from 1-4 pm and meets Wednesdays, 1:30-4 pm, in the Town library, meeting room. Come any day—the group looks for new players and is willing to bring rusty players up to speed!

Yoga for Healthy Aging: Meets

Fridays, through November 16 from 11:45 am -1 pm in the Center Building, Room 16, with instructor Julie Luciani. The class fee will be pro-rated for anyone registering late. Class combines seated and standing postures and is safe for all. Reserve your spot—11 sessions for \$75.

Mah-jongg: Monday & Friday, 10 am, Center Building, Room 11.

Pickleball: Meets Monday-Thursday in the Center gym for group play, 12:30-2:30 pm and Friday, 12:30-3:30 pm. Paid annual members may arrange playing times with other players through the Doodle scheduling tool. Annual membership is \$20 with a suggested \$5 additional donation. Equipment is available on a first come, first served basis.

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Saturday, November 10, 2018
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Our Lady of the Assumption Church
81 Center Road, Woodbridge.

Applications:
mrs.lindareilly@gmail.com or Linda at 203-387-1051
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Please note: the Library will be closed Monday, November 12, for Veteran's Day (observed), and for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 22 and Friday, November 23. The Library will be open on Saturday, November 24, from 10 am to 5 pm.

Adult Programs

For more information about our events, or to register, please contact the reference desk at 203-389-3434. Registration is also available on our website.



The Blue River Jazz Band Concert

Monday, November 19 at 7 pm

Join us for an evening of smooth jazz. The Blue River Jazz Band plays America's traditional, classic, "hot" jazz and swing music from the early 20th century. The band features fabulous music from New Orleans, along with songs written and made famous by great jazz artists like Louis Armstrong, Sidney Bechet, Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Fats Waller and much, much more. Refreshments will be served. Please register online or at the library.

This program is sponsored by the Gerry Hellmann Eckhardt Fund for the Woodbridge Library, an endowed designated fund at the Valley Community Foundation. Created in 2017 by Gerry Hellmann Eckhardt and her husband, Harvey, the fund supports adult cultural and arts programs that help the library attract more patrons and provide alternatives to other local programs. Growing up in a family with modest means but a deep appreciation for libraries and learning, Gerry was in her 40s when she obtained degrees in education. Her experiences in life, both as a student and a teacher, inspired her to create the fund. She wanted to give something back to the community that would inspire others to pursue life-long learning no matter their age or background.

Anyone can donate to the fund; donations of all sizes are welcomed and

appreciated. To make a tax-deductible contribution to the fund, which will continue to support similar programming at the Woodbridge Town Library, please mail a check to the Valley Community Foundation at 253-A Elizabeth Street, Derby, CT 06418. Checks should be made payable to VCF with the Gerry Hellmann Eckhardt Fund in the memo or donate to the foundation online at ValleyFoundation.org.

Opioid Overdose Workshop with Narcan Training

Monday, November 26 at 6:30 pm

The Alliance for Prevention & Wellness, a program of BHcare, presents this very timely workshop. Learn how you can save a life! Opioid overdoses are on the rise, and can happen anywhere, even while under a physician's supervision. Training will include: overdose prevention strategies, signs and symptoms of overdose, how to administer Naloxone (Narcan), the Good Samaritan Law, and support information and resources. Narcan will be available for distribution. Please register online or at the library.

Film Screenings

No registration required. Almost every Thursday evening we offer a film screening at 7 pm, with a matinee on most Fridays at 1 pm. Please see the schedule below for titles, dates, and times.

- › Thursday, November 8—no film screening;
- › Friday, November 9 at 1 pm: *Adrift*;
- › Thursday, November 15 at 7 pm: *BlacKkKlansman*;
- › Friday, November 16 at 1 pm: *BlacKkKlansman*;
- › Thursday, November 22 & Friday, November 23—no film screenings (library closed for Thanksgiving);
- › Thursday, November 29 at 7 pm: *The Children Act*; and
- › Friday, November 30 at 1 pm: Favorite Film Friday—join us for an older/classic movie, with title to be announced!

Adrift

96 minutes; PG-13; Action, Adventure

Based on the inspiring true story of two sailors who set out to journey across the ocean from Tahiti to San Diego. Tami Oldham and Richard Sharp couldn't anticipate they would be sailing directly into one of the most catastrophic hurricanes in recorded history. In the aftermath of the storm, Tami awakens to find Richard badly injured and their boat in ruins. With no hope for rescue, Tami must find the

strength and determination to save herself and the only man she has ever loved. *Adrift* is the unforgettable story about the resilience of the human spirit and the transcendent power of love.

BlacKkKlansman

135 minutes; R; Biography, Comedy, Crime

The incredible true story of an American hero. It's the early 1970s, and Ron Stallworth is the first African-American detective to serve in the Colorado Springs Police Department. Determined to make a name for himself, Stallworth bravely sets out on a dangerous mission: infiltrate and expose the Ku Klux Klan. The young detective soon recruits a more seasoned colleague, Flip Zimmerman, into the undercover investigation of a lifetime. Together, they team up to take down the extremist hate group as the organization aims to sanitize its violent rhetoric to appeal to the mainstream.

The Children Act

105 minutes; R; Drama

Fiona Maye is an eminent High Court judge in London presiding with wisdom and compassion over ethically complex cases of family law. But she has paid a heavy personal price for her workload, and her marriage is at a breaking point. In this moment of personal crisis, Fiona is asked to rule on the case of Adam, a brilliant boy who is refusing the blood transfusion that will save his life. Adam is three months from his 18th birthday and still legally a child. Should Fiona force him to live? Fiona visits Adam in the hospital and their meeting has a profound emotional impact on them both, stirring strong new emotions in the boy and long-buried feelings in her.

Coming in December

Gingerbread house decorating; the annual holiday party program with Robin Glowa, *The Conscious Cook*; a concert with the Suzuki School; and more!

Children's Activities & Events

For more information on our Children's Events, please visit our website or call 203-389-3439

littleBits Workshop (Ages 5 and up)

Two Saturdays, November 3 & 10, both at 2 pm

Join us for a fun afternoon experimenting with littleBits! Learn how to build a personal fan or trick a friend with a prank handshake! Come to one

or both—no registration required.

Art Escape: Janell Cannon (Grades K-4)

Monday, November 5 at 6:30 pm

Come learn about this author/illustrator, best known for *Stellaluna*. We'll read her stories, then make a craft inspired by her artwork. Please register online or at the Children's Desk.

Native American Crafternoon (Ages 5 and up, with adult)

Saturday, November 17 from 3 to 3:45 pm

Make a dart game, a talking stick or a ball and triangle game. Please register online.

Pumpernickel Puppets (Ages 3 and up, with adult)

Saturday, November 24 at 2 pm

An adventure with a princess, a knight, a dragon...and a happy ending! Please register online.

NEW PROGRAM! Nonfiction Book Club (Grades 3-6)

Tuesday, November 27 at 6 pm

Join us for our first meeting! Check out a Titanic-related book prior to the program, then come to the discussion, have a snack, and make boats powered by littleBits. Please register online.

Eager Readers Book Group (Grades K-2)

Monday, November 29 at 6:30 pm

Stop by the Children's Desk to pick up a copy of each month's book selection and to register. Read the book at home and then join us for a book discussion and craft the night of the program. This month we'll be reading *The Antlered Ship* by Dashka Slater.

ONGOING CHILDRENS PROGRAMMING Babies Session (0-18 months)

Every Wednesday, 10:30-11 am

Join us for songs and rhymes, fun for little ones. No registration.

Ready to Read (18-36 months)

Every Thursday, 10:30-11 am
Find out how talking, singing and reading build vocabulary and a love of books! No registration.

Preschool Storycraft (3-5 years)

Every Saturday, 11-11:30 am

Stories and crafts for ages 3 to 5 with an adult. No registration, unless otherwise noted.

“Voting is as much an emotional act as it is an intellectual one.” — MONICA CROWLEY

Charitable Giving Snapshot

Charitable giving is on the rise. The National Philanthropic Trust says that, in 2017, Americans gave \$410.02 billion to charity, reflecting a 5.2 percent increase from 2016. On average, \$10.6 billion is donated by Canadians every year, with nearly 85 percent of the Canadian population age 15 and older donating to charitable and nonprofit organizations, offers the charitable giving resource Imagine Canada.

Individual giving is the largest source of charitable donations, accounting for 70 percent of total giving. Foundations and bequests take the second and third spots. Corporations round out the top four, according to research from Giving USA.

CreditDonkey indicates that roughly 61 percent of people between the ages of 35 and 44 will donate to charity this year. Other age groups are less likely to follow suit.

Despite being the largest demographic by age in the United States, millennials (people between the ages of 18 and 34) donate less and volunteer less for charitable causes than other age groups, except in regard to one particular means of donating. According to the research firm Massolution, millennials are the driving force behind the crowdfunding movement. Crowdfunding accounted for \$3 billion of charitable giving in 2014. Millennials are three times more likely than Baby



Boomers to donate to a crowdfunding campaign and 70 percent more likely than Gen Xers.

Environmental causes, animal charities, arts, culture, and health causes experienced the largest jumps in contributions in 2017. Education-based

giving saw relatively slower growth.

While the majority of donations in the United States were made to religious organizations in 2017, 17 percent of American families have reduced the amount that they give to their local churches, offers Nonprofits Source.

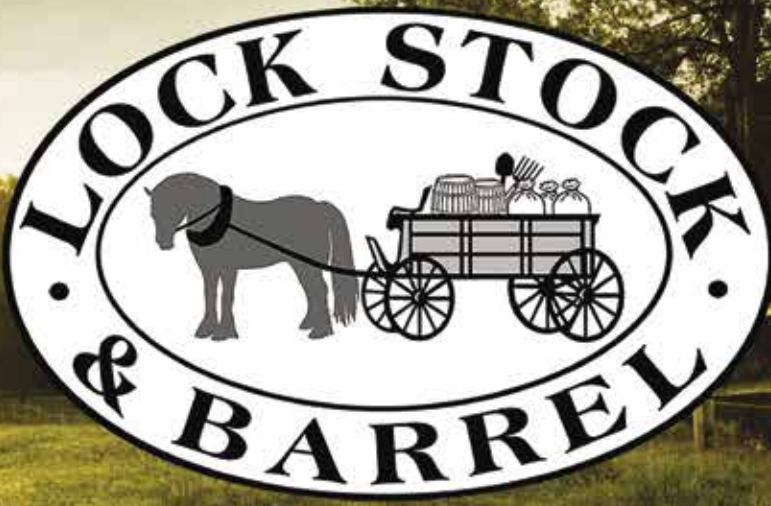
In Canada, the average number of organizations each donor supports is close to four. While the average amount Canadians donate is \$446 per person, and the people who donate the most are members of Generation X, people 65 and over have the highest average donation, at \$643 per year.


Charitable giving can come in the form of volunteerism as well. The National Philanthropic Trust says approximately 25 percent of the adult population volunteers their time. Americans contribute what would equate to \$193 billion of their time to various efforts.


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Q: What is up with the **Dick Wolf** series (**“Chicago Med,” “Chicago Fire,” “Law and Order: SVU,”** etc.) and their terrible loud music? When did music become more important than the spoken word? I’ve always enjoyed these shows, but I can’t hear a word the actors are saying. The producers could learn a lot from the old guys, like **Cecil B. DeMille**, where the music stopped when the actors started speaking. -- A.E.B., Venice, Florida

A: I agree. I think these shows are trying to attract younger viewers, but they’ve gone overboard in the editing room. I used to enjoy the occasional montage set to music over an action-packed scene in a feature film or TV drama, but not while the actors are speaking their lines. Now, directors are littering too many scenes with loud music during the dialogue, making it difficult for viewers to hear what’s being said. If I were a writer for a Dick Wolf series, I’d be a little perturbed.

In the meantime, try turning on the Closed Captioning feature via your remote control so you can at least read the dialogue you’re not able to hear. You can also write abc.go.com/feed-back and select “ABC Programming Feedback” in the dropdown menu to submit a complaint. Good luck!

Q: Is it true that **Joe Giudice** is going to be deported to Italy once he’s released from prison? I knew it was a possibility, but I’ll be shocked if it actually happens. -- S.S.

A: What you heard is true. A judge recently ruled that the husband of **“Real Housewives of New Jersey”** star **Teresa Giudice** will have to re-



Teresa Giudice [Tommy Garcia/Bravo]

turn to Italy since he was never a U.S. citizen. He’s currently finishing up a 41-month sentence in federal prison.

The judge had some harsh words for **“Juicy Joe”**: “Based upon the law, I find you deportable and ineligible for any kind of relief. Mr. Giudice, no matter how this turns out, I wish you the best. I decided this case as a matter of law.”

Giudice has a chance to file an appeal by Nov. 9, but if he does have to start a new life in Europe, perhaps Bravo’s TV cameras will capture some visits from Teresa and his four daughters.

Q: Is it true that they are remaking the movie **“Pet Sematary”** that was based on a **Stephen King** novel? I wasn’t a fan of the reincarnation of **“It”** last year. I hope they do a better job with this one. -- G.W.

A: Yes, **“Pet Sematary”** for a new generation will be in theaters next spring. In the meantime, you can view the creepy trailer online. It’s hard to believe it will be 30 years since the original film ran in theaters. The new version stars two-time Oscar-nominee **John Lithgow** (**“Dexter”**) in the role previously played by **Fred Gwynne**.

Send me your questions at NewCelebrityExtra@gmail.com!

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JCC Holiday Craft and Gift Fair Celebrates 15 Years

The 15th Annual JCC Holiday Craft and Gift Fair takes place on Sunday, December 2, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. The show will feature more than 50 vendors, and a day full of fun activities for the whole family. Admission and parking are free at the JCC, 360 Amity Road in Woodbridge.

The JCC Holiday Craft and Gift Fair is the largest in Greater New Haven, showcasing crafters, artists and vendors that are primarily local as well. Attendees will see a wide range of artistic creations, including woodworking, jewelry, glassworks, pottery, clothing and accessories. Fifteen years for an annual event of this kind (? magnitude sounds a bit dramatic) is quite an achievement, and each year there is increased competition from other shows and fairs.

Throughout the day, shoppers can visit the “Wrapping Room” to have their purchases beautifully wrapped. Shoppers can rest and recharge in comfortable seating at the new Café 360, which will be serving up their signature coffee drinks and hearty soups.

“Requests for vendor applications start just as soon as the previous fair ends” says Debbie Brander, JCC Director of Member and Community Engagement, who has been organizing the Holiday Craft and Gift Fair for the past five years. “It is a year-round effort to curate the show. I am always looking to identify new vendors that our shoppers will appreciate and support, and collaborate with my colleagues to create a fun day overall.”

With so many booths to browse, many shoppers get to explore the re-

cently renovated spaces of the JCC. The Holiday Craft and Gift Fair has evolved into an annual Open House where the JCC can showcase its programs for the community. “We are thrilled to provide this unique shopping experience to the community, for our members and many guests to view and purchase high quality items from local vendors,” said Scott Cohen, JCC Executive Director. “We also enjoy giving the community an opportunity to learn more about the JCC through these Open Houses.”

Also, on Sunday, December 2, families can partake in a PJ Library program, create in the new JCC MakerSpace, and enjoy free craft making activities and free face painting. Fitness and Wellness tours and demos will be available, as well as mini massages from the Spa at the J. All are

welcome in the afternoon to try out the new Rothberg Rock Climbing Wall and jump in the Marcia & Stanley F. Reiter Swimming Pool for a special free swim. JCC Day Camps will offer an exclusive discount to camp families that visit the camp booth, and the Membership Department will conduct tours, hand out giveaways and offer membership specials. Look online for updated schedules for all of these special events.

Please check jccnh.org/craft-gift-fair for details regarding all of the Holiday Craft and Gift Fair special events. Although vendor spaces are no longer available, for more information on participating vendors or to volunteer for the event, please contact Debbie Brander at debbieb@jccnh.org or (203) 387-2424, ext 276.



Left to right: Judy DeCoster, Mary Jane Purcell, Susan Antinozzi, Barbara Baldwin, Sery Kang, Pat Croasmun, Lucy LaCava, Jane Gelernter

Garden Club Maintains Library Grounds

Garden Club of Woodbridge members Judy DeCoster, Mary Jane Purcell, Susan Antinozzi, Barbara Baldwin, Sery Kang, Pat Croasmun, Lucy LaCava and Jane Gelernter weeded, pruned and planted at the Woodbridge Town

Library one day in October. Club members gather every week to plant and maintain the gardens at the library, the Darling House herb garden, the

See “Garden Club” On Page 37



Rotary Club Inducts Bellamy

Woodbridge Rotary Club recently welcomed Karen Bellamy as a new member to the club. Karen worked for several companies such as Fleet Bank, Blue Cross Blue Shield and Bank of America for more than 15 years fueling her dream to start her own business, KJB Associates, LLC. Through stellar

customer service and professionalism, KJB Associates, LLC has built long term relationships with clients at the Farmers Insurance Agency offering home, auto, life, Medicare and business insurance. Karen Bellamy resides

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BULLETIN BOARD

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

Boy Scout Troop 63, meetings Monday nights 7:00pm-8:30pm, Our Lady of the Assumption “Mother” Church, 1700 Litchfield Turnpike (Route 63), 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.

Bereavement Support Groups, Tuesdays 4:00-5:30pm and Wednesdays 6:30-8:00pm, Griffin Hospital, 130 Division Street, Derby, support groups for anyone experiencing the loss of a loved one. Contact Janice Lautier at 203-732-1100 or jlautier@griffinhealth.org to register.

Woodbridge Republican Town Committee Meetings, second Tuesday of each month, 7:30pm, Center Cafeteria. Visitors welcome and we urge you to join us. For information, go to www.woodbridgeregop.org.

Cancer Support Group, meets the second and fourth Tuesday afternoons of the month at Coachman’s Square, 21 Bradley Road, Woodbridge. If interested contact: Lucille Ranciato lranciato2@yahoo.com or Bernie Siegel, MD bugsysiegel@sbcglobal.net for details.

Alzheimer’s and Dementia Family Support Group Meeting, last

Tuesday of the month, 6:00pm, JCC of Greater New Haven, 360 Amity Road, Woodbridge in the West Rock Room. For more information, contact Averil Kelly, Ms, R-DMT, 203.389.2911.

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. 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).

Ask The Nurse - On Tuesday, Nov. 6 & Nov 20th, 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., VNA Community Healthcare & Hospice will host a free health and wellness screening clinic at Woodbridge Senior Center, 4 Meetinghouse Ln. At the Ask the Nurse clinic, a nurse can check your blood pressure, heart rate, weight and work with you to set goals. The nurse can also review your medications, help you create a medication list, and discuss how you can prepare for a medical appointment. There is no cost for this service and appointments are not required. This clinic is held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. For more information about all of VNA Community Healthcare & Hospice’s wellness programs, visit www.vnacommunityhealthcare.org or call 1.866.474.5230 (toll-free).

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 Fridays of the month, 7:30am breakfast meeting, Country Corner Diner, 756 Amity Road, Bethany and the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month, 12:15pm luncheon meeting, Woodbridge Social, 12 Selden Street, Woodbridge. Anyone interested in learning more about Rotary should contact Anna Dickerson, 203-710-0223 or annadickerson@yahoo.com.

Goat Yoga, every Saturday at 9am, 10:15am and 11:30am, Locket’s Meadow Farm, Bethany, \$25.00. Stretch and pose with our sweet baby goats (and pigs and puppies and who knows who else will wander through) and learn what the goat hype is about! All funds from our programs go directly to support the rescued animals of Locket’s Meadow as well as to help fund our programs for special needs individuals. Please bring your own yoga mat, but if you forget, we have a few extra.

Ansonia Nature Center Events, 10 Deerfield Road, Ansonia; call 203-736-1053 to register for all events.

Hamden Women’s Club Annual Fundraiser and Spotlight Raffle, Saturday, November 3, 2018, Fantasia Banquet Facility on Washington Avenue, North Haven, benefits LOVE146, an organization combating human trafficking of children; Tickets: \$40 for luncheon starting at 11:30am. Spotlight raffle prizes include a weekend stay at the Churchill Hotel on Embassy

Row, Washington D.C. with 2 meals and a \$300 visa gift card included; an overnight stay at the 5-star Pierre Hotel in New York City with lunch for two and \$200 visa gift card; and Shubert tickets for two for Neverland along with a dinner for two at Geronimo Tapas and Wine Bar in New Haven. For more information on purchasing tickets for the event and/or the spotlight raffle, please call Linda Melillo 203996-7495 or Carolyn Della Pietra 203-675-8444.

Continuum of Care Wine and Beer Tasting, Wednesday, November 7, 2018, RSVP required by Friday, November 2, 2018, 5:30–7:30pm, 109 Legion Avenue, New Haven, 203.562.2264 x 235, www.continuumct.org/tastings; 5:30 – 7:30 pm, Continuum of Care in partnership with Orange Street Liquor Shop will feature samples of wine, beer, and non-alcoholic ciders that guests can order, hors d’oeuvres from Continuum’s new Grassroots Deli, and live music. Visit www.continuumct.org/tasting to register, donate, or to purchase sponsorship.

Annual Pumpkin and Holly Bazaar, Friday, November 16, 2017, 3:00-7:00pm and Saturday, November 17, 2018, 9:00am-2:00pm, the parish house of Christ Church in the center of Bethany; come with family and friends to the old fashioned country event, experience holiday cheer, buy delicious Thanksgiving pies at the Bountiful Harvest Bakery, begin Christmas shopping for unique presents at bargain prices, dine at the Pumpkin and Holly Cafe, and buy tickets for the spectacular Gift Basket Raffles.

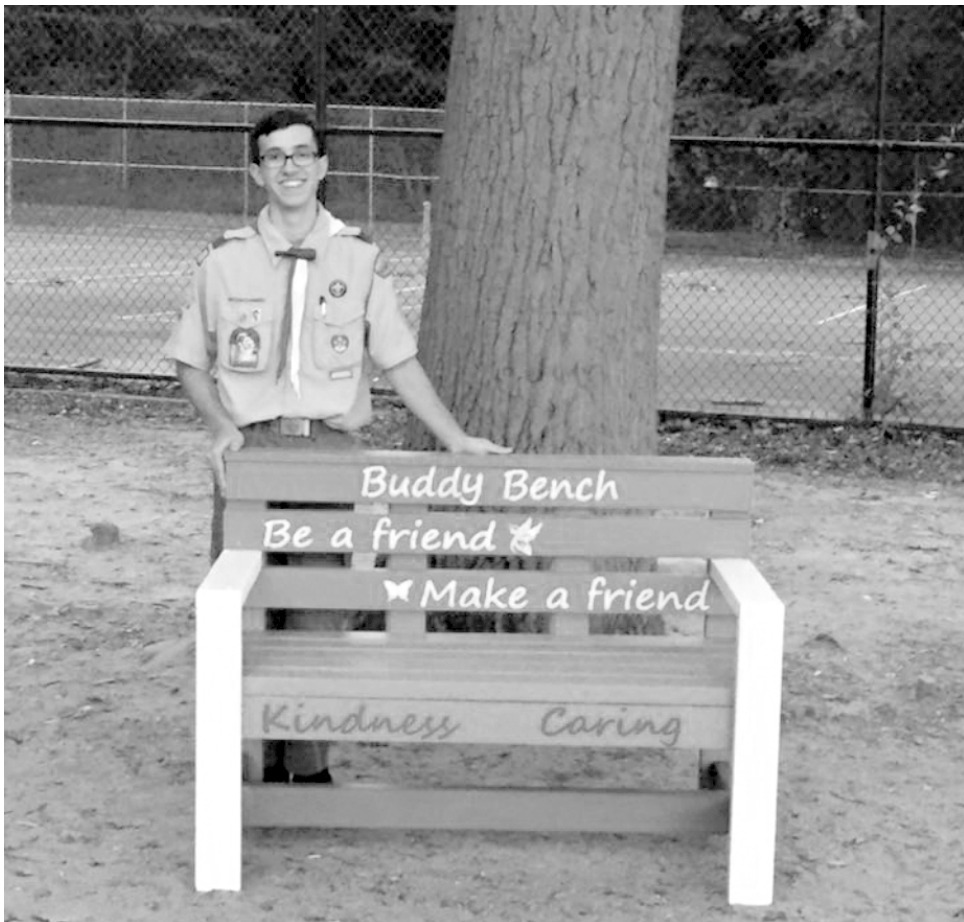
Livesay Completes Service Project

Thomas Livesay, a Boy Scout from Troop 41, recently completed his Eagle Scout service project. He and members of the Woodbridge troop designed, built and delivered two “Buddy Benches” to Beecher Road School, his former elementary school. The “Buddy Bench” is intended to help promote friendship, kindness and compassion on the playground.

In the years following the creation of the first “Buddy Bench,” many other schools across the U.S. have adopted the idea. The benches create a kinder playground culture by having a place for kids to sit if they don’t know what to do on the playground, are new to the school, or are just afraid to ask to join a game or group of kids. When

other students see a child sitting on the bench, they know to invite the child to join their group or sit down and get to know the child. It helps combat bullying and playground loneliness, while promoting awareness of the needs of others.

The final piece of the project was to give an educational presentation to the students, teaching them how to use the benches and why they are important. On Friday, October 19, 2018, Livesay presented the Buddy Bench concept to the Beecher Road 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade students. In his presentation, he explained the importance of reaching out to others, building a positive playground environment and making new friendships.





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Happiness Club Meeting!

Join Bernie Siegel, M.D. & Lionel Ketchian for a discussion on Happiness and its Benefits. Lionel Ketchian is the co-host with Dr. Bernie Siegel on Mind Health Matters radio programs. Lionel is also the co-host on "The Happiness Show," broadcast on TV by Cablevision of Connecticut.

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we all experience in life. Master these strategies to lessen your suffering. Your happiness can empower you and keep you on track. Learn to have the peace of mind you need and experience happiness now.

Everyone is welcome; meetings are free and no reservations are required. Meet some wonderful people using happiness in their lives.

Date & Time: Tuesday, November 20th from 6:00 to 7:45 PM.

Place: The Woodbridge Town Library located at 10 Newton Road, Woodbridge.

For further information, e-mail PrintLRK@aol.com, call 203-258-7777 or www.HappinessClub.com.

International Festival

Building community and celebrating diversity are key aspects of the mission of the JCC, an organization powered by Jewish values and open to all. JCC's 3rd Annual International Festival was celebrated on October 21, with groups representing Israel, Syria, Sudan, China,

Mexico, Australia, Jamaica, Afghanistan, and Republic of the Congo. Activities included story time with Terry Murphy, author of children's book Soulful Sydney, Tai Chi demonstration, international refreshments, crafts and games, and local artisans and vendors.



Robert Conniff was the first Troop 907 scoutmaster back in 1968. He is shown reminiscing at the troop's 50th anniversary celebration at First Church of Christ.

"Troop 907" From Page 7

troop has faced at times. "Scouting is competitive," he said, adding that there are four troops in Woodbridge. After its hayday in the 1970s and 80s, "there have been lean times when we were not certain if the troop could continue to exist," he said. However, currently they have an active and cohesive group of about 13 active Scouts, under the leadership of Scoutmaster Tom Luciani.

Forselius also talked about the fu-

ture and brought up the point that starting in February, Boy Scouts of America will be accepting girls and become "Scouts BSA." Girls will be allowed the same membership and rank requirements as boys, he said. However, girls will join all-girl troops. Boys will continue to join all-boy troops.

Former Scoutmaster Robert Conniff said he occasionally runs into former charges of his who will come up to him and thank him. "I am proud that the troop is still running," he said.

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Pictured (l-r): Dave Edwards, Ben Inclima, Simon Khairallah, John McGonagle, Jack McGonagle and Andrew Khairallah.

Woodbridge Boy Scout Troop 63 Collects for Food Pantry

Woodbridge Boy Scout Troop 63 collected close to 3,000 pounds of food and toiletries to benefit the Woodbridge Food Pantry.

Ben Inclima and his troop members organized Scouting for Food, and the donations collected help provide food

to Woodbridge Residents, who qualify throughout the year. Donations are still being accepted at Woodbridge Human Services, 4 Meetinghouse Lane, Room 14.

Any further inquiries, please contact Judi Young @ 203-389-3429.

ELECTION 2018

FROM OUR READERS

Klarides Deserving of Re-Election

As election day approaches I hope that our community remembers that all politics is local. We elect individuals to represent us and our greatest ally and friend in Hartford is Representative Themis Klarides. I have known Themis for over 15 years. During that time I have gone to her repeatedly for issues ranging from health care legislation in my role as the Chair of the Connecticut State Medical Society, issues related to education concerns in my role as a Woodbridge Board of Education member for the last 9 years and to issues relevant to the Jewish community both locally and throughout the state. She has been, and continues to be, a champion for issues affecting our town and the state. She was a champion for the new Holocaust Education bill and fought to restore Governor Malloy's drastic cuts to education.

I hope, now more than ever, we can rise above the petty partisanship that is plaguing our country and elect people who we know have proven themselves to be looking out for the communities they serve, have integrity and have proven the ability to get the job done.

I can think of no one more deserving of our support on election day than Themis Klarides.

Steven Fleischman, M.D.

Klarides Transparent, Honest and Effective

As a woman and resident of Orange, I am proud to be represented by Themis Klarides in the state House of Representatives. Themis continues to operate in a very transparent, honest and effective manner, and I hope she is returned to office for another term. October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and an appropriate time to highlight the victory and passage of Themis's bill (Public Act 18-159). This bill ensures that women who have their annual breast cancer screening using 3D Breast Tomosynthesis technology will not have to make a deductible or co-payment on the insurance coverage. Also, I think it bears noting that depending on the election results, Themis could become Speaker of the House. If so, I know she would do an outstanding job in that position.

Maria Sandillo

Woodbridge Values Betrayed by Logan & Staneski

Elections are about assessing and prioritizing shared values, and they allow for periodic changes in government when the values of a community are ignored or betrayed by elected officials. In this week's election, it's

time for Woodbridge voters to make these changes.

I would suggest the shared values of Woodbridge voters were ignored last year by Themis Klarides when she co-authored the state budget ('I helped lead negotiations,' in her words) giving some \$550 million to the City of Hartford to pay its accumulated debt.

Honestly: is it in the best interests of Woodbridge taxpayers for the state to help the City of Hartford to that extent over the next 20 years? To put it in perspective, \$550 million would fully cover the Town's current budget each year for the next eleven years.

I would suggest the shared values of Woodbridge voters were also betrayed this year by George Logan and Pam Staneski when they voted against a statewide bump stock ban. Their votes seem to say it's not necessary to protect Woodbridge residents from that after-market, automatic weapons accessory that, 'makes it possible to fire more rounds in a weekend than may typically be fired in a year,' according to published promotional materials.

Honestly, are the desires and public safety priorities of Woodbridge residents compatible with these NRA-fueled votes by Mr. Logan and Ms. Staneski?

State Representative candidate Mary Weland and state Senate candidates Jorge Cabrera and James Maroney stand ready to work hard for Woodbridge residents and bring our shared values of fiscal responsibility, gun safety, and accountability to the state Capitol.

Democrats Weland, Cabrera, and Maroney will protect Connecticut from the radical Republican agenda, priorities, and behavior at the national level that prompts no outcry, no protest, and not even a negative mention from our town's current representatives.

I encourage enthusiastic votes for Weland, Cabrera, and Maroney.

*Laurence Grotheer
Chairman – Woodbridge Democratic Town Committee*

Klarides Has Never Let Woodbridge Down

Since the first day that I met Themis Klarides, I knew she was going to be a fantastic State Representative. And, I can tell you now, since being elected she hasn't let me or the Town of Woodbridge down.

Themis has become a leader, a role model for many, and someone who gives the residents of Connecticut hope that a brighter future is not far away. With Themis as our voice in Hartford, we know we have someone who will fight for our families, quality

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Health Professionals Recognize Rep. Staneski

The Connecticut Podiatric Medical Association, comprised of more than 200 doctors of podiatric medicine, has recognized State Representative Pam Staneski (R-119) for her advocacy of legislation that updates the scope of practice of podiatry to make their surgical services more available to patients in Connecticut. The provisions were included in House Bill 5163, now Public Act 18-168, which was signed into law by Governor Dannel P. Malloy.

Connecticut's podiatric doctors provide leading medical care in the foot and ankle to thousands of patients in the state. The new law will improve access to podiatric services

by consumers in the state.

The podiatrists also praised Staneski's opposition to higher taxes on healthcare and medical professionals. Proposals for a "medical provider tax" have been discussed at the legislature for a number of years now but were not enacted during the deliberations over reducing the state's budget deficit.

The group also thanked Staneski for her support of adequate funding for the Medicaid program that provides healthcare services to hundreds of thousands of Connecticut residents. Podiatric services are provided to enrollees of the program.

Staneski Honored By CT Coalition

Recognized For Leadership Against Domestic Violence

Earlier this year, State Rep. Pam Staneski (R-119) took part in a press conference with CCADV President & CEO Karen Jarmoc and Dr. William Petit (R-22) highlighting the proposed changes to the Dual Arrest laws in Connecticut.

Rep. Staneski was selected for recognition due to her leadership and work in making a positive difference in the lives of domestic violence survivors in Connecticut. Pam worked with local domestic violence organizations to create statewide system change to the dual arrest law in Connecticut in 2018.

Staneski, co-sponsored bi-partisan legislation that changes Connecticut's existing intimate partner violence dual arrest law to add a 'dominant aggressive' provision. Current statistics show that CT has a 20% dual arrest (aggressor and victim arrested) rate.

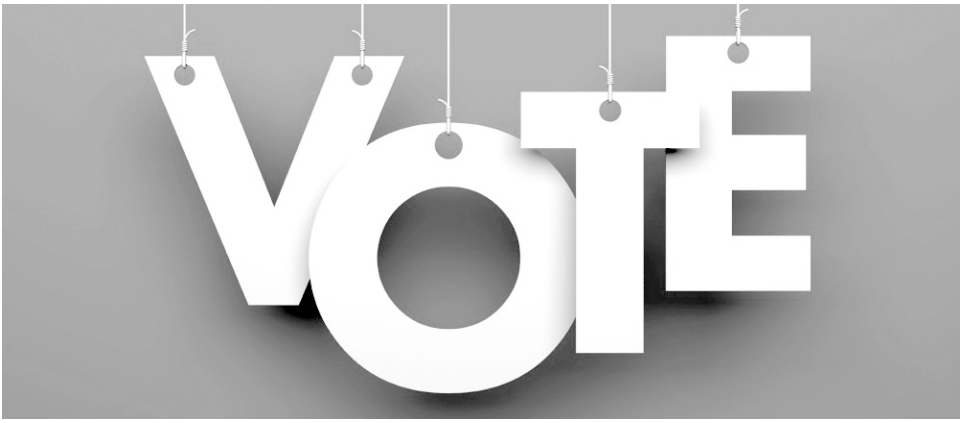
"Our job as legislators is to protect our residents and to fix laws that have unintended consequences—victims of domestic violence should never be treated and arrested like their abusers," said Rep. Staneski. "I want to thank

CCADV for this honor and for their strong advocacy for victims."

A dual arrest occurs when both parties are arrested for a family violence offense after police intervention and investigation. Connecticut's dual arrest rate is double national rates. Victims of domestic violence have experienced first-hand the unintended consequences of dual arrest when they make the call to have police intervene—small children who just witnessed a parent being abused are traumatized when both parents are carted away in police cars, public reporting of the arrest result in 'quiet' gossip among neighbors, and many feeling victimized all over again.

The CCADV this year is celebrating its 40th anniversary and Year of the Woman! The Class of 2018 is comprised entirely of women leading the domestic violence movement and working to improve the lives of survivors.

The 8th Annual First 100 Plus Breakfast & Awards Ceremony will be on Friday, November 9, 2018 at the Hartford Marriott Downtown.



ELECTION 2018

STATE SENATOR - 14TH DISTRICT

James Maroney (D)

I was born and raised in Connecticut and it was important to me to stay in our beautiful state. I attended Jonathan Law High School in Milford and then Yale University. I wouldn't trade my childhood experiences in our community for anything, so my wife Jen and I chose to raise our son here. If I am privileged to be elected to represent Milford, Orange, West Haven and Woodbridge in the State Senate, I will bring the same values to Hartford that my parents instilled in me, hard work, honesty and compassion for those needing help. I believe that a state senator should represent their constituents and not the Hartford special interests.



outstanding pension obligations need to be examined and used. Responsible budgeting and creativity to state government has to be the norm, not the exception.

Our schools must be fully funded. Not to do so is not fair to the children and not smart for our future workforce. Education doesn't

stop after high school. Whether you are going to college or going to work in a trade education is a lifelong activity and we need to make sure that Connecticut continues to have one of the most highly trained, highly educated workforces in the world.

We also need to find ways to allow our seniors to stay in their homes. They are our parents and grandparents and we all benefit from having them in our community. That means we have to control property taxes. I will work to increase and expand the property tax credit. This is something that will help all Milford, Orange, West Haven, and Woodbridge residents, but especially those living on a fixed income.

We cannot keep doing business the same way, and listening to trite rhetoric. We deserve better. However, I have faith in the people of our great state that if we work together, we can make Connecticut an even better place to live, work and raise a family. There is no doubt, that we are facing some tough times, and tough choices. But the time for change is now. Together we can build a new day for Connecticut.

As a small business owner, I am too familiar with the fact that our state isn't always easy to operate in. Regulations need to be streamlined and technology utilized to make it easier to do business both with and in the state of Connecticut. We need to make our state more friendly to businesses, and partner with them to provide better training and job opportunities for our residents, whether it be through apprenticeships or offering tax credits to companies who help pay off their employees' student loans.

We need to apply innovation to our government. Different funding mechanisms like pay for success should be used, so that we can deliver high quality services while saving the state money. Creative ways to reduce our

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education and work tirelessly to make our state a more affordable place to live, work, and retire.

On November 6th, I will be supporting my friend and our neighbor, Themis Klarides, for State Representative and I hope you will too.

Dorothy Martino

Vote "YES" to Protect Our Public

Finally, we have a major legislative measure to protect our public lands! On Election Day, November 6, 2018, we have Question 2 which, if approved, will amend the state's constitution to protect state- owned public land for

future generations.

Your "Yes" vote will help safe guard public lands. It will require all state land transfers – sales, swaps, and gifts – to be subject to public hearings. Surprisingly, under our current system, land transfers often happen at the eleventh hour, packaged together in the annual conveyance bill. If passed, Question 2 will put public land protections in place by requiring public hearings and a 2/3 vote of the legislature. Eric Hammerling, Executive Director of Connecticut Forest and Park Association and a volunteer on behalf of Protect CT Public Lands Coalition, says that the ballot question will provide

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Pam Staneski (R)

Connecticut is a beautiful state with many extraordinary attributes. We are also a state with challenges—a looming budget deficit of over \$4 billion dollars and growing unfunded liabilities. Unfortunately, the last several years "fixes" used to address these challenges (negotiated deals with bargaining



I have used to build and offer budget alternatives. Last year, one of those budgets had bi-partisan support and passed both Chambers with my friends from the other side saying, "it was time for the state to change the way business is done" (unfortunately the Governor vetoed that budget).

units, reducing state services, passing two of the largest tax increases, and the Governor's favorite—mid-year holdbacks) have only contributed to the current mess.

We need a State Senator who will advocate for our towns. I have done just that. As a State Representative, I have promoted policy that would require a super-majority vote on any unfunded mandates on municipalities, fought the Governor's move to saddle towns with huge teacher pension payments, and supported legislation to end mid-year adjustments to municipal aid—all costs that contribute to increasing property taxes which hit our seniors and working families the hardest. As your State Senator, you can count on me to continue that advocacy.

Every year Connecticut takes in more tax revenue than the prior year, and every year it spends exponentially more. Last session, I worked with my colleagues to change this cycle by placing controls on the state's checkbook and credit card. We were able to include a spending cap and bonding cap in the budget. These, along with other structural changes, are steps necessary to achieve a financial balance so that we can provide what our municipalities and businesses want—predictable and sustainable budgets.

There are five common sense principles that my Republican colleagues and

They are:
Spend within our means—abide by the spending cap and reduce spending to match what is reasonably anticipated in revenue without adding new taxes;

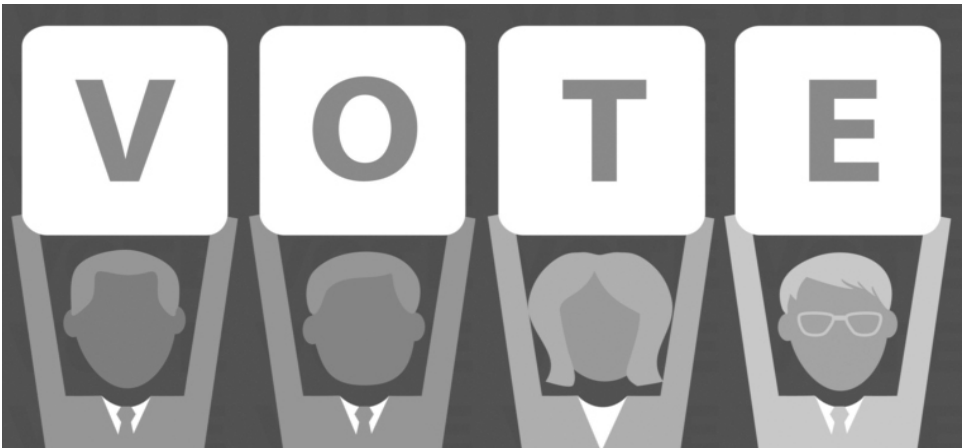
Borrow only what you can afford to pay back—stand by the newly enacted bonding cap and restrict borrowing to public works projects, school construction, and roads & rails. Stop the silly spending—\$12,000 clocks, renaming of stadiums, and a \$10 MILLION DOLLAR TOLL STUDY;

If it's not broken, don't fix it; but if it's not working, get rid of it—implement a results first policy with all state programs in which they are evaluated every two years and those that do not achieve stated results are eliminated and look to nonprofit providers to fill gaps;

The more government tries to do, the less it does well—we need to focus on public safety, education, public health, and transportation and look for other means to provide non-core functions;

And finally, We should have all the government we need, but only the government we need—consolidate services to eliminate duplication.

I am Pam Staneski and I would be honored to earn your trust and vote on November 6th as your next State Senator.



ELECTION 2018

STATE SENATOR - 17TH DISTRICT

Jorge Cabrera (D)

Jorge Cabrera is the son of immigrants from Puerto Rico who worked hard to ensure he would be first in his family to attend college. He currently lives in Hamden with his wife Rebecca, a public-school principal, and his twin boys Jorgie and Gabe, both of whom attend Hamden public schools.



He has worked for over 20 years to ensure that workers have dignity in their jobs by fighting for fair wages, access to quality healthcare, a safe work environment, and a secure retirement. His commitment to fairness, equity, and service to his community have led him to seek public office.

Jorge is running for State Senate because he believes that positive change is possible in Connecticut with the right leadership. Jorge believes that all working people should be treated with respect. This means that we must fight for pay equity, paid family and medical leave for all, and a transition to a \$15 minimum wage. But, to improve the economic future of this state, we must also invest in new job opportunities for the people of this district. This means improving infrastructure to attract new businesses and promoting and expanding job training and apprenticeship programs to make sure our workforce is ready for the careers of the future. It also means investing heavily in our public education systems, community colleges, and state universi-

ties. Education is the first step towards empowerment and success and should be the priority of all our representatives in Hartford. And, as municipalities receive less funding from the state and must place more economic burdens on their taxpayers, Jorge believes that our lawmakers must put our

towns first and fight for proper and fair state funding for education and municipal aid.

Jorge would also be a champion in protecting our citizens' rights. This means standing up for women by fighting for workplace equality and reinforcing our state's protection of reproductive choice. Because a healthy environment benefits us all, Jorge believes in making water a public trust and protecting our open space. Jorge would also strive to uphold Connecticut's strict gun safety laws and pursue ways to make our public spaces, schools, and workplaces safer through a ban on ghost guns.

In this volatile political climate, our local representatives are the last line of defense against dangerous policies coming from the Republican party at both the federal and local level. The people of the 17th district deserve someone who will fight for our community in Hartford and stand up for all our residents. Jorge Cabrera would welcome the opportunity to serve this district as your State Senator.

George Logan (R)

Sen. George Logan represents the 17th District, which includes most of Woodbridge. A graduate of Notre Dame High School in West Haven, he earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering from Trinity College and a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Bridgeport.



instrumental in passing the current bi-partisan "No Tax Increase" budget and defeating proposed new taxes on tires, mobile phone use and restaurant bills and is firmly opposed to instituting statewide tolls. His path to improving our state's looming, multi-billion-dollar budget deficit is through creat-

ing a business environment that will increase the number of good-paying jobs, bringing more taxpayers to our state. An improved state economy will also stop the migration of our next generation out of Connecticut – a real problem many of us are experiencing first-hand.

The Senator has received several awards in his first term, including George Bellinger Corporate Award by the Greater Bridgeport NAACP. The award recognizes "leadership in diversity and inclusion with a focus on community outreach and professional development." He was recognized as the 2017 Legislative Champion from the CT Alliance of YMCAs, as well as the CT State Firefighters Association for his advocacy of the Valley Fire School. Most recently he was the recipient of the Legislator of the Year Award by the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities.

Sen. Logan has spent most of his professional life working through the ranks of the largest private water company in the state – Aquarion Water Company – where he learned every aspect of providing clean drinking water to customers. During this time, Sen. Logan has engaged in capital projects, sustainability programs, alternative energy programs, watershed maintenance, environmental compliance, natural resources management and government relations. At each stage of responsibility, Sen. Logan earned the trust of local government officials, environmental organizations, property owners and businesses.

The Senate Republican Majority Whip, Sen. Logan is Co-Chair of the Planning and Development Committee and Vice-Chair of the Public Health and Veterans Affairs Committees. He also serves as a member of the Education Committee and the Regulation Review Committee.

Trained as an engineer but a businessman by profession, Sen. Logan has stressed the state's need to retain and attract young skilled workers and professionals and to create a business-friendly environment. Sen. Logan believes that the state budgeting process starts "with the simple concept that we stop spending more than we take in." He continues to focus on legislative efforts to reduce burdensome state regulations and taxes. He was

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Sen. Logan's involvement and service to the community has touched many lives. He is currently on the Board of Directors of Griffin Hospital, the Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce, Central Connecticut Coast YMCA and Junior Achievement of Western Connecticut.

Sen. Logan lives in Ansonia with his wife, Lisa, who is a Registered Nurse for the state Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; his son Hunter and daughter Tracey.

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better transparency and ensure higher standards to protect state-owned public lands. "It doesn't say the state can never sell, swap, or give land away," said Hammerling. "We just want to make sure the public has a say."

As state governments experience constrained budgets, the fear is that officials will be tempted to sell valuable land to meet short-term budgetary solutions. A "Yes" vote on Question 2 will empower citizens to protect their local landscapes.

Pamela Adams, President of Connecticut State Parks stated "our tax dollars go into acquiring these lands and maintaining them. To have them given away without our input just isn't right."

Please vote "Yes" on Question 2 on Election Day, November 6, 2018.

Maria Kayne
Board Member, CT Assoc of Conservation and Inland Wetland Commissions (CACIWC); Former member and Chair, Woodbridge Conservation Commission; Former Member Board of Selectmen, Town of Woodbridge

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SAMPLE BALLOTS

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1. Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to ensure (1) that all moneys contained in the Special Transportation Fund be used solely for transportation purposes, including the payment of debts of the state incurred for transportation purposes, and (2) that sources of funds deposited in the Special Transportation Fund be deposited in said fund so long as such sources are authorized by statute to be collected or received by the state?

☐ YES ☐ NO

2. Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to require (1) a public hearing and the enactment of legislation limited in subject matter to the transfer, sale or disposition of state-owned or state-controlled real property or interests in real property in order for the General Assembly to require a state agency to sell, transfer or dispose of any real property or interest in real property that is under the custody or control of the agency, and (2) if such property is under the custody or control of the Department of Agriculture or the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, that such enactment of legislation be passed by a two-thirds vote of the total membership of each house of the General Assembly?

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2019 Orange American Legion Baseball Tryouts

We will be holding 2019 Orange American Legion Baseball tryouts on Saturday, November 3rd at 10 AM at Brinley Field in Orange. Anyone who lives in Bethany, Orange or Woodbridge is eligible.

Once again, this season we will be providing winter workouts. Once the spring freshman and JV seasons are over, the 17U team will begin practice and play exhibition games. The 19U team will begin practice and play exhibition games after the varsity season is over. Each regular season begins in early June. We hope to make the post-season state tournament at the end of July. Both teams will be playing in the Fourth of July Firecracker Tournament in Providence, Rhode Island which includes an optional showcase. Rising juniors and seniors will be eligible for nomination for the Rawlings American Legion Futures Showcase game at Central Connecticut State University. We will potentially enter another local tournament should our schedule permit. Including exhibition games, regular season and postseason, each team will play approximately a 35-game competitive schedule.

Approximate price is 675 dollars. If you have any questions, you can email back nick.mirto@gmail.com or call Nick Mirto at 203-464-9971. If you cannot make tryouts, email back or call at 203-464-9971.



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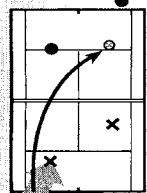
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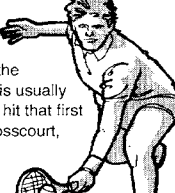
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In doubles, it's important that, following a good serve, the server should move toward the net, preparing to hit a volley. The team that controls the net in doubles usually wins.

SERVER



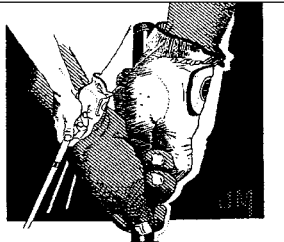
As the server moves in, he will hit his first volley around the service line. It is usually best for him to hit that first volley back crosscourt, at the feet of the oncoming returner.

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Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.

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ENTERTAINMENT

TOP 10 MOVIES

1. **Venom (PG-13)**

Tom Hardy, Michelle Williams
2. **A Star Is Born (R)**

Lady Gaga, Bradley Cooper
3. **First Man (PG-13)**

Ryan Gosling, Claire Foy
4. **Goosebumps 2: Haunted Halloween (PG)**

Wendi McLendon-Covey,
Madison Iseman
5. **Smallfoot (PG)**

animated
6. **Night School (PG-13)**

Tiffany Haddish, Kevin Hart
7. **Bad Times at El Royale (R)**

Jeff Bridges, Cynthia Erivo
8. **The House With a Clock in Its Walls (PG)**

Jack Black, Cate Blanchett
9. **The Hate U Give (PG-13)**

Amandla Stenberg, Regina Hall
10. **A Simple Favor (R)**

Anna Kendrick, Blake Lively

TOP 10 V.O.D.

1. **Sicario: Day of the Soldado (R)**

Benicio Del Toro
2. **Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (PG-13)**

Chris Pratt
3. **Solo: A Star Wars Story (PG-13)**

Alden Ehrenreich
4. **The First Purge (R)**

Y'lan Noel
5. **Ocean's 8 (PG-13)**

Sandra Bullock
6. **Uncle Drew (PG-13)**

Kyrie Irving
7. **Leave No Trace (PG)**

Thomasin McKenzie
8. **Three Identical Strangers (PG-13)**

Silvi Alzetta-Realì
9. **Deadpool 2 (R)**

Ryan Reynolds
10. **Book Club (PG-13)**

Diane Keaton

1. Who released the most well-known version of “Living Next Door to Alice”?

“One Moment in Time” was used at which international event?

3. Who wrote and released “Belfast” and when?

4. “I Will” appeared on which Beatles album?

5. Name the song that contains this lyric: “Wearin’ her perfume, Chanel No. 5, Got to be the finest girl alive, She walks real cool, catches everybody’s eye.”



1. Smoke (originally spelled Smokey), in 1977. The song was first released by the Australian group New World in 1972, but made its way around the world, ending up on the Billboard 100 list. 2. The 1988 Summer Olympics held in Seoul, South Korea. Whitney Houston sang it at the opening ceremony. 3. Elton John, in 1995 on his “Made in England” album. The song was to be released as a single, but its six-minute length made it unsuitable for radio. 4. The Beatles, in 1968. The double LP is better known as “The White Album.” 5. “Devil with a Blue Dress On,” by Shorty Long (1964) and Mitch Ryder and The Detroit Wheels (1966). Songwriter Long’s version didn’t chart, but Mitch Ryder’s version soared to No. 14.

Sports Quiz

By Chris Richcreek

1. Name two of the three Seattle Mariners who have been named Most Valuable Player of the All-Star Game.

2. In how many seasons did Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan’s combined total of walks and strikeouts exceed 500?

3. In 2016, LSU’s Derrius Guice became the second player in SEC history to rush for 250-plus yards twice in a season. Who was the first?

4. When was the last time NBA teammates each tallied a triple-double in the same game?

5. In 2018, the Vegas Golden Knights became the third team in NHL history to win multiple playoff series in its first season. Name either of the first two.

6. Who was the last NASCAR Rookie of the Year to go on to win a season championship later in his career?

7. The last time the U.S. tennis team played in consecutive Fed Cup finals before 2017-18 was in 2009-10, when it lost to the same country both years. Name the opponent.

1. Ken Griffey Jr. (1992), Ichiro Suzuki (2007) and Robinson Cano (2017). 2. Four times (1973, ’74, ’76 and ’77). 3. Kentucky’s Moe Williams, in 1995. 4. In 2007, the Nets’ Vince Carter and Jason Kidd each had a triple-double against Washington. 5. The Toronto Arenas in 1918, and St. Louis Blues in 1968. 6. Kyle Busch, who was Rookie of the Year in 2005 and NASCAR Cup Series champion in 2015. 7. Italy.



Scene from “Three Identical Strangers” [NEON]

EDITOR’S NOTE: DVDs reviewed in this column are available in stores the week of October 1, 2018.

PICKS OF THE WEEK

“The First Purge” (R) -- As has been established in the first three films in this series, the Purge is a horrific (or hedonistic) annual set-aside of 12 hours during which all actions are decriminalized. This fourth installment, an origin story, might be the most gruesome or uncomfortable of the lot. The New Founding Fathers of America have overtaken the country post-revolution, and Dr. May Updale (Marisa Tomei) announces her experiment: allow the population to exorcise their demons this one night, so that the crime rate will stay low the rest of the year. Stay in your homes, and you get paid. Participate, and you get creepy contact lenses to broadcast your actions. Drug dealer Dmitri (Y’lan Noel), who stays behind to protect his stash, and his ex-girlfriend, Nya (Lex Scott Davis), an anti-Purge protestor, must battle for their very lives when goons are sent in to stir the pot.

“Leave No Trace” (PG) -- Director Debra

Granik delivers a stunningly touching study of what it means to be a functioning member of society. Will (Ben Foster) and 13-year-old daughter Tom (Thomasin McKenzie) live in a society of two, in a woodlands park in Portland, Oregon, venturing into town only for supplies. Will is a veteran who suffers from PTSD. When they are discovered and shunted into the social-services system, they each begin to explore their individual needs, both from the world around them and each other.

“Sicario: Day of the Soldado” (R) -- Mexican drug cartels are trafficking in terrorists, helping them gain entry to the United States, or so suspect American spies. They formulate a plan to refocus the cartels by encouraging a war between them. Agent Matt Graver (Josh Brolin) enlists the assistance of Alejandro Gillick (Benicio del Toro), an assassin who swoops in to take out one high-level target and blame it on the other side. But when a plan to kidnap the daughter (Isabela Moner) of a kingpin goes south, it puts Graver and Gillick on opposing sides. This sequel to “Sicario” deals in many of the same locales but is more bullets-and-gun-smoke action than psychological drama.

“Three Identical Strangers” (PG-13) -- The true story of three boys, identical triplets separated at birth, who unbelievably reconnected at age 19 would be incredible enough. Fascinatingly, there’s much more to the story. Director Tim Wardle takes us on a journey with these men -- David Kellman, Eddy Galland and Bobby Shafran -- who were unknowingly the subjects of a lifelong study in personality development and the debate over nature versus nurture, each being adopted at birth into similar family structures at deliberately different socio-economic strata. It’s an informative, intriguing and very well-done documentary.

Sudoku answers
on page 33

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

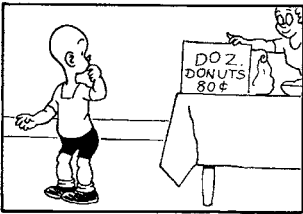
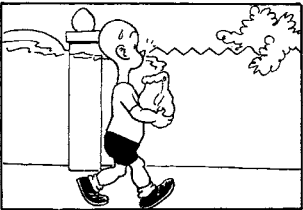
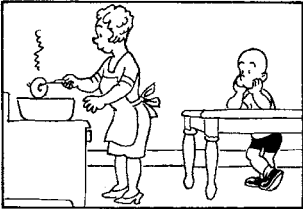
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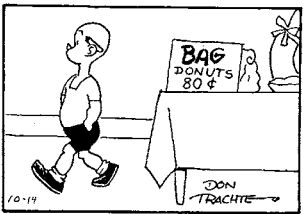
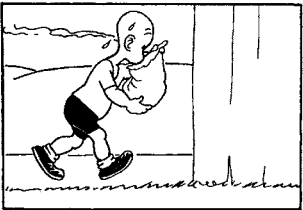
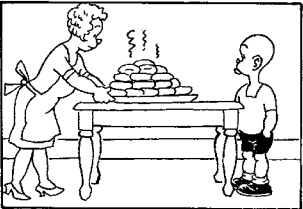
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COMICS/CROSSWORD/HOLLYWOOD

Henry

BY DON TRACHTE





DOZ. DONUTS 80¢

BAG DONUTS 80¢

DON TRACHTE

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Sheepish remark

4 Temperate

8 Pull an all-nighter

12 Abrade

13 Garfield's pal

14 Apiary structure

15 Galena or cinabar

16 Cribs

17 Tarzan's clique

18 Dismissal

21 Chicken-king link

22 Donkey

23 Recurring sequence of events

26 Try the tea

27 Time of your life?

30 Libertine

31 It holds the mayo

32 Just one of those things

33 "Uh-huh"

34 Cover

35 — apso

36 Collection

37 The Red or the Black

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1 Forehead

2 Atmosphere

3 First victim

4 Alabama city

5 Menzel of Broadway

6 TV journalist Lisa

7 Woe

8 Cowboy wear

9 Mature

10 State

11 Disarray

19 Hardy cabbage

20 Venomous viper

23 Weep

24 Thee

25 Coffee container

26 Blue

27 "Eureka!"

28 Petrol

29 Greek H

31 Small buses

32 Siamese, today

34 Mainlander's memento

35 Nikita's successor

36 Polecat

37 Malice

38 Criterion

39 Largest of the seven

40 Trails the pack

41 Merriment

42 Almost black

43 Small combo

44 Read bar codes

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HOLLYWOOD

BY TONY RIZZO

Steven Spielberg has found his Tony for "West Side Story." Ansel Elgort hit with "The Fault in Our Stars" (2014), the "Divergent" trilogy (2014-16) and "Baby Driver" (2017), but can he sing? In the original, Richard Beymer (Tony) and Natalie Wood (Maria) were both dubbed by other singers. However, Elgort performed in "Hairspray" and "Guys & Dolls" at LaGuardia High School of the Performing Arts in New York and has had two singles released, "Thief" (2017) and "Supernova" (2018), which were well-received. Before he shoots "West Side Story" next summer, we'll probably see him as President John F. Kennedy in the thriller "Mayday 109"; with Jake Gyllenhaal and Zendaya in "Finest Kind"; and in an original musical from "Wicked" creator Stephen Schwartz in which Elgort plays Hans Christian Andersen.

Hugh Jackman is following his hit musical "The Greatest Showman" with the non-musical comedy-drama "Bad Education," co-starring "I, Tonya" Oscar-winner Allison Janney and "Everybody Loves Raymond's" Ray Romano.

Ansel Elgort in "Baby Driver"
[Wilson Webb/Tristar Pictures]

Matt Damon has been filming in California; New Orleans; Atlanta; Savannah, Georgia; and in Le Mans, France, for his latest film, "Ford v. Ferrari," based on the book "Go Like Hell: Ford, Ferrari, and Their Battle for Speed and Glory at Le Mans," by A.J. Baime. The \$100 million budget should ensure lots of racing action as he and Christian Bale compete for glory at Le Mans. The racing thrills hit screens June 28.

Are you ready for a musical adaptation of "Tootsie"? It received great reviews at the Cadillac Palace Theater in Chicago and is headed for Broadway.

Before we see Gal Gadot in "Wonder Woman 1984" (due November 2019), she'll star with Kenneth Branagh in his "Murder on the Orient Express" sequel "Death on the Nile," with Armie Hammer.

Two-time Oscar-winner Hilary Swank has been in Australia making "I Am Mother," with Clara Rugaard. The film is about a teenage girl raised by a robot mother designed to repopulate Earth following an extinction event. Her recent film "55 Steps," with Helena Bonham Carter and Jeffrey Tambor, premiered last month at The Toronto International Film Festival.

Shirley MacLaine, one of the last movie stars from the golden age of Hollywood, is still going strong at 84. She's a four-time Oscar nominee, for "Irma La Deuce" (1964), as a director of "The Other Half of the Sky: A China Memoir" (1975), "The Turning Point" (1978) and "Terms of Endearment," for which she won a best-supporting Oscar in 1984. Shirley recently did Netflix's "The Little Mermaid," with William Moseley ("The Chronicles of Narnia"), and has just completed the Disney Fantasy Christmas comedy "Noelle," for Disney's streaming service. Shirley has written umpteen books about her reincarnations, and if she's lived before, she may have been through the studio system more than once!

POPEYE







King Crossword Answers on Page 33

ARTS & LEISURE



Artsplace Market

FINE ART & FINE CRAFTS

On Saturday and Sunday, November 17 & 18 from 10am to 4pm, find some of the best gifts in Connecticut at the Artsplace Market FINE ART AND FINE CRAFTS event, 1220 Waterbury Road, Cheshire.

Holiday shop among nearly 30 artists including Deb H. Carter from Lenox, Ma. Deb is an up-cycle artist who specializes in recycle art of ANY KIND! She fashions apparel from fabric, paper, cardboard and any other found objects. At Artsplace Market this November, Deb will show apparel, bags and house wares; all with her delightful up-cycled flair.

Artisans will also feature oil paintings, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, drawings, fiber arts, photography, scarves, pottery, lamps, glass work, jewelry, decorative arts, home décor, gourmet items and one-of-a-kind clothing items.

Come immerse yourself in the fine arts and enjoy the incredible selection of art and finely crafted products. Proceeds to benefit the Cheshire Performing & Fine Arts Annual Scholarship Fund. Plenty of parking, free admission. For additional information, call Artsplace at 203-272-2787 or visit www.artsplacecheshirect.org.



Pictured left to right: Michael Crisci, Forest Vandeflor, Fred Hulley (sponsor), Judy Primavera (sponsor), Dr. Keith Smolinski, Nina Carmeli, Spencer Fiske.

The Spartan Players Fall Production Announced!

With a generous grant from its headlining sponsor, The Jamie A. Hulley Arts Foundation, (www.jamiehulleyartsfund.org), The Spartan Players (Bethany campus) are pleased to announce its production of High School Musical Jr., November 9th and 10th at 6:30 p.m. and November 11th at 2:00 p.m.

The Spartan Players look forward to bringing this energetic story to life! The Squarefoot Theatre Company's Patrick Laffin has teamed up with Amity staff members, Keith Smolinski, Robert Fragione, and Marissa Nall, to bring this amazing show to the stage! Tickets will be on sale at the door for all performances.



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Ansonia Nature Center – November Calendar

NATURE EXPLORERS
Wednesdays, November 7, 14; 10–11:30 am

Join us for this 4-week pre-school/toddler program for children ages 2-5 and their adult explorer. Participants will have fun exploring nature every week in these outdoor classes. The classes are loosely structured and influenced by the seasons and the interests of the children. We will go outside for a short hike and to explore nature every class so please dress for the weather. Classes will end with a light snack (provided or bring your own) and conversation. TUITION: \$40 for all 4 weeks, space permitting (cash or check payable to Ansonia Nature Center), due at first class. Class is limited to 10 children. Please call 203-736-1053 to register.

SUNDAY GUIDED HIKE: Fall Foliage
Sunday, November 4, 1 pm

Join the Nature Center naturalist for a stroll through our woodlands, old fields, and wetlands. Enjoy the beauty and the crisp fall air while learning about New England's flora and fauna. Wear appropriate shoes for this moderate hike. FREE. Please call to register.

NATURE PHOTO WALKABOUT WITH PHOTOGRAPHER SOPHIE ZYLA
Saturday, November 10, 10am–1pm

Bring your camera; we'll meet in the Nature Center and then wander the grounds taking photographs of all that captures our attention, from insects to landscapes! Please take some time to study your camera instruction

book as Sophie has used only Canon and may not know about options on other brands. She will have some Canon accessories to give you an idea of options and possibilities. No camera is too small; cell phones welcome! The photographer, not the equipment, makes the image. Bring water and a bag lunch if you like; we can find a picnic spot to chat about photography. Please register for this FREE program for adults and youth 14 and up.

BEARS IN CONNECTICUT
Sunday, November 11, 2:30 pm

Join Master Wildlife Conservationist Paul Benjunas from the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) for an educational talk, highlighting Connecticut's only native bear species and the statistics on its growing population.

FREE; please call to register.

MAKE YOUR OWN CIDER
Saturday, November 17, 1:30 pm

Using an old-fashioned wood cider press, we will prepare apples (possibly other fruit as well) and press our own cider just like the colonial settlers did! Take your cider home in a mason jar to drink and share. Ages 10 and up; children must be accompanied by an adult. FEE: \$12 per person. Please call to register.

NATIVE DRUM WORKSHOP
Sunday, November 18, 2:30 pm

Ojibway artist and musician Allan Madahbee will demonstrate and discuss the significance of his instruments as well as explain the importance of drumming in Native American culture.

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“Ansonia Nature” From Page 36

tance of the drums throughout history, and especially in Native American history. We will learn how to make the drums and play them. Supplies will be provided. MATERIALS FEE: TBA. Please call to register.

ONGOING PROGRAMS
Creature Features

Saturdays, 12 noon

Come to meet our furry, scaly, and feathery animal ambassadors. You’ll have the chance to touch and hold them in this FREE family program

“Garden Club” From Page 25

Massaro butterfly garden, the Adella Baldwin Stuart Garden at the corner of Meetinghouse Lane and Center Road, and the vegetable garden at the Senior Center.

We welcome the novice as well as

for all ages.

Sunday Guided Hikes

Sundays, 1 pm

Join a Nature Center guide on Sunday afternoons for fun, exercise, and learning about our trails! See the above listings for hikes with a specific theme.

Fiber Arts Group

Tuesdays, 6 pm

Get together with others to work on your fiber arts projects! Bring any kind of fiber work—knitting, felting, crocheting, etc.

the accomplished gardener. Our programs promote interest in gardening activities of all kinds, including floral design, flower shows, horticultural therapy, bird life and conservation activities.

If interested in becoming a member, please contact Judy at jsam@aol.com.

“Bellamy” From Page 25

in Hamden with her husband Gary Tinney.

The Rotary Club is an organization of business and professional people united worldwide to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace throughout

the world.

The Woodbridge Rotary Club meets once a month for a breakfast meeting at the Country Corner Diner, 756 Amity Road, Bethany and once a month for a luncheon meeting at Woodbridge Social, 12 Selden Street, Woodbridge, CT. For information on membership, contact Spencer Rubin at 203-823-5756 or spencerrubin91@gmail.com.

GI Bill Benefits
Delayed

If you’re going to school and were expecting your housing stipend benefit money by now, you’re not alone. Over 300,000 of you are in the same boat. Either you’re receiving incorrect low amounts or you’re receiving nothing at all.

Why is this happening? It’s because of old IT programming that was never upgraded to include new changes in the Forever GI Bill.

The machines don’t know how to make the correct calculations.

Talk to the people at your school first to be sure your paperwork was sent in, proving you’re in school. If you’re a first-time student, expect things to take a bit longer because you have to be put in the system.

If someone you talk to at the Department of Veterans Affairs suggests you get put in the hardship queue, don’t jump at it. You have no way of knowing just how much that will speed things up because you don’t know how



many people would be ahead of you in either of those lines. You’ll have to go on your best gut hunch. Call the GI Bill Hotline: 1-888-442-4551.

If you’re not a full-time student, you’ll need to ask how your housing allowance is calculated. It’s a complicated formula, and much of it depends on your individual situation. It involves your rate of pursuit, expressed

as a percentage calculated by dividing the number of credits you’re enrolled in by the number of credits considered full time. If you’re enrolled in distance learning (you don’t actually go to a classroom setting), the above is cut in half.

Beware: Even when you get paid, you might get the 2017 amount because the computer can’t calculate the 2018 rates. They’ll catch up later on back amounts.

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Bark Bytes...

BY VICKI & RICHARD HOROWITZ





What are Support/Service Dogs?

Recently, there has been confusion regarding service and support animals and where they are allowed. Why are the airlines cracking down? First, because too many people are pretending their pets are service or support animals even when they are not. Second, according to American Airlines, the number of pets being transported via airplane has risen by 40% in the last two years. There is much confusion about the difference between support, therapy and service dogs. We have compiled an explanation to better understand the nuances and overcome the misconceptions.

What Is A Service Dog?

According to the American with Disabilities Act a service dog “is specifically task-trained to help an individual with a disability that substantially limits one or more life activities. Disabilities may include visual difficulties, hearing impairments, Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), seizures, ambulatory issues, mental illness, autism, and more.” These dogs are task trained to perform duties that people can’t perform because of their impairment.

The training for service dogs is very intense and the type of training depends on the work that the service dogs will provide. These dogs may retrieve items for their owner, provide physical support for balance problems, carry medicine in a specialized back pack, alert an owner or emergency personnel to a medical crisis, and even interrupt panic attacks. Remember dogs need to be certified to be considered legitimate service dogs.

- There are three main types of service dogs:
- › Guide dogs for the visually impaired to navigate their surroundings;
 - › Hearing dogs to alert deaf or hard-of-hearing individuals to important sounds; and
 - › Service dogs to help people with disabilities.

Many different breeds can be trained to be services dogs. Depending on the level of expertise needed, a service dog can take between 1–5 years to train and cost \$25,000 plus if trained by a professional organization.

Individuals can train their own service dog, but they must be able to pass the Assistance Dogs International Public Access Test which evaluates the ability of the dog to be an appropriate, unobtrusive helpmate in public.

If you see a service dog in public, resist the urge to pet it – they are working.

What Is A Therapy Dog?

A therapy dog is a volunteer who often brings joy and a calming influence at hospitals, schools, nursing homes and disaster areas. There are many organizations that certify therapy dogs but unlike service dogs, they are not required by law to be certified. Because they do not perform specific tasks, therapy dogs do not have the same access or legal protection that service dogs do. However, some organizations may require them to be certified or registered with a therapy organization. Therapy dogs can be any breed and are usually calm and friendly with strangers.

What Is An Emotional Support Animal?

According to the American Kennel Club, to be legally considered an Emotional Support Animal (ESA) “the pet needs to be prescribed by a licensed mental health professional to a person with a disabling mental illness.” Generally, a therapist, psychiatrist or psychologist decides that a pet would help with the mental health of a patient, easing anxiety, depression and phobias by providing a calming presence.

Unlike service dogs that have access to anywhere the public goes, ESAs can’t. Service animals can only be dogs, but ESAs can be any domesticated animal, including dogs, cats, ferrets and more. To be allowed in the cabin of an aircraft, airlines require documentation stating that the person has a disability as the reason the person needs the animal to travel with them.

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Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You enjoy the attention early in the week, but it might be a good idea to opt for some privacy by week's end so that you can have more time to consider an upcoming decision.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You unearth some surprising facts. Now you need to consider how to use them to your advantage. Meanwhile, it might be best to keep what you've learned secret for now.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A comment by a colleague piques your curiosity to know more. Best advice: You'll find people more likely to offer information if you're discreet when making your inquiries.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your energy levels begin to rise by midweek. This allows you to catch up with your heavy workload and still have plenty of get-up-and-go to go out on the town this weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're probably roaring your head off about a perceived slight from a longtime critic. Ignore it. That person might just be trying to goad you into doing something you might later regret.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The early part of the week is open to spontaneity. Then it's time to settle into your usual routine to get all your tasks done. A personal situation could require more attention from you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

A meeting of the minds on a workplace project might well develop into something more personal for Librans looking for romance. Aspects also are favorable for platonic relationships.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A more-positive mood might be difficult to assume in light of a recent problem involving the health of someone special. But by week's end, your emotional barometer should start to rise.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Look for a changed attitude from a former adversary once he or she realizes you have your colleagues' full support. Now you can refocus your energies on that workplace project.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This time, a difference of opinion might not be resolved in your favor. But be patient. It could all ultimately work out to your advantage, as new information begins to develop.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A tug of war develops between the artistic Aquarian's creative aspect and his or her practical side. Best advice: Prioritize your schedule so you can give appropriate time to both.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You could be entering a career phase awash with job-related demands. But avoid being swamped by the overflow and, instead, keep treading water as you deal with demands one by one.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are an exceptionally loyal person, and you're respected for your ability to keep the secrets entrusted to you.

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Fhipps



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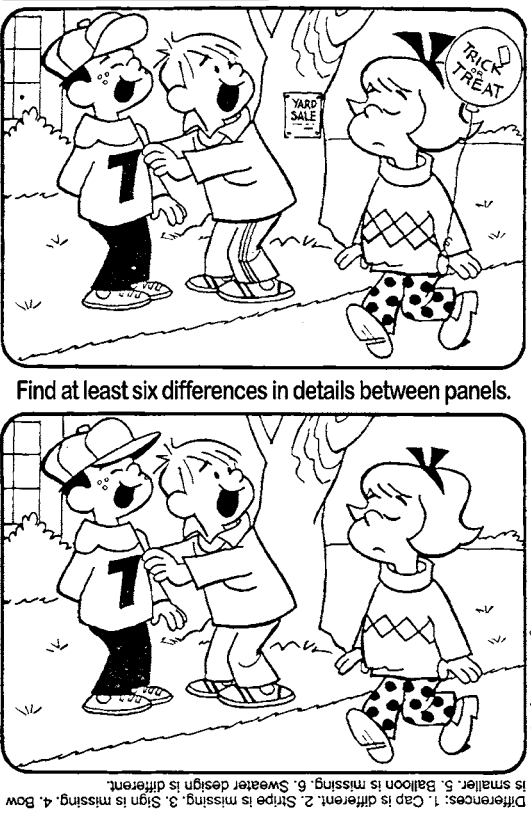
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7. New Hampshire
8. Idaho
9. Utah
10. Arizona

Source: WalletHub

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



The Garden Bug

When their tassels begin to turn brown, pull ears downward and twist to take the them off the stalk. Remove all husks, tassel silk and stalks, and place shucked cobs of corn in cold water until time to cook. Bring a large kettle of water to a rapid boil, adding 1 tablespoon of salt for each quart of water. Toss in all your corn cobs and boil them 3-5 minutes. Remove and drain, and serve hot with butter and salt.

Corn on the cob

Source: www.almanac.com

- Brenda Weaver

Helping First Responders Help Pets

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: You often recommend that pet owners donate their money or time to local shelters, and that is great. I've often wondered if there are other things we can do to help our furry friends. I saw a report about a puppy that was revived after choking by a local police officer, and realized that we can help first responders by making sure they have the supplies or training needed to care for injured pets at emergency scenes. I'm just not sure where or how to donate. -- Chet in Cincinnati

DEAR CHET: That's a great idea! Increasingly, fire and police departments are providing emergency care to pets on scene during fires, accidents and natural disasters. Laws are going on the books in many states, including Colorado and Ohio, that allow first responders to provide more advanced care like giving pets oxygen, bandaging injuries or administering naloxone to counter the effects of opiates.

As to how to help first responders get the supplies or training they need to effectively treat pets -- contact them. Call your city or county offices and ask who coordinates donations to these departments, then present your idea to them. Many smaller fire departments in rural areas don't have the resources to purchase pet rescue supplies, and others need additional training. While there are some corporate sponsors who will fill specific needs -- Invisible Fence Co., for example, donates pet oxygen masks through its Project Breathe initiative -- other needs remain unfilled.

So, there are opportunities to help. You may need to do a little detective work, but make a few calls and you'll find out exactly what police and firefighters need.

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