



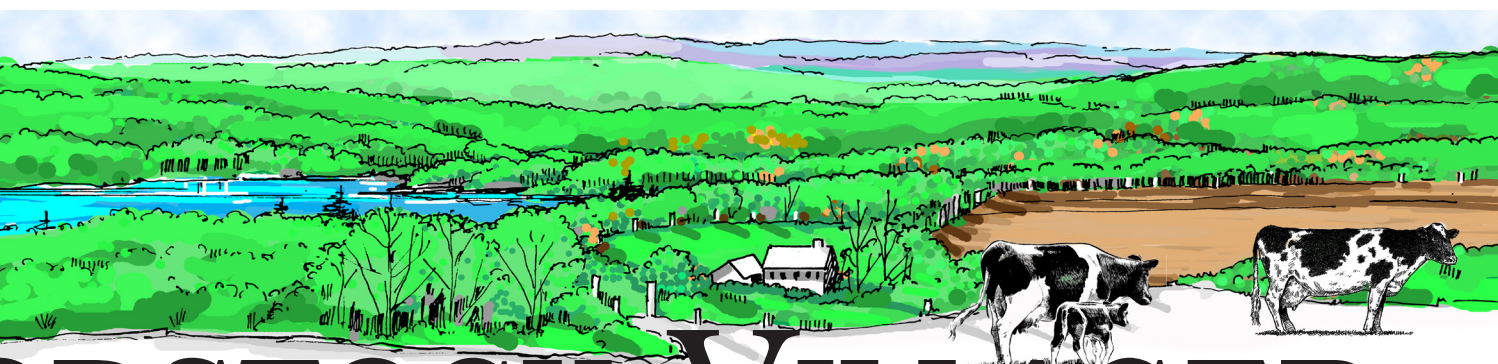
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Olympic observations

This year's Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, evoke a lot of memories. For me, it's only the ninth Summer Olympics in my lifetime, so watching them is a real treat, even if it means watching events I never would watch normally.

So, this past week, as I witnessed the Olympics, I had some scattered thoughts, which I will attempt to organize here. Call it a smorgasbord of thoughts, quick bullet points, or nuggets not necessarily organized into a cogent stream.

- **Mind that Dirty Water:** One of the major storylines surrounding this year's Olympics was the state of the waterways, in particular, Rio's Guanabara Bay — the site of Olympic rowing and sailing events. Reports of raw sewage, human waste, garbage and bacteria-infested water dominated headlines before the games even got underway two weeks ago. Even as the



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rowing and sailing got started, the water was still reportedly filthy, with one report even stating that Olympic officials sent out memos to athletes warning them not to ingest water and

to cover up all open wounds before making their way down to the bay.

So imagine my surprise when after witnessing New Zealand dominate a race, I see the rowers scooping up water with their bare hands and soaking their legs with it? Either the water isn't as dirty or dangerous as they are making it out to be, or the athletes don't care. I know it's probably a normal thing to cool down leg muscles with water that are no doubt on fire after a race like that, but if it meant infection, one would think that's a post-race practice they would avoid!

- **Bruised Up:** You may have noticed while watching the swimming competitions that many of the athletes sported these weird, circular bruises on their arms and shoulders. Doing a little research, I found out that these bruises are being caused by a process called "cupping," a pressurized rehab process in which athletes use glass, cup-like devices to suck blood to the surface of the skin (hence the bruise) to promote healing in sore muscles. The process works much like a hickey. Just in case you were wondering.

- **Out of Balance:** As I witnessed the USA gymnastics team (cutely dubbed "The Final 5") completely dominate the team competition this year, I ended up watching some of the balance beam competition, which by the way, is completely terrifying. The balance and skill it takes to flip around on that beam is beyond comprehension.

- **Table Tennis Trance:** Flipping around the Olympics coverage, I found myself locked in on a table tennis match between Japan and China, which seemed like it was moving in fast forward. The hand eye coordination it takes for this lightning-fast display is insane. Plus, I dare any of you to try to attempt any of these arm twisting serves they pull off. It defies all physical laws.

- **The Art of the Volley:** Speaking of volleying, I got to watch both sand and indoor volleyball last week, with the USA male sand volleyball team beating Qatar, and the USA women's indoor team defeating Puerto Rico. I also took in a Canada vs. Brazil men's indoor match, which obviously had the home crowd in their favor. I think I often take for granted how athletic volleyball is. Some of these players are absolute freaks of nature, with arms 4 feet long. It's like they are genetically created to spike a volleyball. And by the way, have you ever tried to block a spike before with your face?

- **Beat Boxing:** Before heading to bed last Saturday night, I kept my kids up to watch an Olympic boxing bout (lightweight 60 kg) between USA's Carlos Balderas and Japan's Daisuke Narimatsu — a quick, three-round pound fest that had my 5-year-old son in awe over the massive punches, especially the face-melting, high-speed instant replays that look like a slow-mo scene out of "Rocky."

Needless to say, I soaked up some re-enactment punches to the body and head before bed that night. That one is one me. Now if you'll excuse me, maybe I should try this "cupping" thing.

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Arc Rubber Duckie Race nets \$20K in 19th year

‘WE HAVE MORE COMMUNITY SUPPORT THAN EVER’



BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM — While Putnam's annual Main Street Car Cruise is always a huge event for the region, its partner event on Aug. 14 held a

little more significance, as the annual Rubber Duckie Race saw another successful year in its 19th season for the Arc Quinebaug Valley.

Each year, the rubber duck race coincides with the Annual Car Cruise, allowing anyone and everyone the opportunity to purchase a rubber duck to be dropped into the Quinebaug River adjacent to Rotary Park in hopes

Jason Bleau photo

Volunteers await the first rubber duck to cross the line during the annual Arc Rubber Duckie Race on Aug. 14 in Putnam.

Please Read **DUCKIE**, page **A14**

Thompson business is a family affair

QUADDICK COUNTRY STORE CELEBRATES
FIRST ANNIVERSARY

BY TERI STOHLBERG
NEWS STAFF WRITER

THOMPSON — Paula Boisvert remembers walking to the corner store with change in her mitten to buy candy when she was a kid. That store was just two houses down from where she grew up in Thompson.

Today, Paula and

her husband Roger Boisvert are the proud owners of that store.

The building has been a store on and off since the 1950's, but it had been closed for about five years when Roger and Paula decided to buy it and open it up as a country store and pizza restaurant. They

opened for business about a year ago and the store, now named Quaddick Country Store, has been "very well received" by the surrounding community, according to Paula. The store was previously known as "Coach's"

Please Read **QUADDICK**, page **A13**



Jason Bleau photos

The trucks of the Bungay Fire Brigade welcomed guests to the department's open house event on Aug. 13.

Open doors, open eyes

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BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WOODSTOCK — The Bungay Fire Brigade hosted an open house of Saturday, Aug. 13, with the goal of reaching out to the community and drawing attention to the need for volunteers and the hard work and rewards that come with being a local volunteer firefighter.

The event drew a decent crowd, as parents brought their youngsters to enjoy first-hand experiences with fire apparatuses, and locals got to enjoy a look at the fire department's new building addition and talk with local firefighters about volunteer opportunities and what it's like to be a first responder in northeastern Connecticut.



Jasper Lovely gets a hands-on experience with a fire truck with a member of the Bungay Fire Brigade as the guide.

Chief Roy Chandler said that having the opportunity to talk with local residents and show them what the Bungay Fire Brigade is all about were some of the driving forces behind the day. "The addition was completed roughly a year and a half ago, so that is relatively new. We have all of our apparatuses out with doors open and people can check out the different types of equipment we use and have. We hope maybe we can

Please Read **OPEN HOUSE**, page **A10**



Jason Bleau photos

A brand new award for 2016 added a bit of humor to the annual Putnam Main Street Car Cruise. Chief Rick Hayes and Deputy Chief Lee Konicki presented the award for "Most Likely to Get Pulled Over" to Oxford, Mass. resident Gary Tinsley who graciously accepted the award for his 1971 Chevy Vega. Tinsley laughed and called it an honor.

PUTNAM — Downtown Putnam became a hub of activity on Aug. 14, as hundreds braved the heat for the annual Main Street Car Cruise event.

For more photos, turn to page A4!



Earl Rawcliffe, of Putnam, shows off his 1968 Dune Buggy.

Killingly flashes back to the 80's

Jason Bleau photos

DANIELSON — A large crowd filed into Davis Park on Thursday, Aug. 11, braving the heat and humidity to enjoy a night of 80's classics courtesy of the Killingly Recreation Department and The Future Heavies, a Connecticut-based, six-piece cover band. Spectators dressed the part in 80's inspired clothes while youngsters got a taste of the music their parents grew up loving. Great food, a few cold treats for the kids and even dance aerobics capped off a great community night for Killingly and provided a few flashbacks to a simpler time for fans of the classic 80's music on stage.



Alice-Anne Harwood Sherrill, the lead female vocalist of the Future Heavies, belts out a tune as the musical group entertains locals at the "Killingly Loves the 80's" event.



Who says you have to be older to enjoy good classic music? These youngsters were way outside of the 80's generation and while some embraced the style, they all embraced the music of Killingly's 80's night at Davis Park.



Guitarist for The Future Heavies Shawn Persigner acknowledges the camera while playing along to a classic 80's tune.



Tracy Mason, Killingly's Park and Recreation Director, helped youngsters beat the heat by passing out free popsicles for kids to enjoy during the 80's themed night out at Davis Park.



Libby and Emma Fischkelta, of Putnam, pose for a photo in their bright unicorn-based getups as they enjoy some great classic music from The Future Heavies.

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A crowded Davis Park made for a great evening in Killingly for the "Killingly Loves the 80's" event. Despite the hot weather and humidity, fans of classic music came out in droves to enjoy a night full of fun and community bonding in Downtown Danielson.

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Local youngsters enjoy some cold treats while embracing some classic 80's music during the "Killingly Loves the 80's" event.



A few popular local faces, Killingly Town Council member John Hallbergh, Valentine Iamartino of Thompson and John's wife Janet Hallbergh were on hand to enjoy the festivities and embrace their love for classic 80's music and the Killingly community.

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QUOTATION OF THE WEEK

“If these people are ever in an emergency and they need to see a friendly face that shows up to help them in their time of need, that’s who we are here to be.

- Bungay Fire Brigade Chief Roy Chandler, commenting being a volunteer firefighter.

At CT AUDUBON

Bird sightings at Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Pomfret and Wyndham Land Trust properties for the week of Aug. 8. Bobolink, House Finch, Barn Swallow, Red-eyed Vireo, Bluebird, Red-tailed Hawk, Great Blue Heron, Woodcock, Hummingbird, House Wren, Robin, American Redstart, Pileated Woodpecker. Visit www.ctaudubon.org/center-at-pomfret.

Horsing around

HENDLER GIVES GLIMPSE OF LIFE ON THE ROADS WITH HORSE

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM — Shelly Hendler handles traffic with ease despite piloting a one-horsepower vehicle. With automobiles allowing a wide berth Hendler and Molly, her 12-year-old horse, calmly negotiate the twists and turns as they roll down Underwood Road. The duo are familiar travelers around town on weekends. Hendler lives on Richmond Road in Putnam and finds motorists in the Quiet Corner to be obliging and very complimentary to Molly during their six-mile excursions.

“They say she’s very beautiful and they’re very polite,” Hendler said.

Molly is obviously in great shape with a chestnut coat covering a rippling array of muscles. Molly is a Suffolk Punch draught horse. Hendler also owns another horse, Edith. Molly and Edith have plenty of room to roam on Hendler’s 70-acre property in Putnam.

On their journeys around town Molly pulls a spinner cart, a two-wheeled vehicle that is balanced by distributing Hendler’s weight over the axle. The oversized wheels have wooden spokes. A long wooden pole on both sides of the cart is harnessed to Molly, who balances the load. Molly wears a covering over her eyes and ears that keeps the horseflies at bay.

Molly is a working horse with a calm demeanor, built for power and stamina. The Suffolk Punch is an English breed of draught horse that was first bred to



Charlie Lentz photo

Shelly Hendler takes a break on Underwood Road in Putnam with her horse, Molly.

work on farms. They were also used to pull heavy artillery during wartime. The horse was first bred in the County of Suffolk in East Anglia in the early 16th century and was brought to the United States in 1880. When farm work

became mechanized the breed was no longer in demand and nearly vanished. The Suffolk Punch population has increased despite historically low numbers. In 2001 there were between 800 and 1,200 in the United States and around

150 in England.

Molly is proof that Suffolk Punches have made a comeback. Suffolk Punches are no lightweights, generally weighing between 1,980 and 2,000 pounds. They are also used for crossbreeding, producing heavy sport horses for use in show jumping and hunter competition.

Hendler and Molly compete in combined driving competitions. A combined driving event tests Molly’s speed, stamina, obedience, and athleticism. In competition Hendler is drawn by Molly in three events including dressage, an obstacle-cone race, and a cross-country marathon which Hendler described as a “four- to seven-kilometer race with obstacles.” Their excursions on the roads around Putnam help prepare Molly for competition.

“This is just for conditioning, to take her out on the roads,” Hendler said. “It gets her used to weird sounds, and dogs barking, and things that might scare them.”

Molly doesn’t seem to scare easily and is easy going in traffic. She’s become a regular on the roads in the summer. Sunday drivers rarely mind getting stuck behind Hendler’s one-horsepower vehicle.

“They’re very polite,” Hendler said. “They slow down. They don’t honk their horns or anything. They’re patient.”

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

THOMPSON

Monday, Aug. 22

Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Merrill Seney Room, Town Hall

Transfer Station Advisory Committee, 7 p.m., Merrill Seney Room, Town Hall

PUTNAM

Monday, Aug. 22

Board of Finance, 7 p.m., Putnam Town Hall, Daniel S. Rovero Selectmen Chambers

Wednesday, Aug. 24

Charter Revision Commission, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 25

Putnam Facilities Study Committee, 7 p.m., Putnam Town Hall, Daniel S. Rovero Selectmen Chambers

KILLINGLY

Monday, Aug. 22

Board of Recreation, 6 p.m.

Republican Town Committee, 7 p.m., Room 102

Thursday, Aug. 25

OSLA Committee, 6:30 p.m., Room 102

Special Town Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Town Meeting Room

BROOKLYN

Tuesday, Aug. 23

WPCA, 6:30 p.m., Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

Agricultural Commission, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 24

Board of Education, 7 p.m., Middle School Library

Thursday, Aug. 25

Parks & Recreation Special Meeting, Spooky Nights Committee, 6 p.m.

Board of Selectmen, 6:30 p.m., Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

Resource Recovery Commission, 7 p.m., Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

WOODSTOCK

Monday, Aug. 22

Historic Properties, 7 p.m., Room B

Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Room A

Historic District, 8 p.m., Room B

Tuesday, Aug. 23

WPCA, 7 p.m., Room A

Thursday, Aug. 25

Board of Education, 7 p.m., Room 1

EASTFORD

Monday, Aug. 22

Special Town Meeting, 7 p.m., Eastford Elementary School. A Special Town Meeting will be held to determine if the town should accept the donation of property at 65 John Perry Road to be operated as the Florence Warren Latham Museum of Eastford History.

Tuesday, Aug. 23

Transfer Station Committee, 1 p.m., Town Office Building

Wednesday, Aug. 24

Registrar of Voters, 5 p.m., Town Office Building

Thursday, Aug. 25

Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Commission, 7 p.m., Town Office Building

Library Board, 7 p.m., Eastford Public Library

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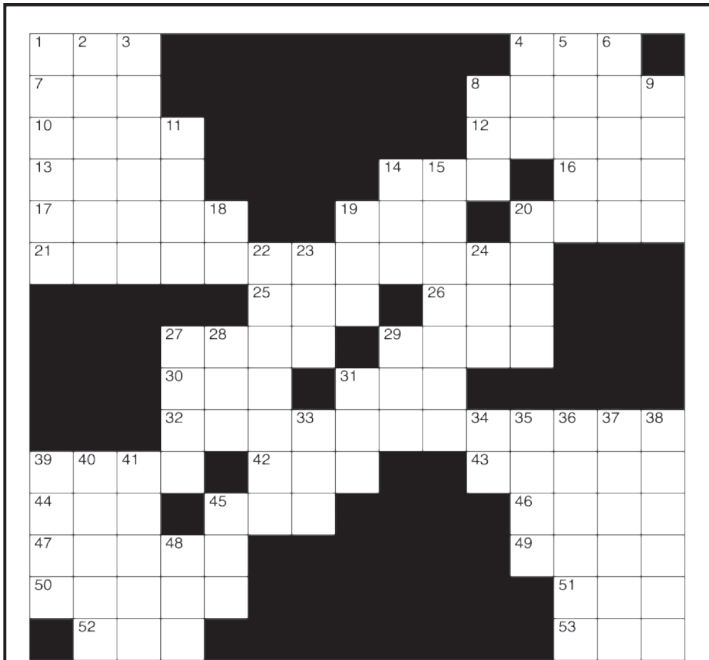
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Putnam charges through heat

PUTNAM — Putnam’s downtown and Main Street area, as well as Kennedy Drive, became a hub of activity on Aug. 14, as hundreds braved the heat for the annual Main Street Car Cruise event. Hundreds of cars lined downtown Putnam and local business parking lots as the annual event continued to build on its reputation as the biggest yearly car show in the region with cars of all colors, eras, models and styles filing in throughout the afternoon. The day also included the annual Arc Rubber Duck Race, vendors, great car cruise-style music, trophies, a burnout show and a motorcycle stunt show. Despite the harsh heat wave that rolled through the region the weekend of the show, the Main Street Car Cruise continued to show its staying power as a successful yearly feature in Putnam’s downtown.



In addition to cars on display, the Main Street Car Cruise also closed off a section of Kennedy Drive for a burnout contest and motorcycle stunt show, both of which attracted large crowds of their own despite the hot weather.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Austrian river

4. Type of lunar crater

7. Taoism

8. German landscape painter

10. Big players do this

12. Nose cone

13. Islamic republic

14. Press against

16. Where you find corn

17. Battery cell

19. Score

20. Swiss river

21. The Babe’s real name

25. Use it to clean

26. Supervises flying

27. Surfboard fin

29. Aggressive dogs
30. Makes computers

31. Buddy

32. Existing everywhere

39. Cheek

42. Comes in bags

43. British hip hop artist

44. Resinous substance

45. Pitcher Dillon

46. Preceded Galba

47. Not behind

49. Students dread this

50. Pasta

51. Northeast and east

52. Begetter

53. Diego, Francisco, Anselmo to name a few

CLUES DOWN

1. Incorporating

2. Piper __, actress

3. Principality

4. Famous bounty hunter

5. Chilean seaport

6. Relish

8. Throng

9. One point east of southeast

11. Knot in a tree

14. Revolutionary women (abbr.)

15. Containerfuls

18. Unit of weight

19. Al Bundy’s wife

20. Genus of ducks

22. Christian hermit

23. Witch

24. Average accounting return
27. Type of chef

28. Barbie’s pal

29. Ford makes this

31. Goes with carrot

33. “Orange is the New Black” character

34. Anno Domini (in the year of Our Lord)

35. Unaccompanied

36. Wild goats

37. National capital

38. Freeholders

39. Smack

40. Expressed pleasure

41. Italian opera set

45. Gode Airport

48. Not or



Ken Mapp stands with his 1956 Ford Sunliner. This beautiful automobile won Ken the award for Best Ford in the Putnam Main Street Car Cruise for 2016.

At right: A beautiful 1960 Ford Thunderbird owned by Thomas Shalkowski of Norwich had a few furry friends on display.



Who says a car has to be made of metal and real car parts. This adorable addition to the Main Street Car Cruise, called “Reagan’s Ray Rod”, challenged the stereotypes in epic fashion.

At right: Anyone for a road trip? It would sure be one heck of a time if you had this 1965 Ford Flacon Clubwagon.

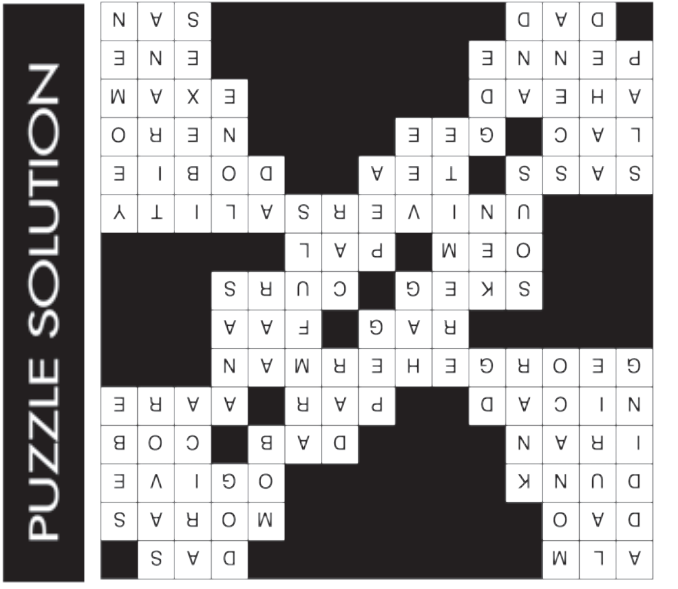


A beautifully American-themed car owned by Lebanon’s Neal Cochran certainly grabbed a lot of attention as a standout vehicle in Rotary Park.



A 1950 Willys Jeepster owned by Blair and Karen Cole of Thompson showed off a classic feel with modern appeal.

At right: The mascot for the annual Arc Rubber Duck Race waves to the crowd as they await the race. Look for more on the rubber duck race also in this week’s issue of The Villager.





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A photograph showing a line of cars parked on an asphalt surface, likely at a car show or race track. The cars have their hoods open, revealing the engines. From left to right, the visible cars are a black Chevrolet Camaro, a bright green Chevrolet Camaro, a black Chevrolet Camaro, and a red Chevrolet Camaro. In the background, there are more cars, including a white one, and a crowd of people watching. The scene is outdoors with trees and a clear sky.

A red and white Chevrolet pickup truck with its hood open, parked in front of a building. Three men are standing around the truck, looking at the engine.

A man with glasses and a grey polo shirt is speaking into a microphone. He is standing behind a table with various electronic equipment, including a laptop, a power supply unit, and a rack of components. A bottle of water is also on the table.

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A photograph showing a line of cars parked outdoors on a paved surface. The cars have their hoods open, suggesting they are being inspected or serviced. From left to right, the visible cars are a yellow one, a red one, and a blue one. The background shows green trees and a clear sky.

Affectionately called "Mustang Ally" (get it, after Mustang Sally), the Citizens National Bank parking lot in Putnam was turned into the go-to location for Ford fans as numerous mustangs and other classic Ford models filled the lot.

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MA resident charged in deadly 2015 crash

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

THOMPSON — State Police out of the Troop D Barracks in Danielson have released details on the resolution of a nearly year-long investigation include a fatal accident that took the life of a local motorcyclist in Thompson.

The original incident occurred on Sept. 19, 2015, at the intersection of Route 197 and Dresser Hill Road in Thompson. Police reported that on that day a Subaru had apparently ran a stop sign at that intersection while traveling south on Dresser Hill Road. The Subaru then hit a motorcyclist making her way through the intersection, killing the operator of the bike who was identified at 50-year-old Woodstock resident Penny Ann Woodbury.

Police started an investigation to find a suspect and after almost a year finally came up with a name. Omar Velez, a 21-year-old (20 at the time of the accident) from Charlton, Mass., was named as the prime suspect after the Connecticut State Police Accident Reconstruction Unit and investigating officers gathered enough evidence to determine who was at fault in the wake of the tragic incident.

Police did not indicate in their recent report whether or not Velez fled the scene following the accident last September, however it was confirmed that following the incident both Woodbury and Velez's 18-year-old female passenger at the time suffered serious injuries. Woodbury was the only one of the two who succumbed to her injuries after being transported to Harrington Hospital in Southbridge. The status of Velez's passenger and the state of their injuries was not included in the recent press release from State Police.

On Aug. 11, police reported that Velez surrendered himself to Connecticut State Police at the Troop D barracks after he learned of a warrant out for his arrest. Velez was held on a \$75,000 cash bond pending his arraignment for several charges including negligent homicide with a motor vehicle, failure to obey a stop sign and possession of less than a half-ounce of marijuana. Police did not indicate if the drug charge was related to the accident last year. The results of Velez's arraignment were not available for press time.

Hospitalized veterans helped by local Knights



Photos courtesy John D. Ryan

Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus Dr. Gregory M. Gazzola and his wife Geraldine, of Putnam.

PUTNAM — The Quiet Corner's Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus are looking back on a successful fraternal year of service just completed, while looking forward to a great year already under way.

"We're very pleased with what we've done for veterans," said Faithful Navigator Matthew R. Frederick, of Brooklyn, taking a break from cooking at Sunday's annual Fourth Degree assembly picnic. Having begun his one-year term on July 1, Frederick is the elected leader of the Right Rev. Monsignor Jean C. Mathieu Fourth Degree Assembly 114, based in Putnam, with 170 members from Ashford to Moosup.

"Over the past year several of our members made four trips on Sundays to the veteran's hospital in West Haven," Frederick said, talking about the assembly's continuing support of the patients at the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs hospital at the other end of the state. "They drove over 180 miles round-trip every three months to bring Catholic patients to and from Mass in the chapel at the hospital. They're needed because hospital orderlies don't work on Sundays."

Also, in the last year the assembly bought and personally delivered 50 new Catholic missals for patients and visitors. At the same time, the Knights collected and delivered new toiletries and used cell phones for all patients at the hospital.

"The books have helped our people live their faith in a very special way," said Rev. Christopher Opara, one of the hospital's two Catholic chaplains. The priests had asked for the missals last fall. "The books have all the music and the readings the people need to celebrate Mass here throughout the year. We're very grateful, because this allows them all to fully participate."

The Fourth Degree, also known as the Patriotic Degree, is part of the worldwide Knights of Columbus organization, a fraternal benefit society made up of Catholic men and their families. Many people have seen Fourth Degree Knights at a parade, funeral or other event, wearing their black tuxedos and colorful knee-length silk capes and ostrich-plumed hats.

What is not generally known, however, is that fewer than one out of five of the world's 1.9 million Knights of Columbus have taken on the optional, extra commitment of joining the Fourth Degree. Every Fourth Degree Knight is also a member of a local K of C council. Nearly all of the members of Mathieu Assembly 114 are also members of a local council in northern Windham County, with a few participating in local councils elsewhere.



Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus David J. Meunier, Sr., and his wife Debbie, of Putnam.

"We're very proud of what our state's 5,500 Fourth Degree Knights do to support our veterans and our country," said Connecticut District Master of the Fourth Degree Charles H. Sullivan, of Southington, who oversees operations statewide. "The Knights of Columbus is in thirteen countries throughout the world. The Fourth Degree is there to support patriotism and the Catholic Church in each of those countries. It's wonderful to see that Mathieu Assembly 114 is setting such a great example of patriotism in northeastern Connecticut."

Assembly members are also committed to having fun, so every summer they hold a picnic. On Sunday, however, the unusually hot weather caused a change of location.

"Our picnics are usually held outside at a member's home, but with things over 90 degrees, we moved indoors," said Fourth Degree Knight David J. Meunier, Sr., of Putnam. Putnam's local K of C council, Cargill Council 64, generously offered the use of its hall on Providence Street.

"They have air conditioning," Meunier said.

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School district welcomes new principal, pupil services director

THOMPSON — By unanimous vote, the Thompson Board of Education on Monday night, Aug. 8, named Christopher Scott as new principal of Thompson Middle School.

“I’ve been looking for the right opportunity, the right fit for me, a place I really wanted to be, and I’ve found it,” Scott said. “I’m looking forward to becoming a part of the community, getting to know everyone, and taking this school to the next level.”

Scott, of Killingly, holds a bachelor’s degree from Rhode Island College, and earned his master’s degree in school administration from Providence College. He comes to Thompson with more than 20 years of educational experience, including the last three as assistant principal of McCourt Middle School in Cumberland, RI. His experience in Cumberland also includes serving as high school math teacher, high school math department chair, and summer school director.

“Mr. Scott brings a lot of different experiences to us,” said Board of Education Chairman Bill Witkowski. “He’s going to do a great job.”

Fellow Board of Education member Joe Lindley said he knows many people in Cumberland through the town’s athletic programs and was pleased that so



Christopher Scott, the new principal of Thompson Middle School.



Scott Sugarman, the school district's new pupil services director.

NEW PUPIL SERVICES DIRECTOR NAMED

The Thompson Board of Education, also on Monday night, Aug. 8, voted unanimously to hire Scott Sugarman as the district’s new pupil services director.

“This is a school system very highly regarded around the state,” said Sugarman, of West Hartford, Conn. “I’m excited to work with students and families and looking forward to meeting the challenges ahead.”

Sugarman holds a bachelor’s degree in anthropology from Ithaca College.

many spoke so highly of Mr. Scott. “I feel like I already know you,” he said.

Scott takes over for Tina Chahanovich, who recently accepted a principalship in her hometown.

“Thompson attracted quite a few highly qualified candidates for this job,” Superintendent Michael Jolin said. “I think that speaks volumes to our school system’s growing reputation for quality educational services to the students. Mr. Scott was far and away the best candidate and the best fit for us. I’m excited to work with him.”

He earned his master’s degree in special education from the University of Hawaii and a second master’s degree in school administration from Trinity College in Washington, D.C.

His previous work experience includes serving as director of special education for Achievement First, director of school transformation for the CT Council for School Reform, and was the director of education initiatives for Our Piece of the Pie, Inc.

Sugarman’s school based experience includes serving as both assistant principal and later as principal in the Washington D.C. public schools, as special education teacher and department head in the Hawaii public schools, and through the Peace Corps, teaching English in Kenya.

“He impressed us all,” said Witkowski. “We have no doubt he will do well here.”

Jolin said Mr. Sugarman’s varied life and work experiences will be a big asset to the school system.

“Every time you bring someone into an organization with such a wide range of experience, it benefits colleagues and more importantly, the students,” he said.

Sugarman replaces Barbara Macauley, who retired in June.

Killingly schools announce reduced lunch guidelines

KILLINGLY — Killingly Public Schools announced its policy for determining eligibility of children who may receive free or reduced price meals served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs or free milk served under the Special Milk Program. Local school officials have adopted the United States Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Income Eligibility Guidelines following family size and income criteria for determining eligibility.

The pictured income guidelines will be used in Connecticut from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 for determining eligibility of participants for free and

reduced price meals and free milk in the Child Nutrition Programs.

Income means income before deductions such as income taxes, Social Security taxes, insurance premiums, charitable contributions and bonds. It includes the following: 1) Monetary compensation for services, including wages, salary, commissions or fees; 2) net income from nonfarm self-employment; 3) net income from farm self-employment; 4) Social Security; 5) dividends or interest on savings or bonds or income from estates or trusts; 6) net rental income; 7) public assistance or welfare payments; 8) unemployment

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2	20,286	1,736	868	801	401	2	29,637	2,470	1,235	1,140	570
3	26,208	2,184	1,092	1,008	504	3	37,296	3,108	1,554	1,435	718
4	31,590	2,633	1,317	1,215	608	4	44,955	3,747	1,874	1,730	865
5	36,972	3,081	1,541	1,422	711	5	52,614	4,385	2,193	2,024	1,012
6	42,354	3,530	1,765	1,629	815	6	60,273	5,023	2,512	2,319	1,160
7	47,749	3,980	1,990	1,837	919	7	67,931	5,663	2,832	2,614	1,307
8	53,137	4,430	2,215	2,045	1,023	8	75,590	6,304	3,152	2,910	1,455
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compensation; 9) government civilian employee or military retirement, or pensions or veterans’ payments; 10) private pension or annuities; 11) alimony or child support payments; 12) regular contributions from

persons not living in the household; 13) net royalties; and 14) other cash income. Other cash income would include cash amounts received or withdrawn from any source including savings, investments, trust

accounts and other resources. “Income” as used here does not include any income or benefits received under any Federal programs, which are excluded from consideration as income by any legislative prohibition, for example, the value of food stamps. In applying guidelines, a school food authority/institution must compare the household’s size and total household income to the income guidelines to determine eligibility for free or reduced price meals. Children of parents or guardians who become unemployed may be eligible for free or reduced price meals or for free milk during the period of unemployment.

Essay contest winners tour Capitol with Flexer

HARTFORD — Several northeastern Connecticut students who won first place in an essay contest sponsored by State Sen. Mae Flexer (D-Danielson) throughout middle schools in the 29th Senatorial District visited the state Capitol building in Hartford as part of their award this summer.

Flexer sponsored the “What I Love About My Community” essay contest, in which middle school students were given the opportunity to enter a piece highlighting the unique character of our communities and region, with a winner selected from each participating school. Each winner was presented with a General Assembly citation during a school ceremony, and received an invitation to visit and have lunch with Senator Flexer in Hartford.

In July, Carly Mink, of Brooklyn Middle School, and Lindsey Clement, of the Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle

School in Canterbury, toured the Capitol and Legislative Office Building with Senator Flexer, before enjoying lunch with the senator.

In August, Putnam Middle School winner Kaylynn Horan and Zeynep Acun, who penned Thompson Middle School’s winning entry, joined Flexer in the Senate Chamber during their tour of the Capitol, which was followed by lunch.

“I was thrilled by all of the wonderful submissions I received during the essay contests, and it has truly been a pleasure to spend time with the students and their families here in Hartford,” said Flexer. “I am very optimistic about the future after meeting these bright



Sen. Mae Flexer was joined by Kaylynn Horan, of Putnam, and Zeynep Acun, of Thompson, and their families at the State Capitol Friday, Aug. 12.

young scholars through the essay contest. I expect that they will become leaders in our community, and after visiting the capitol, I hope they are inspired to seek office in the future!”

EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

The College of Wooster

WOOSTER, Ohio — Devin Frisby, a graduate of Pomfret School, has been named to the Dean’s List for the spring semester at The College of Wooster. Frisby, a first-year student from Pomfret, achieved a grade point average of 3.65 or above.

Curry College

MILTON — Curry College is proud to announce that the following local students have been named to the Dean’s List for the Spring 2016 semester. To qualify for the Dean’s List, students must earn a 3.30 GPA, have no incompletes, and have no grade lower than a “C” for the semester. Full-time students must carry 12 or more graded credits for the semester.

- Crystelle Ranhoff, of Pomfret Center
- Tess Migliaccio, of Woodstock

Northeastern University

BOSTON — Zachary Bellerose, of Putnam, graduated summa cum laude from Northeastern University on May 6, with a Bachelor of Science in Music Industry, along with a minor in Music Recording and Business.

University of New Hampshire

DURHAM, N.H. — Stefanie Orn, of Putnam, has earned Highest Honors for the spring semester of the 2015-2016 academic year at the University of New Hampshire.

DURHAM, N.H. — Matthew Rich, of Woodstock, has earned Highest Honors for the spring semester of the 2015-2016 academic year at the University of New Hampshire.

DURHAM, N.H. — Marissa Glaude, of Brooklyn, has earned Highest Honors for the spring semester of the 2015-2016 academic year at the University of New Hampshire.

Nichols College

DUDLEY, Mass. — Nichols College graduated 456 students on May 8, 2016, at the DCU Center in Worcester. Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker delivered the keynote address.

Ashley Goyette, of Putnam, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BSBA degree.

Michela Purdon, of Putnam, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BSBA degree.

Joseph Couillard, of Putnam, graduated from Nichols College with a/an MBA degree.

Brian Gardner, of Putnam, graduated from Nichols College with a/an MBA degree.

Katelyn Tupaj, of North Grosvenordale, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BA degree.

Emily Blake, of Thompson, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BSBA degree.

Daniel Jezierski, of Thompson, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BSBA degree.

Jamie Mason, of North Grosvenordale, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BSBA degree.

Izabela Niebyski, of North Grosvenordale, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BSBA degree.

Kevin Poitras, of North Grosvenordale, graduated from Nichols College with a/an BSBA degree.

Christie Bates, of North Grosvenordale, graduated from Nichols College with a/an MSOL degree.

Angel McPherson, of Woodstock, graduated from Nichols College with a/an MBA degree.

Karen Munroe, of Woodstock, graduated from Nichols College with a/an MSOL degree.

Ryan Plummer, of Danielson, graduated from Nichols College with a/an ABA degree.

Douglas George, of Danielson, graduated from Nichols College with a/an MBA degree.

Briana Lepore, of Dayville, graduated from Nichols College with a/an MBA degree.

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Adventures in Quebec City

If you want to feel as if you have traveled to Europe without flying “across the pond,” jump in the car and drive to Quebec City.

My husband and I spent several days in the middle of Vieux Quebec and wondered what took us so long to go there. The drive was formidable, about 8 hours in the car, but much longer for us as we stop at every chocolate shop within 10 miles of our route. We listened to the audio version of “Hamilton” and passed the time locked in the political intrigues of the 18th century, which were surprisingly similar to the news of today, just slower.

Quebec City isn’t slow at all, however. It is brimming with history, culture, excellent food, and most of all, a vibrant, living language. French is the first language, although everyone we met could also speak English. After a bit of reading and two excellent tours, I came to appreciate more than ever the miracle that French Quebec exists. All my life I have been surrounded by people of French Canadian background, but I never appreciated the struggle, the history and the tenacity that allowed a small minority of determined people to maintain their culture for over 400 years.

My husband was delighted by the food. Nearly every restaurant offered a version of poutine, a dish made with potatoes covered in gravy and cheese. At a fancy place, the potatoes were cut into perfect rounds, pierced by a skewer and placed gracefully on top of a tasty sauce and covered in a local cheese. At less elegant spots, French Fries were served in paper containers with gobs of soft cheese curds and salty brown gravy. There was maple syrup in some form in multiple dishes and versions of tourtiere, the traditional meat pie, on most menus.

As far as I know, there are no French Canadian restaurants in our region. I wonder why that is the case when a significant part of the population has its roots in Quebec. Perhaps French Canadian families didn’t eat in restaurants and preferred to dine at home. A little research turned up a grocery store in Lowell, Mass., called Cote’s that makes baked beans and creton, or pork scrap. The internet offered up one restaurant, Café Vachon in Manchester, N.H., as the only French Canadian restaurants in New England. Phyllis Ploughman, owner of Phyllis’ Bakery in Putnam, makes a nice tourtiere, which we order occasionally.

We hired a guide for a two-hour history and cultural tour. We walked around the City and after nearly three hours, felt as if we had merely scratched the surface of what there was to learn. Jean- Francois could have been a high school classmate of mine, although his erudition pointed to a strict Catholic institution. He talked about Champlain arriving in 1608 and the Jesuits in 1625. The Ursuline’s came in 1639 to educate girls and the state and the church remained intertwined for the next 350 years’ until the role of the church decline almost totally in the early 1970’s. The most interesting part of the story to me, however, was when and why so many people left.

The diaspora according to our guide was enormous with over 900,000 people exiting between 1840-1930’s. They left impoverished farms and limited prospects for work in the textile mills. Extended families followed each other to settle in towns along the rivers. Soon the clergy came too, establishing Catholic churches and schools. Professionals arrived and setup businesses within the communities.

In the 1960’s French was still spoken on the streets and in the shops in the small cities in our area. I no longer hear the distinctive accent, but after our visit to Quebec City, I appreciate more what it represented. After just a day long drive, one can experience another language, another culture and understand better the heritage of the French Canadians who contribute so much to life here.



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OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A vote for Hillary is a dangerous one

To the Editor:

“My accomplishments as Secretary of State, well, I’m glad you asked! My proudest accomplishment which I take the most pride, mostly because of the opposition it faced early on, you know, the remnants of prior situations and mindsets that were too narrowly focused in a manner whereby they may have overlooked the bigger picture and we didn’t do that and I’m proud of that. Very proud. I would say that’s a major accomplishment.” Hillary Clinton, March 2014

What?

After digging into this woman, her biggest accomplishment is staying out of prison! Look at the e-mail issue for starters. Had it not been for Benghazi, where she lied about a video causing the attack on our embassy (after telling her daughter it was terrorism) we wouldn’t have known about a private server in her home that put serious information at risk. She was investigated by the FBI and then the FBI director was grilled about said investigation. Questioned by Congress, the director contradicted Hillary almost 10 times, proving she lied while under oath.

She bragged about a child rapist she got off while a defense lawyer and laughed about it. Her equal pay for women rhetoric is a farce due to her paying women less than men.

Hillary’s college thesis was about a man named Saul Alinski, author of “Rules for Radicals.” Admiring him so much, she met with him and did her thesis on him. He penned “8 Steps to Topple a Government and Make a Social State.” Questionable admiration.

She beats up on Wall St. yet she earned over \$17 million in donations from securities and investment industry. Sketchier are the monies she’s raked in from countries with major human rights issues. Check out “Clinton Cash” for more.

With so many questionable relationships and actions that surround Hillary, I can’t bring myself to support her. I would vote for a pimple before I would vote for her. I have no doubt she will be elected because there are those who will vote for her because they are that engrained in their party and just don’t want Trump.

Trump’s hill is big. He not only battles Hillary but a biased media (to deny that is silly). She gets softball questions lobbed at her, while Trump gets hard balls.

Trump is a businessman, not a politician. He serves as an executive at over 500 companies, has only had a handful of failures, and has employed around 34,000 people. He knows how to surround himself with others who know how to win. His lack of political correctness is refreshing and he’s not beholdng to anyone unlike his opponent. So when the press makes more out him than need be it’s all a distraction from real issues.

For me it’s about a Globalist vs. Nationalist — not the first woman president. You need to figure out which is which. I know!

ANN BEDARD
POMFRET

What is a voter to do?

go-round. Neither deserves it.
What to do? I wish I knew.

DAVID B. BOYD
WOODSTOCK

Questions remain about possible land donation

To the Editor:

On Aug. 22, the voters for the Town of Eastford will be deciding if the town should receive a piece of land with a building as a gift to be used by the Historical Society as a museum.

This is a generous offer by the donor. However, many questions about this donation remain unanswered. The proposal was brought before the Board of Selectmen at the beginning of August, scheduled for approval by the Planning Commission, with a Town Meeting scheduled to make a final decision, all with less than a month’s timeframe. Rushing on a decision does not allow the town enough time to properly research the viability of this property.

There are operational expenses such as maintenance, electricity, heating, and insurance. On the proposal submitted to the Board of Selectmen, an e-mail stated “only a guess – on average – 2,000? Will vary...” for the annual expenses. This doesn’t include any future repair work or enhancements to the property. I would estimate the expenses to be substantially higher since the building will need to remain climate controlled. Plus, there will be other hidden expenses, such as plowing and mowing by the Public Works Department.

As a selectman for Eastford, and therefore part of the Board of Finance, I am extremely uneasy about what the true cost of ownership will be. Each year, we spend countless hours reviewing the budget, and literally shaving dollars from each department’s budgets. Not only will we be adding several thousand dollars of expenses to the next budget, but the town will be losing the tax revenue from this property. The town has not received any firm plans or budget from the Historical Society as to how

this property will be utilized or how they plan to cover the additional operating expenses.

The existing building is a garage that was converted to a small office and has no historical significance. The remaining property has a well, septic, and wetlands, making it very difficult to expand and utilize it for additional activities. Since the building has not been inspected by a licensed inspector, it is difficult to establish if there are potential structural problems, pests, electrical, or plumbing issues. There is also the potential that this building would need to be upgraded to meet ADA standards. The building would also remain unattended and locked so additional operating costs for fire alarms, fire suppression, burglar alarms, or video monitoring systems would be expected.

The town already owns the Union Society building and the Ivy Glenn Memorial, both of which have significant historical value. Between the Town Office Building, Eastford Elementary School, Ivy Glenn Memorial, Union Society building, and potentially the Nahaco Park, there are plenty of locations that could be utilized by the Historical Society.

My family has resided in Eastford since the 1800’s and I care deeply about the history of our town. But as a selectman, I also have to look out for the best interests of the residents and taxpayers. The town needs sufficient time to make an educated decision as to the building’s viability and the expenses they would incur, so I would urge everyone to vote against this acquisition.

The opinions expressed in this letter are solely those of the letter writer, and in no way express an official stance of the Eastford Board of Selectmen.

ROB TORCELLINI
SELECTMAN, TOWN OF EASTFORD

SOUND OFFS

The cost of trying to ‘save a buck’

To the Editor:

Pomfret taxpayers — Longmeadow Road is a problem for all of you.

First Selectman Craig Baldwin decided to put a coal tar product on a mile of the most densely populated subdivision road in Pomfret as a “test.” He did not adequately research the product or seek information about the product and its use in Connecticut or the northeast United States. In New England, it is restricted in Massachusetts and New York and banned completely on Long Island. His motivation was simply to save a buck.

Longmeadow Estates residents did not have adequate notice of the work to be done. The project did not go out to bid as required by an ordinance Baldwin had updated at the town’s Annual Town Meeting in May. There were no specifications of the scope of work, the product to be used, how and what rate it would be applied, how the environment would be protected, the qualifications or bonding of the contractor. Residents’ concerns expressed before it was applied were ignored and after it was down they learned it was applied incorrectly and under less than favorable weather conditions.

Baldwin did meet with citizens who were concerned and alarmed by their research on coal tar but did not answer questions. He hired a local surveyor/“civil” engineer, again without going out to bid or having a request for proposal for scope and cost of work to be done (how does a surveyor/civil engineer test or study a paving product?). No special meet-

ing for Aug. 8 was scheduled as he suggested at the Aug. 1 meeting. The Board of Selectmen’s regular meeting for Aug. 15 was cancelled and a special meeting scheduled for Aug. 22, leaving residents hanging for three weeks without providing answers for their questions or a solution to the problem. This is stressful. Every time it rains, it’s time to walk the dog, or the kids ride a bike on the street, residents wonder. And, what about home property values? What about the winter and how does it hold up to salt, sand, and snow plows?

Baldwin and Selectman Donna Smith ran for office promising transparent, open, “servant” government that would respond to the needs and concerns of the townspeople.

The town website Board of selectman web page contains the following quote: “The Board of Selectmen understands that the decisions made today have a lasting impact on tomorrow. Therefore, each decision that impacts the community is carefully considered. The Selectmen ... are working diligently to enhance the quality of life for our residents and future generations.”

A quick Internet search on this coal tar product would have caused anyone to think twice. Baldwin did neither. This decision was anything but carefully considered. There was no due diligence.

This is an environmental, social, financial, and health disaster that will impact every Pomfret taxpayer as it may cost millions to clean up and could be liability for generations to come.



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Olympic ecology

Naturally speaking, the Olympics should show the best of a host nation — offering a time to highlight the unique aspects of towns and cities, showcasing natural wonders, sharing delicious food, teaching language, and embracing new culture(s). It should be a time of pride.

However, Brazil is at a crossroads. Many negative eco-stories, both fiction and fact, have made headlines.

CNN has reported that one of the Olympic swimming pools had to be drained due to green water! The pool water had to be cleaned before the synchronized swimming events of the second week of the Olympic Games could begin (the Games run from Aug. 5-21). The green water, also found in some of the diving pools, is said to be a result of some 80 liters of hydrogen peroxide put in the pool on the first day of the Games.

“This creates a reaction to the chlorine which neutralizes the ability of the chlorine to kill organics. This is not a problem for the health of anyone.” (CNN)

Still, many are spooked by the “unclean” Rio Games’ waters. Skeptics believe the water was contaminated, and the “hydrogen peroxide” claims are just an excuse.

Another media outlet reported that an Olympic kayaker, on a practice run, capsized after hitting a couch! Other trash has been reported in the bays and waterways where open water contests are happening and will occur.

Additionally, scientists and the medical community have recommended that Olympians keep their mouths closed to avoid swallowing the water (SeattlePI). The Guardian reports: “In its latest advice, the World Health Organization said: ‘It is suggested that all athletes should cover cuts and grazes with waterproof plasters prior to exposure, try to avoid swallowing the water, wash/shower as soon as possible after exposure and, as far as possible, minimize their time in the water and avoid going in the water after heavy rainfall if possible.’”

Organizers of the Olympics are looking into all of the pollution and health concerns. Much more will be revealed after the games conclude.

When Brazil made their bid to host the Olympics, they claimed they would expand and upgrade their sewer systems so that more than 80 percent of sewage material would be properly treated. At the time of the opening ceremonies, this goal was far from being achieved.

Additionally, when it rains, the sewage content in Rio’s waterways increases (The Guardian). Rumors reveal that the city was going to install 8 new sewage management systems. Only two have been completed. Many blame low budgets and corruption. Others feel that Rio should have made an increased effort for the global games, but also for their residents.

The very-polluted Guanabara Bay is full of human waste material, dead animals, and trash (ABC Australia). One Olympian is said to be very sick, and doctors believe it is from this toxic waterway.

Here’s hoping that Rio will continue its eco-efforts to clean up its waterways after the games are over. What are you doing in your community to be an eco-steward of water and other precious natural resources?

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Plan well: Let’s talk about savings

How many types of government savings bonds are there, and what’s the difference between them?

While the U.S. government has issued 13 types of savings bonds, there are currently only two series available for purchase through the U.S. Treasury Department: Series EE bonds and Series I bonds. U.S. savings bonds are nonmarketable securities, which means you can’t resell them unless you’re authorized as an issuing or redeeming agent by the U.S. Treasury Department. Savings bonds are guaranteed by the federal government as to the timely payment of principal and interest.

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I have matured U.S. savings bonds. Are they still earning interest and, if not, can I roll them over to another savings bond?

Once U.S. savings bonds have reached maturity, they stop earning interest. Prior to 2004, you could convert your Series E or EE savings bonds for Series HH bonds. This would have allowed you to continue earning tax-deferred interest. However, after Aug. 31, 2004, the government discontinued the exchange of any form of savings bonds for HH bonds, so that option is no longer available.

Since matured savings bonds no longer earn interest, there is no financial benefit to holding on to them. If you have paper bonds, you can cash them in at most financial institutions, such as banks or credit unions. However, it’s a good idea to call a specific institution before going there to be sure it will redeem your bonds. As an alternative, you can mail them to the Treasury Retail Securities Site, PO Box 214, Minneapolis, MN 55480, where they will be redeemed. If you have electronic bonds, log on to treasurydirect.gov and follow the

directions there. The proceeds from your redeemed bonds can be deposited directly into your checking or savings account for a relatively quick turnover.

Another important reason to redeem your matured savings bonds may be because savings bond interest earnings, which can be deferred, are subject to federal income tax when the bond matures or is otherwise redeemed, whichever occurs first. So if you haven’t previously reported savings bond interest earnings, you must do so when the bond matures, even if you don’t redeem the bonds.

Using the money for higher education may keep you from paying federal income tax on your savings bond interest. The savings bond education tax exclusion permits qualified taxpayers to exclude from their gross income all or part of the interest paid upon the redemption of eligible Series EE and I bonds issued after 1989 when the bond owner pays qualified higher-education expenses at an eligible institution. However, there are very specific requirements that must be met in order to qualify, so consult with your tax professional.

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Are we asking too much?

In the wake of the horrific executions of five Dallas police officers and three Baton Rouge police officers (26 total so far in 2016), I question if we aren’t asking too much of our men and women in blue.

And while many of our jobs are “thankless,” the job of police officer should not be, especially if you are on the side of law and order and civil society. As a former military policeman, I know the daily struggles that these officers undertake to protect us while we sleep.

Think about it. As you and your family are soundly asleep, these men and women, who after all, are our mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, family and friends, deal with the some of the worst elements of our society to ensure that we can sleep safely and soundly and get up the next day to go to work. They do this day in and day out without us hardly ever noticing.

As a society, we ask them to be relationship counselors, when they respond to domestic violence calls, even when the victims of these events sometimes turn on the officers themselves. We ask them to be social services counselors, when they are called to enter homes to check on the welfare of children who are living in horrific squalor, sites of which would give any normal person nightmares. We ask them to be addiction counselors, when dealing with the epidemics of drugs and opiate addictions in our streets; while attempting to protect us from the crime that comes with drug addiction and usage. We ask them to be grief counselors, after having to respond to a tragic traffic accident and inform parents, that their children aren’t coming home. We ask them to be social workers, when dealing with young runaways, who’ve been swept up into drugs, crime and prostitution. We ask them to be mental health care professionals, when dealing with the mounting mental health issues rampant in our society. When we are running away from the fear and carnage of a bomb threat, mass murderer or terrorist attack, these men and women run towards the violence to keep us safe, help us, and stop the criminals at any cost. All of this, while running the verifiably real risk of being murdered by criminals and thugs with an ax to grind against civilized society.

We ask them to do all of these Herculean tasks, while politicians in Hartford and Washington churn out more and more laws and regulations, which eat away at our liberties, while diverting police officers from the protection of our property and protection from violence perpetrated upon us; to act as tax/fine collectors for “crimes,” without victims. If asked, I’m certain that many officers would tell you that they undertook the job to, “protect and serve” or make their communities better, or “give back” and those are certainly noble ideals. What I’m certain they didn’t understand was that politicians would make the noble cause of policing a strong arm of the government.

Should we care whether or not two consenting adults sell things among themselves, whether it be loose cigarettes, or bottles of homemade beer or wine? Should we care that farmers in our community are selling non-pasteurized milk or cheese, locally because their neighbors think it’s healthier? Do we care if a businessperson wants to open up a barbershop or nail salon without government permission to do so? Should we care what size soda stores are selling? The answer to all of these questions is likely, no. The only one entity that cares are politicians who can’t get enough of our tax dollar and use the precious resources of the police to keep those fines and fees coming.

The free market system will take care of bad barbers, or hair dressers, who don’t have a license. The civil court system will take care of parties who provide bad food, or drink. If your friends and neighbors think you do a great job with mani/pedis, why are we asking the government for permission to provide that service? Consider this — currently, the state legislature in New Jersey is considering making drinking coffee in your car illegal? Do we really need the police, policing our coffee drinking habits? It’s true, Google it. And you know if Danny boy finds that “coffee” fines work, you can bet your bottom dollar they are coming here. The police would be more than happy to do the job that they signed up for, to “protect and serve.”

As law abiding Americans and Connecticutans, let’s provide the same gratitude that we would to the person selling us our coffee in the morning, or passing along the bag of fast food. Especially in this time when the highest level elected law enforcement officer in the land, the President of the United States, has turned his back on them. Let’s thank these brave men and women for the work they do, day in day out. When you are passing an officer working a detail, keep in mind that that man or woman may have worked a shift policing from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and is working the detail to earn extra money to send their daughter to basketball camp. Give them a wave (while driving safely and cautiously through the work zone), use all five fingers, unlike most of the people they deal with. Smile and say the words, “thank you” clearly to them, even if they don’t hear you, they’ll understand that you aren’t saying the other two syllable sentence, ending in “you” they usually hear from the people they deal with. If you are behind an officer at a coffee counter, shake her hand, thank her for keeping you and your family safe, and perhaps offer to buy the “dinner” she’s eating at 1 a.m., because it’s the first time she’s been out of her car in six hours.

While I’m certain they understand that there are more honest, law abiding Americans are on their sides and support them, then not, it can’t hurt to remind them, just as we appreciate and welcome a thanks at the jobs we do.

Selling albums: Part 4

The most common albums we encounter are Lincoln cents. About half the collections have one, and sometimes several blue Whitman albums with almost complete sets. Most were filled with coins pulled out of circulation. While many are void of any rarities, you should be aware of what to look for.

Lincoln cents and Indian Head cents were both produced in 1909, and the 1909 coins of each series can be valuable. From 1909 to 1981 the cents were primarily French bronze (mostly copper). After that they were converted to a zinc based composition. 1909 would have been Abraham Lincoln’s 100th birthday, so the design was changed as a commemorative. The reverse design featured two sheaves of Durham wheat, and are known as “wheaties.” In 1959, (Lincoln’s 150th birthday) the reverse design was changed to the Lincoln Memorial reverse. Today, the reverse depicts the Union Shield.

Wheaties (not the cereal) remain the focus of most cent collectors. They were minted at three mints — Philadelphia (no mintmark), Denver (D), and San Francisco (S). The mintmark can be found under the date. Mint-marked coins of the 1910’s and 1920’s are always more valuable than Philadelphia-produced cents. Coins of the 1910’s and 1920’s are more valuable than the 30’s, 40’s and 50’s. All Lincoln common date coins are sold in bags of 500, 2,500, and 5,000 at bulk prices. Many dealers say: “These bags are unsearched by us.” While that could be true, I doubt these haven’t been searched through at some time, so I’d take that claim with a grain of salt.

Let’s take a look at some of the more valuable Lincoln cents in three grades (Good 4, Very Fine 20, ND Almost Uncirculated, AU 50). There are five



varieties of Lincoln cents for 1909, the first year of production — 1909 (\$2.50, \$3.75, \$9); 1909-S (\$455, \$100, \$190); 1909 VDB, the designer’s initials at 6 o’clock on the reverse (\$10, \$11.50, \$13.50); 1909-S VDB (\$560, \$650, \$900), and the 1909-S over horizontal S (\$60, \$135, \$200).

Remember that the designer, Victor David Brenner (VDB) knew that rich folks didn’t care what the reverse design would be. However, he knew that the coin would circulate widely among poorer people. That is why he put Durham wheat (the main ingredient of the newly invented poor man’s food-spaghetti) on the reverse. Then he made sure word got out what the “stuff” on the reverse was. The result — instant acceptance by the lower classes.

Other valuable Lincoln cents (from most valuable to less valuable):

- 1955/55 double die is the widest spaced doubling on any U.S. minted coin in history (picture accompanies this column) is valued at \$875, \$1,050, \$1,300).
- 1922 Plain, made in Denver, but the dies, which were made in Philadelphia never had a “D” engraved on them (\$4,400, \$650, \$2,600).
- 1914 D (low mintage) is valued at \$130, \$250, \$1,900.
- 1917 with a double died obverse (\$100, \$250, \$2,000).
- 1922, weak D: These dies were actually sent from Philadelphia with D mintmarks, but the D was almost completely removed due to over polishing. With Denver being the only mint producing cents in 1922, the staff felt the pressure of getting as much use out of the dies as possible. Values are \$50, \$150, \$550.

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Try apple cider vinegar for what ails you

Apple cider vinegar has been a staple in kitchen cupboards for generations. Hailed as a “health tonic” for a myriad of ailments, the natural liquid, made from fermented apples, has a centuries long history of health benefits that are being rediscovered today. From relieving heartburn and halting halitosis, to stabilizing blood sugar and soothing arthritis pain, ACV serves as a natural and inexpensive alternative to modern medicines. Through the years this column has shared a variety of apple cider vinegar hints. If you can stand a few more, the following pages spotlight the virtues of apple cider vinegar.

Note: Always check with your doctor before ingesting raw apple cider vinegar as use may effect tooth enamel, bone density, decrease potassium levels, interfere with medications, etc.

FYI: The key to reaping the many advantage of apple cider vinegar lies in choosing ACV in its natural, unfiltered state, which means purchasing (or making) vinegar that includes the “mother enzyme” of vinegar — a white, filmy substance that occurs as the liquid is fermenting. Thus, pass over the clear amber bottles of processed apple cider vinegar that crowd supermarket shelves.

Natural apple cider vinegar, complete with the “mother” will be labeled as such. The whitish mother enzyme, produced by fermentation contains healthy raw bacteria and enzymes that have been credited with health benefits. Raw ACV is unprocessed, unfiltered and not pasteurized. Typically, it has a brownish hue, with a visible whitish organic material is visible through the glass. The label should state it is organic. Stay away from apple cider vinegar in plastic bottles, as not all are certified BPA free.

Health Benefits of ACV: What’s the secret to apple cider vinegar’s healing properties? It is common sense that if apple cider vinegar aids in regulating the pH in the body and keeps it alkaline, it would keep harmful microorganisms and bacteria away, as they cannot

thrive in an alkaline environment. In addition, a substance in vinegar, acetic acid, can kill bacteria and/or prevent them from multiplying and reaching harmful levels. And let’s not forget to credit ACV’s main ingredient. Apples have long been touted as a health boosting fruit that promises to “keep the doctor away.”

How much ACV can you safely consume? According to Carol Johnston, PhD, associate director of the School of Nutrition and Health Promotion at Arizona State University, a tablespoon of apple cider vinegar mixed with eight ounces of water and taken before a meal is a safe dose. Some people prefer to add honey or maple syrup to mask the taste of straight vinegar, while others drink it in hot tea. Of course, you can always reap the benefits of raw ACV the most traditional way – enjoyed in a fresh salad.

Apple Cider Vinegar Detox Bath: To release toxins from your body and draw excess uric acid out, try this detox bath. Praised for its ability to cleanse the body both inside and out, this simple, but effective bath also offers pain relief for those with arthritis and gout. The apple cider vinegar returns the skin to its ideal pH. As a bonus, an ACV bath aids in decreasing body odors better than deodorant.

Simply add two cups of unfiltered apple cider vinegar into a tub of hot water. Relax in the tub for at least a half hour or until the water has cooled. Towel dry without rinsing.

Apple Cider Vinegar Rx

- **Arthritis/Achy Joints:** ACV is a natural pain reliever, and many studies have proven that the vinegar works especially well in decreasing arthritic and joint pain.
- Applying a bandage poultice of ACV targets pain at its source. Heat up a cup of water with three tablespoons of apple cider vinegar, including the mother enzyme. Soak a cotton or flannel bandage in the mixture for at least 15 minutes. While solution is still warm, dip affected joint area in the mixture to wet the area. Apply



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warm bandage over the joint, wrapping it to a snug (not tight) fit.

An ACV massage bath is another method to treat arthritis and joint pain. Pour 12 ounces of raw apple cider vinegar into a warm tub of water. Soak in the tub for at least ten minutes, then massage aching muscles and sore joints. Enjoy another ten minute soak and repeat.

- **Insulin Resistance and Diabetes:** Medical studies reveal ACV taken with a high carb meal improved insulin sensitivity by 19-34 percent and significantly lowered blood glucose and insulin responses. In addition, research shows two tablespoons of ACV before going to bed can reduce fasting blood sugars.
- In 2007 Diabetes Care published findings that concluded taking two tablespoons of apple cider vinegar before bed lowered morning glucose levels by up to 6 percent. Other researchers reported that apple cider vinegar taken with meals slashed blood sugar levels by 30 percent.
- “Vinegar appears to have effects similar to some of the most popular medications for diabetes,” stated Arizona State University researcher Carol Johnson.
- Note: Check with your doctor before ingesting ACV if you are taking medication for diabetes or insulin resistance.
- **Weight Loss:** Raw apple cider vinegar has been praised as a natural weight loss supplement, attributing its success to its ability to lower glucose levels and help you feel fuller at mealtime. In fact, a research experiment reveals those who drank ACV with a high carb meal ingested up to 275 fewer calories the rest of the day. Moreover, a three-month study of overweight participants proved that those who took apple cider vinegar daily reduced the size of their waists.

The good news is, it doesn’t take a daunting dose of ACV to be effective. A double blind Japanese study found the following: In a 12 week experiment, participants who daily ingested a 16 ounce drink with one tablespoon of ACV added, had lower BMI, less visceral fat, and lost more weight than those whose drinks didn’t contain vinegar. As a bonus, the vinegar also lowered the participant’s triglycerides. Another study in Japan reported that mice whose high fat diets were supplemented with acetic acid (the main ingredient in vinegar) developed up to 10 percent less body fat than control mice.

Prevention Magazine reported: “Acetic acid, the main component in vinegar, may interfere with the body’s ability to digest starch.”

Still not convinced apple cider vinegar can be the key to successful weight loss? An abundance of ACV weight loss testimonials are available online from dozens of health site sources.

- **Acid Reflux and GERD:** While it might seem counterproductive to treat acid with acid, acid reflux is often caused by the lack of acid in the body. Taking two teaspoons of apple cider vinegar every day (diluted in water) has been known to relieve the symptoms of acid reflux and GERD better than many over the counter remedies.
- To halt indigestion before it begins, drink a teaspoon of ACV with a teaspoon of honey in a warm glass of water about a half hour before you eat a meal that you expect won’t agree with you.
- **Tummy Troubles:** The antibiotic properties in ACV has been proven to relieve diarrhea caused by bacteria. What’s more, pectin from the apples has also been proven to stifle gastric spasms. According to “The Blaylock Wellness Report,” apple cider vinegar can also help prevent dysbiosis, an imbalance between good and bad bacteria in the gut, according to author Dr. Russell Blaylock. He recommends drinking a teaspoon of organic vinegar mixed with four ounces of water with each meal to aid digestion and ease reflux conditions.

- **Heart Health:** Here are more reasons to eat salads: A decade long study revealed that women who ate a vinegar based salad dressing five to six days a week each week lowered their risk of ischemic heart disease. Want more? The June of 2011 issue of Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry reported that ingesting apple cider vinegar significantly lowered triglycerides and cholesterol. And the British Journal of Nutrition also claimed that apple cider vinegar can lower cholesterol. The lower numbers were attributed to apple cider vinegar’s acetic acid content.
- **Colds and Flu:** Many ACV drinkers swear downing a tablespoon or two of at the first signs of a cold or the flu halts the bug in its tracks. If you’ve got chest congestion or a stuffy nose, a teaspoon of apple cider vinegar in a glass of water can help relieve congestion. The pain of a sore throat can be soothed by gargling with a tablespoon of ACV in a glass of warm water.

Win Dinner for Two — Your tips can win you a great dinner for two at the historic Publick House Historic Inn in Sturbridge! Simply send in a hint to be entered into a random drawing. One winner per month will win a fabulous three-course dinner for two at the renowned restaurant, located on Route 131 across the town common in historic Sturbridge. Because I’m in the business of dispensing tips, not inventing them (although I can take credit for some), I’m counting on you readers out there to share your best helpful hints!

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hints to: Take the Hint!, c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or e-mail kdrr@aol.com. Hints are entered into a drawing for a three course dinner for two at the historic Publick House Inn!

Bungay Fire Brigade opens its doors to the community

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pick up a couple applicants at the same time, so it’s just a generally all around good day,” said Chandler. “It is a good opportunity. If these people are ever in an emergency and they need to see a friendly face that shows up to help them in their time of need, that’s who we are here to be. We also want to bring in more volunteers. Those are hard to come by these days. A main reason why we do this is also to get the kids into it. A lot of young kids love fire trucks and we can talk to the parents about maybe getting them motivated to join as well.”

Many locals and visitors to Woodstock brought their kids along to enjoy the

fire trucks and free food and even a few extra activities as well. Heather Lovely brought her son Jasper to the event and said she thought it was a great experience for her son to be able to meet and greet firefighters in person.

“I grew up in Woodstock and my son has a fire truck obsession,” she said. “I think it’s great that they put this on so we can come down and check this out. Jasper is very excited. I think it’s great that the people who volunteer their time come out and mingle with us and the kids to teach them about everything.”

Mark LaCoille, of Putnam, brought his whole family to the event for an early afternoon getaway. He said he felt the event was not only a chance to

see what the department does, but also thank those who do the work for their never-ending commitment to their community.

“I drive by here once a month because I’m in the National Guard. I’ve always wanted to check it out. My 5-year-old likes the trucks and her grandmother works at a fire station so she’s always around this kind of stuff. She wanted to see these ones today and she was super excited,” LaCoille said. “We like to show our support for these men and women because they go out every day on calls to help the community. I want my daughter to know that she can do this kind of thing and teach her to appreciate what they do.”

Chandler said the event was a fun way for firefighters to reach out to the community for support and partnership and for members of their community to show their appreciation as well. Whether it brought in new volunteers or inspired a young generation to get involved years down the road, Chandler just hopes that the open house opened some eyes to what it takes to be a firefighter and how rewarding a commitment it can be.

“I’ve been doing it for 27 years and I still love doing it to this day,” Chandler said. “Some parts of it you don’t like and you deal with it, but we’d

like to help groom the future generation of firefighters. Volunteers are important for us and it takes a lot to join, but it’s rewarding.”

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The LaCoille family shows off the fire hats they got while visiting the Bungay Fire Department in Woodstock on Aug. 13.

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QUIET CORNER ROUND-UP

QVCC teams up with Nichols College

DUDLEY, Mass. — Nichols College has formed partnerships with three public community colleges in three different states — Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI) in Warwick, R.I.; Quinebaug Valley Community College (QVCC) in Danielson; and Quinsigamond Community College (QCC) in Worcester — to create an affordable and smoother pathway for community college students seeking to further their education.

A ceremonial signing of the partnership agreements between Nichols and each community college will be held at 3:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, in Room 203 of the Nichols academic building on Center Road.(See agenda, below.) Representing the schools will be Nichols College President Susan West Engelkemeyer, Ph.D.; QVCC President Carlee Drummer, Ph.D.; QCC President Gail E. Carberry, Ed.D.; and CCRI Associate Vice President for Student Services Dr. Ronald Schertz and Dean of Business, Science, and Technology Dr. Peter Woodberry.

These articulation agreements are part of a Nichols-launched initiative called Affordable Business and Leadership Education (ABLE). They streamline and maximize the transfer credit process; transfer students will have the benefit of knowing that their credits at the community college level will be accepted by Nichols and that they will be guaranteed admission if they meet the minimum GPA requirement of 2.0.

“Nichols College strives to become the most community college-friendly private college in New England, and it can provide the bridge between an associate’s degree and the career that community college students want to pursue,” said Engelkemeyer. “Transfer students will find at Nichols that they receive high-level instruction and experiential learning opportunities in many business tracks.

“In addition, students transferring from community colleges to Nichols will gain leadership and professional development skills — all from a warm, welcoming campus community,” added President Engelkemeyer. “Nichols has always been about fostering economic mobility, turning students from varied backgrounds into prosperous professionals. The Nichols ABLE initiative is consistent with the College’s mission and gives us strength in an important segment of the changing higher education landscape.”

William Boffi, vice president for enrollment at Nichols College, said: “Community college students contribute to the learning environment in different ways than students entering straight from high school. Many choose community college because it is a financially prudent pathway. We want to help those students get the skills to succeed as a professional and multiply their earning potential. A Nichols College degree can do that.”

Most pathway partnerships from community college to a four-year college or university are between institutions in the same state and are also between two public schools or two private schools. In the case of the Nichols agreements, the public-to-private pathway from schools in three different states is unique. And while other four-year colleges also guarantee admission, it is to their continuing education divisions, not as a fully matriculated student. At Nichols, students have the option to be a day student or enter the undergraduate adult bachelor’s program. Special pricing means that Nichols offers students who earn associate’s degrees from its partner institutions a rate that is lower than other private, four-year colleges.

“Nichols provides a clear, articulated pathway that is easy for all students and advisors to see course equivalencies,” said Boffi. “It is also a very individual approach.”

The presidents of the three community colleges said that their partnering with Nichols will help their students obtain a bachelor’s degree at a more affordable cost.

“Great careers start at Quinsigamond Community College. We are proud of our partnership with Nichols College that allows students to earn their associate’s degree at QCC and transfer seamlessly to Nichols to earn their bachelor’s degree and beyond,” said QCC President Carberry. “Programs like these offer affordable pathways for students to begin their careers with less debt and enter the next phase of their lives as business leaders and cornerstones of our community.”

Said QVCC President Drummer: “Quinebaug Valley Community College is delighted to be part of the ABLE initiative with Nichols College. The partnership will enable QVCC students to complete the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration at a nationally ranked business college for a fraction of the cost.”

Added QVCC Dean of Academic Affairs and Student Services Alfred Williams: “Quinebaug Valley Community College is thrilled about this partnership with Nichols College. It is a significant opportunity for our students to receive affordable bachelor’s and associate’s degrees in business from two high-quality institutions. In a time of increasing college costs, it is vital that QVCC find innovative ways to help its students achieve success with a significant cost savings. We are grateful that Nichols College is contributing to this effort.”

“CCRI is proud to partner with Nichols College to offer our students a new transfer pathway to pursue a bachelor’s degree at an institution well-known for its business and leadership educational programs,” said CCRI President Meghan Hughes, Ph.D. “It is clear that the Nichols faculty and staff understand the value that community college students like ours bring to the classroom, and this partnership presents an opportunity for our students to further their education in high-growth business fields.”

Vets Coffeehouse to welcome Navy Band’s Top Brass Quintet

KILLINGLY — America’s Navy is coming to Killingly!

Navy Band Northeast’s Top Brass Quintet will kick off TVCCA’s fall RSVP Veterans Coffeehouse evening program on Friday, Sept. 16, at 7:30 p.m. at Killingly Community Center, 185 Broad St., Danielson.

The Navy’s Top Brass Quintet specializes in popular standards, patriotic marches and jazz among its traditional and modern repertoire. The free program on Sept. 16, will be family-friendly and designed to entertain veterans and their families and community members alike.

The concert on Sept. 16 marks a move by the evening Veterans Coffeehouse to Friday nights to accommodate more working veterans and other guests. A fall schedule will be announced shortly. The weekly Tuesday morning Coffeehouse, on hiatus for the summer, reopens Sept. 13 at 9 a.m. at Killingly Community Center.

Navy veteran Fred Ruhlemann of Killingly, volunteer leader of the evening Veterans Coffeehouse program, said, “We are looking forward to reopening the evening coffeehouse on our new day this fall with programs featuring

a variety of entertainment and genres that will attract a wide audience of veterans.”

Since opening in April 2015, the RSVP Veterans Coffeehouse, primarily funded by the Corporation for National and Community Service, has provided resourceful programs and entertaining speakers and has served over 260 veterans in Windham County.

Capacity of the air-conditioned, handicapped-accessible KCC auditorium is 225 people. Guests will be seated on a first-come, first served basis.

Nursing home reforms become law

HARTFORD — Rep. Christine Rosati Randall (D-Killingly, Plainfield) announced that important legislation impacting nursing homes has been signed into law.

“Protecting our vulnerable population is a top priority,” Randall said. “This legislation offers additional protection for our loved ones.”

The legislation (Public Act 16-6, Public Act 16-8, and Public Act 16-59) was co-sponsored by Rep. Randall.

Notice of nursing home closings: When nursing homes or long-term care facilities plan to close or cut back on beds, the state must submit a letter to each patient detailing the rights and services available to the patient.

Utilization of patient-designated caregivers: Nursing homes now will be required to allow a resident being discharged to designate a caregiver who will work with the nursing home on a

plan for post-discharge tasks.

Prosecuting Abuse: When a nursing home changes ownership, the new owner must be made aware that he or she may be held civilly or criminally liable for abuse or neglect of a resident by any employee.

‘Circle of Fun’ celebrating 45th year

PUTNAM — St. Mary Parish Circle of Fun began 45 years ago to assist St. Mary School. Since the closing of the school in 2010, funds raised by this activity have assisted the parish general fund.

The “Circle of Fun” is well known in Putnam and surrounding communities for its family friendly activities. As in the past, there will be rides for adults and children, a big raffle, beverages for all age groups, a large variety of food, moon bounce, kiddie tent, bingo, basket raffles, bake sale and the always popular flea market and chicken barbecue.

The free entertainment will include, One Shot Deal, The Great Garage Band Reunion, live broadcast by WINY 1350 AM, demonstrations by Quest Martial Arts and Danielson Martial Arts, and making their first appearance are the Just Two Trio and The Hillbilly Graham Crackers. Special activities are being planned to celebrate the 45th annual Circle of Fun and attendees will not be disappointed. The 2016 dates for this weekend, a Family Fun Weekend and celebrated as the biggest little church fair in eastern Connecticut, are Sept. 23, 24 and 25.





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Cadets attend Northeast Region Leadership School

DANIELSON — Three cadets from the Civil Air Patrol, Danielson Cadet Squadron (DCS) attended the Northeast Region (NER) Leadership School (RCLS).

The school is a one week long program that is held at the Connecticut Fire Academy in Windsor Locks. Cadets stay in dormitories and receive nearly 40 hours of interactive instruction on officership, character development, leadership theory, communication skills, critical creative thinking and interpersonal relationships. Regional Cadet Leadership School (RCLS) is offered to cadet officers throughout the Northeast. C/Maj. Keith Trotochaud, C/1stLt Carson Hadley and C/MSgt Jakob Leon from the Danielson Cadet Squadron were some of the cadets from the Connecticut Wing. Cadets who have already successfully completed the course are eligible to return as cadet staff, C/Maj. Keith Trotochaud was a cadet staff member.

RCLS is designed for cadet officers to learn new skills and knowledge so they can be more effective leaders in their home squadrons and wings. The RCLS blends classroom theory with hands-on training to help cadets truly grasp the concepts they are being presented. There are daily assignments and group discussions on leadership, ethics and management. Students are presented with leadership concepts and challenges and are expected to solve those challenges. Students are also given daily leadership assignments, both individual and group, that they have to complete. Cadets are expected to staff themselves and maintain the highest standards of academic performance and behavior. There is one theme that permeates all of RCLS, that is the concept of servant leadership. It is summed up in their motto "I est Ministro", which means "to Lead is to Serve". Upon completion of this course, students are better equipped to fill leadership roles of increasing responsibility, developing and mentoring the skills and abilities of other cadets.

The Danielson Cadet Squadron meets every Thursday from 6-9 p.m. at Danielson Airport and offers a variety of programs and training to young adults from 12-21 years old. For more information you can visit www.CTWG.CAP.gov.



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C/Maj. Keith Trotochaud, C/1stLt. Carson Hadley and C/MSgt. Jakob Leon from the Danielson Cadet Squadron.

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The Dresser' coming to Bradley Playhouse



Derek Corriveau as Norman and David Hopcroft as Sir.

PUTNAM — As a change of pace and an offering to lovers of serious theatre, the Theatre of Northeastern Connecticut at the Bradley Playhouse presents "The Dresser." The show opens Aug. 26 and runs for two weekends.

Come and see why The Bradley Playhouse received Yankee Magazine's 2016 Editor's Choice Award for the best community theatre in New England.

Performances are Aug. 26, 27, Sept. 2 and 3 at 7:30 p.m. and Aug. 28 and Sept. 4 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$19 for adults and \$15 for seniors and students.

"The Dresser" is set in England in 1942, as a regional theatre company is living "the show must go on" during the blitz. The play centers on the relationship between Sir, the aging, tyrannical head of the company and Norman, his personal assistant who struggles to keep his charge's life together. Dressers in British theatre do a great deal more than just change costumes.

"The Dresser" was written by Ronald Harwood and was inspired by, but not based on, his experiences as a dresser for the distinguished British actor-manager Sir Donald Wolfit. The Broadway production was nominated in 1982 for Tonys for Best Play and Best Actor for Tom Courtenay as Norman. It was made into a film in 1983, which starred Albert Finney as Sir and Tom Courtenay as Norman and was nominated for Academy Awards. In 2015 there was a TV version for BBC that was shown on Starz in the United States in 2016. This production featured Anthony Hopkins as Sir and Ian McKellen as Norman.

The TNECT production is directed by Leslie Snow. The cast are very experienced and well known local actors. Portraying the actor and his dresser are David Hopcroft as Sir and Derek Corriveau as Norman. Carol Alderson is Her Ladyship, Sir's wife, and Sarri Patterson appears as Madge, the stage manager. Geoffrey Thornton is played by Preston Arnold and Mr. Oxenby is portrayed by Tom Stokes. The role of Irene is shared by Alyson Fowler and Mary Arnold.

Leslie Snow is the founder and director of American Classics Repertory Company and the actors in this production are also members of the company. The company mission is to preserve and honor the classics of American theatre and to occasionally venture into plays from other countries and centuries. TNECT at the Bradley Playhouse is excited to partner with them to bring you The Dresser.

The Bradley Playhouse is located at 30 Front Street (Route 44) in Putnam. All seats are reserved. Reservations may be made with a major credit card online at www.thebradleyplayhouse.org or by calling 860-928-7887. Tickets may be purchased at the theater box office, either before the performance or at the door. Purchasing your tickets ahead of time is recommended.

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QUADDICK

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Corner,” and Paula notes that many of the older residents in the area still refer to it by that name.

Alex Madrigal, a seasonal resident that recently bought and renovated a house on nearby Quaddick Reservoir, is a regular customer and claims that “Paula has single-handedly kept us fed and supplied throughout the renovation process.” His house recently became livable but he still stops by Quaddick Country Store on a regular basis.

The ice cream window is a huge favorite, featuring about 30 flavors of Gifford Ice Cream and soft-serve ice cream as well. Customers enjoy strolling around the spacious grounds or sitting outside in the shade to enjoy their ice cream. The outdoor seating features a large water fountain that came with the store when Paula and

Roger bought it.

The specialty pizza at the store has also been a big hit with customers, from the Cheesy Bacon Fry pizza, to the BBQ Mac and Cheese, to Hawaiian pizza (topped with ham, pineapple and cherries), to seafood pizza. Traditional cheese and pepperoni pizzas are also available. They offer delivery within a 10-mile radius of the store.

Quaddick Country Store is truly a family-owned and run business. The couple have four employees — their four children, Dylan, Emma, Page, and Paul (ranging in ages from 15-23). Roger runs a successful home improvement business during the week, known as “Man Around The House,” but is on hand every weekend to help Paula out with the store.

Many campers from Bowditch Lake Campground and Oakleaf Campground in nearby Chepachet, Rhode Island stop in the store to pick up supplies. The store carries grocer-

ies, ice, propane, cold beer, and cigarettes. They also get many residents from neighboring Chepachet, as the store is just minutes from the Rhode Island line. It is also close to East Putnam, situated just to the west of Quaddick Reservoir.

Quaddick Country Store also sells grinders, fresh salads, hot dogs and burgers. They even offer a veggie-burger for those that prefer a meatless meal.

On weekends, Quaddick Country Store offers seafood, such as fish and chips, clam cakes, fried calamari, whole belly clams, shrimp, and platters served with hand-cut fries. Customers can eat out or in (there is indoor-seating for about 12 people).

Quaddick Country store opens early and serves fresh, hot coffee. And of course, for those young customers with a little bit of change, they have candy available.

Quaddick Country Store is located at 1105 Quaddick Town Farm Road in Thompson.



Teri Stohlberg photos

Owner Paula Boisvert, left, runs Quaddick Country Store with the help of her family, including her daughter, Emma.

Their hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m.-9 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The phone number is 860-315-1011. They can also be found on Facebook, where they often post their current pizza

specials.

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Quaddick Country Store, on the Thompson/Rhode Island line, has been open for about a year. This quaint country store and pizzeria has recently celebrated its one-year anniversary.



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The Arc celebrates successful Rubber Duckie Race

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that their duck will be one of the first 50 to cross the finish line. The owners of the first 50 ducks across the line won prize packages based on their duck's placement, with literally thousands of ducks purchased for the event.

Community Outreach Coordinator Crystal Simonson said that the Arc Rubber Duckie Race continues to be one of the organization's biggest fundraisers, and having it timed with the Main Street Car Cruise is a huge boost for the Arc as they take advantage of the cruise for community relationship building and, of course, bringing in the maximum participation in their duck race.

"Not only is this a fun day for the community and the Arc — because all of our volunteers are Arc board members or employees, or just community members that are trying to get involved — but all proceeds also benefit individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities at the Arc. So basically any service that we need to enhance

this money helps make that happen," Simonson said. "The Town of Putnam has been amazing for us. They've given us the use of Rotary Park and having us in conjunction with their car cruise is a big help to us. People may not even know that the duck race is going on, so the car cruise is bringing in people that may not even know about what we do. Now they can see us and learn about what we do and, if they buy a duck, it helps us out."

Along with the Gardner Johnson Memorial Golf Tournament, which brought in \$45,000 for the Arc just last month, the Rubber Duckie Race is one of the biggest fundraisers the Arc holds each year, and to that effect has made rubber ducks an unspoken symbol and mascot of the Arc of Quinebaug Valley. For 2016, the event sold 3,500 ducks and brought in more than \$20,000 to help the Arc with its programs and services.

"It's so great. We have more community support than ever with our fundraisers. People are calling us to help. We don't even have to call them. The best part about it is our individuals rely on us and we as an agency rely on the community, which has been sim-

ply amazing giving us exactly what we need," Simonson said.

As the Arc Rubber Duckie Race has gotten bigger in each of its 19 years, so have the donations for prizes and giveaways, causing the Arc to package prizes together for the winners to make sure they are not giving too much away to too many people at the race's end. On top of that, it makes the race a little more appealing as those who win get a little more bang for their buck.

"Although only the first 50 ducks receive prizes, each prize package has more than one prize. For some of them they get three or more things for their duck crossing the line," Sorenson said. "The local businesses and organizations in the community have given us a lot, so much that we actually have to make these prize packages to give them out."

"We are extremely thankful for the abundance of community support we receive each year with regards to this event. Local businesses and community members have continuously been kind and generous to The Arc, and for that, we are forever grateful. Our support system is also comprised of Arc Board members, Arc staff, volunteers and everyone that simply helps us to reach our goals on a daily basis. Thank you all," said The Arc Quinebaug Valley Executive Director Susan M. Desrosiers

in a press release sent to *The Villager*.

Major sponsors for this event include: Mutual of America, Northeast Flooring & Kitchens, Roland H. Lupien, DDS & Spirol International Corporation. Other sponsors were 85 Main, Business Systems & Incentives, Inc., Chace Building Supply, CT Women of Hope, D.H. Copeland Builders, Inc., Deary's Gymnastics, Demers Accounting Services, Eighty Ates Restaurant Group, Jewett City Savings Bank, Kimbal Sheffield, DDS, Northeastern CT Health Care Credit Union, Palmieri's Pizza, Parker Memorials & Stone Co., Putnam Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM Kia, Putnam Ford, Putnam Plastics Corporation, Putnam Taxi, LLC, Taylor Brooke Winery, Titan Energy, Travelers Shell & Woodstock Radiator & Repair.

"We, as an agency, are very lucky to be situated in an area where local businesses are extremely supportive of one another. The amount of community members that have donated, sponsored, volunteered, or spread the word about the event, has been very overwhelming. You all make a difference in the lives of individuals with disabilities," said Desrosiers.

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Jason Bleau photo

More than 3,500 ducks were dumped in the Quinebaug River for the annual Arc Rubber Duck Race in Putnam during the town's Main Street Car Cruise on Aug. 14. The event brought in over \$20,000 as the second biggest fundraiser of the year for The Arc Quinebaug Valley.



Courtesy photos

The Arc Rubber Duckie (Arc volunteer Khadijah Benoit), Arc Board Treasurer Gene Michael Deary and Arc Chief Business Development Officer Linda Lamoureux.



Courtesy photos

Arc Board President Pam Brown, Arc Executive Director Susan Desrosiers and Arc Chief Financial Officer Nancy McGeowan.



Courtesy photos

Above: Jeff Briglia, Lauren Briglia and baby Mason Briglia with Arc volunteer Trevor Dieffenwierth and Arc Community Outreach Coordinator Crystal Simonson.

At right: Amelia and Arianna Masopust.



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A beautiful sunny day was the perfect backdrop for The Arc Rubber Duckie Race.



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Arc employee Abby Snyder and Arc volunteer Denise LaBranche.

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Car wash benefits Killingly graduation project

DANIELSON — Parents and students from Killingly High School’s Class of 2017 worked a car wash last Saturday, Aug. 13, at Killingly Intermediate School. The car wash benefitted Killingly High’s “Project Graduation 2017.” The funds from the car wash will be used to help finance a trip for next June’s graduates. Several events are planned over the next 10 months including a comedy night at the Elks Lodge in Danielson on Nov. 5. The fund raising goal is \$30,000.



The crew washes a South Killingly Fire Department truck.



Cheryl Albee, left, and Becky Ducat



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POLICE LOGS

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STATE POLICE
TROOP D LOGS

WOODSTOCK

Saturday, Aug. 6

Tara L. Adams, 36, of 33 Pine Crest Ridge, Woodstock, was charged with driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol; failure to grant right of way; failure to signal properly.

POMFRET CENTER

Monday, Aug. 8

Nicholas Edward Rauh, 20, of 324 Pomfret St., Pomfret Center, was charged with risk of injury to child; sex-2, victim 13-15 years old; sex-4, victim inability to consent.

BROOKLYN

Monday, Aug. 8

Kyle Geer, 22, of 51A Mason Road, Brooklyn, was charged with failure to appear second degree.

DAYVILLE

Monday, Aug. 8

Daniel Mayo, 30, 709 Woodfield Drive, Dayville, was charged with failure to respond to infraction.

Tuesday, Aug. 9

Kanika Monique Beland, 29, of 165 Breakneck Hill Road, Dayville, was charged with illegal possession of narcotic; drug paraphernalia; criminal impersonation; failure to appear first degree.

Wednesday, Aug. 10

Randy Lee Miner, 53, of 34 R and R Park, Dayville, was charged with disorderly conduct; second degree harassment; second degree reckless endangerment.

DANIELSON

Tuesday, Aug. 9

Arthur R. Johnson, 43, of 19 Market St., Apt 5, Danielson, was charged with violation of protective order.

Thursday, Aug. 11

Kayla P. Gould, 27, of 15 Prince St., Danielson, was charged with operating a motor vehicle while license is refused/suspended/revoked; reckless driving over 85 miles per hour.

Alisha L. Levola, 26, of 33 Mechanic St., Apt. A, Danielson, was charged with failure to appear second degree.

Friday, Aug. 12

Bill Timothy Cote, 51, of 39 Cady St., Danielson, was charged with violation of probation/conditional discharge.

EASTFORD

Tuesday, Aug. 9

Melissa L. Peabody, 36, 146 Fire Tower Road, Eastford, was charged with third degree larceny.

KILLINGLY

Wednesday, Aug. 10

Shannon L. Boulrier, 34, of 39 Dyer St., Killingly, was charged with failure to appear second degree.

Thursday, Aug. 11

Steven Beaudreau, 33, of 66 West Palmer St., Killingly, was charged with possession of heroin and possession of heroin with intent to sell.

Arrest Details: On Aug. 11, at approximately 8:20 p.m., Troopers assigned to the Troop D Quality of Life Task Force, Troopers from Troop D and the Killingly Resident Troopers Office as well as the Statewide Narcotics Task Force (East Office) executed a narcotics related search and seizure warrant at #66 West Palmer Street in Danielson. The search warrant was obtained after a lengthy investigation by the Troop D Quality of Life Task Force revealed Steven Beaudreau, 33, was selling heroin from his residence. Troopers made entry into the residence and secured the scene. Simultaneously, other Troopers conducted a traffic stop of Steven Beaudreau on Reynolds Street and detained him on the strength of a search warrant for his person. Beaudreau was transported back to his residence on West Palmer Street by Troopers where a systematic search of the house was conducted. During the search, Troopers located numerous bags of heroin pre-packaged for sale, cash, a digital scale and a cell phone, all of which was seized and secured as evidence at Troop D. As a result of the search warrant, Steven Beaudreau was arrested and charged with possession of heroin and possession of heroin with intent to sell. Steven Beaudreau was transported to Troop D

Danielson barracks where he was processed and held on a 25,000 cash/surety bond and is to appear in Danielson Superior Court for the above listed charges.

Members of the CT State Police are committed to combating drug activity in the “Quiet Corner” and anyone with information regarding the illegal sale of narcotics and /or synthetic marijuana are encouraged to call the Troop D QLTF anonymous Tips Hotline at 860-779-4950 or message the QLTF Facebook page.

PUTNAM

Thursday, Aug. 11

Ryan S. Studley, 31, of 10 Lyons St., Putnam, was charged with conspiracy to commit sixth degree larceny.

Arrest made in fatal motor vehicle accident case

THOMPSON — During the afternoon of Sept. 9, 2015 a car versus motorcycle accident occurred at the intersection of Dresser Hill Road and Route 197 in the Town of Thompson. This accident resulted in the death of the motorcyclist, Penny Ann Woodbury, 50, of Thompson. This extensive, nearly yearlong, investigation into this accident culminated on Aug. 11, when the operator of the at fault vehicle, Omar Velez, was held on \$75,000 cash bond and was presented at the Danielson Superior Court House on Aug. 12. Investigation was conducted by Trooper Jonathan Kelo and members of the Connecticut State Police Accident Reconstruction Unit.

Omar X. Velez, 21, of 18 Ten Schoolhouse Rd., Charlton, Mass., was charged with negligent homicide with a motor vehicle, failure to obey stop sign, possession of less than half ounce of marijuana.

PUTNAM POLICE
DEPARTMENT
LOGS

Putnam Police Department
Arrest Log Report

Monday, Aug. 8

Victor Doucette, 43, of 14 Woodside St., Putnam, was charged with breach of peace

Christopher Doty, 47, of 80 Mill St., Putnam, was charged with violation of a restraining order

Wednesday, Aug. 10

Alexander Corden, 18, of 4 Shore Dr., Woodstock, was charged with failure to drive right

Thursday, Aug. 11

Eric Langley, 32, of 70B Dog Hill Rd., Dayville, was charged with threatening

Sunday, Aug. 14

Paige Breton, 28, of 25 Curtis Dr., Tolland, was charged with speeding

Clinton Chase, 30, of 806 Hartford Pike, Dayville, was charged with speeding, operating an unregistered motor vehicle

Rachel Easterly, 47, of 63 Jacque Rd., Dayville, was charged with speeding

Deanna Gilmore, 30, of 77B Van Den Noort St., Putnam, was charged with second-degree failure to appear

Kimberly Murray, 26, of 77B Van Den Noort St., Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct, interfering with police

Aspinock Historical Society
announces Appeal Campaign

PUTNAM — The Putnam Aspinock Historical Society recently announced its Annual Appeal Campaign, “Protecting the Future by Preserving the Past.”

The goal is to raise \$10,000. Proceeds will be used to enhance programs and projects of the Society. A number of local citizens have volunteered to serve on the Campaign Leadership Team.

The General Chairmen are brothers Marc and Tom Archambault of the Archambault Insurance Associates. They were raised in Putnam and have expanded the family insurance business started by their grandfather. They have been involved in community activities all their lives and believe that Putnam has a wonderful and varied past that needs to be preserved.

As they stated, “We have enjoyed growing up and living in a community where our history surrounds us every day. From the mills along the river, to Main Street, and even the building we work in, our past can be seen and touched. It has instilled in us a strong sense of community and pride in the history that our town has enjoyed. We are excited to be able to help preserve this knowledge for future generations.”

Assisting the Archambaults will be John Miller and Dick Loomis as division leaders for Corporate and Finance and former Mayor, Richard “Pete” Place who is the chair for Businesses. Greg King will lead the Major Gifts division while Scott Pempek leads the division for Organizations. Chairing the division for Community is Robert Garceau, and Dr. Louise Pempek chairs the division for Aspinock Historical Society members and directors.

Although proceeds from the campaign will assist the Society in continuing its on-going activities, immediate attention must be given to preserving, organizing and storing the memorabilia, photos, and archives which are now housed in the antiquated historical society building. A committee is researching and writing about the Irish and Scottish immigrants who came to Putnam. With the funds from the appeal, this book will be added to the three previously published volumes about the Italian, Polish and French-Canadian families who immigrated here.

The Putnam Aspinock Historical Society was founded in 1972 when a dozen citizens recognized the need to preserve our past and educate people in the area about our rich heritage. The first public event was celebrating the 200th anniversary of the raising of the Liberty Flag on the Putnam Heights green at which then Senator Abraham Ribicoff spoke.

Later, the Society procured a boxcar and developed it into a museum dedicated to beloved local teacher and

author of The Boxcar Children series, Gertrude Chandler Warner. Each year the museum receives visitors from all over the United States. Many interesting and diverse programs have been held through the years, featuring a vast variety of topics from major themes such as the Flood of 1955 to very specific historical items. A Rhode Island man bought a box of wooden pieces at a yard sale. Once he had put the pieces together, he realized it was a carousel, which had been hand-carved by a Putnam native, Marshall Whittemore, at the turn of the last century and shared his find with the Society members.

Each year members provide tours and talks to local schools, groups and the community. Members are also called upon by the Town of Putnam to provide historical information. Members often assist students in researching information from Putnam’s past and provide resources for teachers.

A major project, which is a “work in progress,” is restoring the Cady-Copp cottage, built in 1732, on the Putnam Heights green. The Society hopes to outfit and open it as a museum to the public in the future.

The most recent and notable event was the honoring of World War II veterans. The names and pictures of Putnam’s World War II veterans were posted on a Wall of Remembrance and the 35 Putnam young men who gave the ultimate sacrifice were memorialized during the 70th anniversary of the ending of the war. Programs were held throughout the summer months. Incidentally, a publication of this “Wall” will soon be on sale to the public.

The Annual Appeal for funds will guarantee that the dedicated volunteers who provide these important tasks of preserving the local history and sharing it with the community will be able to continue and expand the services of the Putnam Aspinock Historical Society.



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Vintage baseball takes root in Woodstock

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

WOODSTOCK — The ghosts of baseball past watch over Steven “Soles” Bernard on the Woodstock Common. During the Civil War the Common played host to the upstart sport of baseball. One hundred and fifty years later the Woodstock Hilltoppers stay true to the game’s origins — rounding the bags on the same hallowed ground.

“It’s almost like going into old buildings and feeling like you wish you could hear the ghosts and all the things that have gone on,” Bernard said. “You feel like you’re almost going back in time as we play — and that’s what we wanted to create — a moment when life was a little bit simpler.”

Three years ago the Hilltoppers vintage baseball club took root from the efforts of Sean “Nails” Connor. He started the club from scratch. Connor recruited players, built a schedule, outfitted the team in authentic uniforms, and manages the roster. Prior to establishing the Hilltoppers Connor played in vintage leagues in the Hartford area but wanted to germinate a ballclub closer to his home in Woodstock — hence the seeding on Woodstock Common. Now in its third season, the team has flourished.

“I had no idea there was any interest in this part of the state. Where I’d been playing in Hartford, I thought that was the group. But come to find out there were a lot of people who were interested,” Connor said.

The growth of vintage baseball is testament to the endurance of the game and the romance of the past. Connor researched baseball in the

Quiet Corner in the 19th century and discovered several clubs did battle back in the day.

“I found out how many teams that used to play back in this era in and around Putnam and Woodstock. Just looking at the old Putnam Patriot newspaper, each neighborhood almost had a team, or the factories, and they would play each other, and have championships,” said Connor, 43.

The Hilltoppers had a 10-game schedule of Saturday doubleheaders this season. They are next scheduled to play at Wethersfield on Aug. 27 and close out the season at Lisbon on Sept. 24. The Hilltoppers had five home dates on the Common this season, closing out the home schedule against Thames on Aug. 6. Connor marveled at the notion that he was playing on the same field that hosted games during the Civil War era.

“It’s amazing. I tell people that when we’re playing, you look around — just ignore the cars — and it’s the same,” said Connor of the landmarks that surround the Common. “The (Woodstock) Academy building, Roseland Cottage, the cemetery, the (Congregational) Church — everything — same place, same building, everything looks the same. It’s almost like were not reenacting, we’re just continuing.”

The 1861 rulebook allowed balls that are caught on one bounce to be considered outs. Keeping with the era’s bylaws and traditions, no fielders gloves were used back in the day. “Soles” Bernard said vintage baseball is a thinking man’s game.

“The modern game’s great but this game, to me, I just really love because there’s a lot of



Charlie Lentz photo

The Woodstock Hilltoppers, front row, from left; Sean “Nails” Connor, Joshua “Tater” Beshaw, Brian “Masher” Beshaw. Back row, from left: Steven “Soles” Bernard, Mike “Anvil” Johnson, Matt “Thunder” Paradis, Tom “Tomcat” Morris, Peter “Liberty” Liberante.

strategy involved with the one-bounce rule. There’s a lot of hit and run,” said Bernard, from Tolland. “You have to have some athleticism. You can’t just be a big thumper like you see in softball. This is a really nice game combining strategy and ability.”

Despite the vintage rules the will to win is as fresh as ever. Back in the day baseball was referred to as a “gentlemen’s game” and Connor said they adhere to those civilities.

“There’s competitiveness but it’s not overt. It’s not over the top where you get upset,” Connor said. “You want to get

the hit. You want to make the play. You want to have a good time and just being out here is having a good time.”

The games are played with an authentic “lemon peel” ball from the 19th century era, one piece of leather stitched together — as opposed to today’s baseball, which is two pieces of cowhide stitched together. The lemon peel ball was used exclusively before 1880 and is softer and slightly bigger than a modern-era baseball. It does not travel as far as today’s ball.

The Hilltoppers plan to return to Woodstock Common next year and Bernard hopes

to hang with them. The ghosts of baseball past will likely have company in summers future.

“Some of us get a little older and perhaps want to lessen our duties. We have confidence that other people will take our place and keep it going,” said Bernard, 46. “It does feel really special that we can keep a tradition like this going like it was back then. You feel like you’re part of that lineage. We’re part of this town a little bit in terms of our baseball team.”

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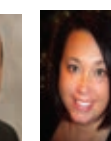
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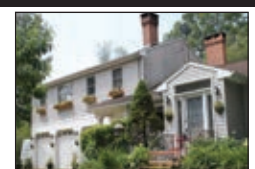
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Vintage baseball on the Woodstock Common

WOODSTOCK — Time took a holiday on Aug. 6 when the Woodstock Hilltoppers played host to Thames in a vintage baseball game on Woodstock Common, using the rules from the Civil War era. The 1861 rulebook allows balls caught on one bounce to be considered outs. Keeping with the era, no fielder’s gloves were used back in the day and games were played with a “lemon peel” ball, one piece of leather stitched together — as opposed to today’s baseball, which is two pieces of cowhide stitched together. The lemon peel ball was used exclusively before 1880 and is softer and slightly bigger than a modern-era baseball. Woodstock fell to Thames 7-5. Woodstock’s Brian “Masher” Beshaw lived up to his nickname with a prodigious homer.



Matt “Thunder” Paradis



Charlie Lentz photos



Tom “Tomcat” Morris



Sean “Nails” Connor



“Tomcat” Morris scores a run.



Brian “Masher” Beshaw legs out a single.



Steven “Soles” Bernard



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Mike “Anvil” Johnson



Brian “Masher” Beshaw

Charter Oak Killingly Rec softball

DAYVILLE — Last week the regular season ended in the Charter Oak Credit Union / Killingly Recreation Department Modified Softball League. The regular season concluded with an important contest to determine second place and the number two seed in the playoffs. The final match pitted regular-season champion Foxy’s Gang against JC Flooring.

When the final pitch was tossed, by Justin Campion, JC Flooring won 18-16. The win gave JC Flooring the second seed followed by Maury’s Pub / Universal Fiberoptics, Desmarais & Sons and Integrity Automotive.

In JC Flooring’s win, the score was tied 7-7 after two innings. Trailing 13-7 in the sixth inning, Foxy’s Gang tied it with six runs. JC Flooring added five runs and held off Foxy’s.

Jim Hoyt hit a two-run homer. Hoyt and Shane Nadeau each homered and had three hits each and four RBIs. Nick Otenti went 4-for-5. For Foxy’s, Jack Weaver went 4-for-5 with two doubles and two RBIs. Mike Fortin Jr. had hits and 4 RBIs with 2 doubles. Josh Fortin had a three-run homer.

Brad Oatley of Foxy’s Gang was Player of the Month for July. The top pitching award went to Foxy’s Mike Fortin Sr. with an 11-1 record. The league MVP went to JC’s Jim Hoyt who earned the Triple Crown Award with an average of .645, with 12 homers and 54 RBIs.

League leaders: average, Hoyt .645; Brad Oatley .578, Brett Fowler .567. Homers: Hoyt 12, four players with seven: Josh Fortin, Mike Fortin, Fowler, and Bubba Gauvin. RBIs: Hoyt 54, Oatley 51, Chuck Broussard 42. Stolen bases, Ben Gagnon 13, Nick Otenti 1, Palonen 8. Runs: Oatley 45, Andrew Gosselin 40, Lou Bousquet and Tyler Stucke-Desmarais both with 39. Hits: Hoyt 40, Stucke 39, Oatley 37. Triples, Gosselin 7, Oatley 5, Kyle Schmidt 3. Doubles, Broussard 8 and Bryce Beaulac and Stucke, 7.



Courtesy photo

Brad Oatley was Player of the Month for July.

Final standings: Foxy’s Gang 15-5, JC Flooring 12-8, Universal Fiberoptics / Maury’s Pub 11-9, Desmarais & Son / CT Plasma 10-10, Integrity Automotive / Gervais Insurance 2-18.



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Mae Vennard Grant, 89



BARNSTABLE, MASS. – Born to Immigrants from Northern Ireland, on July 2, 1927, in Manchester, she was predeceased by her parents, Stewart David Vennard and Mary Patterson Vennard. She was also predeceased by brothers, Stewart and George, who died in childhood, and her beloved sister, Eileen Perry, late of Scotland. Mae was baptized, confirmed, and on May 14, 1949, married at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in Manchester, to her high school sweetheart, Earl Hudson Grant, who died on July 10, 2004. Earl and Mae were active members of that Manchester congregation, and contributed there to a stained glass window in their memory. In 1991 Earl and Mae moved to the Old Mill Village of Marstons Mills, Massachusetts, where they thoroughly enjoyed Cape Cod living, wonderful new neighbors, and became active members of St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, Barnstable, Massachusetts, a congregation that became their extended family throughout their lives there. A beautiful stained glass window dedicated in their memory, picturing a dolphin and ocean waves, is in the Sanctuary of St Mary’s, Barnstable. Mae relocated to Heatherwood Retirement Community in Yarmouthport, Massachusetts in January 2016, where she was very happy and made wonderful friends with neighbors and staff. Following a memorial service her cremains will be interred with Earl’s in the Memorial Garden at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church. Barnstable, Massachusetts.

Mae is survived by her precious daughters, Susan and Greta, both of whom lovingly cared for her in her final months. She will be missed and mourned by their families, Susan Mae Grant-Nash, Joseph Nash and his daughter and son-in-law, Sue and Ron Ditzel, and their daughters, Abby and Amelia, who loved entertaining their “Grammie Mae” when she vacationed in Putnam, and Greta Eileen Grant McCue and James McCue, of Mashpee, Massachusetts, and sons, Michael and Patrick, and daughter, Amy and husband Glenn McCrystal, and their children Cameron and Hannah, of Vernon. Michael and Patrick were the light and joy of their grandparents’ retirement years on Cape Cod, and brought great comfort to both during their final days. Mae is also survived by dear Irish cousins, David Vennard Knox and his wife, Maye, of Belfast, Northern Ireland, with whom she and her daughters fulfilled her lifelong dream of visiting the birthplace of her parents. Mae and Earl also treasured their extended family of Grant and

Perry nieces and nephews, and their CT and Cape Cod friends, neighbors and Church communities, so many of whom provided much appreciated emotional and spiritual support to Mae and her family.

Mae dearly loved her family, and her profession as a Registered Nurse. She was a 1945 graduate of Manchester high School, and recently attended their 71st reunion. She graduated from the New England Deaconess Hospital in 1948, attended Manchester Community College, and graduated from Eastern Connecticut State University with a Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work in 1983. Mae began her nursing career and worked for many years at Manchester Memorial Hospital, continuing work in Manchester as Director of In-service Education and then as Director of Nursing at Crestfield Convalescent Hospital. She completed her career at the State of Connecticut Department of Social Services, conducting reviews of nursing homes and hospitals in Eastern Connecticut. Mae was a life-long learner and volunteer, from Girl Scout Leader for her daughters, to facilitator of support groups for the American Cancer Society, Salvation Army Soup Kitchen, and myriad church committees and activities. In recent years Mae brought joy and comfort to friends, family and parishioners through her ministry of sending cards and letters for birthdays, anniversaries and condolences.

Mae and her daughters invite all who wish to attend to come to her memorial service and collation following interment, at St Mary’s Episcopal Church, Route 6A, Barnstable, Massachusetts, on Saturday, August 20, at 2:00 PM. Donations may be made in her name to the St. Mary’s Memorial Garden, or to a scholarship in Mae and Earl Grant’s name, at the Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod, 25 Benjamin Franklin Way, Hyannis, MA 02601, or any branch of that bank. This scholarship will be offered to students of Mashpee High School and Upper Cape Cod Regional Technical High School, who wish to pursue a nursing career, and/or exemplify compassion and kindness in their volunteer activities.

Susan and Greta offer heartfelt thanks to all who helped them care for Mae in her final months in Connecticut family, friends, members of St. Mary’s in Barnstable and Manchester, and Trinity Episcopal Church in Brooklyn, CT, and Dr. Keller, Dr. Baum and the entire staff of Day Kimball Hospital, especially the E.D., 1 East, Pastoral Care and Hospice.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Gilman & Valade Funeral Homes and Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook please visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Julia H. Curotto, 90



COEUR D’ALENE, IDAHO, Julia H. Curotto passed away peacefully on July 29 in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. Julie was born Julia Helen Sund in McIndoe Falls, Vermont, February 28, 1926 to Oscar and Helen Sund. She attended school in McIndoe Falls, Vermont and Greenfield, Massachusetts and resided in Hop Bottom, Pennsylvania; East Ryegate, Barton, and Danville, Vermont; North Grosvenordale; San Antonio, Texas; Chocorua and Ossipee, New Hampshire; Putnam; Ashburn, Virginia; and Blanchard and Coeur d’Alene, Idaho.

She married George V. Curotto of Staten Island, New York in 1948. They started their lives on a dairy farm in Pennsylvania. After several moves, they settled in Connecticut where she went to school and became a licensed practical nurse at the age of 39 while raising six children. She worked as an Operating Room Technician at Day Kimball Hospital in Putnam for many years and following her retirement she was a live-in caretaker, working until age 75.

She was a member of several churches and passionately sang in the choirs. She loved music and singing, traveling, and swimming. Julie enjoyed knitting, crocheting, jigsaw puzzles,

and playing cribbage with her family, especially her sisters, and visiting her sister Rose and her family on Nantucket Island. She made many friends at the Senior Meals in Spirit Lake, Idaho and always stayed for a lively game of Pinochle. She looked forward to the many activities at the Blanchard Community Center, especially the cooking classes. She was still driving until age 88. Julie was ‘Mom/Ma’ to many.

She was the middle child and the last of 5 siblings. She was predeceased by her husband, her sisters Jessie and Rose, and her brothers James and Toly. She is survived by her children Thomas Curotto of Blanchard, Idaho; Lynne Gilman and husband, Alan, of Madison, New Hampshire; Nancy Curotto of Blanchard, Idaho; John Curotto of Thompson; William Curotto of Thompson; Bruce Curotto and wife, Patricia, of Silver Lake, New Hampshire; her brother-in-law Theodore Curotto and his wife Ta of Crossville, Tennessee; sister-in-law Alta Sund of Greenfield, Massachusetts; and numerous nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held September 24 at 2:00pm at the Putnam Congregational Church, 175 Main St., Putnam. “We are so lucky and grateful to have had such a great Mom and for so long; but it makes her absence more difficult.”

Tammy J. Paul, 37



PUTNAM — Tammy J. (Saravara) Paul, 37, of Putnam, Conn., formerly Uxbridge, passed away Saturday, Aug. 13, in Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston. She was the wife of Stephen M. Paul.

Tammy was a senior manager microbiologist at Alexion Pharmaceutical Inc. in Holden, since November of 2015. Prior to that she was employed with GTCB in Charlton.

She was born Oct. 4, 1978, in Woonsocket, R.I., the daughter of Wayne J. and Jean S. (Stankevitz) Saravara of Thompson, Conn. She graduated from Uxbridge High School, Class of 1997 and UMass Amherst in 2001 with a BS in Pre Veterinarian Medicine.

Tammy loved to travel, she especially enjoyed her trips to Disney. She loved being outside, enjoyed going hunting, fishing and was a member of the NRA. Along with her family, she made entries to the Woodstock Fair, as

she loved to cook and bake. Most of all, Tammy enjoyed spending time with her three children and family.

In addition to her parents, Wayne and Jean Saravara and husband, Stephen, of 10 years, Tammy is survived by her son, Brady J. Paul; a daughter, Dorothy A. Paul and step-daughter, Kylie A. Cummings all of Putnam; paternal grandmother, Alma M. (Casey) Saravara of Millville; a sister, Dawn E. and her husband Emil Uliano of Rye, N.H., and many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours were held Thursday, Aug. 18, in the Buma Funeral Home, 101 N. Main St., Rte. 122, Uxbridge.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Aug. 19, at 12 noon in St. Joseph Church, 18 Main St., North Grosvenordale, Conn. Interment will be in the St. Joseph Cemetery, North Grosvenordale, Conn., at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284.

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Normand A Auger, JR. , 68



PUTNAM – Normand A. Auger, Jr. 68, passed away on Friday August 12, after a brief battle with mesothelioma cancer. He leaves his wife of nineteen years Jo-Ann (Dumas). He leaves his son Brandon; a sister Paulette Jensen and her husband David; a brother Robert Auger and his wife Lynn; three grandchildren Matthew, Ryan, and Sara, and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his father and mother Normand and Fernande (Paul) Auger, Sr. and a nephew Jeffrey Toutant.

Normand graduated from Putnam High School in 1965 and joined the United States Air Force in 1966. But, Normand’s real love was sports, especially baseball and the Boston Red Sox. He was an outstanding pitcher in little league and played varsity baseball at Putnam High School throughout his entire four years. His dream was to play Pro baseball and had it not been for the Vietnam War and his enlistment into the Air Force there’s no doubt that he would have accomplished that. His love for sports continued throughout his life, and golf became a huge part of it. No golf tournament was complete without Normand playing alongside

his brother Robert, and of course they usually won.

Normand also loved meeting and talking with people. And, due to the fact that he was a Putnam mailman for seventeen years, before his retirement in 2002, he did manage to get in a few conversations while delivering the mail. His personality and wit was unsurpassed. Normand could never tell a joke or funny story without laughing half way through it. But, his laugh was so infectious that anyone listening would be laughing along with him, even before the punchline.

Normand was a one-of-a-kind man who never spoke badly of anyone. He will be greatly missed not only by his family, but all those who have had the pleasure of meeting him.

Relatives and friends visited with Normand’s family on August 18 in the Gilman Funeral Home, 104 Church St., Putnam. A gathering will begin in the funeral home on Friday August 19, 2016 at 1:00p.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 2:00 p.m. in St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St, Putnam, CT. Burial will be private. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com

Donald Edward Dexter, 70



DANIELSON – Donald Edward Dexter, 70, was the son of Claire Fortin Dexter and Stephen A. Dexter Jr. He was born in Providence, Rhode Island on April 24, 1946 and died at home on July 24.

He was a U.S. Army veteran and served tour of duty at the DMZ in Korea. His beloved wife of many years was the late Sandra J. Gagne.

He is survived by his daughter Valerie of Indiana, his granddaughter Cheryl Ann and Eric Kuuttilla of Wauregan, grandson Donnie of Kentucky, and his much loved granddaughters Julianna, Isabella, and Audrey also of Wauregan of whom he was extremely proud. He is also survived by his sister Lucille and husband of New Hampshire, brother Raymond A, and family of Arizona;

sister Jeannie M. of California; brothers James N. and Leonard P. of Danielson and their families; half-sister Marie and her family of Rhode Island; brother in law Donald Egan (surviving spouse of late sister Linda Egan who predeceased Donald in September 2015) and his family, many loving nieces nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his half-sister Michele.

His faithful and loving companion was his dog Sandy who will be cared for and loved by his niece Lindsey.

Many knew him as “The Duck.” He loved to play cards, was an avid golfer and a rabid N.Y. Yankee fan. He had ready smile and a heart full of family love. He will be sorely missed.

Irene O. Cague, 94



P O M F R E T CENTER - Irene O. Cague, 94, having resided in Pomfret Center, died August 7 at Westview Convalescent Center. Born in Hartford on February 24, 1922, and living most of her life in East Hartford, she was preceded in death by her husband, Maynard, after 59 years of marriage. Before his passing Maynard described Irene as an extraordinary woman. His business partner in Maynard’s, Inc., she was a tireless Republican volunteer in East Hartford, an exquisite seamstress, competitive force on the golf course, initiator of coffee hour after Mass at St. Mary’s, and a world traveler and wonderful ambassador for the United States. Irene played a mean harmonica among other

instruments, and last, but certainly not least, started painting in her sixties and produced the most beautiful water colors, exquisite in their detail. Irene loved her husband and children, many brothers and sisters and close friends above all else. She was generous with her time, talent, and treasure. For her, one really good laugh a day made it perfect and her thumbs up meant you should rely on the Holy Spirit. She will always be loved, remembered, and admired for the strong faithful woman she was.

She is survived by her son, Forest Cague and wife Mary Burton of Ashford and their daughters, Jennifer Cague of San Diego, California, Rebecca Cague and husband Glenn Greenstein and their son Liam of Silver Spring, Maryland, and by her daughter, Sandy Flath and her daughters, Dayna Flath and husband Mike Fineran and their daughters, Hannah and Paloma all of Pomfret Center and Leslie Flath Ganz and husband Mark Ganz and their children David and Clara Ganz of Portland, Oregon and sister Lorraine Quimby and her husband Charles.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at a later date to be announced. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Most Holy Trinity Church, PO Box 235, Pomfret, CT. 06258. Arrangements by Smith and Walker Funeral Home, 148 Grove Street, Putnam. Share a memory at www.smithandwalkerfh.com

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OBITUARIES

Maurice A. Langevin, 91



BROOKLYN – Maurice Alexander Langevin, 91, of Allen Hill Road in Brooklyn, died August 12. He was born January 18, 1925 in Wauregan, son of Charles and Emelia (Chapdelaine)

Langevin. He married Simone Bouthillier on July 14, 1945 at St. James Church. He was a graduate of Sacred Heart School and Plainfield High School. Upon completion of his education he worked for Royal Metal Corporation as a Time Study Analyst until his retirement. Mr. Langevin enjoyed traveling to the White Mountains, Myrtle Beach, Hawaii, France, Rome and Italy. He loved his family and he loved music, enjoyed playing numerous instruments and as a young lad, was part of a march-

ing band. He was known for playing The “Happy Birthday Song” on his harmonica to each of his 7 great grandchildren. He made beautiful gardens, sharing all his produce with the family. He was a communicant of St. James Church. He was predeceased by his wife Simone, son Robert, and brother Raymond Langevin. Survivors include one son Charles Langevin of Brooklyn and one daughter Carmen Gilbeault of Brooklyn, one grandniece Selene (LaFleur) Heath of Washington state, sister Clarisse Pakulis of Cape Coral, Florida, eight grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, a dear friend Alice and many nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on August 17 at St. James Church, Danielson. Burial followed in Holy Cross Cemetery, Danielson. There are no calling hours. To leave an online condolence please visit tillinghastfh.com.

Kenneth F. McNally, 63



DANIELSON – Kenneth F. McNally, 63, of Danielson, died August 7 at home. He was the beloved husband of Sally A. (Ladd) McNally, they were married May 25, 1974 in the Danielson United Methodist Church. He was born April 8, 1953 in Sherman, Maine, son of the late Patrick McNally and Frances (Lilly) Woodard. He was employed for 27 years at Anchor Glass in Dayville, working as a machinist in the Hot-end. After the plant closing, he went to work as a machinist at the Rogers Corporation in Woodstock, he retired after 12 years due to poor health. He

was an avid Boston Red Sox and New England Patriots Fan as well as the UCONN Men’s Basketball. He leaves his wife of 42 years Sally A. McNally, his sons Richard McNally and Jason McNally both of Danielson; a brother George McNally and his wife Pat of Florida; a sister Sheila Cullins of Maine; his brother-in-law James Ladd of Danielson; sister-in-law Barbara Mazzearella of Dayville, many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his step father Richard Woodard and his brothers James McNally and Sheldon McNally. Funeral services will be private. Arrangements by Gagnon and Costello Funeral Home, 33 Reynolds Street, Danielson, CT. Share a memory with his family at www.gagnonandcostellofh.com

Omer W. Menard, 93



N O R T H GROSVENORDALE – Omer W. Menard, 93, formerly of Market St., died August 14 at Davis Place Nursing Home in Killingly. He was the loving husband of Carolyn (Madura)

Menard whom he married on June 25, 1983 after the death of his first wife Edna (Blanchette) Menard who died on August 11, 1980. Born in Oxford, Massachusetts, he was the son of the late Ephrem and Letitia (Robert) Menard.

Mr. Menard worked for many years at a spring factory in Oxford, Massachusetts. He was a devout Boston Red Sox fan and in his earlier years he was a amateur boxer in North Grosvenordale.

Omer is survived by his wife, a daughter Ann Gauvin of Florida;

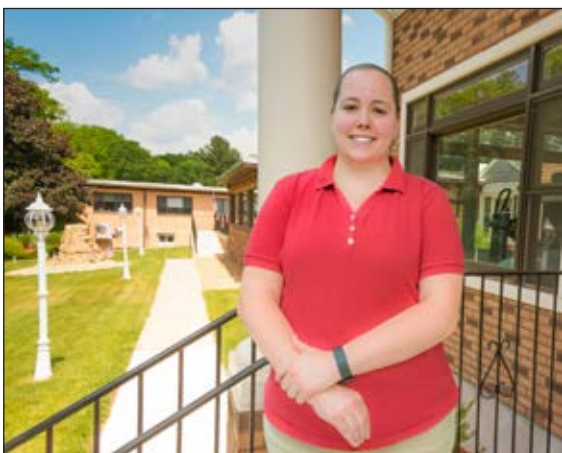
a step daughter Lisa Sharpe of N. Grosvenordale; a sister Blanche Czernicki of Putnam; two grandchildren Donald Gauvin of Massachusetts and Jami Perry of Florida; four great grandchildren Craig, Rebecca, Jeffrey, and Veronica. He was predeceased by two sons Gerard Menard and Alan Menard; brothers Eugene, Ernest, Robert, and William Menard; sisters Dora Grochowski, Elaine Moran, and Aurore Barthelet; and two grandsons Christopher Menard and Jeffrey Menard.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a graveside service to be held on Saturday, August 20, at 11:00 a.m. in St. Joseph Cemetery, 18 Main St., N. Grosvenordale. Gilman-Valade Funeral Homes and Crematory 104 Church St., Putnam have been entrusted with the arrangements. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

NEWS BRIEF

BELANGER JOINS WESTVIEW TEAM

Courtesy photo



DAYVILLE — Westview Health Care Center is proud to announce that Kayla Belanger, DPT, of Pomfret, has joined the growing team of health care professionals in the facility’s Sports Medicine Department.

Belanger is a 2016 graduate of UConn where she obtained a doctorate degree in physical therapy and holds a bachelor degree in allied health sciences with a minor in psychology.

“She’s a remarkable physical therapist and we’re very excited to have Kayla as part of Team Westview,” stated Alex Williams, director of Sports Medicine. “Kayla’s confidence and vast understanding of the human body and her dedication to the field was quickly realized to be a valuable asset to our expanding department and the needs of our patients.”

In her free time Belanger enjoys traveling, camping and attending sporting events with her friends and family. As an avid sports enthusiast she is eagerly awaiting the upcoming Summer Olympics in Rio.

“Being at Westview has been such a positive experience for me,” remarked Belanger. “I’m excited to start my career within such a high energy environment and amongst so many like-minded professionals.”

Villager Newspapers COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

“Shining a light on community events”

August 20, Sat., 4:30-7pm

Westfield Church Ham & Bean Supper

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August 20, Sat., 10am

Tenth Annual Cruisin for Chris Show to Go Poker Run, at Knights of Columbus in North Grosvenordale. 10 am sign in, 11 am take off, 3pm final arrival/dinner. Raffles, moon bounce, live band (Juice Box), face painting, and fun for the whole family! \$20 per person, kids 10 and under free. Call 860-923-2656 for tickets/info.

August 20, Sat., 8am-2pm

Big Book Sale at the North Woodstock Congregational Church, located at the intersection of 1227 Rte. 169 & Rte. 197, North Woodstock. Fiction, nonfiction, cooking, gardening, vintage, kids & teens and in between. Plus teacher’s resource materials for early Elementary school. For info call 860-928-2629 or 860-428-2445

August 21, Sun., 1-4pm

Quasset School, a historic one-room schoolhouse, will be open for tours. Located on Frog Pond Road, next to Woodstock Elementary School. (every Sunday in August).

August 22

The Town of Putnam will have a metal and non-electronic appliance pick up (refrigerators, washing machines, dryers, hot water tanks, stoves). Put metal and non-electronic appliances out at the edge

of road on Mon. 8/22 through Fri. 8/26. Pick up will be done according to regular trash routes. No stickers required. For info www.putnamct.us or call 963-6818.

August 24, Wed., 9:15am

Ocean Beach, New London - A day in the sun on one of the loveliest beaches in the Northeast! Meet at the Pomfret Senior Center, 207 Mashamoquet Road (Route 44) in Pomfret. Open to all area seniors. You are responsible for your own transportation. 860-928-7459

August 25, Thurs., 10:30am

Blood Pressure Clinic- Free Blood Pressure Screening starts at 10:30am. Open to all area seniors. 860-928-7459. Pomfret Senior Center at 207 Mashamoquet Road (Route 44) in Pomfret.

August 25, Thurs., 2pm

Putnam Seniors Club, meet the at VFW, 207 Providence Street, Putnam. Dues are \$6 per year. Penny social/bingo after the meeting. Many other activities.

August 26, Fri., 1pm

The LiR (adult learners) program at QVCC is having a free open house presentation in the QVCC auditorium on Maple Street in Danielson, “The 1964-65 NY World’s Fair, presented by Jason Scappaticci. Refreshments will follow.

This page is designed to shine a light on upcoming local nonprofit, educational and community events. Submissions are limited to 50 words or less and are **FREE** to qualifying organizations, schools, churches and town offices. To submit your event contact: Teri Stohlberg at 860-928-1818 ext. 105, or teri@villagernewspapers.com. Deadline for submission is Friday at Noon

LEGALS

Town of Thompson Board of Assessment Appeals LEGAL NOTICE

Citizens of Thompson are hereby informed that the Board of Assessment Appeals for the Town of Thompson will hold its sessions solely for appeals on Motor Vehicles and personal property on the following dates:

August 30th, 6-8 pm

2nd Floor Town Hall

September 8th, 6-8 pm

2nd Floor Town Hall

September 13th, 6-8 pm

2nd Floor Town Hall

September 15th, 6-8 pm

2nd Floor Town Hall

September 20th, 6-8 pm

2nd Floor Town Hall

The appeal forms are available on the Town of Thompson’s web site under the assessor’s office. If you need a form mailed please call the assessor’s office at 860-923-2259. You will be notified by mail as to the time of your

appointment.

Sessions will be held in the Assessor’s Office, 2nd floor at the Town Hall Office Building at 815 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale, CT.

Notice given of sessions to confirm to section 12-110 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut.

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

Erica Groh, Chairman

Linda Jarmolowicz

Dan Santerre

August 19, 2016

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF WOODSTOCK BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

Citizens of Woodstock are hereby informed that the Board of Assessment Appeals for the Town of Woodstock will hold its sessions on the following dates:

September 12, 2016-Monday, beginning at 6:00PM

September 13, 2016-Tuesday, beginning at 6:00PM

Appointments must be made by calling the Assessor’s Office before September 1, 2016 at 860-928-6929 Ext 326 or Ext 327. E-Mail: assessor@woodstockct.gov

Such sessions are held solely for appeals on MOTOR VEHICLES for the October 2015 Grand List.

Sessions will be held in the Selectmans Conference room at the Town Hall Office Building at 415 Route 169, Woodstock, CT.

Notice given of sessions held to conform to section 12-110 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut.

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT APPEALS

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August 19, 2016

August 26, 2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF William E Knopf

(16-00252)

The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated August 8, 2016, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Brenda Duquette, Clerk

The fiduciary is:

Brett T Knopf

c/o Gabrielle Labonte, Esq.,

214B Providence Road, PO Box 709,

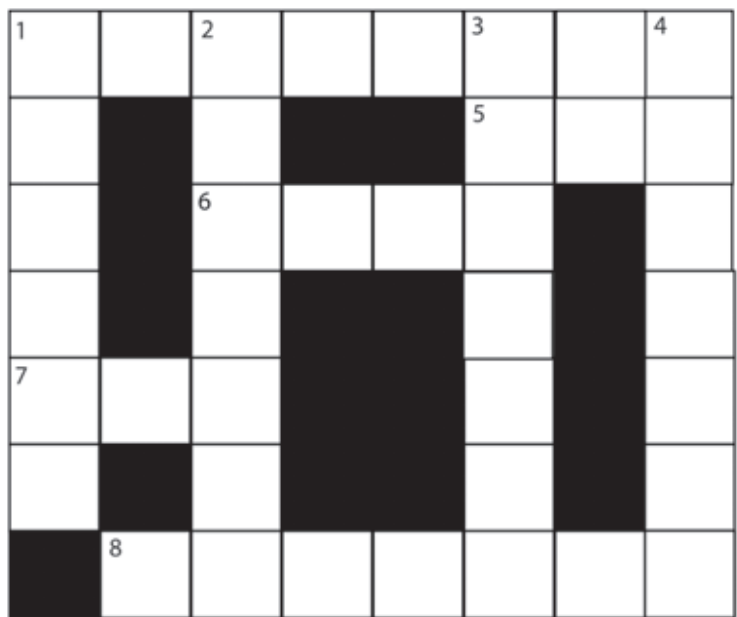
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August 19, 2016

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Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**

 - 1. Being chilly
 - 5. To do something
 - 6. Outer garment
 - 7. Cow sound
 - 8. Give new strength
- DOWN**

 - 1. Thick and smooth
 - 2. Dairy sugar
 - 3. Can be eaten
 - 4. Fashion sense

Answers:
Across 1. Coldness 5. Act 6. Coat 7. Moo 8. Refresh
Down 1. Creamy 2. Lactose 3. Eatable 4. Stylish

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HEATED SEATS, CHEVY MYLINK,
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FULL POWER, #P121
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LEATHER, HEATED SEATS,
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SILVERADO 1500 LTZ EXT. CAB**
4X4, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS,
ONE OWNER,
ONLY 36,000 MILES, 271,
#SI16004A
YOUR PRICE
\$26,988

**2013 GMC
SIERRA 1500**
SLE EXTENDED CAB, 4X4,
ONE OWNER, HERITAGE EDITION,
LOW MILES,
#TK16259A
ORIGINAL MSRP
\$44,120
YOUR PRICE
\$27,988

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TRAVERSE LS**
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 8 PASSENGER,
ONLY 10,000 MILES,
ONE OWNER, STK #P1626A
ORIGINAL MSRP
\$36,760
YOUR PRICE
\$27,988

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SILVERADO 1500 LT CREW CAB**
4X4, 271 PACKAGE,
ONE OWNER, LOW MILES,
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6 CYLINDER, MOONROOF, NAV,
LOW MILES, ONE OWNER,
#P207
ORIGINAL MSRP
\$43,486
YOUR PRICE
\$29,988

**2013 GMC
ACADIA SLT**
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 7 PASSENGER,
NAVIGATION, MOON ROOF,
HEATED SEATS,
ONE OWNER, STK #P199
ORIGINAL MSRP
\$45,590
YOUR PRICE
\$29,988

**2013 GMC
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4X4, LEATHER, MOONROOF,
HEATED SEATS,
7 PASSENGER,
#ES155038
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\$31,988

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\$22,988

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SEDAN LUXURY
COLLECTION**
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 2.0 TURBO,
ULTRAVIEW MOONROOF, HEATED
COOLED SEATS, ONE OWNER,
LOW MILES STK #P1626A
ORIGINAL MSRP
\$45,682
YOUR PRICE
\$25,988

**2014 CADILLAC CTS
SEDAN LUXURY
COLLECTION**
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 2.0 TURBO,
ULTRAVIEW MOONROOF, HEATED
COOLED SEATS, ONE OWNER,
LOW MILES STK #P141
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