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Passion of a professional pumpkin picker

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

POMFRET — It was the largest pumpkin to ever be weighed in the history of the Woodstock Fair: 1,986 pounds. Professional pumpkin grower and owner of Odd Acre, Alex Noel, is the man behind the mass.

A pumpkin lover since childhood, I spoke with Noel about his passion for pumpkins and found out about the hard work and

dedication that goes into growing the 50th largest pumpkin ever grown in the world.

So tell me about this pumpkin you entered at the Fair.

It's a variety called Atlantic Giant, bred in the 60s and 70s in Nova Scotia specifically for competition. Unfortunately it split in early August from growing too fast, so it

couldn't be in the official competition, but it's the biggest pumpkin to be weighed at the fair in history by 300 pounds.

How old is it?

It grew for 69 days before I picked it. That's from pollination to harvest. I planted the seeds in mid-April. It peaked at 60 pounds a day. It's an enormous amount, almost three pounds an hour. Each morning and evening you can see a

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Olivia Richman photos

Alex Noel with his 1,986 pound pumpkin.



Charlie Lentz photo

MAKING THE SAVE

THOMPSON — Tourtellotte goalie Kaniel Copley makes a save against Plainfield High last Friday. The high school sports season in the Quiet Corner kicked off last week. Coverage begins on page B-1 of today's sports section.

Ribbon cutting at WMS playground

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WOODSTOCK — After 16 months of fundraising Woodstock Middle School's Playground Committee finally had a well-deserved — and well-received — ribbon cutting on Aug. 23.

At the end of June, the committee reached their goal of \$100,000, which would pay for the state-of-the-art, advanced playground equipment. By July, the excavation had begun. But even then, the committee wasn't relaxed. There was still work to be done. And it was all worth it.

Turn To **PLAYGROUND** page **A4** Woodstock Middle School recently opened its new playground.



Courtesy photo

Bird watching in Pomfret

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

POMFRET — The best place to see and learn more about migrating birds coming through Connecticut is at the Connecticut Audubon Center in Pomfret. Witness Audubon staff banding and recording data on migrating birds, and get a close-up look at the colorful species Sept. 15, 22 and 29.

The migrating birds are captured in nets as they make their way north, and the staff and volunteers will take down information (their weight, age, and more), also seeing if they have banded the same birds in the past. The information is submitted to a worldwide database, and helps people further understand the various bird species' population and migration patterns.

Land Manager Andy Rzeznikiewicz has been work-



Photos courtesy of Andy Rzeznikiewicz
A male Indigo Bunting

ing with the Audubon since they opened in 1994, and was there for the first banding in 2002. While he loves learning more about bird species and seeing some new bird species up close, his favorite part is sharing it all with the public.

"It gives kids and adults a greater appreciation for birds,"



A fall plumaged Magnolia Warbler

he said. "They see close-up things they wouldn't normally see. I'm hoping it makes people care about birds. I love seeing people fascinated by the birds, oohing and awing over them."

One thing that many people witness at the demonstrations is the different variations within the same species. Details that

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State police bust Putnam man for crack cocaine

PUTNAM — On Friday, Sept. 7, at approximately 5 p.m., members of the Connecticut State Police Troop-D Quality of Life Task Force and personnel assigned to the Troop D Danielson barracks served an arrest warrant on Daniel Carroll, 33, at his residence located at 27 Battey Street, Unit 3, in Putnam. The arrest warrant was granted after Carroll sprayed another male with mace at the Putnam Walmart and attempted to assault him with a baseball bat. During the execution of the arrest warrant, State Police Personnel located crack cocaine packaged for sale in the kitchen.



Courtesy photo
Daniel Carroll

A protective sweep of the apartment was conducted by State Police Personnel and scales, packaging materials and U.S. currency was located on top of Carroll's bedroom dresser. A search warrant was then sought for the residence and was granted by a Superior Court Judge. The search warrant was then executed at 9:15 p.m and a system-

atic search of the residence was conducted utilizing K-9 police dog Ambrie. Troopers located and seized approximately 30 grams of crack cocaine, digital scales, packaging equipment, \$1,500 dollars and Suboxone strips. Carroll was taken into custody for Possession of Narcotics 21a-279a, Possession of Narcotics With Intent to Sell 21a-278b, and Operating a Drug Factory 21a-277c. He was held on a \$100,000 dollar cash/ surety bond and appeared at Danielson Superior Court on Sept. 10. Carroll was also served with the arrest warrant and was charged with Assault in the 3rd Degree 53a-61; Threatening in the 2nd degree 53a-62; and Breach of Peace 53a-181. He was held on a \$10,000 cash/ surety bond as a result.

Members of the Connecticut 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.

West Thompson Fire Department election results

THOMPSON — On Sept. 4 the West Thompson Fire Department held its annual elections for Corporate and Line Officers. The results are as follows: Fire Officers Corporate Officers, Kyle Cimochowski, Fire Chief Todd Mountford, President, Mat Whipple, Assistant Chief Alan Pratt, Vice President, Patrick Murray, Deputy Chief Celeste Therrien, Treasurer, Matt Bernier, Fire Captain Joanna Hamblin, Assistant Treasurer, Mike Rivers, Fire Lieutenant Zoe LaVergne, Secretary, James Barker, Assistant Secretary

"We have planned for the transition to Kyle as Chief for months and the fact we can make this a flawless change in leadership is excellent for the Department," said Mike Rivers, former Chief. "I started my Fire and EMS career with Kyle over 20 years ago. It was no secret I didn't want to run for re-election. Kyle gladly accepted the challenge and hit the ground running. I'm excited to see the great things he will do as Chief. As a leader, you surround yourself with people that help supplement your weaknesses with their strengths and that is what makes a Department successful. I'm proud of all of our Officers and members who make this Department great they go above and beyond."

"Having been in Fire and EMS for well over 20 years, I have worked with many Chiefs, always asking questions further my knowledge and experience. Being with the West Thompson Fire Department for over 10 years, I have been able to serve the community along with its great members. I am happy to accept the challenge of Chief and believe that with the newly elected

officers and the membership, we will continue to offer exceptional service to the community of Thompson and its surrounding towns. Mike Rivers has done a great job and we have accomplished many challenging tasks over the years. I am honored and humbled that the membership has trusted me to lead the Department as we continue achieve our values of teamwork, integrity, and excellence," said Cimochowski.

A special thanks to our President Todd Mountford, he has served in this position for over 20 years. Among many excellent qualities he has, perhaps the best is the ability to remain calm and always be objective and the voice of reason. He has the unique ability to have a calming effect during very stressful situations. Todd has been the cornerstone of the West Thompson Fire Department for nearly 30 years.

"I cannot say enough good things about Todd, he is a person I look up to and has been there in good times and bad unwavering in his support and always there to listen. He is an amazing person," said Rivers.

"Todd has always served as a president who is fair, honest, and compassionate. His wealth of knowledge and leadership skills are remarkable. All of which make him an integral part of not only the Department, but the community we serve. I look forward to working side-by-side with him and all our members who serve the community proudly and without hesitation. I am honored to have such great men and women by my side," said Cimochowski.

We congratulate all our Line and Corporate Officers and welcome their individual talents and thankful for their continued dedication. The West Thompson Fire Department has nearly 35 members and continues to recruit new members. If you are interested in becoming a member, please call (860) 923-9696 or email info.wtvfd@gmail.com

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At CT Audubon

Bird sightings at the Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Pomfret and Wyndham Land Trust properties for the week of Sept. 3: American Redstart, Common Yellowthroat, Bobolink, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Black Vulture, Song Sparrow, White-eyed Vireo, Red-eyed Vireo, Yellow-throated Vireo, House Wren, Blue-winged Teal, Eastern Screech Owl, Pileated Woodpecker, Flicker, Bluebird, Tree Swallow. Visit ctaclub.org/pomfret-home

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QVCC professor pens first novel



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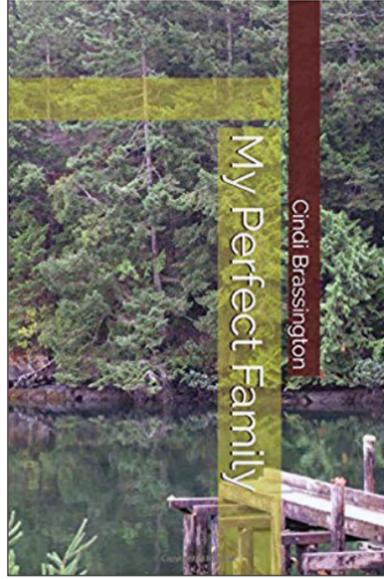
DANIELSON — Quinebaug Valley Community College Professor of Allied Health, Cindi Brassington, has taught for 20 years and during the spring of 2018 Brassington ventured into a sabbatical, penning her first novel, "My Perfect Family".

"It is my hope that it will be my first of many writing projects as I enjoyed the creative process and trying something completely new to me. It is my sincere hope that it can be used in higher education," Brassington said.

As a professor of Allied health, many of the complex issues addressed in her book are topics related not only to health care and human anatomy, but also to also complex issues of bioethics, scarcity of resources, patient autonomy and social justice.

"In my career I have found students connect to stories, both fiction and real-world, to spark their interest in science, humanities and the complexities of the world around them. My Perfect Family connects many of these themes, opening the door to inquiry and conversation," Brassington said.

The setting for the novel is Lindenville Lake, which is fictional, but based on Brassington's experiences living at her summer cottage on Staffordville Lake, in Stafford Springs. Weaving in summer events of pontoon boat rides, bon fires and of course water skiing. Brassington has been an avid water skier since her teens and along with her husband, they have taught their own daughters and many others the sport.



My Perfect Family

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PUTNAM — From left, Charlie Leach, Chas Mackenzie, and Alan Joslin, from American Legion Post 13, at First Fridays street fair on Sept. 7.

Last Green Valley solicits community

DANIELSON — The Last Green Valley is soliciting community input to shape the future of the National Heritage Corridor. TLGV is launching an 18-month effort to bring together community members to share their visions and use their voices to help us create a long-range plan for the future of The Last Green Valley National Heritage Corridor.

The TLGV Board of Directors has created a community engagement committee that has already begun work to engage TLGV's community partners in shaping a long-range plan. The board plans to involve the community in multiple phases during the next year and develop a long-range vision plan looking towards 2030 and beyond.

"The Last Green Valley, Inc. has been a steward of our region's National Heritage Corridor for more than two decades," said Bill Jobbago, Chairman of TLGV's Board of Directors. "One of our main objectives is connecting and inspiring people to care for, enjoy and pass on the quality of life and the region's unique elements. Over the next year we will be updating our long-range vision to guide our activities for the future. It is important that we receive input from those who enjoy the region's many features and opportunities. To that end, we will engage our residents and local organizations to assist in creating this vision."

The committee will be meeting with other organizations during phase one to discuss topics such as agriculture, land conservation, economic vitality and historical and cultural resources. Any organization wishing to be part of the conversation is welcome to contact TLGV.

TLGV Executive Director Lois Bruinooge said community engagement has always been part of TLGV's work. "Everything we do, we do with partners," Bruinooge said. "There is strength in partnerships enabling us

to do more for The Last Green Valley National Heritage Corridor."

In addition to meeting with organizations it already partners with, TLGV is looking for opportunities to engage with individuals and organizations that it does not already have a relationship with.

"We all enjoy living in this place we call The Last Green Valley. Sometimes we get so busy enjoying this place that we forget to step back and think about preserving it," said Mike Longenbaker, chairman of TLGV's Community Engagement Committee. "So, this is it. This is our time to step back and talk about it. To engage with each other and our whole community. What do we like about our heritage, our history, or natural resources, our people? What challenges are we facing? How should we try to handle those challenges? This is our chance to plan our future direction for the valley that we love."

During the late summer into early winter, TLGV will be meeting with numerous organizations to learn about their hopes and concerns about the future of the national heritage corridor. Organizations interested in hosting TLGV for a workshop can contact Kyle Gregoire, TLGV Community and Donor Relations Manager, at (860) 774-3300.



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Westview holds employee appreciation night

DAYVILLE — Just short of rolling out the red carpet, Westview Health Care Center employees convened at the Connecticut National Golf Club in Putnam on Aug. 30 for a dinner and awards ceremony as their annual Employee Appreciation Week came to a close.

For an entire week in August of each year, employees of Westview Health Care Center are recognized, celebrated and awarded for the previous year's efforts and achievements. With multiple luncheons, giveaways, T-shirts and bonus checks, the week-long celebration culminates with a special Employee Appreciation dinner when, following dinner, employees receive accolades for a variety of accomplishments and distinctive performance.

"Westview's reputation can only be attributed to the continuance of the high quality of care and dedication that our entire team of caregivers provides," said David T. Panteleakos, Westview Administrator. "This week of employee appreciation is intended to honor and praise our talented staff and to express the enormous gratitude that each employee rightfully deserves."

The evening's awards ceremony concluded with the prestigious announcement of 2018's Employee of the Year recipient: Certified Nursing Assistant, Michelle Daniels of Dayville. Westview Health Care Center is a 103-bed inpatient skilled nursing facility, which includes a distinct and self-contained sub-acute short-term rehabilitation unit and outpatient physical, occupational and speech therapies including: Sports Medicine, Adolescent/Pediatric, Adult and Aquatic Outpatient Centers, all dedicated to providing outstanding quality health care services. The facility is located in Dayville and is ranked among the top nursing facilities in the nation according to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service; and U.S. News and World Report for the past 10 years.



Michelle Daniels and David T. Panteleakos

Courtesy photo

Thompson Speedway results

THOMPSON — On Sunday, Sept. 9, the Sunoco Modified 20/20 Sprint and For the Fans Night featured all four of Thompson's track divisions at Thompson Speedway and Motorsports Park.

In the Sunoco Modified 20/20 Sprint the first two 20-lap features awarded championship points and all three also awarded separate points based on finishing position. The mini stocks took to the track for a 15-lap feature. The track will close out the season next month with the 56th annual Sunoco World Series of Speedway Racing. The three-day weekend begins on

Friday Oct. 12 and runs through Oct. 14.

Sept. 9 results

Sunoco Modified 20/20 sprint final top ten: 1. Todd Owen (Somers, CT) 9 pts; 2. Kyle James (Ashaway, RI) 9 pts; 3. Keith Rocco (Berlin, CT) 10 pts; 4. Marcello Ruffano (Northaven, CT) 15 pts; 5. Tyler Cafro (Chaplin, CT) 17 pts; 6. Troy Talman (Oxford, MA) 17 pts; 7. Joey Gada (Uncasville, CT) 18 pts; 8. Adam Gada (Bozrah, CT) 23 pts; 9. Woody Pitkat (Sturbridge, MA) 24 pts; 10. John Studley (Framingham, MA) 27.

Late model feature top 10: 1. Tom Carey III (New Salem, MA); 2. Mark Jenison (Warwick, RI); 3. William Wall (Shrewsbury, MA); 4. Nick Johnson (Rehoboth, MA); 5. Ryan Morgan (Gales Ferry, CT); 6. Michael Lindquist (Sandy Hook, CT); 7. Jared Materas (Westfield, MA); 8. Joey Parker (Weymouth, MA); 9. Ernie LaRose (Moosup, CT)

Limited Sportsman feature top 10: 1. Shawn Monahan (Waterford, CT); 2. Larry Barnett (Moosup, CT); 3. Chris Meyer (North Franklin, CT); 4. Brent Gleason (Griswold, CT); 5. Meghan Fuller (Auburn, MA); 6. Jeff VanPelt (Pawtucket, RI); 7. Kyle Gero (Baltic, CT); 8. Scott Sundeen (Sutton, MA); 9. Hank Stott (Medway, MA); 10. Brendan Houghton (Thompson, CT).

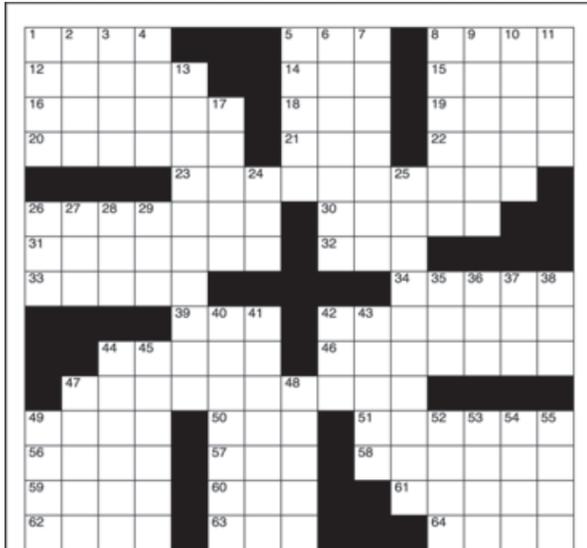
Mini stocks feature top 10: 1. Wayne Burroughs, Jr (Oakdale, CT); 2. Eric Bourgeois (East Haddam, CT); 3. Steve Michalski (Brooklyn, CT); 4. Dave "DJ" Trudeau, Jr. (Mansfield, CT); 5. Evan Bourgeois (East Haddam, CT); 6. Dave Trudeau (Mansfield, CT); 7. Jared Roy (Sterling, CT); 8. Tommy Silva (Gales Ferry, CT); 9. Mike Anzalone (Plainfield, CT); 10. Keith Ballou (Pascoag, RI)

WOODSTOCK LITTLE LEAGUE RESULTS

KILLINGLY — In the Softball Majors division, in first game of the fall ball season, the Woodstock Riptide traveled to Killingly and came home with an 11-9 victory on Saturday, Sept. 7. Pitching duties were shared between Allison Griswold, Kaylee Ziarko and Reagan Reynolds. Woodstock's offense saw eight players score runs with Allison Griswold, Maddie Whitehouse and Ainsley Morse each scoring two runs. The Riptide are next scheduled to play on Sept. 22 when the team travels to Norwich.



The opening was celebrated with a ribbon cutting.



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Feel pain
- 5. Interest rate
- 8. Long narrative poem
- 12. Sedimentary rock
- 14. No (Scottish)
- 15. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
- 16. Sleep gear
- 18. One who buys and sells securities
- 19. Cincinnati ballplayers
- 20. Of the backbone
- 21. Car mechanics group
- 22. Iranian village
- 23. Canadian peninsula
- 26. For all ills or diseases
- 30. Known for his "razor"
- 31. One who plays the viola
- 32. Resinlike substance
- 33. Educational association
- 34. Inappropriate
- 39. A team's best pitcher
- 42. The cost of bus travel
- 44. Badgerlike mammal
- 46. Popular sport in Ireland
- 47. Written works
- 49. Pop
- 50. Consumed
- 51. Something comparable to another
- 56. Wild goat
- 57. One-time space station
- 58. Outline of a plan
- 59. Actress Petty
- 60. An electrically charged atom
- 61. Chewed and swallowed
- 62. Bones (Latin)
- 63. Central nervous system
- 64. Type of pipe

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Vipers
- 2. Pal
- 3. One who has been to Mecca
- 4. Energy and enthusiasm
- 5. Leaf-footed bug genus
- 6. Southern belle accessory
- 7. de Mornay, actress
- 8. Print errors
- 9. Preceding
- 10. Asian nation
- 11. The people in a movie
- 13. Liberate
- 17. Strong laxatives
- 24. Tub
- 25. Happening
- 26. Polyvinyl acetate
- 27. Small island (British)
- 28. Neither
- 29. The G.O.A.T.
- 35. What Goodell oversees
- 36. One who engages in Dawah
- 37. Tall, rounded vase
- 38. Electroencephalograph
- 40. Made of clay and hardened by heat
- 41. Great happiness
- 42. Chinese surname
- 43. Supposed emanations
- 44. Travelers
- 45. Loss of bodily movements
- 47. Los __, rock group
- 48. Seabirds
- 49. Used to store grain
- 52. Whale ship captain
- 53. "Joker" actor
- 54. Portends good or evil
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"The best part was driving by a few days later on the first day that the kids were out at recess, and seeing the whole playground covered with kids," said the committee's chair, Crystal Adams. "I went into the office, and the Principal said it was 8th graders. Even Woodstock Academy juniors had come. They were spinning, climbing, laughing... How kids should be playing."

The committee had been formed because of many community member's passion for a better way to play.

According to Adams, most playgrounds are too simple for older children. They stick to a "prescribed pattern" and are easily mastered. When she saw her middle school-aged son playing on a similar playground a few years ago, she sprung into action.

"By the time my son was in fourth grade, I'd ask if he wanted to go outside and he'd say no," she said sadly. "It was boring for him. I didn't know there'd be an outlet like this. It invites so much free play, games and imagination."

Kristen Elliott has only been principal for a year, but she has been very involved with the community and families. She was approached by many parents at the ribbon cutting who feared that no older children would play.

"But eighth graders were on it, having a blast," she said with a laugh. "It was just so cool to see that on the first day."

For Elliott and other school officials, recess is a very important "break" in the day for children. It's a time to be with their friends, to "be a kid." She described it as a "little bit of summer in their day."

And it all wouldn't be possible without the community's support.

"They've been amazing, the way everyone has come together," said Adams. "We had businesses and organizations calling us to help. We had people wanting to learn more. Some people even told me they were doing fundraisers on their own to help us."

It was exciting, said Elliot, to see so many people at the ribbon cutting, watching the students enjoy the new playground.

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Artwork from Donna O'Scolaigh Lange



"The Fiddler"

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM — Arts & Framing has moved, and to celebrate their opening the gallery featured Thompson artist Donna O'Scolaigh Lange on First Fridays on Sept 7. Lange discussed five of her favorite pieces, which can all be currently viewed in the new space this month.

"Selma to Montgomery"

When I was a child we lived near Little Rock, Arkansas. Even as small children, my brother and I were impressed by the story of the brave students who integrated into Central High School.

This painting documents the marches from Selma to Montgomery in 1965. This was the golden age in peaceful



"Time Travelers"



protesting, working together towards a common good. It was a big time in American history.

"Time Travelers"

I snapped a picture of these three little girls sitting on Thompson Common. I started painting a traditional background with oils, but it wasn't going well. I decided to collage over it. I found a book with some old antique post marks and baggage labels and ephemera... The new look indicated that they had traveled back in time.

The collage was just to do something different. I have boxes of paper things that can be used. Images. Tissue paper. Rice paper. Postcards. Stamps. I probably collect too much stuff, but I find that I will use them in a future collage.

"The Fiddler"

This is based on a repurposed photograph I grabbed from a magazine. I used newsprint for a background and I texturized the whole piece with joint compound, which is like plaster. I painted and scraped back and painted to get a distressed look.

I chose this photograph because it's just a provocative image. It was different. I don't like stress. But I like distress. I like how you can't really tell how the background work is done. The multiple colors.

"The Letter II"

This is a more traditional landscape painted in oils with a figure in it. Sometimes collages, when you're working with glue, it can turn into a hot mess. Relaxing to go back to a landscape.

I snapped a picture of this girl sitting on a bench on the campus of Boston College. I changed the background. I put the letter in her hand, so people



Olivia Richman photos

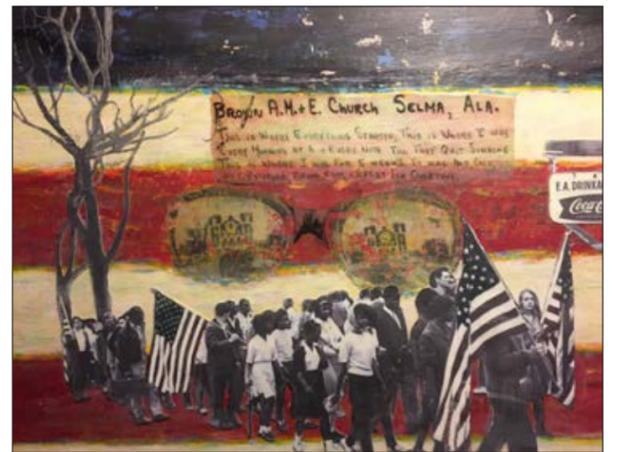
Donna O'Scolaigh Lange has her collage artwork is currently featured at Art & Framing at its new location.

could make a story somewhere and it would be intriguing. I kind of thought maybe it was a "Dear John" letter. But I leave it up to the viewer.

"Summer Sky"

This is another traditional oil painting. It's taken from a photograph of a house on North Street in Killingly. The house didn't stand out as much as the back lit clouds. They were very strong. The sky attracted me to the image.

Painting landscapes is always the base. What I come back to. We live in such a beautiful area. I like painting recognizable areas around here. With



"Selma to Montgomery"

the mixed media and collage it's more open ended. People can read into it what they wish. The different layers of paint and images, it's more mysterious. I like to do both.

BIRDS

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can't be seen with binoculars. According to Rzeznikiewicz, the Scarlet Tanager is a brilliant red with black wings in the spring and summer, but in the fall they turn green with black wings. Many people are astounded they're the same species.

Connecticut Audubon has observed over 211 species at the Pomfret location. And there's always a lot of surprises.

"Last Saturday we caught a lot of indigo buntings. And one of them had a band on it. We had banded it exactly a year ago. The same spot. When it was a one year old female. It had migrated to the same spot on the exact same day," he said.

But that's not even the craziest story, he said.

"Several years ago we caught a swamp sparrow one September morning. The very next day, same bird was caught by a different banding station just west of Philadelphia. It flew from Pomfret to Philly. A sparrow. It goes to

show you how far they go in one night," he said.

Of course, the amount of birds and the amount of variety is all up to Mother Nature. But in the fall it can "get out of control," said Rzeznikiewicz. Some weeks they catch over 50 birds in the net. Last week they caught about 20 birds, both migrating and local species.

Later on in the fall, the community is invited to Saw-whet Owl Banding on Saturday, Oct. 27 at 8 p.m., Nov. 3 at 8 p.m., and Saturday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. This is an exciting night-time activity that lets visitors see the smallest owl species as they migrate to Canada and northern New England.

"They're always smaller than I remembered!" exclaimed Rzeznikiewicz.

These events sell out quick. Contact <https://www.ctaudubon.org/pomfret-home/> to learn more about the banding program and sign up for a spot.

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LEARNING

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Computer classes offered at Thompson library

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

THOMPSON — Thompson Public Library has scheduled computer classes and two sessions (Oct. 1 and 2) for their Online @ the Library classes are now available for sign-ups.

The computer class was aimed for patrons who have never really used a computer before. Reference Assistant Roberta Baublitz went over the basics, like how to use a keyboard and mouse, and how to turn a computer on.

"I get a lot of feedback from the patrons who take the course," said Baublitz. "They are happy that someone takes the time and has the patience to sit with them and answer their questions. They find that they ask family

members to help them and end up getting frustrated. They like that they have time to ask questions and I'm patient. I also set up one on one appointments if they need more individualized help after the class."

Hand-outs with written instructions are also given to people who take the class, so they can have a reference guide when using a computer at home, out of the library.

One of the major questions Baublitz gets is about setting up an email account, and how to use search engines.

"Everything nowadays is geared toward the computer," said Baublitz. "A lot of people come in and want to fill out an employment application. But it's no longer on paper. They have to do things on the computer to get their benefits. They're not ready for this. Many

don't even have a computer at home or any way to learn about it. It's just surprising, the amount of technology that people have to know today."

The upcoming Online course in October is a larger class size with a specific focus on the library's many online resources.

"It's for people who have experience, who know their way around, and want to learn more about downloading audio and ebooks," she said. "We have an account they can use for ordering materials. They can keep lists of what they have out. A lot of people enjoy that and didn't know they could do these types of things."

People taking the course can also learn how students can use their library card to access research sites for homework and projects.

For Baublitz, helping people is what she loves about her job at the Thompson Public Library. And it's what makes the classes all the more rewarding to teach.

"It's rewarding to see them learn something they can use in their everyday lives," she said. "It's a good feeling. I just love seeing their excitement when they learn something new. Or when I can help them."

Classes are free, registration is required and space is limited.

To learn more about the Online course, contact roberta@thompsonpubliclibrary.org or 860-923-9779.

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Thompson leaders welcome students to open house



Amy St. Onge (Board of Selectman) talks with TMS Assistant Principal Laurence Prentiss while passing out fresh bread.

THOMPSON — Thompson town leaders volunteered their time on Sept. 6 to welcome students and their families to Back to School Open House by serving a family meal. The pasta dinner was donated by community businesses and Thompson Middle School Teachers. Ken Beausoleil and Amy St. Onge, members of the Board of Selectman, were on hand to greet families and distribute sliced bread with dipping oil. In the kitchen, Board Members from both the Board of Education and Finance along with Jason St. Onge (Executive Chef, G. Seven Catering Co.) and Superintendent, Melinda Smith dished out pasta, meatballs, salad and brownies supplied by generous contributions from local businesses and TMS faculty. Students and their families also had the opportunity to meet State Senator Mae Flexer while she visited each grade level team and their classroom displays in the gymnasium.



Courtesy photos

From left, Suzanne Witkowski, (BOF), William Witkowski, (Chairman BOE), Valentine Iamartino, (BOE), Shawn Brissette, (BOE) and Larry Groh, (BOF).

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Brendan McMerriman has been named on the spring 2018 Dean's List at Paul Smith's college in Paul Smith New York. Brendan is the son of Timothy and Nancy McMerriman of Pomfret. He is studying arboriculture and has earned an internship at the Biltmore Estate in Ashville, North Carolina.

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Day Kimball Golf Classic raises over \$103,000



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PUTNAM — The 34th annual Day Kimball Hospital Putnam Bank Golf Classic has raised more than \$103,000, the net proceeds of which will support cancer care services, diagnostic imaging, and technology at Day Kimball Hospital, a nonprofit community hospital serving Northeast Connecticut since 1894. The tournament was held on July 13 at Connecticut National Golf Club. Over 250 golfers, volunteers and guests turned out for the event.

Putnam Bank was the title sponsor for the event, contributing \$25,000 toward Day Kimball Hospital initiatives over the next year. More than 120 other local and regional businesses participated in sponsoring the event to support the provision of healthcare in Northeast Connecticut.

“Day Kimball Hospital has been able to remain at the forefront of healthcare for our community because of the tremendous support that it receives from friends and community partners who step up year after year in support of hospital initiatives and annual events like this,” said DKH Director of Development Kristen Willis. “This

year’s golf tournament was no exception, and another example of the powerful community spirit and generosity that surrounds us in Northeast Connecticut and how we care for each other. We cannot thank our sponsors, participants, and volunteers enough for helping us to provide the hospital with significant funds that will so positively impact patient care.

Golf Classic Results: Gross results (matching cards with scores of 56):

1st – Kevin Plouffe, Peter Davis, Denis Brown, and Carlos Samoya; 2nd – Rene Morin, Tom Harney, Donald St. Onge, Bill Poirier.

Net results: 1st – Mike Davis, Stewart Leroux, Lauren Manotta, and Julio Hernandez, with a score of 39.75; 2nd – Jim Bell, John Guinan, Dave Symonds, and Steve Nelson, with a score of 40.25.

Closest to the pins: Ben Lovrien, Matt Desautier, Mike Greene, and Paul Beaudoin.

Courtesy photos
The Singing Trooper, Sgt. Daniel Clark, opens up DKH’s 34th annual DKH Putnam



First Place Gross team members Kevin Plouffe, Peter Davis, Denis Brown, and Carlos Samoya.



Kristen Willis, Jim West, Dr. John Graham, and Matthew Roy.



First Place Net team members Mike Davis, Stewart Leroux, Lauren Manotta, and Julio Hernandez.

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What's in a name

Conversations at our house increasingly focus on names, baby names. I enjoy selecting monikers for people and animals. This winter we will greet new members of the family, so the moment is ripe to think of names, old and new.

Of course, there are several sites on the internet to get a quick take on what names are popular this year. I was surprised to see Emma, Olivia, Ava and Isabelle as the top for girls. Boys lead with Liam, Noah, Oliver and Lucas. Not one of those names ever appeared among my peer group.

Animals are their own domain. A precious cat was named Simkin, from a Beatrix Potter story. Our current pet is Biscay, after a road in Maine. A much missed corgi, Tenby, was so called based on a town in Wales. I selected the name of my first daughter long before I settled on whom to marry. Our second child has the same name as a cat I owned in graduate school. Names loom large.



NANCY WEISS

As the opening essay for her high school students, our daughter asks them to write about how they got their first name, middle name and last name. She teaches in an upscale suburban town outside of Boston where students come from diverse backgrounds. By urging them

to talk to their parents about something as personal their own names, she gets them to open up about who they are and perhaps learn more about their own families. Besides, she knows it helps her get to know the kids faster. Otherwise it takes until around Halloween to sort them all out.

She has the students read an article published in the New Yorker magazine entitled "Notes from a Baby Name Obsessive", by Lauren Collins

In the essay, the writer, an American married to a French man and living in France, wrestles with a variety of choices. She notes that there are more rules on what one can name race horses and show dogs than there are for people. She also points out that pictographs, ideogram, a number, an obscenity and excessively long names aren't legal. Odd, I met a child recently named Four.

While we were talking about names, I dug out a booklet that chronicles my mother's family lineage, hoping to find some new ideas. They were Puritans and while many of their ilk were called Thankful or Experience, mine continued to be plain old John, James, Thomas and Elizabeth, although one was named Ruhamah, a very original choice. Last names were sometimes used as first names and mother's maiden names as middle names, a practice I continued with my girls.

When I was growing up, many families had five or six children. Often they would all have the same first letter for their first name. It was charming to all be similarly initialed and must have made monogramming easy. As I recall most were names starting with the letter, "J". Now that families are composed of two or three children, it doesn't seem as common a practice.

The students in our daughter's class often say their parents choose their first names just because they happened to like them. While that is a common answer, it skips over the tendency we all have to reflect the times in which we live. Names apparently take about 100 years to come back. My aunts were named Annie, Hester, Betty and Evelyn. My mother, Ruth, didn't like her name at all. Lately I've met a few baby Ruths. I suppose Hester may turn up if parents want the world to know they have read The Scarlet Letter.

At first our families didn't like the names we selected for our girls. Eventually they came around. No matter what the choice, we will too.

OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ritter supports Dauphinais

Few people can be found these days who have the fortitude to stand for their principles when put to the test. One such person is our current State Representative Anne Dauphinais of the 44th District. While working with her politically and knowing her per-

sonally I can say that her work ethic, strong constitution, and desire to help others are what we need to help turn around our state.

WILLIAM RITTER
KILLINGLY

Adams is for Dauphinais

I urge everyone to support Anne Dauphinais for re-election as our state representative from the 44th district.

In the past 2 years Anne has demonstrated a desire to always do the right thing for her constituents and the people of Connecticut.

An independent thinker with strong moral character, Representative Dauphinais doesn't go along to get along, if a bill is not what it purports to be or is unfair to Connecticut taxpayers, she will not support it, often going against her own party in doing so.

A new bill may start out as a great piece of legislation, however as it makes its way through the various committees, public hearings, revisions, and last-minute changes, it may no longer represent the original intent, having been corrupted by self-interests and

dirty politics, it will not have the support of Rep. Dauphinais

Do not be swayed by the oppositions one liners accusing her of hating women, the poor, the homeless, against fair wages and so on, this is just superficial and politics as usual. Anne will not support a bill akin to a wolf in sheep's clothing. Believe half of what you see and none of what you hear, particularly on Facebook, Twitter and most media outlets.

We need more people like her to turn this state around, please cast your vote for Anne Dauphinais, she's down to earth, honest and always has our best interests at heart.

RICHARD ADAMS
DAYVILLE

Lussier backs Dauphinais

As owner of Limelight Studio in Danielson, I wanted to share how Anne Dauphinais has been a huge supporter of my business. She is a loyal customer and always ready to answer any questions I may have on the business end of things. She's always offering ideas for

more exposure and help with joining committees or groups! I enjoy her company, loyalty and help always!

KAYLA LUSSIER
DANIELSON

America ruled by a cult

You know, it's hard to write this letter because every other day a new bit of danger comes out of the White House. By the time this is printed, anything I observe has become old news and has been hashed over. I'll try to make comments that are somewhat original.

I fear that America is becoming ruled and supported by a large and short sighted cult. I say a cult because many of Trump's followers, including the Congress, adhere to irrational ideas and refuse to consider the damage that is being done by their leader.

I also say cult because Trump demands personal loyalty. It cannot be disputed that all cult leaders and dictators demand loyalty to their person. This loyalty is not to the country, its constitution, its people or the greater good. Anyone refusing such loyalty is easy game for persecution. There is yet another report that the State Department is going through its personnel to find and fire those who do not commit personal loyalty to Donald Trump. Any leader of a democracy that demands personal loyalty over Constitutional loyalty is inherently unqualified to lead that democracy. Trump doesn't understand the basic premise of the Presidency is to lead America, not to win or steal a popularity contest.

Obama is now coming out to support the Democratic candidates for the mid-term elections. The Republicans are screaming that Obama is breaking the norm for former Presidents by doing so. They should stop being hypocrites. Trump is doing almost everything that is not normal for a President to do. Of course, the Republicans think this is great because they elected him to do just that. Well, doing just that is creating great damage.

This damage includes: a trade war that is clearly unjustified, alienating long-time trading partners, alienating our strategic partners, changing taxes to benefit those least needing benefits (the rich and large corporations), decimating the State Department undermining their charter to maintain good

relations with countries, reversing many regulations resulting in the EPA being no longer able to be the protector of our environment and health, making daily statements that denigrate personnel, and putting forth statements that are lies easily proven false.

OK, all of this is old hat and is not going to convince members of the cult that I might have some merit in my views. I would put forth one final thought.

There is a large group of psychologists that are deeply concerned about the stability and intellect of the President and have written so. Critics would say that they have no reason to come to such conclusions because none have interviewed Trump. However, the huge body of tweets has done the same thing and lends credence to their conclusions.

Two other psychologists from Cornell have done a decade of studies looking into a phenomenon called the Dunning-Kruger Effect. It posits that incompetence deprives people of the ability to recognize their own incompetence. As quoted from a 2012 article in LiveScience, "To put it bluntly, dumb people are too dumb to know it."

It is well known that Trump refuses to read or learn. He persistently goes against his advisors and makes statements that fly in the face of facts. His conclusions and accusations defy logic. To a layman, he certainly fits the Dunning-Kruger Effect.

Once again I've gone out on a limb, relying on the First Amendment, stating my mind and irritating a great many people. I have no illusions that I have changed anyone's mind. Others in the Fourth Estate who are more articulate and credible and who have access to prime sources have been equally ineffective. I guess all we can do is to continue the good fight.

STEVEN ETZEL
PUTNAM

Danielson voter favors Dauphinais

I am writing in support of Anne Dauphinais' bid for re-election as our State Representative in the 44th General Assembly District. Earlier this year I had an issue with the Connecticut State Department of Consumer Protection's Professional Licensing division and reached out to Anne for assistance. She didn't hesitate and was eager to do whatever she could do to help. Through her contact on my behalf, it was determined that I would need to attend

a board meeting and she offered to accompany me. Her offer to accompany me was at a time when she was in session, and she succeeded in juggling both things so that she could attend the meeting in order to support me. Anne is someone who is approachable, kind and genuinely cares for her constituents. Please join me in voting for Anne in November.

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Knowing how important estate planning is for any individual, this September, we will focus on the key strategies and documents you need to know to leaving the legacy you want to leave.

When it comes to estate planning, executing your will and other estate documents is only the first step. To help ensure that your estate plan stays in tune with your goals and needs, it's important to review and update it on an ongoing basis. Working with your financial advisor and attorney, use this checklist as a starting point to keep your estate plan in good shape.

First. Check trust funding: Trusts are often used to preserve privacy, minimize estate taxes or administration expenses, or transfer assets to beneficiaries according to specific wishes. If you have executed a trust, consult with your attorney and financial advisor to determine which assets should be owned by your trust or should have the trust named as a beneficiary. Keep in mind that assets not owned by the trust will not be subject to its provisions.

Second. Account for any life changes: Have you experienced personal or financial changes since you executed your estate documents—for instance, the arrival of a new family member or a significant increase in assets? If so, be sure to update your documents to reflect those changes and take advantage of asset protection measures, if necessary.

Third. Update beneficiary designations: Outdated beneficiary designations can derail an estate plan. Review your designations to ensure that the correct people are named, rather than a deceased family member or ex-spouse. If your children were minors when you last reviewed your beneficiary designations, they may now be ready to receive the assets directly. Fourth. Review trustee and agent appointments: While reviewing your beneficiary designations, also reevaluate who you have appointed as executor of your estate, trustee of your trust, or as your agent under your powers of attorney for health care and finances. Are the people you named still ready to carry out your wishes? Will they be capable of administering your assets in an appropriate manner?

Fifth. Review provisions of powers of attorney and health care directives: Ongoing changes to federal and state laws won't necessarily invalidate a document that's already been executed; however, such changes may limit your agent's ability to carry out his or her duties. For example, changes to privacy laws may prevent your agent from accessing pertinent medical information. To accomplish your planning goals, it may be necessary

Election Letters Policy

Editor's Note: With an election season upon us, the Villager's guidelines for submitting election-related letters.

It's election season. Candidates in our communities are gearing up for Nov. 6, and just as they are hoping for a good voter turnout, Villager Newspapers wants to hear from you. Who do you support in your town's upcoming election? Why? What issue is most important to you?

Our Election Letters Policy is as follows: Absolutely no anonymous Sound Offs may be submitted in endorsement of any candidate for political office. Any mention of a political candidate and/or issues he or she has addressed, and any election-related matter, must be done in a signed Letter to the Editor. All letters must be sent from the sender's e-mail — no batches of letters or multiple letters can be sent from one e-mail address.

All endorsement/election-related letters must be received in a timely enough fashion to allow for publication up until one week before your town's election. While space

dictates how many letters are published in each issue, prompt submission will increase the likelihood of inclusion. In other words, writers are advised not to wait until two weeks before an election to submit a letter.

The last edition including political letters will be the Friday, Nov. 2 Villager. Letters must be received by the editor no later than noon on Tuesday, Oct. 30.

All letters must be signed, with a place of residence and phone number supplied for verification. Failure to include any of that information will result in your letter not being published.

All letters must be free of personal attacks and libelous remarks. Letter writers are encouraged to remain focused on endorsing a candidate, and to refrain from commenting negatively about opponents. Failure to follow that guideline will result in the rejection of a letter to the editor.

For election-related letters only, there is a 500-word limit, and all submissions will be published as space is available.

The editor reserves the right to edit any

and all submissions at his discretion. When possible, attempts will be made to allow the letter writer to rewrite, but the final decision rests with the editor.

No "Guest columns" will be accepted as candidate endorsements.

The editor reserves the right to refuse a submission if it does not meet any of the aforementioned guidelines for publication. The editor may otherwise edit or reject a letter at his discretion.

There are a lot of important issues facing every town this year and you deserve a say in them. You'll get one chance at the polls on Election Day. You have another chance on our Op/Ed pages.

E-mail Editor Charlie Lentz at charlie@villagernewspapers.com, fax us at (860) 928-5946, snail mail us at P.O. Box 196, Woodstock, CT 06281, or come drop it off in person at 283 Route 169, Unit #2, Woodstock, CT 06281. Letters will not be accepted by phone or by voicemail and must be received by noon on Tuesdays for publication in Friday's edition. E-mail is preferred.

Remembering the Alexander's Lake Yacht Club "Lake Breeze"

I decided to return to reading 1965 Windham County Transcripts to try to find articles that might jog your memories. How many of you belonged to a CYO when you were growing up? In January 1965 the St. James CYO won the district basketball championship. Members of the team shown in a photo in the February 25, 1965 issue were as follows: G. Perreault; J. Bousquet; R. LaBelle, co-captain; D. Sawyer, co-captain; A. Trahan; M. Fortin (mas-cot); R. Morrisette; N. Gerard; R. Nicolette; A. Faford; F. MacDonald; R. Rust; R. Girard, Jr. Also pictured were Rev. Joseph Sullivan, M.S., CYO Director, G. Fortin, coach, and A. Smurra, assistant coach.

I must admit that I haven't paid much attention to the various charter revisions of Danielson Borough so found this article interesting. "First Officer Nominations Under New Borough Charter To Be Held Monday, March 8 (1965)." This was the "first slate of officers to be nominated since the new charter was adopted on October 1, 1963. "Included among those nominated Monday, all for two year terms, will be a president, six members of the borough council, a clerk, a treasurer,

and tax collector." Three members of the library board would also be nominated. (Did you know that for many years Bugbee Library was under the Borough, not the Town of Killingly?)

September 1965 brought massive changes to the Killingly School System as the "new" high school on Westfield Avenue opened for its first day of classes on Thursday, September 8. Perhaps you were among the students who made the switch from the then former high school on Broad Street, which then became the Town's first junior high school with Michael Phelan as its first principal (Windham County Transcript 9-2-1965). Please feel free to share your memories by emailing me or calling the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Center.

Perhaps you attended St. James School instead of the new junior high. The same paper announced the arrival of four new teachers at the school: Sister Marie Lucille, seventh grade and French; Sr. Marie Ursula, English; Sr. Marie Stephen, 6th grade; Sr. Rose James, second grade.

Recently the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society received copies of the Alexander's Lake Yacht Club publication

Lake Breeze. The oldest issue that the Center has is from August 8, 1998, Volume 52, Issue 3. Avery Tillinghast was the editor. I had fun scanning that issue and reading topics to Frank Aleman, a resident of the Lake, who was working at a nearby table at the Center. For those of you who are current Lake residents, or even visitors to Alexander's Lake, let's see how much you recall from that summer. Compare the activities in 1998 to those now.

"20 ounce Bass Wins Fishing Derby. Eric Leonard of North Shore Road won the annual ALYC Fishing Derby on July 12th by landing a 20-ounce small mouth bass. It was quite a fight for Eric, but he held tough and pulled the mini-monster fish into his boat. Fourteen youthful anglers participated. Mark Tetreault of Island Road was a close second with his catch of a 17-ounce small mouth bass."

"Two Pair Cops Paddleboat Poker. Ten fun loving couples arrived at Mel Smith's on July 19th to compete in a relaxed affair called Paddleboat Poker. Speed was not an issue as various paddle-powered craft



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MARGARET WEAVER

sped from dock to dock picking up five cards, which makes up a decent poker hand. Don and Grace Osterlund of Island Road grabbed the \$30 pot by drawing two pair, queen high. Next year's competition will allow power craft in order to increase participation and decrease leg cramps and muscle spasms."

"Do Your Visitors Arrive With Motor Boats???" There have been a few incidents this summer where a cottager's guests have brought a boat with an outboard motor on the Lake. The rules that apply to your property also apply to your company. Alexander's Lake is one of two Class A rated ponds in the State because of a minimum number of motors. Do your part by keeping motors off of our fine lake. Thank you." I asked Frank about the motors and he said that now owners may use electric motors on boats.

Do you remember the Dick Bow Memorial

Triathlon? Participants were to swim, run, and paddle with the event kicking off from Beaulac's Beach.

Of course, the July 4th Boat Parade was traditional. "Twelve entries were present in 1998 with judging of the competition being coordinated by Elaine and Chic Chicoine. The awards were as follows: "Commodore Award-Best-of-All-Ames Family of Lake View Lane; theme-American Heroes; participants: Donald, Susan, Nicholas & Jonathan Page. Best-of-Show/Most patriotic-E. Gustavson & S. Krewson-Arnold Lane-Theme: Civil War/ Revolutionary War Heroes. Most Original/Most Creative-Omer Duff of Island Road; Theme: Great White Shark. Most Comical-The Prajzner Family of Kings Row; Theme: The Flintstones; participants: Kristen & Jack Prajzner. Least Likely to Make it Home-The Prajzner Family. Good Show-Tom Weaver and Friends of Island Road; Theme: How Long Can We Party?"

Needed: The Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society is in need of a secretary. Duties would include taking and typing minutes for the monthly Wednesday night Board

of Directors meetings and the November and May membership meetings. The Society also needs a new member for the Board of Directors. If you think you can help with either position, please contact president Bernie Mitchell by calling the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Center or by stopping in.

Wanted to copy for our archives: Back issues of the Lake Breeze (before August 1998). We'd like to have a complete file of the publication available for research. If you can help us, please stop at the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Center. Copies can be made while you wait.

Margaret M. Weaver Killingly Municipal Historian, September 2018. Special thanks to Frank Aleman. For additional information email me at margaretmweaver@gmail.com or visit the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Center Wed. or Sat. 10-4 or www.killinglyhistorical.org or call (860) 779-7250. Like us at Facebook at www.facebook.com/killingly-historicalsociety. Mail for the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society, Inc. or the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Center should be sent to PO Box 265, Danielson, Ct. 06329.

Killingly's trash proposal is garbage

It's been months since the proposal of town-wide trash pickup has become an issue in the Town of Killingly and they're still exploring ways to bill the residents. Adding the \$1.3 million to the budget will increase the mill rate and everyone's property taxes — homes, cars, trucks, campers, trailers, undeveloped acreage, cottages — will be paying for trash removal. Taking this into consideration, the \$202 expected cost to residents might get blown out of the water. Apartment dwellers will be paying for trash pickup in their motor vehicle taxes. At the July town meeting it was mentioned that commercial property would be exempt. How would this be accomplished? Adjust the mill rate for those properties? Give them a flat fee reimbursement? If this happens the town is look-

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JOHN YOLDA

ing at the makings of a class action law suit by those who don't want the pickup.

Or, in order to keep the mill rate level so "I told you so" can be said, will the town cut the education, recreation, library, etc. budgets; maybe employee reduction; eliminate road improvement projects.

Another alternative is to send a separate bill. What if the person doesn't want Willi Waste to pick up their rubbish since it is necessary to have a dumpster on site? Exemption or they could simply not pay the bill for a service they don't want.

Town transfer station only open one day a month? Really? Has anyone realized what kind of line there would be of people bringing leaves, brush, demo material, motor oil, batteries, etc. — Porta potties, a lunch wagon and Xanax for hot tempers would be in order. Do we

really want this for an estimated savings of \$15/month (\$382 - \$202 / 12); \$4 per week?

I cannot help but believe this idea was fostered by a sales pitch from Willi Waste and the town is trying to make it work one way or another. Like any business, Willi Waste is out to make money and why not talk Killingly into guaranteeing themselves \$1.3 million per year on a three-year contract worth \$3.9 million. This leads to the question of why hasn't any mention of putting trash removal out to bid? I imagine some of the other companies that are currently picking up in Killingly would like to get their hands on a few million dollars.

Killingly is the only town in northeastern Connecticut that has a privatized transfer station. It goes to reason that if it were such a wonderful idea, other towns would've followed suit. As I stated before, Willi Waste is out to make money

and they're making it running the station or they wouldn't be doing it. Check out the recycled plastic and glass prices on line. Willi Waste is sorting and selling this stuff and according to the town meeting in July, they're charging us a tipping fee for doing it. This was mentioned to bolster the argument that the cost of running the transfer station was too much. Willi Waste also sells the metal, batteries, oil, paper, etc.

\$313,000 annually is a lot of money to operate the station but has the town conducted an impartial, real cost study of what the figure would be if the town ran it? Other than startup cost, common sense will dictate that it would be well under the current cost. Plus there is income from recyclables.

According to Mr. Hopkins, acting town manager, Killingly is talking to other towns on how to bill the residents. While they're asking questions, it would be a good idea to find out

what it's costing area towns to operate their transfer stations and what income they make from selling recyclables. Rumor has it one town makes enough money to pay for some of their paving projects.

If the town does not do a study of retaking control of the transfer station, come up with a real resident cost, get town wide pickup pricing from other companies, explore what other area towns transfer station cost and income is and publish these figures, come November when voters are faced with the town-wide trash pickup non-binding question, they will be uninformed and possibly make their yeah or nay decision on the smoke and mirrors campaign that is being used. Enough personal agenda and more transparency.

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to expand your agent's authority. Sixth. Prepare for the distribution of personal effects: If your will includes directions for the distribution of your personal effects, consider informing your executor or administrator ahead of time and providing him or her with a copy of the list. Or you may wish to leave a separate list, if permitted under your state's law. In short, the person handling your estate should be aware of your wishes so that your personal items don't disappear on a first-come, first-served basis before the formal probate process begins.

Seventh. Understand your documents: Ask your attorney and financial advisor as many questions as necessary to ensure that you have a clear understanding of each document in your estate plan. If it's been some time since you executed your estate plan and you can't remember something, ask again. Estate planning can be complex, but it's essential that you understand the whole process.

Plan well: What is it that you wish to be remembered by? Have you begun to establish your legacy? Estate planning is a complicated process that can involve many parties, this checklist may help relieve any worries you may have so you can leave the legacy you wish to leave.

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A tribute to JFK

So I immediately visited the Democrats.org website to investigate and why the Party I am part of wouldn't accept a man (although deceased) with traits such as John F. Kennedy. I was amazed when I visited the webpage and the "Party Platform" was the very first thing that showed up, thought I was going to

have to dig to understand this new party.

I will have to admit, I was stunned to see what the party stands for. They have a mission to "Raise Incomes and Restore Economic Security for the Middle Class", "Create Good-Paying Jobs", "Fight For Economic Fairness and Against Inequality", "Bring Americans Together and Remove Barriers to Opportunities", "Protect Voting Rights", "Fix Our Campaign Finance System, and Restore Our Democracy", "Combat Climate Change", "Build Clean Energy Economy, and Secure Environmental Justice", "Ensure the

Health and Safety of All Americans", "Principled Leadership", "Support our Troops and Keep Faith With Our Veterans", "Confront Global Threats", "Protect Our Values". This new "Neo-Marxists Socialist Democrat" sounds actually pretty cool — they even broke down under each of the above mentioned topics on how they plan on accomplishing those goals. I am slightly confused at how these goals make the Party "have nothing but hatred for the value that made our country great" — so I wanted to dig further into this website. In my opinion after reading,

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- What differentiates you from your opponent(s)?
- What is your vision for the future?



Legally Speaking
by Kathleen Cerrone
Attorney at Law

THINK YOU'LL LIVE FOREVER? Of course, none of us believes that we will live forever. However, because many people think they will live well into their 80s or 90s, they postpone drawing up a will much earlier. In fact, according to a recent 2017 poll, 78 percent of millennials (ages 18-36) do not have a will, and 64 percent of Generation Xers (ages 37 to 52) do not have one either. Nor do nearly half (40 percent) of respondents in the 53- to 71-year-old age group. However, 81 percent of those age 72 years or older have a will or living trust. Those without wills should bear in mind that their state's intestacy laws will determine how their property is distributed upon their death.

HINT: If you have children you need a will, at least for the sole purpose of naming guardians. A will is one of the best gifts you can leave for your loved ones in the event of your death. If you die without a will, there is no guarantee that your intended desires will be carried out. By making a will, you ensure that your estate is distributed according to your wishes. To schedule a free consultation, please call BORNER, SMITH, ALEMAN, HERZOG and CERRONE, LLC. Our attorneys can provide a comprehensive, reasonably priced, and custom-tailored estate plan including a last will and testament, trusts, living wills, power of attorney and more. We are located at 155 Providence St., Putnam.

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doesn't seem as if this is the goal.

I have read the "Manifesto of the Communist Party" written by Karl Marx and Frederick Engels (1848) — boring history class I took in college, trying to see how the new Democratic Party lines up with these views. Such as under the "Communist Confession of Faith" Marx and Engels declare "the elimination of private property and its replacement by community property" — I just bought my first home a couple years back so this would scare me as well — although I did not see this principal on the Democrats website. They also believe in a "society which lives exclusively by its labor and not on the profit from any kind of capital" — I spent nearly 10 years in business school learning how to make money, this would scare me as well — but also didn't see that part of their platform. Although I was not part of this very reliable Rasmussen poll, I am a millennial and grew up with a lot of them too — it is deeply concerning that the "majority" of my generation thinks the country is heading toward the ideas of Marx and Engels seeing how none of my friends believe this. I guess I do have doubts in the poll though, a poll such as this one would have to be conducted in one of two ways. One by being called on a landline phone and I don't know a millennial who owns one and the other by visiting the website and directly participating in the poll — in which it would not really be that random.

So in conclusion, I can only speak for this millennial, I think John F. Kennedy would be proud of the current Democratic Party and its values. I was not alive for him, but I have read a lot of his speeches. Such as the one he made while President on March 13th, 1962 in his "Address on the first Anniversary of the Alliance for Progress" where two quotes really stand out to me. The first being "Our mission, I said, was to complete the revolution of the Americas (such as Mexico, Canada, Central and South America) — to build a Hemisphere where all men can hope for a suitable standard of living — and all can live out their lives in dignity and freedom". The second being "Those who make peaceful revolution impossible will make violent revolution inevitable". This second quote really makes me happy with the Party I am currently registered with since the current President of the United States who is part of the Republican Party just made the statement last week, "I think it's embarrassing for the country to allow protesters, you don't even know which side the protesters were on...but to allow someone to stand up and scream from the top of their lungs and nobody does anything about it is frankly — I think it's an embarrassment".

So maybe the current Democratic Party is not 100 percent like what it was in the 60's — and to that I say "good". Parties need to change and keep up with the times, that's why we like to be called Progressive Democrats. I will also always believe that this country was Made Great by having a free and independent press which means we do not call news sources "Fake News" — if we doubt their integrity then we have the freedom to question their reporting or simply go online and fact check (something not possible in 1960).

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Tips for parents

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MIKE BOGDANSKI

Summer is coming to an end, one more Woodstock fair has come and gone and the kids are back in school. Starting school after a summer of fun may cause some anxiety in your children. You may notice your child present symptoms like a stomach ache, headache and maybe even sleeping problems as they begin to internalize the stress of changes happening in fall. Meeting new kids, worrying about being popular, entering a new grade and maybe even a new school could trigger strong emotional and physical feelings.

Here are a few tips to make this a smooth transition. Having the same wake up and bedtime patterns help adjust a person's body clock. We all need that deep REM sleep to feel rested. Lack of sleep makes kids feel like they have the flu, achy, tired and unfocused. Similar sleep and wake times should also apply to weekends, and consistency is key. While we have a need to wake up at a certain time, I personally prefer not use an alarm clock. If possible, adjust the setting of your device

to a soothing sound to make waking up a joyful way to start the day.

Set rules for the hour before sleep. No tablets or screens. The light stimulation promotes wake, not sleep. No play or stimulation during this hour. Kids need to ease into calming activities. Create a routine that helps them segue into a relaxed mode.

Pre-frame the next school day as a fun, interesting occasion to look forward to. You could focus on the school day or even after school activities. Maybe it is a friend visit, a special event, or even a favorite breakfast.

Don't ignore stress or your child trying to tell you about potential problems. Be a good listener. Give active feedback. Let them know you feel empathy for the situation. We like to tell kids at our karate school that sometime we mistake the feeling of anxiety for excitement (kind of like that first roller coaster ride). You can make this an opportunity to teach your children that

many events take courage and preparation and, undertaking challenging events helps them with their perseverance while building their courage. These are some of the basic life skills that we teach in our martial arts program.

Make sure they have some down time to just be a kid. Some parents would like to expose their children to many different activities, but kids also need an opportunity to recharge. We have had karate families run from our class to soccer to piano all in one day. This is probably too much, and could overload a child. At Quest Martial Arts, when teaching multiculturalism, we often reflect on the philosophical meaning of the yin/yang (um/yang) symbol of balance. Keeping children in balance is the key to the fine line of burnout and boredom.

Master Mike Bogdanski is a co-owner of Quest Martial Arts in Putnam with Master Kristin Duethorn.

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dramatic change in shape. It gained about 10 inches in circumference in a day.

How much work goes into growing a pumpkin this giant?

It involves care at every step during every point in the season. It started indoors with supplemental heat. We grow them in mini greenhouses for the first month of the year outdoors. We fertilize every couple of days. I have to manage the insects. Diseases. We use supplemental heat in fall. People will put blankets over them on colder nights. We water them quite a bit, of course. Weed. Prune. We use beneficial fungus that colonize roots in the soil and digest nutrients in the soil and feed them to the pumpkin.

That's a lot of work! What made you decide to undertake something like this?

It wasn't ever a decision. I grew up loving pumpkins, ever since I was a kid. I loved the shape and the color. I enjoyed the smell. It was something to look forward to every year. I went to my first pumpkin contest in 2002 when I was 11. My mom took me along to the Topsfield Fair in Massachusetts.

What about the contest really drew you in?

I had just gone as a spectator. I was amazed at the size the pumpkins could achieve. I was interested in what it took to get them that big. I talked to some growers,



Alex Noel shows off his other giant pumpkin, currently around 1,500 and still growing.

and I went home with some seeds. I researched all winter long. I tried growing giants myself that year, in 2003.

How did it go?

It went fine. I grew a 370 pound pumpkin. That's a respectable first year, especially for a 12 year old kid.

What kept you interested after that initial season?

I just liked how fast the pumpkin grew. How fast the vines moved across the soil. And I liked the challenge. And, in a good year, you get an impressive result.

Seeing the results of your hard work must be exciting.

It's a new thrill every few hours. That's what we live for as giant pumpkin growers. We live for the couple weeks when the pumpkin is doing 40-50 pounds a day. You go out every few days and take a new weight estimation.

How do you even weigh something so massive?

They're weighed on freight scales eventually for competition. We lift them with a web of nylon straps. They're put onto a pallet to be handled with forklifts. Taken to the weigh off. During the season we measure them, comparing the measurements to an estimation chart.

When it was brought to the Fair, people must have been really impressed.

I've gotten a lot of congrats. A lot of questions. A ton of seed requests.

How does it feel to have recognition for this?

It feels great after all the effort I put in. It was a long 15 years becoming a world class grower. I didn't have much to show the last few years, with disease keeping their weight down in the patch. It was nice this year to show something people were excited about. It's the 50th largest ever grown in the world. As of a few days ago, it's th largest weighed this year in the world.

What's next for you?

After this one split, I

considered not growing again next year.

Why's that?

It takes six to eight hours a day in the pumpkin patch and thousands of dollars... It eats into other things I want to do with my life — my girlfriend, my job... But after a few days of considering it and talking to friends and family, I'll probably grow again next year. It's just part of who I am. It's what I live the other six months of the year for: Preparing for pumpkin season. It's just what I love.

How do you plan on it not splitting next year?

We shade the fruit to keep the skin supple, and fertilize with calcium as the fruit ages to increase cell wall strength. We breed for increased fruit thickness and better shape with each new generation. The faster and larger a pumpkin grows, the more likely it is going to split, so we're always trying to keep up with the incredible power of these vegetables.

Is there anything else you want people to know about yourself?

I want to thank my girlfriend, Liz, for her enduring patience, and my neighbors, the Rich family, for their enthusiastic support of my giant vegetable pursuits. If readers are interested in growing giant pumpkins, they should visit bigpumpkins.com. This is also the first year I'll have commercial pumpkins. A whole acre. It's been fun and a lot work. The weather has made it tough, but I'm excited to start harvesting.

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Monica Boudreau and Jaimie Lohman paint some clay flowers designed by children for the Sawmill Pottery's Community Flower Garden. They were instructed by Elle Henault.

=PUTNAM — September's First Fridays event celebrated Native Americans, their culture, and the individuals that helped shape the Quiet Corner throughout history. As always, it was a great event for Putnam residents and visitors to experience what makes downtown Putnam special: The food, the vendors, the music and the art.



Gary Bozylinsky and Nancy Deede had a great time checking out the art galleries.



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PUTNAM

Monday, Sept. 17
Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Tuesday, Sept. 18
Referendum, 6 a.m., Town Hall

THOMPSON

Tuesday, Sept. 18
Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 19
Recreation Commission, 7 a.m., Town Hall

Economic Development Commission, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

Thursday, Sept. 20
Library Board of Trustees, 2 p.m., Library

Board of Finance, 7 p.m., Library

POMFRET

Monday, Sept. 17
Board of Selectmen, 8 a.m., Pomfret Community Center

ZBA, 7 p.m., Senior Center

Tuesday, Sept. 18
Library Board of Trustees, 7 p.m., Library

Wednesday, Sept. 19
Commission on Aging, 6 p.m., Pomfret Community Center

P&Z, 7 p.m., Old Town House

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Tuesday, Sept. 18
Republican Town Committee, 7 p.m., Eastford Public Library

Wednesday, Sept. 19
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Recreation Commission, 4:30 p.m., Town Office Building

Clean Energy Task Force, 7 p.m., Town Office Building

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Monday, September 17 – BBQ rib sandwich, oven baked potatoes, baked beans, cucumber wheels. Alt. main: vanilla yogurt, muffin, cheese stick.

Tuesday, September 18 – Mozzarella sticks, dipping sauce, mashed potato, roasted & fresh carrots. Alt. main: Sun Butter jelly sandwich with cheese stick.

Wednesday, September 19 – Lasagna, garlic breadstick, roasted squash, fresh broccoli. Alt. main: vanilla yogurt, muffin, cheese stick.

Thursday, September 20 – Stuffed crust pizza, cole slaw, seasoned green beans, spinach salad. Alt. main: turkey/cheese bulkie.

Friday, September 21 – Popcorn chicken, Asian fried rice, roasted broccoli, cucumber wheels. Alt. main: vanilla yogurt, muffin, cheese stick.

POMFRET COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Monday, September 17 – Cheesy pizza slice, crispy celery sticks, crunchy baby carrots, ranch dipping sauce, assorted fruits, milk. Breakfast: breakfast pastry.

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Wednesday, September 19 – Chicken tenders, seasoned brown rice, steamed broccoli, golden carrots, assorted fruits, milk.

Thursday, September 20 – Cheese quesadilla, zesty tomato salsa, sweet steamed corn, refried beans, assorted fruits, milk.

Friday, September 21 – Fish and chips, oven baked

potato wedges, creamy coleslaw, tartar sauce, assorted fruits, milk. Breakfast: egg and cheese.

PUTNAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday, September 17 – Zesty orange popcorn chicken rice bowl, WG chicken bites tossed in an orange glaze served over a bed of brown rice and broccoli

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Wednesday, September 19 – WG mozzarella sticks with zesty marinara sauce, WG pasta, seasoned medley of vegetables

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Monday, September 17 – BBQ rib sandwich, oven baked potatoes, baked beans. Alt. main: cheese pizza

Tuesday, September 18 – Mozzarella sticks, dipping sauce, mashed potato, roasted carrots. Alt. main: hot dog

Wednesday, September 19 – Lasagna, garlic breadstick, roasted squash. Alt. main: cheese pizza

Thursday, September 20 – Stuffed crust pizza w/topping, cole slaw, green beans. Alt. main: toasted cheese sandwich and tomato soup.

Friday, September 21 – Popcorn chicken, zesty or plain, Asian fried rice, roasted seasoned broccoli. Alt. main: fish patty on a bun.

WOODSTOCK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday, September 17 – Hot dog/bun, oven fries, fruit, milk

Tuesday, September 18 – meatball grinder, cucumber cups, fruit, milk

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Wednesday, Sept. 5
 Robert A Langlois, 27, of 50 Mason Road, Brooklyn, was charged with a warrant

DANIELSON
Monday, Sept. 3
 Mary T Holcomb, 60, of 262 S. Shore Road, Killingly, was charged with interfering with a police officer/resisting, breach of peace and violation of a protective order

PUTNAM
Friday, Sept. 7
 Daniel Carroll, 32, of 27 Battey Street, Putnam, was charged with possession of narcotics, operating a drug factory, assault, threatening and breach of peace
WOODSTOCK
Thursday, Sept. 6
 Donald Harding, 68, of 1442 Route 171, Woodstock, was charged with illegal operation of a motor vehicle under the influence, failure to drive in the proper lane and possession of a controlled substance

Timothy John Hebert, 52, of 107 Brockway Road, Woodstock, was charged with disorderly conduct
THOMPSON
Thursday, Sept. 6
 Keith Therrien, 34, of P.O. Box 28, N. Grosvenordale, was charged with disorderly conduct, violation of a protective order and assault

Wednesday, Sept. 5
 Travis Orr, 31, of 299 Brickhouse Road, Danielson, was charged with a warrant

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Quinebaug Valley Pride fall in season opener



Charlie Lentz photo

Quinebaug Valley's Matt Fitzpatrick rushes against Bullard Havens last Friday at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex in Putnam.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

PUTNAM — The Quinebaug Valley Pride were looking for a measuring stick in the opening game of the high school football season last Friday night — instead they found a heavy club in Bullard Havens Tech. The Bridgeport

school — one of the powers of the Connecticut Technical Conference — drubbed Quinebaug Valley 33-14 at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex.

"I mean Bullard's been at the top of this conference for a long time," said Quinebaug Valley coach Joe Asermelly, in his seventh season. "And it's a great

measuring stick to measure our grit — and I thought we showed some of that tonight, scoring when we did, how we did."

That grit was not enough although Quinebaug Valley never gave in. The Pride drove 60 yards in nine plays for a touchdown with time running out in

BULLARD HAVENS 33, QUINEBAUG VALLEY 14			
B. Havens	0	14	6 7-33
Quinebaug	0	6	0 8-14

SECOND QUARTER

B — Lon Dunbar 90 pass from Cyrus Cotto (Steven Holmes kick) 11:01
B — Barry Jean-Pierre 6 pass from Cotto (kick failed) 4:43
Q — Josh Dodd 2 run (kick failed) :27

THIRD QUARTER

B — Tyrese Wright 20 run (kick failed) 10:02

FOURTH QUARTER

B — Wright 28 run (kick failed) 7:53
B — Wright 3 run (Holmes kick) 1:50
Q — Jamie Talbot 76 kickoff return (Matt Fitzpatrick run) 1:37

	B. Havens	Quinebaug
First Downs	19	5
Rushes-yards	37-220	17-31
Passing	238	71
Sacked-yds lost	1-1	1-6
Comp-Att-Int	13-24-2	4-16-1
Punts-Avg.	1-21	4-28
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	10-78	8-40

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING- B: Cotto 11-58, Elijah Martin 1-1, Wright 23-160, 3TD; Kysheem Holman 1-6, Jamai Duncan 1-(-5). QV: Dodd 1-2, TD; Matt Fitzpatrick 17-31.

PASSING- B: Cotto 13-24-2 for 238, 2 TD. QV: Dodd 4-16-1 for 71.

RECEIVING- B: Holman 4-33, Tom Montilla 3-63, Martin 1-20, Dunbar 4-116, 3 TD; Barry Jean-Pierre 1-6, TD. QV: Fitzpatrick 2-22, Adrian Casiano 2-49.

the first half to pull within eight points at the break. And Quinebaug played until the final gun, scoring on a kickoff return with under two minutes left the game. Asermelly was encouraged by the effort against a swifter team.

"I think there's a lot of improvements to be made," Asermelly said. "There's a process here. And it's a week-to-week process. That being said, we're miles from where we were a year ago."

Asermelly said his team was a bit

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Ca. 1745 but completely new w/4000 SF, 4 BR 3 full BA on 1.17 acres w/lovely views! Chef's kitchen extraordinary & gorgeous 3-car garage!
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105 English Neighborhood Rd, Woodstock \$295,000
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OPEN HOUSE SAT 9/22 11:00-12:30



330 Paine District Rd, Woodstock \$375,000
Perfect 1 floor living in this beautiful custom ranch in Woodstock, CT. Just built in 2016. Beautiful pastoral views.
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Tourtellotte girls look to return to tourney



Charlie Lentz photo

Tourtellotte's Ashley Morin, left, tries to get past Plainfield's Lindsey Price last Friday in Thompson.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

THOMPSON — Tourtellotte senior center midfielder Lauren Ramos had never scored a goal in high school before tallying in the Tigers 4-1 loss to Plainfield High in the season opener for both soccer teams last Friday at Tourtellotte Memorial High. The loss wasn't the desired result but the good news for the Tigers is Ramos appears to be back near full strength after tearing both the medial collateral ligament and the meniscus in her left knee. Her first-ever score came from 30 yards out.

"That was my first goal in high school. I was shocked because normally (coach Deb Spinelli) always has me play up on goals like that and normally I bomb it over (the crossbar)," Ramos said. "But in earlier practices this season my assistant coach Jen (Bennett) has been telling me 'Lean over the ball. Lean over the ball.' And that's all I was thinking when I went up to that ball. Thankfully it went in."

Ramos hopes her goal is a sign of good things to come

for Tourtellotte, which lost a few leaders to graduation but returns plenty of talent from the team that finished 10-6-2 last season. Ramos — who played at both center mid and at stopper against the Panthers on Sept. 7 — will be counted on in the midfield along with junior Ashley Morin, senior Jolie Wilber, and sophomore Kaylee Tackson. Maegen Roy and Katey Kwasniewski — leaders from last year's team — have graduated.

"I'm hoping to hold up the middle with Ashley and Kaylee Tackson, Jolie — really strong leaders out there — we all communicate very well together. So I'm hoping that we can pick up from what we lost last year, which was a huge part of our team," Ramos said. "We have a lot of young players in the backfield but we've been working with them to try to help them grow and get more confident out on the field."

Ramos said her role has evolved.

"It feels different because I have more people looking up to me," Ramos said. "We did lose a lot but we also gained a lot in the freshman class and we

have a lot of strong returning players. So hopefully, I think this game — they're a very strong team, Plainfield — but I think we could have a good season."

Coach Spinelli said Ramos and Morin should help their cause while assuming leadership roles.

"We're hoping Lauren Ramos and Ashley Morin step up in the middle of the field. Lauren's a little more bit verbal, in the backfield we're looking for Jolie Wilber — those are the kids we're really looking to, those seniors," said Spinelli, in her 28th season on the sideline.

And Spinelli said sophomore Kaylee Tackson will be counted on to provide some offense, although Plainfield marked her well last Friday. The Eastern Connecticut Conference will be divided into divisions 1 through 4, with Tourtellotte playing in Division 4 — for ECC schools with the smaller enrollments.

"Hopefully we can get (Tackson) the ball. Today was a stretch for us to open up with (Plainfield). I think in our division we'll do alright," Spinelli said. "I think we'll be competitive in the division. Don't forget the ECC went to four divisions this year."

Seven wins are required to guarantee a berth in the state tournament and Spinelli said the Tigers should be in the mix for a playoff berth.

"I think we can make the tournament. I don't know how far we'll go in the tournament but I'm pretty sure with the schedule that we have, the first two games are pretty tough for us — we have Plainfield and we have Montville — and we have another real tough one in the middle there, Stonington. The rest of them, I think we'll be able to be competitive with," Spinelli said.

Among the freshmen coach Spinelli expects to contribute this season are backfielder Mackenzie Minarik, sweeper Alysha Bugbee, and Kalin Griggs.

Renee Popiel scored two goals and Kate Carleson and Maya Lulumiere each tallied one goal for the Panthers in their win over the Tigers last Friday. Goalkeeper Sophie Mercer made one save for Plainfield. Keeper Kalie Copley made 10 saves for Tourtellotte. Plainfield outshot Tourtellotte 14-2 and led 9-0 in corner kicks. Tourtellotte is next scheduled to play host Parish Hill on Friday, Sept. 14, with kickoff set for 3:45 p.m.



Charlie Lentz photo

Tourtellotte's McKayla Minarik, right, and Plainfield's Olivia Digiacomo jockey for the ball last Friday in Thompson.



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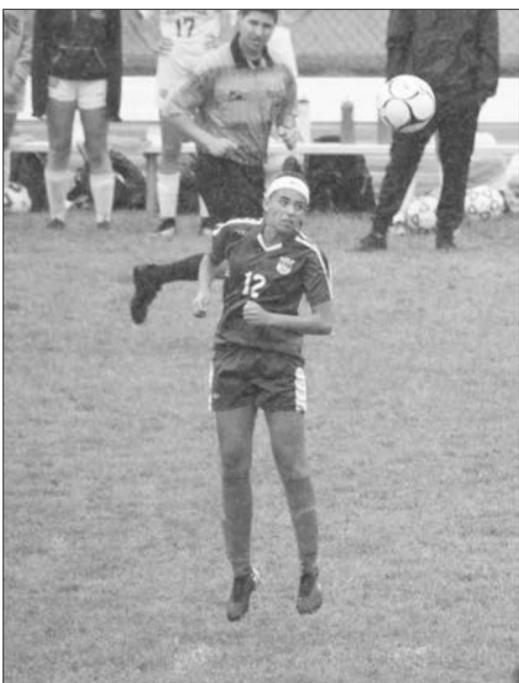
Tourtellotte's Rori Johnson, left, battles Plainfield's Cassie Carleson last Friday in Thompson.

Perhaps more goals are in store for Ramos this season.

"Hopefully every time I can be able to at least keep it up there," Ramos said. "If not score."

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Putnam High booters face uphill battle



Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam High's Laylah Chavez heads the ball against Killingly High on Monday, Sept. 10, at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex in Putnam.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

PUTNAM — With an independent schedule last season Putnam High finished 10-5-1 overall, falling to Coventry in the first round of the Class S girls soccer state tournament. But with the graduation of Morgan Foucault — who scored over 100 career goals — and the Clippers move to the Eastern Connecticut Conference, it will likely be difficult to match last season's victory total.

First year coach Tommy Derosier knows nothing will come easy this season.

"Much more competition. It's going to be a grind," Derosier said. "But hey, my girls don't give up. They play to the last whistle and that's all I ask of them."

The Clippers fell to Killingly High 4-0 last Monday, Sept. 10, at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex. The loss dropped Putnam's record to 0-2. Against Killingly, Putnam had only 13 play-

ers on the roster. With only two bench players most of the Clippers will have to play the full 80 minutes every game.

"We were playing teams with 10, 11 girls last season. Now teams are walking in against us with 35 girls, subbing in all game, and we have a couple subs. They're out of breath at the end of the game but they don't give up," Derosier said.

In the loss to Killingly High on Sept. 10, the Redgals outshot the Clippers 24-0 and led 2-0 on corner kicks.

With limited bench players to fill in, Derosier said physical conditioning is important to withstand the rigors of the game.

"It's got to be tip top. It's tough when you don't get a sub all game," Derosier said. "You've got to play 80 minutes. It's tough."

Sophomore forward Laylah Chavez returns to the lineup and she will likely be counted on to provide much of the offense for the Clippers this season.

"She's our No.-1 target. I'm yelling to them every time they get the ball in the middle, 'Look up to Laylah. Look to Laylah's side. Send Laylah through. Over the top to Laylah,'" Derosier said. "I need Laylah to do a lot for me up top. She's my No. 1."

In the midfield, Derosier will be counting on strong contributions from senior co-captain Mariah Trivisano.



Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam High goalkeeper Kayleigh Lyons readies to make a save against Killingly High on Monday.

"(Trivisano) holds down the midfield well, tracks back, plays hard 'D'. She's the one finding Laylah up top so I count on her a lot also," Derosier said.

Among the defenders who will anchor the defense, senior Parker Sessums along with junior Hannah Smith and sophomore Bethany Smith are expected to be stalwart.

"We've got Parker Sessums back there, who plays like an absolute animal. And then we've got the Smith sisters — and they control the middle — they're really the heart of the defense back

there," Derosier said.

Junior goalkeeper and co-captain Kayleigh Lyons will be the last line of defense. Lyons made 20 saves in the loss to Killingly on Sept. 10.

"She's my other captain. She holds everything together back there," said Derosier of Lyons. "Without her Killingly probably would have scored 12 goals."

As a first-year coach, Derosier is well aware that the ECC schedule will be a daunting one this season but he said his Clippers won't shy away from any opponent.

"I'm very excited. It's my first job as a head

coach at the high school level," Derosier said. "I can't want to have the season keep going."

The Clippers are next scheduled to play at Wheeler on Friday, Sept. 14. Putnam returns home to play host to local rival Parish Hill on Monday, Sept. 17, with the game against the Pirates set to begin at 6 p.m. at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex.

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Killingly Redmen rout Plainfield in season opener



Killingly quarterback Luke Desaulnier tossed a 31-yard touchdown pass to Tyler Cournoyer in the Redmen's 49-6 season-opening win over Plainfield last Friday, Sept. 7.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

DAYVILLE — Warning to Killingly High opponents: The defending state-champion Redmen appear to have picked up right where they left off last season — despite the graduation losses of Spencer Lockwood (3,137 yards rushing with 44 touchdowns last season) and Zach Caffrey (1,103 rushing yards and 13 touchdowns).

"I was pleased with how they just started a new chapter," said Killingly coach Chad Neal, in his 15th season. "You know, they didn't say 'Hey, we don't have the Lockwoods, Caffreys' — they just came and said 'This is us now.'"

Tyler Cournoyer rushed for a pair of touchdowns and had a scoring reception as Killingly High defeated Plainfield High 49-6 in the season opener last Friday night at Killingly High School.

Cournoyer rushed for touchdowns of

45 and six yards and nabbed a 31-yard touchdown toss from senior quarterback Luke Desaulnier. The Redmen led 35-0 at halftime and finished with 349 yards on the ground. Nsaiah Harriet ran for touchdowns of 80 and 39 yards. Jackson Lopes rushed for two touchdowns including scoring runs of 19 and 46 yards. Harriet, Lopes, and Cournoyer will present problems for opposing defenses.

"I think each of them brings something different to the table," Neal said. "Harriet's downhill, he's a physical runner but he has speed. Cournoyer's shifty, he's tough to find. Where Lopes is just a speed back who makes good cuts. So there's three types of backs now (defenses) have to prepare for."

Neal like the diversity his team displayed when it had the ball.

"I thought we were balanced offensively. I thought Luke (Desaulnier) did an excellent job throwing the ball. Our receivers did well but our running

game was strong as ever," Neal said. "The offensive line just opened some huge holes."

Matt Phelan notched five tackles for Killingly and the Redmen limited the Panthers to 78 yards on the ground.

"And really a lot of that (78 yards) was when our second team was in there. I think they had two first downs, maybe, against our varsity — just shut them down," Neal said. "And the defense was all over the ball. Once the ball was snapped they were reading everything and just flying around."

Plainfield's Ryan Holt ran four yards for a touchdown in the fourth quarter for the Panthers lone touchdown. Derek Turner had four tackles for Killingly. Quinn Gervasio, Dylan Sanford, and Johnathan Rodriguez each made three tackles for the Redmen.

Killingly is next scheduled to play at Griswold High with kickoff set for 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 14. Griswold defeated Bacon Academy 36-7 in its sea-

KILLINGLY 49, PLAINFIELD 6				
Plainfield	0	0	0	6-6
Killingly	21	14	14	0-49

FIRST QUARTER
K - Jackson Lopes 19 run (Luke Desaulnier kick)
K - Nsaiah Harriet 39 run (Desaulnier kick)
K - Tyler Cournoyer 31 pass from Desaulnier (Desaulnier kick)

SECOND QUARTER
K - Harriet 80 run (Desaulnier kick)
K - Lopes 46 run (Desaulnier kick)

THIRD QUARTER
K - Cournoyer 6 run (Desaulnier kick)
K - Cournoyer 45 run (Desaulnier kick)

FOURTH QUARTER
P - Kyle Holt 4 run (conversion failed)

	Plainfield	Killingly
First Downs	8	14
Rushes-yards	32-78	26-349
Passing	31	62
Comp-Att-Int	3-8-0	4-7-0
Punts-Avg.	5-37	0-0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING- K: Harriet 3-121, 2 TD, Cournoyer 3-67, 2 TD; Lopes 3-67, 2 TD, Cooper Morrisette 7-27; Johnathan Creswell 2-17, Jacob Nurse 2-6, Desaulnier 2-4, Derek Turner 2-2.

PASSING- K: Desaulnier 4-7-0 for 62, TD.

RECEIVING- - K: Cournoyer 1-31, TD, Josh Montpelier 1-20, Lopes 2-11.

son opener last Friday. Neal expects a battle against the Wolverines, who are led by quarterback Andrew Koziol and running back C.J. Mattson.

"Their quarterback's excellent and their offensive line is all back. They have a very good offensive line, cohesive unit, veteran group," Neal said. "Between that offensive line, the quarterback, and they've got some skill guys with C.J. Mattson — he had five touchdowns against Bacon, he's a very good player — so they're team that's a veteran team. They remind me a lot of what we were in 2015. This will be a test for us."

GREENFIELD 26, WOODSTOCK 18

GREENFIELD, Mass. — Woodstock Academy fell to Greenfield in the season opener for both football teams last Friday, Sept. 7. The Centaurs are next scheduled to play host to Amistad (0-1) at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Bentley Athletic Complex. Newington defeated Amistad 41-0 last Friday.

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Another strong season pegged for Woodstock booters



Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock Academy's Emma Redfield wins a 50/50 ball against Bacon Academy last Saturday, Sept. 8, at Bentley Athletic Complex.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

WOODSTOCK — With much of the roster returning from a Woodstock Academy team that finished 16-5 last season there's reason to believe the Centaurs are heading toward another winning campaign. Last Saturday's 0-0 tie against Bacon Academy in the season-opening match for both teams did little to dispel coach Dennis Snelling's confidence in his Centaurs — considering Bacon spent much of the afternoon on Bentley Athletic Complex's artificial turf field packing nine players in their defensive zone.

"We're strong. We possessed the ball well," said Snelling, in his seventh season. "We're happy with the defense. We just need to figure how to get

the offense to connect and I'm sure we will. I expected that — (Bacon) has been defensive since (coach) Lee (Elliott) took over last year — just playing nine back and one up, similar today. It's probably a pretty good way to do it if you think you're rebuilding — go for the results, the ties, their strategy was efficient."

Woodstock was on the attack most of the afternoon, leading Bacon 12-6 in shots and 9-1 in corner kicks.

"We had a couple where their goalie just kind of dropped it right front of the goal," Snelling said. "We just weren't crashing the net well. We need to get more people involved in the offense."

Yet Snelling believes the Centaurs will do some crashing as the season continues.

"We have 16 players back from last year's roster and only three new players," Snelling said. "The chemistry is already established. It's just a matter of maybe replacing the key players that we lost last year that we're creating a lot of the offense. We're confident that we're going to have a good season. We're not going to allow many goals. We just need to figure out how to score them."

Among the scoring threats for Woodstock this season are senior Ivy Gelhaus, senior Isabel Cintron, senior Aislin Tracey, and sophomore Peyton Saracina.

"We really need to get all four of them confident in the scoring department so we have more dimensions to our team," Snelling said. "Today is just an outlier game for us really. I think the scoring will be frequent as we get going into the season. We didn't have it today, something about this field, I think."

The Centaurs midfield lineup appears solid with the return of sophomore Emma Redfield, senior Ashleigh Angle, senior Regan Stuyanski, junior Linda St. Laurent — and the addition of freshman Adeline Smith.

"That was a strong group of soccer players in the midfield," Snelling said. "That's really what we're trying to do, is control the midfield. I think we just need to find that dominant player who can send the balls through."

Woodstock senior goalkeeper Irene Askitis is back to guard the net.

"Irene is a senior now. She's had two really strong seasons prior to this as a starting goalie," Snelling said. "She really does all the technical things well. She doesn't let in any easy goals. She's just strong and she's been ranked among the top goalies in the (Eastern Connecticut Conference) for her whole high school career."

With many returning play-



Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock's Linda St. Laurent tries to clear the ball with Bacon's Maile Blumberger closing in.

ers Snelling has no worries about the team's cohesiveness.

"The chemistry's great. I think we need better results to get the confidence to really put us at that elite level," Snelling said.

Askitis made four saves for the Centaurs against Bacon. Goalkeeper Sammi Ciaglio made eight saves for Bacon

Academy. The Centaurs are next scheduled to play host to East Lyme on Friday, Sept. 14, with kickoff set for 4:15 p.m. at Bentley Athletic Complex.

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Woodstock's Ivy Gelhaus moves upfield with Bacon's Sarah Valardo defending.

Killingly Redgals must replace talented quartet



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Killingly High's Caroline Gagnon tries to block a shot from Fitch's Lauren Davison on Monday, Sept. 10, at Killingly High School.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

DAYVILLE — The bar has been raised for the volleyball program at Killingly High and despite the loss of four standouts to graduation coach Dan Vogt expects his Redgals to dig deep for victories.

"I think the expectations have risen quite a lot over the last few years. I think just being competitive is not OK for Killingly volleyball anymore," Vogt said. "We want to be the best. We want to be ECC champs — and I think the girls know that. That's a high expectation that they're willing to reach for but it puts a lot of pressure on them too."

Vogt is the only coach Killingly High has ever known. He inaugurated the program at the club level in 2002 and shepherded the Redgals to the varsity level in 2005. He knows replacing the graduation losses from last season's team won't

be easy. Killingly was the Eastern Connecticut Conference Division 2 champion last season, finished 21-3 overall, falling in the second round of the state tournament. Among the graduation losses were Eastern Connecticut Conference First Team All-Stars Ally Conde, Reilly Allen, and Meredith Zamperini, along with Reagan Morin, an ECC Second Team All-Star.

"It's tough setting goals in some aspects with losing so much but our goal is to be ECC champs again, we have done it the last two years. We know it will be a difficult task but that's our first and foremost goal is to repeat as ECC champs. We know it won't be easy," Vogt said. "And our goal is getting back to the state tournament and advancing as far as we can."

The Redgals return one starter: captain and senior outside hitter Kelsey Allen, who was

an ECC Second Team All-Star last season.

"(Allen) is a very solid player so we're trying to build around her," Vogt said. "She's our best passer as well as probably our best hitter. So we're trying to work around her but we have a whole new lineup. So it's just trying to put the pieces together and getting girls used to playing next to each other and figuring out what system works best for us. We're a little behind schedule, even with the scrimmages and stuff, we're a little behind where we expect to be at this point. But we expect to be better as we go along."

Junior middle hitter Trinity Angel is new to the starting lineup but she brings raw athleticism to the court.

"(Angel) is a great athlete. Basketball is her sport so she doesn't really focus on volleyball in the off-season, where a lot of players do. So she has a little extra hill to climb," Vogt said. "But she has the physical abilities that some other girls don't so that's on her side. We really are going to count on her to be a big part of our team offensively and obviously defensively with the blocking and everything else."

Setter Taylor Charron, a senior captain, will be counted on as well.

"(Charron) has great hands. She's very short and that's tough for her at the net. So that's sometimes a little bit of a struggle for her but she has great hands," Vogt said. "She set the jayvee record for assists last year. She's just working on gaining consistency, that's the biggest thing with her."

Senior weakside hitter Prachi Patel is also a captain.

"(Patel) is hitting at right side this year, which is kind of new to her, but she's left-handed so it suits her well," Vogt said. "She's kind of a decent all-around player but we all look to her to be a calming factor on the team. She's always



Charlie Lentz photo

Killingly junior Trinity Angel battles Fitch's Karly Morales on Monday at Killingly High.

very positive and kind of settles the team down. So that's part of the reason I think that she was voted as a captain and that's been a nice surprise for us."

The junior varsity went 17-3 last season and many of those players have moved up to the varsity — so Vogt said they're used to winning.

"They've experienced success and a lot of them got some time on varsity last year," Vogt said. "They're not rookies and they have some experience. We're super positive that it can be a successful season and that we can keep the program

coming along. Her jumping ability's really helped and we think that she could be a really big hitter for us and that's been a nice surprise for us."

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at the top level."

Killingly dropped its season opener to Fitch last Monday, Sept. 10, at Killingly High School. The Redgals fell to the Falcons in straight sets — 25-14, 25-17, 25-19. Killingly is next scheduled to play host to Putnam High on Friday, Sept. 14, with the first serve scheduled for 5:30 p.m. at Killingly High School's gymnasium.

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Veteran Killingly squad looks for winning season

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

DAYVILLE — The Killingly Redgals return their top scorer, a solid midfield contingent, and a rugged defense. Coach Jim Lackner expects his team to surpass last season's 7-7-2 record capped by a 3-0 loss to Farmington in the first round of the state tournament.

"We bring almost everybody back," Lackner said. "We lost a bunch of seniors but nobody who really was a main contributor."

Killingly should have no problem putting the ball in the back of the net.

"Scoring threats? We've got quite a few I think who can do

it," said Lackner, in his fourth season at the helm.

Sophomore forward Abbie Burgess returns to the lineup. Burgess scored 18 goals last season in her freshmen campaign. Burgess notched a pair of goals in Killingly's season-opening 4-0 victory over Putnam High on Monday, Sept. 10. Burgess will be complemented by junior Chloe Hibbard, senior Taylor Jax, junior Haylee Chester. Freshman Sophie Moore has shown scoring prowess as well.

"Obviously, Abbie Burgess returned for us. And then you're talking about Taylor Jax, Chloe Hibbard, Haylee Chester — those are going to be our four main ones that are probably going to put the ball

in," Lackner said. "Maybe Sophie Moore a little bit, so those are the five who are probably going to put the ball in the back of the net for us."

In addition to being a scoring threat, Jax will anchor the midfield.

"(Jax) is going to be the key to everything. We kind of try to play everything through her. She's great distributing, got a strong foot," Lackner said.

Hibbard and Moore are also in the midfield, and Burgess will also drop back to the middle on occasion. Jax, Hibbard, Moore, and Burgess will be key to the Redgals success.

"Those are the big four for us in the middle," Lackner said.

On the defensive back line,

Killingly's key player is sophomore Grace Nichols.

"(Nichols) is real physical. She has a really strong big leg. She takes all our kicks, free kicks, that sort of stuff," Lackner said.

Sophomore goalkeeper Taylyn Lemoine will mind the net for the Redgals. Lemoine saw limited action in the pre-season because she broke her jaw in a swimming pool accident in the summer.

Lemoine missed the season opener against Putnam High on Sept. 10 but was expected to return in the second week of the season. Lackner also expects the Redgals to return to the state tournament, and make some noise in Division 2 of the Eastern Connecticut Conference.

"Our goal is to definitely get back to states, finish with a winning record, and hopefully challenge for the Division 2 ECCs. We know Plainfield's going to be really tough, Bacon, Waterford, so there's a lot of

tough teams in there," Lackner said. "But I think we've got the talent to hang with most of those team. It's just 'Are we going to play hard enough? Are we going to play smart enough?'"

Lackner said the team has gelled and has no worries about team chemistry.

"Much better than in years past. This team is really tight," Lackner said. "Our captains have done a great job incorporating all the kids in. Best team chemistry we've had in the four years I've been here."

In addition to Burgess's two goals in the victory over Putnam High on Sept. 10, Hibbard and Chester each notched one goal. The Redgals outshot Putnam 24-0. Killingly is next scheduled to play at Ledyard on Tuesday, Sept. 18.

Charlie Lentz may be reached at (860) 928-1818, ext. 110, or by e-mail at charlie@villagernewspapers.com.



Charlie Lentz photo

Killingly High's Grace Nichols tries to get past Putnam's Emma Brathwaite.



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Killingly High's Abbie Burgess winds up for a shot against Putnam High last Monday, Sept. 10, at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex. Burgess scored two goals in a 4-0 victory.



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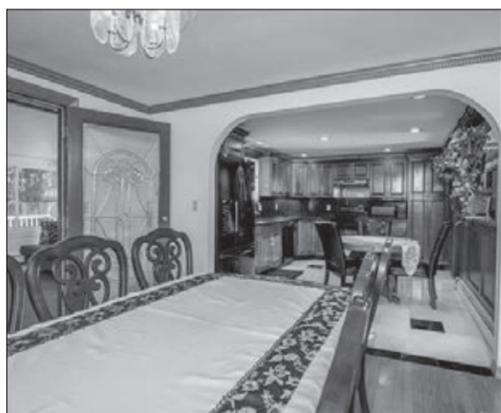
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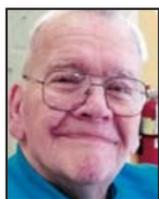
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Richard T. Williams (AKA Pooh Bear), 84



F I S K D A L E - Richard T. Williams (AKA Pooh Bear), 84 died August 16, after an illness. He leaves his wife of 47 years Beverly (Lamb) Williams, 4 children Denise A. Matolcsy-Cowden and her husband Dr. Alexander Matolcsy of Haverhill, Cathleen L. Burgess of N. Fort Myers, FL. James J. Williams of N. Fort Myers, FL. Pamela J. Lind of Brimfield, 6 grandchildren Paul Cowden and his wife Michelle Krukowski of N. Grosvenor Dale, CT. John Cowden and his wife Mio of W. Jordan, UT. Jared Cowden and his wife Alison of Sturbridge, Kathi Poswiatowski and husband John of Wales, Melinda Lind and finance Scott Riggs of Milford, Melissa Lind of Brimfield, 8 great grandchildren will and Melodi Cowden of W. Jordan, UT, Jonah, Merrik and Landon Cowden of Sturbridge, Keltin and Ashlinn Poswiatowski of Wales, Sophia Maria Riggs of Milford, sister in law Patricia of Hyannis, nephew and nieces Kathleen Williams Kittleen, Linda Williams and Stephen Williams. He was predeceased by a brother Peter Williams Dick graduated from St. John's High

School, Class of "51", and Holy Cross College, Class "56". Following his graduation, He served 2 years in the U.S. Army in Europe. Upon discharge from the service, he entered the Insurance Claim Field, where he completed thirty-seven years in Springfield, MA, Providence RI, Hartford CT, and New Haven, CT areas as a Claim Representative, Supervisor, Manager and Claim Director. In the 70's and 80's he was a member of The Hartford Arbitration Committee and The Hartford Claim Managers Council. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, in North Brookfield. He also served in the Boston Temple of the Church for several years as an Ordinance worker. Her was a manager of the Bishop's Storehouse in Worcester for 2 1/2 years. Calling hours were 10am to Noon, Saturday, Aug. 25, in the Belanger-Bullard Funeral Home, 51 Marcy St. Southbridge. A service followed at NOON in the funeral home. Burial was in Holland Cemetery. An online guestbook and more information can be found on [www. BelangerFuneralHome.com](http://www.BelangerFuneralHome.com)



Bruce Bodreau, age 77



Bruce Bodreau, age 77, of Quinebaug, CT died Monday, September 3, 2018 at UMASS Memorial after an illness. Bruce was born in Southbridge, MA. He is the son of the late Alexander W and Irene W (Neulieb) Bodreau.. He is survived by his wife of 56 years Patricia Menard Bodreau , one daughter: Justine (William) Gendreau and one son: Steven T. Bodreau all of Quinebaug. one sister: Doris Julian of Thompson, CT; Seven loving grandchildren, Ryan (Lucy) Gendreau, Ashley Gendreau , Michael Bodreau; Jillian Bodreau, Madison Bodreau; Spencer Bodreau. and Dalton Bodreau and several nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his Son, Scott A Bodreau.

Bruce lived all his life in Quinebaug was a member of US national guard and Army reserves. QVFD serving as deputy chief and treasurer for the Dept. retiring after 39 years of service. He worked as Traffic manager for Greeting Card Co in Webster, oil delivery man for kenny oil in Fayban. In his retirement he had A lawn mowing business and was the sexton at St. Stephens Church in Quinebaug .Fan of Uconn ladies basketball and the Celtics, patriots and Red Sox. Most of all he enjoyed watching his grandchildren in there sporting events. He enjoyed word search puzzles and an avid reader



Bruce was proud to be the first recipient of cord blood transplant performed at UMASS. A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 AM on Saturday, Sept. 8 at St. Stephens Church, Corner Of Route 197 & 131, Quinebaug, CT. Burial with military honors will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery, North Grosvenordale . Memorial calling hours will be Friday, September 7 from 4 to 8 PM at Bartel Funeral Home, 33 Schofield Avenue, Dudley, MA. www.bartelfuneralhome.com

Please omit flowers donations to the Quinebaug Vol. Fire Dept. PO box 144 Quinebaug CT 06262.

Newell E. Baker, 89

DAYVILLE, CT- Newell E. Baker age 89 died August 28, 2018 at his home. He leaves his wife of 48 years, Betty Jean (Rayno) Baker. He also leaves a son George Baker and his wife Cindie of Putnam, CT and two daughters, Robin Piette of Webster and Heidi Dobson of PA, two grandchildren and two great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He also was predeceased by three brothers and three sisters and a grandson.

He was born in Pomfret, CT son of the late George Baker and Edith (Harvey) Baker and lived in the area all his life. He was a US Army veteran of Korea. Newell was a mechanic all of his life, at one time owning Union Street Garage in Danilson, CT. Later in life he became a member of the Danielson

Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. There are no calling hours. Services at Kingdom Hall in Danielson will be held Sat Sept 22, 2018 at 1pm. Donations in his memory may be made to the Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, 200 Tracey Rd., Dayville, CT 06241. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.



Margaret Ann "Peggy" Mongeau, 88



WEBSTER- Peggy Mongeau of Webster, MA passed away on Wednesday, September 5, 2018. She was born in Worcester, MA, one of three children of Jacob Radzik and Margaret (Dunphy) Radzik. She grew up in Webster, MA, attended St. Louis Schools, and went on to receive a nursing degree from St. Vincent's School of Nursing in Worcester.

derful childhood she had growing up in a large extended family and always knowing that she was loved. She maintained close relationships with her many relatives, numerous friends on both coasts, and had the rare ability to make friends wherever she went. She is survived by daughter Kathryn Mongeau of Sacramento CA; daughter Marie Mongeau, her husband Miles Prunier, and grandchildren Lee and Leslie of Putnam CT; son Michael Mongeau, his wife Dawn, and grandchildren Claire and Nicole of Sterling MA; daughter Annie Stuehr, her husband David, and grandchildren Elizabeth, Sarah, and Matthew of Westwood, MA; son Laurence (Larry) Mongeau, his wife Heidi, and grandchild Alexandra of Byfield, MA. She was predeceased by her husband Larry, son Justin, and daughter Eileen.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 15th, 2018 at 10am at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, 15 E. Main St. in Webster, MA. A reception will follow at Point Breeze Restaurant, 114 Point Breeze Rd, in Webster. It was Peggy's explicit wish that everyone attending her memorial service come dressed in colorful, joyful attire to celebrate her memory. Remember her smile, her laughter, her kindness, her compassion, and the wonderful life that she lived.



She enlisted in the Air Force and was stationed in California during the Korean War where she met her future husband, Laurent (Larry) Mongeau. After leaving the Air Force, she and Larry married and settled in California where they began the herculean task of raising, loving, and guiding 7 children through this world. The family moved back to Webster in 1967 and Peggy became the Director of Nursing at Oakwood Convalescent Home, where she worked for the remainder of her career. She and Larry were very active in their church and faith was a guiding principle in their lives. Peggy often talked about the won-

derful childhood she had growing up in a large extended family and always knowing that she was loved. She maintained close relationships with her many relatives, numerous friends on both coasts, and had the rare ability to make friends wherever she went. She is survived by daughter Kathryn Mongeau of Sacramento CA; daughter Marie Mongeau, her husband Miles Prunier, and grandchildren Lee and Leslie of Putnam CT; son Michael Mongeau, his wife Dawn, and grandchildren Claire and Nicole of Sterling MA; daughter Annie Stuehr, her husband David, and grandchildren Elizabeth, Sarah, and Matthew of Westwood, MA; son Laurence (Larry) Mongeau, his wife Heidi, and grandchild Alexandra of Byfield, MA. She was predeceased by her husband Larry, son Justin, and daughter Eileen.

Donald W. Teslof, 90



SARASOTA, FL - Donald W. Teslof, 90, formerly of Webster and Dudley, entered into eternal rest on August 26, 2018 at his home in Sarasota, FL.

Donald was born in Webster, MA on November 11, 1927, a son of Charles and Frances (O'Shea) Teslof. He graduated from Bartlett High School in 1946 and lived most of his life in Webster and Dudley, MA and Sarasota, FL. He also resided in Old Lyme, CT.

After graduation, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served in the South Pacific on the islands of Guam and Saipan. As a sergeant, he was called back to serve in the Korean War as a mortar squad leader.

Upon discharge, he was employed by Massachusetts Electric as a first-class lineman. He then owned and operated 2 restaurants in Thompson, Connecticut, both called Don's Drive-In. While in Florida, he was employed by a couple of car dealerships. He retired as a bridge captain on the Siesta Key Bridge.

Mr. Teslof was an accomplished musician and played for the Pulaski Brass Band in Webster and also for the Ray Stone Orchestra in Dudley. He was a founding member of the Nipmuck Ski Club on Webster Lake. He had a love of flying and was a skilled private pilot out of Southbridge, MA. He was a member of the Elks Club and the American Legion.

He is survived by two sons, Thomas Teslof of Florida and Robert Teslof and his wife Carrie of Connecticut; three grandchildren, Joshua Teslof, Courtney Garro and Jessica Teslof; two great-grandchildren, Noah and Autumn; and his longtime companion, Monica Oliel. He was predeceased by his former wife, Priscilla (Leblanc) Teslof is 2017. The family would like to thank Conrad and Paula Allen and Lucille Wright, all of Dudley, for their everlasting friendship and support.

A memorial Mass was held on Monday, September 10, at 10:00 AM in Saint Louis Church, 15 Lake St., Webster (please meet at the church). Burial was in St. Joseph Garden of Peace, Webster. Military honors will be provided by the Webster-Dudley Veterans Council. Donations in his name may be made to Webster-Dudley Veterans Council, 3 Veterans Way, Webster, MA 01570. Local arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School St., Webster, MA. www.sitkowski-malboeuf.com



Artelle E. Curtis, 60

DAYVILLE, CT- Artelle E. (Young) Curtis age 60 died Sunday September 9, 2018 at the Day Kimball Hospital, Putnam, CT. She leaves her companion of thirteen years, Thomas Mottes of Dayville, her son Justin R. Curtis and his companion Debra Boulet of Eastford, two daughters, Amanda S. Curtis of Danielson and Letitia A. Curtis of Dayville, fifteen grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She also leaves three brothers, Timothy Young and his wife Wendy, Douglas Young and his wife Donna, Curtis Young and his wife Kathy all of Woodstock, two sisters Ivy Blanchette and her husband Donald of NJ and Alison Meyers and her husband Tom of Maine. She also leaves her father

Henry D. Young of Woodstock, CT. She was born in Putnam, CT daughter of Henry D. Young and the late Elisabeth (White) Young Bishop and lived in Dayville for the past eleven years prior to that living in Ashford, CT. She enjoyed crafts, especially making Christmas decorations with greenery from the woods. She was a wonderful cook and enjoyed gatherings with her family and friends. There are no calling hours. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home has been entrusted with her arrangements. Omit flowers, please make donations in her memory to the St. Jude Children's Hospital. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

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Dr. Leonard DiGregorio, 89



SOUTHBRIDGE- Dr. Leonard M. DiGregorio, 89, of 97 South St., passed away peacefully on Tuesday, Sept. 4th, in his home surrounded by his family after a long illness.

His wife of 65 years, Vivian L. (Lippe) DiGregorio, passed away this past November. He leaves his three children, JoAnn Kass of Brimfield, Karen Walker and her husband Keith of New Braintree and Alan DiGregorio of Webster; his six grandchildren, Jason Kass and his wife Julie of West Hartford, Jamie Kass of Sturbridge, Azur Ostrowski and her husband Sean of Woodstock, CT, Michael Walker and his fiancé Ashley Davis of Wales, Loryn Walker of Dudley and Nicholas Walker of New Braintree; his eight great grandchildren, Joel Kass of Victorville, CA, Justin Richardson of Hubbardston, Jayden Kass of Sturbridge, Leah Kass and Alexander Kass of West Hartford, Ashley Palmerino, Madison Palmerino and Cameron Palmerino, all of Woodstock, CT; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his sister, Concetta Deterando, and his six brothers, Armond, Albert, William, Raymond, Richard and Ronald. He was born in Southbridge the son of the late Fileno and Maria (Sonsini) DiGregorio. Leonard was a 1947 graduate of Staunton Military Academy in Staunton, VA. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia where he received a BA in Psychology and a BA in Biology. He went on to receive his Doctorate in Optometry from the Northern Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago in 1955. He also did post graduate studies at the University of Indiana. He was a member of the Omega Delta Fraternity. Leonard was also a boxer while attending Staunton Academy and at the University of Virginia and never lost a match.

Dr. DiGregorio started his optometry practice in Southbridge in 1955 and retired just this past year. He also had a part time practice in Oxford. He was the first optometrist in the area to have a testing device for early detection of Glaucoma. While starting his practice he also worked as a physicist in the research department of the American Optical Co. in Southbridge. For 15 years he served as a member of the State Board of

Registration for Optometry and also served as its Chairman of the Board for a period of time. Leonard also served on the Board of Directors of the United Lens Co. in Southbridge and on the Board of Directors of Incom, Inc in Charlton; he served on the Board of Directors and former president of the Tri-Community YMCA in Southbridge and was the chairman of the Building Committee of the YMCA; he served on the Southbridge School Committee and was a member of the School Building Committee; he served on the Southbridge Charter Revision Committee; he was a former member of the Jaycees in Southbridge; and was a member of the Knights of Columbus in Southbridge. He was a lifelong dedicated parishioner of St. Mary's Church in Southbridge.

Leonard was a 60-year Privileged member of the Southbridge Lions Club in and served as its King Lion. Along with the Lions Club he started a preschool eye clinic giving free vision checks at the Southbridge Town Hall. He also volunteered his time every year with the Lions Club's Sight mobile at the Relay for Life event in Southbridge. Dr. DiGregorio was honored by the Lions Club with the prestigious Joseph Protano Founders Award and was also a recipient of the Lions Club's Joseph Camarda Award, the Lion of the Year Award and on an international level the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award.

Outside of his profession he had a passion for gardening and yard work. He enjoyed golfing, sailing, snow skiing with his good friend Al Aliberti. He also enjoyed reading, crossword puzzles and watching the Patriots and Red Sox.

Leonard enjoyed spending as much time possible at his beloved cottage at Bonnet Shores, Narragansett, RI. He often referred to it as his sanctuary for him and all his family.

His funeral Mass was held on Friday, Sept. 7th at 10:00 am in St. Mary's Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 263 Hamilton St., Southbridge. Burial followed in St. Mary's Cemetery, Southbridge. There were no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Southbridge Lions Club Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 622, Southbridge, MA 01550.

The Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing arrangements.

Margaret "Peg" Mona (Blackmer) Peterson, 88



WALDOBORO, MAINE - Mrs. Margaret "Peg" Peterson, 88, formerly of West Woodstock, passed away September 8, 2018 in Camden, Maine. She was born in Putnam to

Raymond Blackmer Sr. and Bella (LeFebvre) Blackmer. Peg lived in the Pomfret and Woodstock area with her large family of seven siblings. She was married in 1949 to Wilbur R. Peterson, with whom she enjoyed more than 50 years of marriage and raised three daughters.

Peg was formerly employed with Hull Forrest Products where she spent many fun-filled days working with her dear friend Claire Williams. Peg being a happy and giving soul, volunteered many hours in her early life to support The Church of the Good Shepherd and the Bungay Fire Brigade where her husband was chief for many years. She was an avid book reader, devouring many books in a single week. She was most recently a member of the Broad Bay Congregational UCC and the Medomak Valley Senior Citizens in Maine. Her thoughtfulness and volunteerism continued in her senior years through the Broad Bay church.

Peg is survived by her daughters:

Barbara Riley and her husband C. Andrew Riley, and Beverly Sawyer and her husband Keith; by her brother Harmon Blackmer and his wife Tina; by her grandchildren: Rose (Vecchiarelli) Porter and her husband Justin, C. Alexander Riley and his wife Claire, Phoebe Riley, and Phillip Riley; and also by great grandchildren Morgan Dodds and Emma Porter. She is also survived by a brother-in-law Robert Carlson, sister-in-law Janet Blackmer, and sister-in-law Lucille Blackmer-Rucki with husband Walter.

Besides her husband and parents, Peg is predeceased by her daughter Carol Giovanni; her sister Joan Carlson; brothers: Raymond Jr., Robert, Kenneth, Wayne, and Ronald Blackmer.

Family and friends are invited to join a memorial service to celebrate her life at The Church of the Good Shepherd in Woodstock, on Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 1pm. Burial will follow at the cemetery on Barlow Cemetery road.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Church of the Good Shepherd or the Bungay Fire Brigade in Woodstock.

Burpee, Carpenter & Hutchins Funeral home (Rockland, Maine) is handling the arrangements.

Jacqueline E. Derosier, 83



WEBSTER - Jacqueline E. (Major) Derosier age 83 died Monday, September 10, 2018 at her home. She was the wife of the late Ronald Derosier who died in 2014. She leaves

daughters, Kathleen E. Jalbert of W. Brookfield, Bobbie J. Kuecker and her husband Bob of Crestview, Florida and Karen A. Lowell of Westborough, eight grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. She also had a son that predeceased her Michael F. Derosier of

Thompson, CT, and a brother Richard Guerin of Webster.

She was born in Webster daughter of the late John F. Major and Emma (Guerin) Major and lived in Webster all her life. The funeral will be held Friday, September 21, 2018 at 10 am in Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, East Main St., Webster, MA and burial in St. Joseph's Garden of Peace, Webster. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, MA is directing all arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

Niles Allen Deveau, 75



Niles Allen Deveau, born 4/15/1943 passed away at the age of 75 after a very long illness in Harrington Hospital on Aug. 29, 2018 with family and friends by his side.

He leaves behind a wife of 18 years, Bonnie Deveau of Woodstock, a son, Niles Deveau Jr in South Carolina, a brother, Jim Kaczmarek of Woodstock, 2 sisters, Barbara Guyette of Sturbridge and LuAnne McElroy in Vermont. He was predeceased by 2 brothers Raymond Kaczmarek and Frederick Deveau.

He also leaves behind 2 stepchildren Mandy Castillo and Melanie Magalhaes, many grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He enjoyed many things in his life which include, stock car and drag racing, singing, softball, his dogs, the flea market, fishing and hunting. He was dubbed the "Geriatric junk man" by his peers and he was proud to hold that title. He was a comedian on WESO radio as Geraldine and Harold the drunk. He also was National archery champion and travel across the country competing. He will be sadly missed, as it seemed, the whole world knew him. A celebration of life will be held soon for all to attend.

Linda M. Nydam, 57



WHITINSVILLE - Linda M. Nydam, 57, of Whitinsville passed away Wednesday September 5, 2018 at Rose Monahan Hospice in Worcester.

She was employed at Spectrum Health Systems in Worcester for 8 years in various positions and also worked part time at the DCU Center in Worcester and the Hartford Civic Center in CT for concerts.

Linda was born August 12, 1961 in Northbridge, the daughter of Beatrice "Betty" (Vriesema) Nydam and the late Edward Nydam and was a graduate of Northbridge High School.

Ms. Nydam was the life of the party when she entered the room. She enjoyed getting her nails done and sailing with Pearl and Mike. She was meticulous about her cars and would refer to them as her babies. She enjoyed a good conversation and possessed a very quick wit. She shared a special bond with her mother and

every Saturday she would visit her at home with Dunkin Donuts coffee and a doughnut. She loved to shop for clothes and shoes and had an outfit for every hour of the day.

She is survived by her mother Beatrice "Betty" Nydam of Whitinsville; four siblings, Pearl and her husband Michael Largesse of Worcester, Jeanie and her husband Robert McKenney of Putnam, CT, Edward Nydam, Jr. of Ocala, FL and Heidi and her husband David Staruk of Millbury, and many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours were held Sunday September 9, 2018 from 2 - 5 PM in the BUMA FUNERAL HOME, 480 Church St., Whitinsville.

Funeral Services were held Monday September 10, 2018 at 11 AM in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, P.O. Box 849168, Boston, MA 02284, or to N.E.A.D.S., P.O. Box 1100, Princeton, MA 01541 or a charity of one's choice. www.bumafuneral-home.com

Therese A. Brodeur, 85



STURBRIDGE - Therese A. Brodeur, 85, of Pleasant Pkwy, passed away on Wednesday, Sept. 5th, in the Overlook Health Care Center, Charlton, after an illness.

She leaves her five daughters, Judith M. (Paquin) Payeur and her husband David of Southbridge, Denise T. (Paquin) Dargie and her husband Michael of Southbridge, Betty Anne (Paquin) Marino and her husband Dan of Woodstock, CT, Jane M. Paquin of Auburn and Amy L. (Paquin) Lemieux and her wife Cindy Graybill of Ware; a brother, Robert E. Brodeur of Charlton; a very special friend, Robin Rano, her close friend Barbara Vosburt, her beloved dog Max; her grandchildren, great grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Therese was born in Southbridge the daughter of Edmond and Eva (Bosse) Brodeur.

She graduated from Notre Dame High School. Therese worked for JI Morris, Galileo, Russell Harrington and Sturbridge Host in the gift shop. She later worked at Big Y and as a

greeter at Walmart. Therese enjoyed traveling, playing Scrabble and Words with Friends. She was a member of Notre Dame Church of St. John Paul II Parish and its Ladies of St. Anne's Sodality. Therese was an active member and volunteer at the Sturbridge Senior Center and this past May she received citations from both the State Senate as well as the House of Representatives for her significant contributions to the Sturbridge Senior Center and her dedication to community service and her commitment to her family, friends and neighbors.

The family would like to thank Christopher Hart of Overlook Hospice for all his care and support, the staff and nurses from skilled nursing SNF2 for their loving care especially Marie, Jamie and Kamby.

A Memorial Mass for Therese will be held on Saturday, Sept. 29th at 10:00am in Notre Dame Church of the St. John Paul II Parish, 446 Main St., Southbridge. Burial will be private. There are no calling hours.

Daniel T. Morrill Funeral Home, 130 Hamilton St., Southbridge, is directing the arrangements.

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LEGALS

TOWN OF BROOKLYN PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION NOTICE OF ACTION

At the regular meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission on September 5, 2018, the following action was taken:

1. SPG18-001 Special Permit for Sand and Gravel - Paul Lehto, end of River Walk Drive (Assessor's Map 32, Lot 148), - 70 acres, Proposed removal of 75,000 cubic yards of gravel over 2.7 acres-APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS.

2. SD18-002 10-Lot Subdivision - Jeffrey Weaver, 23.7 acres on the south side of Day Street across from the Quinebaug River (Assessor's Map 43, Lot 6A) Proposed 10 residential lots-APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS.

3. SP15-005 (Modification #3) Special Permit Modification - Toudis, LLC, 443-445 Providence Road (Assessor's Map 41, Lot 115), Proposed 3,452 s. f. restaurant in western building-APPROVED.

Dated this 6th day of September 2018
Michelle Sigfridson, Chairman
September 14, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Susan Robidoux, AKA Susan A. Robidoux, AKA Susan Alyce Robidoux (18-00350)

The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated September 5, 2018, 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.

Heather Robinson, Clerk

The fiduciary is:
Scott Robidoux,
162 Burrows Hill Road,
Amston, CT 06231; 860-428-5411
September 14, 2018

E. Linnea Kallgren, 102



E. Linnea Kallgren, 102, of Woodstock, died Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at Matulaitis Nursing Home in Putnam. She was the beloved wife of Oscar P. Kallgren who died in 1993. She was born

in Hartford, on December 23, 1915, daughter of the late Oscar R. and Elin A. (Peterson) Lindgren.

Linnea was a lifelong resident of Woodstock and lived on the Senexet Farm her entire married life. She was a life member of the Evangelical Covenant Church in Woodstock, serving in many capacities. She was a very efficient secretary for many years at Linemaster Switch Corp. in Woodstock. She worked on the farm with her husband Oscar. Linnea had the gift of hospitality and enjoyed wel-

coming guests into her home.

She leaves her children Linda Weimann and her husband Richard of New Bern, North Carolina, Victor Kallgren and wife Linda of Dudley, Massachusetts, Carolyn Rogers and her husband Curtis of Woodstock, daughter-in-law Marsha Kallgren of Woodstock, sister Sonja Healey of Woodstock. Linnea was blessed with many grand, great and great-great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her son Carl.

A memorial service was held August 18, at 2:00 pm at the Evangelical Covenant Church, 24 Child Hill Road, Woodstock. Private burial was Elmvale Cemetery, Woodstock. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Evangelical Covenant Church. Share a memory at www.smithandwalkerfh.com

VALLEY PRIDE

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beat up going into the opener but expects a stronger lineup in week No. 2 against Cheney Tech.

"We're not healthy at the moment. Very few starters practiced a full week this week," Asermelly said. "We've got to get to healthy so that we can have our talent match our effort. We got 100 percent effort tonight. We just didn't have 100 percent to give."

Bullard Havens Tech pressured Pride senior quarterback Josh Dodd most of the game and he completed just four of 16 passes for 71 yards with one interception. Asermelly expects a better aerial attack down the road.

"I think with Dodd's mental toughness, I know how he's going to bounce back," Asermelly said. "I expect him to bounce back with a great performance next week, and

really nothing short of that. I think we're going to be fine."

The Pride mustered just 31 yards on the ground, with senior running back Matt Fitzpatrick gaining 29 yards on 16 carries. Dodd scored Quinebaug Valley's lone rushing touchdown, sneaking the ball into the end zone from the 2-yard line with 27 seconds left in the first half to cut the Tigers lead to 14-6 at the intermission.

Asermelly was encouraged that the Pride played until time ran out on the scoreboard at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex, with senior Jamie Talbot racing 76 yards on a kickoff return with 1:37 left in the fourth quarter for the final touchdown of the game. Fitzpatrick rushed for the two-point conversion to complete the scoring.

"They showed pride tonight. We knew on film, we knew (kick returns) were available. It's a shame it came late in the game but we thought that was available. It was just a matter of getting it in (Talbot's) hands.

He's a very exciting return man," Asermelly said. "And I think that's the first of many to come."

Bullard Havens quarterback Cyrus Cotto completed 13 of 24 passes for 238 yards and two touchdowns. Lon Dunbar caught four passes for 116 yards including a 90-yard touchdown reception with 11:01 left in the second quarter that opened the scoring and gave the Tigers the lead for good. Tyrese Wright picked up 160 yards with three touchdowns on 23 carries. The Tigers finished with 220 yards on the ground.

"I think Bullard's skill group is good in all areas," Asermelly said. "Tall, fast receiver, great hand catcher. Their running back's shifty, makes guys miss. Quarterback's very fast. They present a lot of problems. They're a very good group in all areas."

Quinebaug Valley is next scheduled to play host to Cheney Tech on Friday, Sept. 14. The game will be played at



Charlie Lentz photo

Quinebaug Valley quarterback Josh Dodd is sacked by against Bullard Havens Jamai Duncan last Friday at St. Marie Greenhalgh Complex in Putnam.

Ellis Tech's field in Danielson with kickoff set for 6 p.m. The Pride used Bullard Havens as a measuring stick last Friday night. Now they hope to use that knowledge to measure up to Cheney Tech in week No. 2.

"It's a great group to kick the season off with, to know where we stand," Asermelly said. "And to know where we have to get better."

Charlie Lentz may be reached at (860) 928-1818, ext. 110, or by e-mail at charlie@villagernews-papers.com.

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OBITUARIES

Mark L. Baker, 51



N O R T H GROSVENORDALE – Mark Lee Baker 51, of 500 Riverside Drive died Friday, September 7, 2018 at home after a long illness. He was the son of Linda (Baker) Gauthier and her

husband Allen and the late Richard Ballanceau.

Mark lived most of his life in (Fabyan) Thompson. He attended Tourtellotte Memorial High School and worked for Webco Chemicals in Dudley, Massachusetts, Rinker Materials in Moosup, PallFlex in Putnam, and was a partner in First Rate Chemical in Webster, Massachusetts. Mark enjoyed watching Jeopardy and the Boston Red Sox. He also collected sports memorabilia and die cast cars.

In addition to his mother and step father, Mark is survived by his sisters, Melinda Kominski and her husband Scott of Stafford Springs, Valerie Mayze of North Grosvenordale, Annette Parker and her part-

ner Mike of Colchester, Margaret Morrisette and her husband Matthew of Danielson, Heather Gauthier-Bourgeois and her husband Scott of North Grosvenordale; his beloved nieces and nephews, Amanda, Monique, Jeffrey, Brandon, Codey, Zacheriah, Elizabeth, Alexandria, Charlotte, Julianna, and Levi; his great niece Skye; great nephew Robert III; and several aunts; uncles; and cousins.

Mark was predeceased by his father, the late Richard Ballanceau; his paternal grandparents, May Hetu and her husband Arthur, and Lloyd Baker; and his aunts and uncles, Margaret McCroby, Barry Baker and Rodney Baker.

Calling hours were held on September 13, in the Valade Funeral Home and Crematory, 23 Main St., N. Grosvenordale. Burial will be private. Memorial donations may be made in his memory to the "Hetu/Baker Memorial Scholarship Fund" c/o Hometown Bank, 835 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale, CT 06255. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Brad R. Riley, 28



DAYVILLE -- Brad R. Riley, 28, of Dayville, died unexpectedly Tuesday, September 4, 2018 in Putnam. He was born July 12, 1990 in Putnam, son of Fred Riley and Jill Erickson.

He graduated from the Masonry Program at H.H. Ellis Technical School in 2008. He had worked for Staples for many years and had just recently started working at Frito Lay. Brad enjoyed playing pool and played with several pool leagues. He enjoyed sports, especially the Boston Red Sox.

Brad was proud of his stay and all his accomplishments at the Hotchkiss House beginning May 22, 2016 in Torrington.

He leaves his father Fred Riley of Dayville, mother Jill Erickson of Danielson, his sisters Heidi Thompson

and her husband Timothy and their daughter Grace of Plainfield, Molly Pelletier and her husband Tom of Moosup, his twin brother Chad Riley of Dayville, his grandmother Betsy Erickson, his lifelong best friend Dijon Benton, uncles Jeff Erickson and his wife Debbie and their children Johnny Mullen and Christine Bahosh, Russell Riley and his wife Natalie and their son Kevin and his beloved cat Moe.

He was predeceased by his grandparents, Richard and Linda Riley, and Herb Erickson, his uncle Jay Erickson and a cousin Bryan Erickson.

A Memorial Service will be Sunday, September 23, 2018 at 2:30 PM at the Eastford Baptist Church, 133 Union Road, Eastford. Burial will be private.

Donations may be made in Brad's memory to the McCall Foundation, 58 High Street, Torrington, CT 06790. Share a memory at www.smithandwalkerfn.com

Edna D. Cusson "Gram", 90



DANIELSON -- Edna D. Cusson "Gram", 90 of Danielson, passed away peacefully in her home on Monday August 27, 2018. Born in Rogers on June 3, 1928, Edna is

survived by two sisters, Rita Lavola and Ella Willard and two brothers Joe Carrier and Francis Carrier, her son Oliver J. Cusson Jr. and her daughter Lousia D. Warrender. She was an avid Bingo player, enjoyed

listening to Polka Spotlight every Monday night and was active in many of the social events at Maple Courts. She was preceded in death by her husband Oliver J. Cusson, son Ronald P. Cusson, and great granddaughter Amber F Jodoin. "Gram" also leaves behind six grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. The family will be having a small gathering and asks in lieu of flowers that a donation can be made at: <https://www.gofundme.com/memorial-fund-for-edna-cusson>

Kimberly "Kim" Beaugard, 54



Kimberly "Kim" Beaugard, aged 54, died unexpectedly on September 5, 2018 in Monroe, New York. She leaves her daughter, Kenda R. Zappasodi and son, Alex Mauro of Asheville, North

Carolina, stepfather Richard Montigny of Putnam, Connecticut, four sisters; Marlene Clark and husband Tim of East Killingly, Connecticut, Dale Moore and husband David of Port Charlotte, Florida, Genie Johnson and husband Mike of Woodstock, Connecticut, Amber Lucke and husband Jeff of Addison, Michigan. She

also leaves several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a sister, Darlene M. Beaugard, her father, Norman O. Beaugard, her mother, Alice M. Montigny, and a nephew, Harry W. Clark IV. Kim was born in Putnam, Connecticut, on August 31, 1964. She had a unique sense of humor and was the original "material girl" who enjoyed music, and shopping for herself and others. She loved her cats; Cry Baby and Kokomo. Kim was a beautiful, caring, and thoughtful soul who will be sadly missed by all who knew her. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a donation in Kim's memory to your local animal shelter.

Mildred (Millie) C. Morse, 89



PUTNAM -- Mildred (Millie) C. Morse of Putnam passed away on September 2, 2018, one day short of her 90th birthday. She died peacefully, surrounded by her beloved family.

Millie was born September 3, 1928 in Willimantic, the daughter of the late Mildred White and Lawrence Cogswell, Sr.

Millie married Gilbert E. Morse in 1951, and they had 38 great years together; Gilbert passed away in 1989. She was lucky to have a second chance at love, and in 1993 married James (Coach) Greenhalgh, and enjoyed 15 loving years, until Jim died in 2009.

Millie led an active life and enjoyed many varied activities. In her younger days she played the violin and became an accomplished painter. Many of her works hang in her lovely house. Later on she learned to play the organ, and became certified in handwriting analysis. Her home, an old country farmhouse that has been in the family for decades (Gilbert grew up in it) gave her immense joy; she loved just being there and putting in the yard.

In 1989, Millie retired from Southern New England Telephone Co. as an Assistant Manager, with 25 years of service. Millie was a volunteer at Day

Kimball Hospital for 10 years, and served on the Women's Board. She was a volunteer typist for Red Cross Blood drives. Millie was a member of the Putnam Methodist Church and served as a Sunday School teacher, Superintendent of the Sunday School, and Financial Secretary of the church.

Millie's twilight years were filled with fun visits with her children and dear friends. She loved to play cribbage, go out to eat, watch her favorite TV shows, and simply take care of everyone. Few can match her scones and chocolate chip cookies. Millie was a huge UCONN women's basketball team fan and never missed a game. She also loved trips to her daughter's Cape cottage, a place she considered heaven on earth. Mother's Day weekends most often involved a visit to her son's home in New Jersey.

Millie is survived by her daughter, Marjorie J. Morse and husband Bob Huntley of Nashua, New Hampshire; her son, Ellsworth L. (Larry) Morse of Haddonfield, New Jersey; her sister, Cora Merritt of Mystic; her brother, Lawrence Cogswell and wife Maria of Woodstock Valley; and many nieces, nephews, and lifelong friends.

A graveside service was held on Friday, September 7, at Grove Street Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations in memory of Millie Morse to Day Kimball Hospital.

Villager Newspapers



"Shining a light on community events"

September 14, Fri., 9:30 - 11:30am

"All That Jazz" at Stonecroft Women's Connection Brunch, The Inn at Woodstock Hill, 94 Plaine Hill Rd. Tempe Brown, Singer, Author, Speaker - "Putting Life's Puzzle Together Without the Lid" Have fun dressing in outfits of the 20s! Brunch \$13. Call 860-774-5092, 860-455-7671 or email wvcw81@hotmail.com.

September 14, Fri., 7pm

Jill Fritzsche discusses: "The Fun of Collecting -- What's Your Passion?" Jill is the former owner of Canterbury Antiques. She will discuss collecting antiques with us. Free! Everyone invited. Refreshments. Canterbury Town Hall, 1 Municipal Drive, Canterbury.

September 15, Sat., 9am - 2pm

BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE Pet Pals Northeast will be collecting redeemable bottles and cans to help homeless and needy animals on at the Killingly Town Garage on Rt. 12 in Killingly. Dry cat food needed, Purina brands preferred. Cash donations always welcome. Contact PET PALS at 860-317-1720.

September 16, Sun., 8:30-11:30am

Back to School Breakfast-St. Joseph School, 26 Main Street North Grosvenordale. Adults \$10, Seniors, \$8, Children \$6. French Toast Casserole, scrambled eggs, pancakes, steak, corned beef hash, sausage, bacon, roasted potatoes, fruit salad, muffins, beverages.

September 16, Sun., 2pm

A Christian Healing Service will be held at St. Philip's Church, 63 Grove St. (corner of Pleasant Street, Putnam). Prayer teams will be available to pray with individuals for physical, emotional and spiritual healing. The service will include praise and worship music at a celebration of the Eucharist. Info 860-928-3510.

September 17, Mon., 7:30pm

Brooklyn Town Library Association Annual Meeting will be held at Brooklyn Middle School, 119 Gorman Road, Brooklyn.

September 18, Tues., 7pm

Red Sox History-- Sportswriter Mike Shalin will present images from his book *The Hometown Team: 4 Decades of Boston Red Sox Photography*, at Old Town House, 11 Town House Rd.,

Pomfret. Books available for purchase. pomfret-library.org.

September 18, Tues., 7pm

Bingo every Tuesday at the VFW, 1523 Providence Street, Putnam.

September 18, Tues. 6:30pm

Kol Nidre following cello selections at 6pm. B'nai Shalom, A Conservative Congregation in Putnam. 125 Church Street (across from Town Hall)

September 19, Wed., 9:30am

Yom Kippur Services, with Yiskor at 11:30am. Concluding services at 5:30pm and our Break the Fast at 7:30pm. B'nai Shalom, A Conservative Congregation in Putnam. 125 Church Street (across from Town Hall)

September 19, Wed., 7pm

Bingo every Wednesday at St. James Church, 12 Franklin Street, Danielson. Proceeds benefit St. James School.

September 19, Wed., 4-8pm

Dining for a Cause at Pub 99 in Killingly to benefit PAWS Cat Shelter. Pub99 is at 1068 Killingly Commons, Dayville. Raffle baskets. Don't forget to bring your flyer- digital or paper. The flyer will be posted on PAWS FB page and will also be available at Paws Cat Shelter, 240 Rte. 171, Woodstock.

September 21, Sat., 7:00-8:30am

Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Fund assistance is available every Sat. morning, at Pomfret Senior Center 207 Mashamoquet Rd. (Rt. 44) in Pomfret. Call ahead, 860-928-2309. Always free and confidential. (The Fund is administered by the American Legion to provide financial assistance to qualified veterans.)

September 22, Sat., 9:30am

Whist club. Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock

September 22, Sat., 9am-noon

Thompson Public Library Friends' Book Sale, 934 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Quilt Raffle tickets available at Library. \$2 each. Drawing Sept. 22 at noon

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:

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