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THE MINOR DETAILS

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We are the voice

I made a promise years ago when I started this column that I would not talk about politics under any circumstances. It was a conscious decision, and one I didn't come to lightly.

"The Minor Details" needed to be different, as many columns like mine (in bigger newspapers than this one) often devolve into rants about politics, policies and pundits that in return, create nothing but heated and volatile exchanges with readers. Tempers flare. Voices are raised. Feelings are hurt. Things get personal. Trust me, I get enough of that as it is. No need to throw gasoline on that flame.

Many other newspapers (and yes, sometimes even this one) have enough political commentary in its pages already … from both sides. And that's welcome. We want your voices to be heard in our pages. It's the lifeblood of our Opinion section. It wouldn't be the same without you. But that's for you. Adding my own opining to that noise would only add fuel to the fire, a blaze that seems to be raging out of control around this time of year, and even more intense during this particular campaign season. But I digress…

The fact I even mention all of this is that with only days before the election, it seems like the perfect opportunity to remind all the readers of this newspaper to go out there and exercise your right to vote for whomever you feel would do the best job. After all, this is one of the more important votes I can remember in a long time.

We really do live in an amazing country, even if sometimes it doesn't feel that way. At the end of the day, we really do have it good here. Trust me, I have my fair share of complaints and "what in the world is going on?" moments — moments of weakness where I feel frustrated, ignored, angry, worried and sad about today's state of affairs. All one needs to do is turn on the "news" for the latest sampling of sludge that corrupts this world. I tend to turn it off after about 10 minutes. I can barely stand it, and that's saying something from a fellow member of the media.

Whether you lean "left" or "right," or even go down the middle, next Tuesday, Nov. 8 is an opportunity to make your voice heard and shape the future of this country. I won't waste my valuable weekly space with campaigning for a certain candidate (who would listen to me anyway?). My thoughts on this election will remain my own, but what I will say about it is that this year, Election Day will be a new beginning, one way or the other. How will you make your voice heard? After all, we are the voice of change. Will you use your voice at the polls next week? If you do, we'll see you there.

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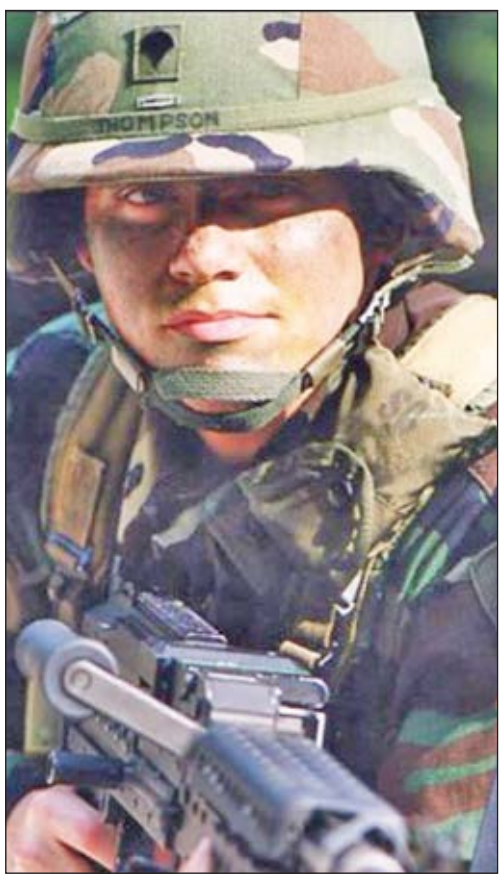


Courtesy photo

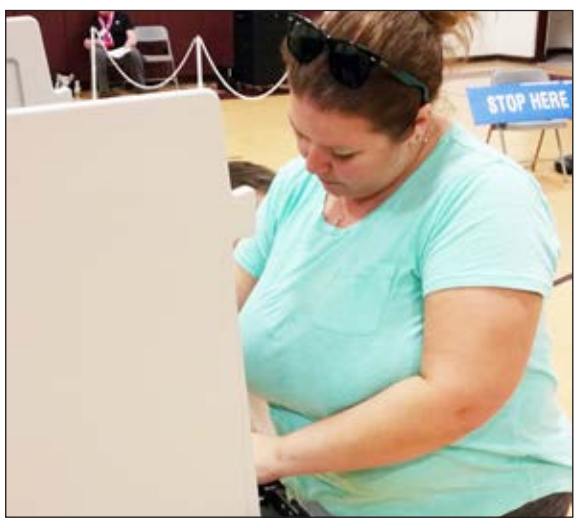
This edition of the *Villager* features a very special tribute to several of our local veterans. Check it out on pages A16-A18! Pictured, U.S. Army Sgt. Clint Thompson, of Putnam.

Decision time in the Quiet Corner

VILLAGER VISITS LOCAL RACES ONE LAST TIME BEFORE ELECTION DAY

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

[Editor's Note: The following story is an all-encompassing preview of the local races that affect The Villager's coverage area on this year's election ballot. For stories specific to each senatorial and state representative race in our town, check out the editions listed at the end of this article online at www.860local.com, and don't forget to get out there and vote on Nov. 8! We will have full election coverage in next week's paper!]



Kelly Codding casts her vote during last year's Election Day in Brooklyn.

Election Day is upon us, and while this year's presidential election race between Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton has gotten quite a lot of attention over the past year or so, there are many more decisions to be made on the

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Luis Zermeno casts his vote in Killingly during last year's Election Day.

Charlie Lentz photo

From left, Brian and Eliza Martel with their daughter, Chloe, at Woodstock Academy's Student-Council-hosted "Trick or Treat Street" event at the Academy's Bowen Building last Friday, Oct. 28.

Several towns in the Quiet Corner got in on the Halloween fun last weekend, with many trick-or-treating events being held throughout the area in Putnam, Killingly, Thompson and Woodstock — and The Villager was there for it all! Check out a plethora of photos in this week's paper on pages B7-B13!

Jason Bleau photo

And the winner for most creative costume on Main Street in Danielson Saturday, Oct. 29? This little guy named Colton, who wore a custom-made "Colton's Trucking" costume.

DKH touts safety achievement

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM — Day Kimball Hospital made quite the achievement in 2015, as the Connecticut Department of Public Health recently released data indicating that the local Putnam hospital had "zero adverse events" for patients last year.

The CT DPH provides information about adverse events on the state's hospitals and outpatient surgical facilities every year and Day Kimball was one of only two acute care hospitals in Connecticut to have zero adverse events in 2015, according to a press release from the hospital. That marks the second consecutive year Day Kimball has received that designation, having also been found with zero adverse events in 2014. Adverse events are defined by the DPH as incidents that cause harm to a patient, including bedsores and falls or errors during surgery, and such events are required to be reported to the DPH using the National Quality Forum list of Serious Reportable Events in Healthcare and defined events by the DPH.

Day Kimball Hospital Chief Medical Officer and Vice President of Medical Affairs and Quality Dr. John Graham released a statement saying he is proud of what the hospital has accomplished over the last few years in providing care to its patients before, during and after any medical procedure.

"Providing the best and safest case possible is, of course, the goal of every healthcare organization, and

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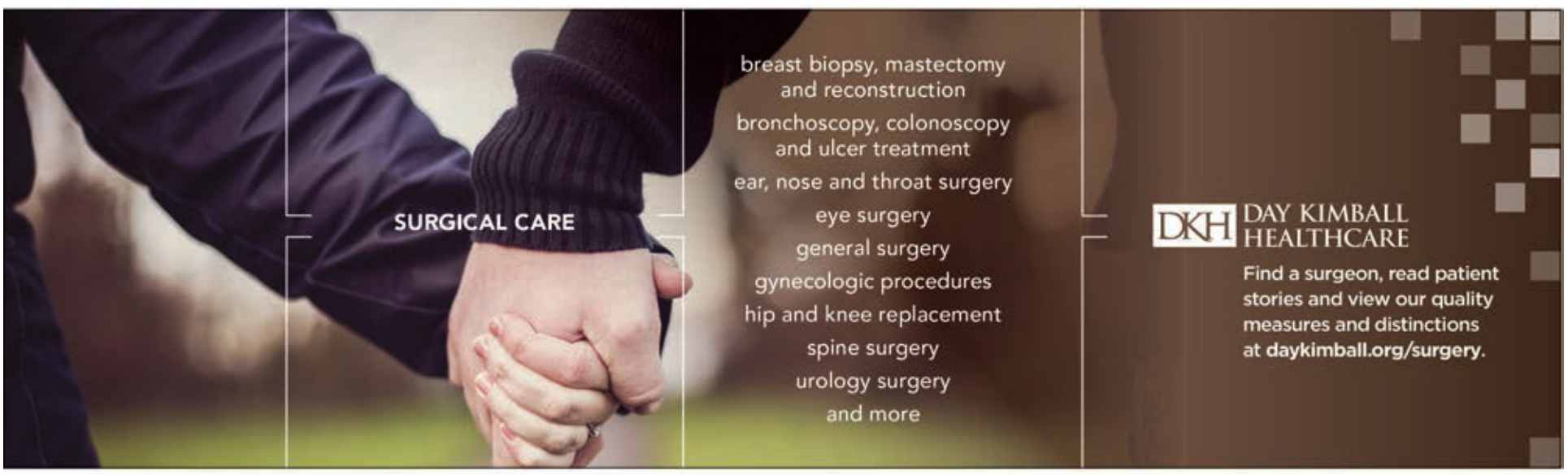

American Legion Post #13 hosting Veterans Tribute Night

PUTNAM — The Mayotte-Viens American Legion Post #13 of Putnam is once again remembering veterans with a Veterans Tribute Night and Celebrity Bartender event.

The evening's tribute will be held at The Black Dog Bar and Grille on Veteran's Day eve, Thursday, Nov. 10, beginning at 5 p.m. and continuing until 9 p.m. According to Post Commander Ron Coderre, the program will pay tribute to three veterans who will be the special guests of honor.

The special veterans who will be recognized are Vietnam veteran, Marine Corps Sgt. E-5 Richard C. Tremblay and U.S. Navy career submarine vet, Lt. Commander Roy J. Simmons. The Post will also be honoring Air Force veteran SSgt. Caroll E. Spinney, known worldwide as "Big Bird" and "Oscar the Grouch."

Spinney, who served from 1953 to 1957, is being honored for his work around the globe for world peace as "Big Bird." Over the year's he's traveled to China, Russia and throughout Europe promoting mutual respect and understanding among nations. He's often been part of troupes that included noted individuals such as the late Bob Hope.

Simmons, who enlisted in the Navy upon graduation from Putnam High School in 1980, served 28 years being honorably discharged in 2008. Lt. Commander Simmons who is a graduate of Crichton College, served aboard submarines throughout the world. Among his decorations are the Global War on Terror Medal, the Navy Expedionary Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

Tremblay, who served in the Marine Corps from 1967 to 1970, was a telephone and cryptography specialist. He served 13 months in a "free fire zone" in Vietnam in 1968 and 1969. He's the recipient of the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service and Campaign medals and the Viet Cross of Gallantry with palm.

Through the efforts of American Legion Post # 13 Commander Coderre and the members of the unit, Putnam area veterans will be celebrated at Celebrity Bartender Night. This is the seventh year that the Post has held the event. Last year the evening raised more than $5000 in support of Post #13 youth activities, such as Boys State, State Police Youth Leadership Program, Americanism programs in area schools and the TriTown American Legion Baseball Program. Last year the Post initiated a scholarship for a veteran going to school at Quinebaug Valley Community College in addition to an existing scholarship for an area graduating high school senior.

"The evening is our way of thanking all veterans from Northeastern Connecticut who've ever served our country. We're also proud of the opportunity to pause and honor local veterans who, in a special way were part of our proud military heritage," said Coderre.

"The Celebrity Bartender portion of the evening allows us to raise funds for the youth activities associated with the American Legion programs. We're thankful for the local and statewide celebrities who take timeout of their busy schedules to make this night a success," concluded Coderre.

The evening begins at 5 p.m. and concludes at 9 p.m. Former Boston Red Sox catcher Roger LaFrancois, WFSB Channel 3 news personality Kevin Hogan and other noted celebrities are scheduled to be on hand once again to greet and serve patrons. Also scheduled to take turns behind the bar are local radio personality Gary "O" of WINY Radio, Killingly Town Manager Sean Hendricks, Laura Crosetti, Matt Desaulnier and Earl Rosebrooks of the Putnam Business Association, Tom Borner of Putnam Bank and Putnam Science Academy basketball coach Tom Espinosa. Other local personalities are also expected to join in the evening's festivities.

"Last year's event was a huge success. We're hoping that people will once again see the worthiness of the event and drop by to salute our honored veterans and other veterans who may be on hand," noted Coderre.

Prior to honoring the veterans, local celebrity and noted performer Linda Colangelo will offer a rendition of the National Anthem. She'll close the evening's festivities with the singing of God Bless America and a special tribute to the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard.

"The Black dog Bar & Grille is honored to host this event for the veterans. Having celebrities on hand will certainly add luster to the festivities. This is a special day and a special event. We're hoping to have a good turnout in honor of the men and women who have served and defended our freedom," said David Reid, manager of the Black Dog.

The program will also feature a raffle of more than 50 items and an auction that will include autographed sports memorabilia, tickets to college and professional games, golf packages and some other significant items.

Working with Coderre on the organizing committee are Legionnaires, Donald Steinbrick, Alan Joslin, Eric Quinn, Brian Maynard, Rick Carnahan and Michael Vassar, along with JoAnn Joslin and Dee Carnahan.

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Bird sightings at Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Pomfret and Wyndham Land Trust properties for the week of Oct. 24: Pied-billed Grebe, Bald Eagle, Hooded Merganser, Wood Duck, Mallard, Palm Warbler, Yellow-rumped Warbler, Song Sparrow, Belted Kingfisher, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Cooper's Hawk, Northern Harrier, Purple Finch, Saw-whet Owl, White-crowned Sparrow. Visit www.ctaudubon.org/center-at-pomfret.

Election tidbits from The Diaries of Dr. Edwin Hill

KILLINGLY AT 300

MARGARET WEAVER

Election Day is almost upon us, so I thought I'd check The Diaries of Dr. Edwin Hill of East Killingly (edited by Marcella Pasay) to see if he recorded any interesting tidbits about elections and campaigns.

Even before the Civil War it was common for the different parties to hold torch light parades in support of their candidates. The custom continued. Apparently Dr. Hill, and many others, travelled by train to participate in parades out of our immediate area. The Saturday, Nov. 4, 1876 entry in his diary noted, "Attended torch light procession at Norwich. Large procession. Extra train."

Four years later the Oct. 2 entry read, "Flag raising at Danielsonville…Large number of torches and refreshments after the speeches. Bought five torches (glass) for $20.15."

The Tuesday, Oct. 19 entry noted, "Republican torch light parade tonight with 320 torches in all."

There were many more torches on Oct. 26, "Republican torch light parade with 750 in line. Good illumination."

Oct. 30, the Democrats followed suit.

"Democratic torch light parade in Danielsonville. Good crowd our with 600 eating supper."

I also noted what Hill was saying about the elections themselves. I looked at 1872 and quickly discovered town elections and national elections were held at two separate times. The results of the town elections, listed on his Monday, Oct. 7 entry, gave Republicans 454 votes and Liberals 190. The presidential election, held, Tuesday, Nov. 5, showed 636 votes for Grant; 235 for Greeley, and 3 for O'Connor. At that time Killingly had three voting districts (p. 81).

"The incumbent President Ulysses S. Grant was easily elected to a second term in office, with Senator Henry Wilson of Massachusetts as his running mate. Grant's decisive re-election was achieved in the face of a split within the Republican Party that resulted in a third party of Liberal Republicans nominating Horace Greeley to oppose Grant. This action caused the Democratic Party to cancel its convention, support Greeley as well, and not nominate a candidate of its own. On November 29, 1872, after the popular vote was counted, but before the Electoral College cast its votes, Greeley died. As a result, electors previously committed to Greeley voted for four different candidates for president and eight different candidates for vice-president. Greeley himself received three posthumous electoral votes, but these votes were disallowed by Congress. The election of 1872 is the only United States presidential election in which a candidate died during the electoral process." (en.wikipedia.org)

Four years later, entries show Hill attending political events including "a democratic speech at West Killingly by Chauncey F. Cleveland and James L Barber" (Ct. 30, p. 128). (Cleveland was governor of CT during the 1840's). National elections were on Nov. 7, and Dr. Hill was "at West Killingly all day to admit electors and in evening to get returns" (p. 128). A Nov. 9 entry gave the "election returns as conflicting and a brief Nov. 11 entry stated "Election in doubt." Well, that peaked my curiosity and I got much more than I bargained for, and learned a lot, when I did an Internet search of the 1876 election to see if I could figure out Hill's comment. Democrat Samuel J. Tilden ran against Republican Rutherford B. Hayes. The national economy faced difficult times, and federal troops were still stationed throughout the south in 1876 to enforce Reconstruction.

"The Republican Party was expected to nominate a popular senator from Maine, James G. Blaine. But when it was revealed that Blaine had some involvement in a railroad scandal, Rutherford B. Hayes, the governor of Ohio, was nominated at a convention that required seven ballots. Acknowledging his role as a compromise candidate, Hayes delivered a letter at the end of the convention indicating he would only serve one term if elected. On the Democratic side, the nominee was Samuel J. Tilden, the governor of New York. Tilden was known as a reformer, and had attracted considerable attention when, as New York's attorney general, he prosecuted William Marcy "Boss" Tweed, the famously corrupt political boss of New York City. The two parties did not have tremendous differences on the issues. And as it was still considered unseemly for presidential candidates to campaign, most of the actual campaigning was done by surrogates. Hayes conducted what was called a 'front porch campaign,' in which he talked to supporters and reporters on his porch in Ohio and his comments were transmitted to newspapers.

"The election season degenerated into the opposing sides launching vicious personal attacks on the opposition candidate. Tilden, who had become wealthy as a lawyer in New York City, was accused of participating in fraudulent railroad deals. And the Republicans made much of the fact that Tilden had not served in the Civil War. Hayes had served heroically in the Union Army

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PUBLIC MEETINGS

THOMPSON

Monday, Nov. 7

West Thompson Independent Fire Assoc. #1, Inc., 7 p.m., West Thompson Fire Department

Thompson Fire Engine Company Inc., 8 p.m., Thompson Fire Department, 70 Chase Rd.

Tuesday, Nov. 8

Inland Wetlands Commission, 7 p.m., 2nd Floor Conference Room, Town Hall

Water Pollution Control Authority, 7 p.m., WPCA Treatment Plant Office

Thursday, Nov. 10

Belding Corticelli Improvement Committee, 9 a.m., Merrill Seney Room, Town Hall

Housing Authority, 5:15 p.m., Housing Authority Office

PUTNAM

Monday, Nov. 7

Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Hall, Daniel S. Rovero Selectmen's Chambers

WOODSTOCK

Monday, Nov. 7

Woodstock Business Association, 6 p.m., Room A

IWWA, 7:30 p.m., Room B

Wednesday, Nov. 9

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

Zoning Board of Appeals, 7 p.m., Room B

Thursday, Nov. 10

Open Space Land Acquisition, 7:30 p.m., Room B

EASTFORD

Monday, Nov. 7

Registrar of Voters, 9 a.m., Town Office Building

School Readiness Council, 6 p.m., Town Office Building

Tuesday, Nov. 8

Planning Commission, 7 p.m., Town Office Building

Wednesday, Nov. 9

Recreation Commission, 2 p.m., Town Office Building

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

Thursday, Nov. 10

Board of Education, 7 p.m., Town Office Building

POMFRET

Monday, Nov. 7

Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Community/ Senior Center

Tuesday, Nov. 8

Pomfret Public Library Trustees, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 10

Conservation Commission, 7 p.m., Old Town House

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One thing that stands out, and may speak the loudest as to why Nora Valentine is the perfect candidate for State Representative, and that is, who is endorsing and supporting her, and it reads like a who's who of the district's policy-makers.

Mike Alberts - retiring State Representative
Tony Guglielmo - State Senator
William Jenkins - State Central 35th District
Bill Faletti - State Central 35th District
Dan Carter - US Senate candidate
John French - State Senate candidate
Ann Dauphanais – State Representative candidate
John Underwood - Brooklyn State Central 29th District
Themis Klarides - House Minority Leader
Chris Fryxel - House Republican Public Relations
Ann Brookes - Tax Attorney
former US Congressional candidate
Kurt Vail - State Representative
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YMCA hosts 'Swim with the Pumpkins' Walktober event

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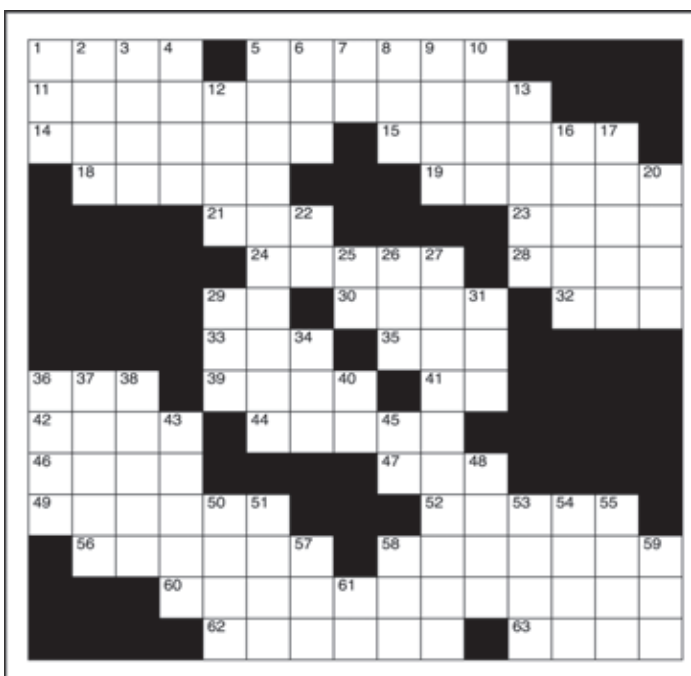
PUTNAM — On Saturday, Oct. 22, the Hale YMCA Youth and Family Center hosted more than 200 people at its inaugural Swim With the Pumpkins event as part of the Last Green Valley's Walktober. People swam with more than 100 inflatable pumpkins, decorated real pumpkins, created trick or treat bags to collect fun items hidden throughout the building, and danced the night away.



CLUES ACROSS

1. Famed Spanish General's nickname
5. Drink alcohol
11. Savings for soggy days
14. Kleenex, Puffs are some
15. Moved in a circular way
18. Pile of stones
19. Drenched
21. Talk to you (abbr.)
23. World's longest river
24. Thoughts
28. Stake
29. Lawrence Taylor's nickname
30. Coat or smear
32. Comedian Josh
33. Cost, insurance, freight (abbr.)
35. Royal Bank of Canada
36. Polyvinyl chloride
39. Lifeless
41. Doctor of Medicine
42. Former Saudi Arabian king
44. River along border of India and Nepal
46. German widow
47. Administrative review board
49. Small tower
52. Central American fruit
56. Cigar
58. Bring to life
60. Linked together in a chain
62. Marinara, BBQ are two
63. Mail

CLUES DOWN

1. Expression of creative skill
2. Nonclerical
3. Credit card company
4. Ancient Chinese city
5. Personas
6. More (Spanish)
7. Close to
8. Nigerian City
9. Pals
10. Internal
12. Type of tent
13. Beloved Princess
16. Supplementing with difficulty
17. Region in Mississippi
20. Brave act
22. 36 inches
25. -__, denotes past
26. Swiss river
27. Submersibles
29. Portable computer screen material
31. Binary-coded decimal
34. Supervises flying
36. Represents dull, abrupt sound
37. Deformity involving a limb
38. Map
40. Dominican Republic
43. Breed of hogs
45. District attorney
48. Light Russian pancake
50. Selfs
51. Rock songstress Turner
53. American Music Awards
54. Partner
55. Egyptian Sun god
57. European money
58. Consumed
59. Doctor of Education
61. Actinium

PUZZLE SOLUTION

WEAVER

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and had been wounded several times. And the Republicans continually reminded the voters that Hayes had participated in the war, a tactic sharply criticized by Democrats as "waving the bloody shirt."

"The election of 1876 became notorious not so much for its tactics, but for the conflicted resolution that followed an apparent victory. On election night, as the votes were counted and the results circulated about the country by telegraph, it was clear that Samuel J. Tilden had won the popular vote. His final popular vote tally would be 4,288,546. The total popular vote for Hayes was 4,034,311.

The election was deadlocked, however, Tilden had 184 electoral votes, one vote short of the required majority. Four states, Oregon, South Carolina, Louisiana, and Florida had disputed elections, and those states held 20 electoral votes.

The dispute in Oregon was settled fairly quickly in favor of Hayes. But the election was still undecided. The problems in the three southern states posed a considerable problem. Disputes in the statehouses meant each state sent two sets of results, one Republican and one Democratic, to Washington. Somehow the federal government would have to determine which results were legitimate and who had won the presidential election.

"An Electoral Commission Decides the Outcome. The U.S. Senate was controlled by Republicans, the House of Representatives by Democrats. As a way to somehow sort out the results, the Congress decided to set up what was called the Electoral Commission. The newly formed commission had seven Democrats and seven Republicans from the Congress, and a Republican Supreme Court Justice was the 15th member. The vote of the Electoral Commission went along party lines, and the Republican Rutherford B. Hayes was declared to be the president.

"After leaving office, Hayes devoted himself to the cause of educating African-American children in the South. It was said he was relieved to no longer be president. When Tilden died in 1886 he left a personal fortune of $6 million. Approximately $2 million went to the founding of the New York Public Library, and Tilden's name appears high on the facade of the library's main building on Fifth Avenue in New York City." (history1800s.about.com/od/presidentialcampaigns/a/electionof1976.htm).

Are you interested in the Civil War? Mark your calendars for Monday, Nov. 7, at 7 p.m. The Killingly Historical Society and the Deborah Avery Putnam Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution will host guest speaker Dr. Walter Powell at the Plainfield Senior Center at 8 Community Avenue, Plainfield. Dr. Powell owns a number of Civil War era letters from Killingly resident Halsey M. Bartlett of East Killingly. During his illustrated lecture Dr. Powell will explore his personal journey spanning more than 20 years to learn more about Halsey's life, Civil War service, and the state of the Civil War collector's market. For many years Dr Powell worked at Gettysburg, PA and is currently Executive Director of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants based in Plymouth, Massachusetts. The program is free; refreshments will be served. The Senior Center is handicapped accessible.

Margaret M. Weaver is the Killingly Municipal Historian. For additional information visit the Killingly Historical Center Wednesday or Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (or by appointment), visit www.killinglyhistory.org, or call 860-779-7250. Mail for the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society, Inc. or the Killingly Historical Center should be sent to P.O. Box 265, Danielson, CT 06329. Margaret Weaver may be reached at margaretmweaver@gmail.com. Note: Neither the Killingly Historical Center nor I have Caller ID. Please leave your name and phone number when calling. Thank you. Note the new post office box number for the historical center.

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‘Ghosties and ghoulies’ visit Scouts at trick-or-treat event

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A Troop 21 Boy Scout gave candy to a little firehouse Dalmatian, during Putnam’s downtown 2016 Halloween Trick or Treat Night.

Photos courtesy John D. Ryan

A Troop 21 Boy Scout gives candy to a little firehouse Dalmatian in a stroller.

A Troop 21 Boy Scout gives out candy.

At left; A vampire was happy to get candy from a Troop 21 Boy Scout.

A Troop 21 Boy Scout got a good look from Minnie Mouse, during Putnam’s downtown 2016 Halloween Trick or Treat Night.

PUTNAM — “A Scout is Friendly,” even if the folks they’re friendly with are ghosts, goblins and vampires.

Boy Scout Troop 21, of Putnam, was camped out at a table across the street from the Putnam Post Office last Friday, one of the groups giving out candy to what troop leaders said were the approximately 1,500 trick-or-treaters who visited their Scouts at Putnam’s downtown 2016 Halloween Trick or Treat Night.

“This was a fun thing for us to do,” said Troop 21 Scoutmaster Peter A. Lombardo, of Putnam. “We’re out here showing kids and their parents that we’re an active troop and we have a good time.”

Troop 21 is chartered to St. Mary Church of the Visitation in Putnam. Holding its meetings at St. Mary’s on Providence Street, Troop 21 is open to any boy aged 11 to 17. They do not have to be Catholic or be members of the church.

Lombardo said they want as many boys as possible to share in the troop’s fun and adventure as this year’s schedule continues through next June. Some of Troop 21’s recent events included a successful fishing weekend in Stafford and a hike up Mt. Monadnock in New Hampshire. Coming up will be, among other activities, a computer and robots event in November at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, separate snowshoeing and winter camping trips, a shotgun-shooting program, a food drive for local, needy people, a Paw Sox game in Pawtucket and a second fishing trip.

For information about joining Troop 21, call Lombardo at (860) 963-0171 and leave a message.

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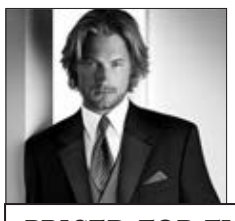

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Troop 21 Scoutmaster Peter A. Lombardo talked to a Ghostbuster during Putnam’s downtown 2016 Halloween Trick or Treat Night.

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EASTCONN hosts Mobile STEM Lab ribbon cutting

Courtesy photo

Gathered for the EASTCONN Mobile STEM Laboratory ribbon-cutting in Hampton this week were, left to right, EASTCONN Director of Education Services Tom Cronin; Quinebaug Middle College Dean of Students Mary Kay Knox; EASTCONN Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Dr. Toni Ryan; QMC Principal Gino LoRicco; EASTCONN Executive Board Vice-Chair Douglas Smith; Connecticut State Rep. Doug Dubitsky; EASTCONN Executive Director Paula M. Colen; and Mobile STEM Laboratory Coordinator Stacey Watson.

EASTCONN Quinebaug Middle College (QMC) students demonstrated Mobile STEM Laboratory curricula for visitors who attended the Lab's ribbon-cutting ceremony Tuesday. Here, inside the Mobile STEM Laboratory, visitors listen as a QMC student explains on-board scientific equipment and learning options.

HAMPTON — About 45 people joined the celebration Tuesday as EASTCONN's Mobile STEM Laboratory made its official debut during a ribbon-cutting ceremony at EASTCONN's Administrative Offices and Conference Center in Hampton.

The 40-foot-long laboratory-on-wheels was carefully parked next to the facility, where visitors gathered to celebrate with EASTCONN staff.

EASTCONN Executive Director Paula M. Colen welcomed the group, who braved cold, windy temperatures for the ribbon-cutting.

"We are thrilled that we can make this wonderful resource available to the community at large," Colen said. "STEM careers are really part of our future and our workforce, particularly here in northeastern Connecticut."

State Rep. Doug Dubitsky, R-47th District, who attended the ribbon-cutting, said that STEM learning was particularly important in today's world, and that the new STEM Laboratory can contribute to students' success.

"We all know that STEM really is the future," Dubitsky said, "and teaching our kids to engage in the sciences and manufacturing – and the learning that comes from those disciplines – is really critical."

STEM is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering and Math.

Following the ribbon cutting, EASTCONN science teacher Stacey Watson, who is the Mobile STEM Laboratory coordinator, conducted tours. Several of EASTCONN's Quinebaug Middle College magnet high school students were stationed inside, and demonstrated different tools and STEM Lab science curricula, as tour groups moved through. Of particular interest to some visitors was the electron microscope, the sophisticated science equipment and the surprisingly spacious feel of the interior.

Three-and-a-half years ago, a $12-million Magnet School Assistance Program (MSAP) made it possible for EASTCONN and one of its magnet high schools, Quinebaug Middle College (QMC), to envision and build a mobile STEM laboratory that would serve not only QMC students, but preK-12 students and schools across the region.

EASTCONN's well-equipped laboratory-on-wheels was intended to travel to schools and other, less traditional sites like vernal pools, forests and fields, to increase student engagement with the sciences and improve access to hands-on STEM learning. The laboratory was also intended to enable students at smaller schools with fewer resources to conduct sophisticated experiments.

"And now it's a reality," said Toni Ryan, Ed.D., EASTCONN's K-12 Student Services Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment and Accreditation.

The STEM Lab has an on-board generator that provides light and power, as well as air-conditioning and heat. There are also work stations for up to 20 students, as well as an electron microscope, compound microscopes, Vernier probes, interior and exterior flat-screen TV monitors, a sophisticated weather observation station, iPads for data collection and analysis, and basic science lab equipment. The laboratory is a spacious 20 feet wide, and is pulled by a specially equipped truck.

EASTCONN has developed a special series of customizable curricula for the Laboratory, which are aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).

"What's also good for the region's science teachers is that as a result of Stacey's expertise and her connection with the STEM Lab, EASTCONN has become a rich resource for professional learning in NGSS," said Ryan. "Stacey has already begun offering NGSS professional learning to area teachers. Some NGSS training is taking place on the Lab itself. That's fun for everyone involved."

To learn more about EASTCONN's Mobile STEM Laboratory, and how to schedule a school visit, or a teacher training, contact Stacey Watson at 860-455-1508, or at swatson@eastconn.org. Visit www.eastconn.org/stemonthemove. EASTCONN is a public, non-profit, Regional Educational Service Center that has been serving the region's education needs since 1980. Learn more at www.eastconn.org.

EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

Marianapolis Preparatory School to hold Open House

THOMPSON — Marianapolis Preparatory School invites area students and their families to its annual Open House on Sunday, Nov. 6, at 1 p.m. The Open House is for students applying to Marianapolis for the 2017-2018 school year. Marianapolis Preparatory School is a co-educational, Catholic boarding and day school offering college preparation for students of all faiths. The school currently enrolls 400 day and residential students from 20 countries.

Registration begins at 12:30 p.m. A panel of current parents and students will be available to answer questions about their experiences at Marianapolis. Attendees will be able to tour the school and learn firsthand about the academics, athletics, clubs and activities offered.

Admission personnel will be available to answer questions about the application process, financial aid and scholarship opportunities, as well as book student visits to campus. For more information and to register, call the Admission Office at 860-923-9245 or go to www.marianapolis.org/openhouse. Marianapolis is located at 26 Chase Road, Thompson.

Quinebaug Valley Community College

DANIELSON — Quinebaug Valley Community College will be hosting an open house showcasing the successful, two-semester Advanced Manufacturing Technology Certificate program on Wednesday, Nov. 9, between 6 and 8 p.m.

The program is taught in our new 10,000 square foot Advanced Manufacturing Technology Center at the Danielson campus. The open house invites all community members who are interested in manufacturing to attend and learn more about the program, hear about the demand for trained workers in this field, tour the new Center and apply to the college for free.

The training prepares students to become an entry level machinist and CNC (Computer Numerical Control) machine operator. Skills and techniques are learned in the classroom and through hands-on training on the same machinery used by local and national manufacturers serving the aerospace, defense, renewable energy, and biomedical industries. Many previous students have had paid internships, some starting in their first term, and job placement assistance is available for all graduates. For qualifying students, Federal financial aid may cover the cost of the program. A $100 scholarship will be given to the first 25 students who enroll in this program for the spring 2017 term.

Program Facts:

• 95% of graduates from this program gain employment in the manufacturing field.

• Paid internships average $14 per hour.

• 24 credits from this certificate can apply to an Associate of Science in Technology Studies.

• Some graduates are earning $19 per hour after a year of employment.

• Instructors have real-world, industry experience.

For additional information about this event or the program, visit www.qvcc.edu/manufacturing or contact Jodi Clark, advanced manufacturing educational assistant, 860-932-4128 or jclark1@qvcc.edu.

DANIELSON — The second in a series of Dean's Debates at Quinebaug Valley Community College will focus on voting in the United States — an appropriate topic to be covered on November 7, the day before the presidential election.

Alfred Williams, dean of academic affairs and student services, will face off with Heath Hightower, assistant professor of human services, to debate the topic "In the United States, voting ought to be mandatory." The debate will be held at 12:30 p.m. in the auditorium at the Danielson campus.

The debate series was created as a way to promote spirited and thoughtful civil discourse. The 45-minute Lincoln-Douglas style debate will be followed by a community cross-examination period when the audience can ask questions. In addition, there will be a post-debate community discussion about the topic, facilitated by Williams and Hightower.

In attendance will be Mark Ojakian, president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, who will be on campus that day to meet with students. The public is invited to attend and join the conversation.

For additional information, please contact Heath Hightower at 860-932-4139 or hhightower@qvcc.edu.

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School Menus

WOODSTOCK

WOODSTOCK MIDDLE/ELEMENTARY

Monday, Nov. 7: Grilled chicken patty on wheat roll, baked beans, fruit, milk

Tuesday, Nov 8: No School

Wednesday, Nov 9: Half Day, BOSCO cheese stix, marinara sauce, green salad, fruit, milk

Thursday, Nov 10: Half Day, pasta and meatballs, green beans, fruit, milk

Friday, Nov. 11: No School

THOMPSON

THOMPSON MIDDLE SCHOOL/ TOURTELLOTTE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, Nov. 7: Buffalo chicken wrap with lettuce tomato and cheese, fiesta rice, refried beans, Alt: Hamburger or cheeseburger

Tuesday, Nov. 8: Mac n cheese, oven baked pretzel, steamed broccoli, Alt: Yogurt parfait with granola

Wednesday, Nov. 9: Hot dog on roll, chili with cheese sauce and onion, oven baked fries, peas, Alt: Pizza plain or pepperoni

Thursday, Nov. 10: Early release — Enchilada stack with garlic breadstick, sweet carrots, Alt: Pizza plain or pepperoni

Friday, Nov. 11: No School

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Wyndham Land Trust hosts Walktober tours on preserved land

Courtesy photos

The Wyndham Land Trust hosted four different walks as part of The Last Green Valley's Walktober program last month.

Autumn awakens our senses with the cooler, crisp days. As the days become shorter, brisk and more colorful, we focus on sights and smells that are only available each fall. Boots crunching on fallen leaves, sniffing wild grapes, and listening to the tweeting birds as they begin migration to their winter retreats are a few fall treasures. Everything and everyone scurries to enjoy the fleeting and beautiful season.

The Wyndham Land Trust, long time participants in The Last Green Valley's Walktober program, connected eager hikers to four of their (your) preserves recently. Northeast Connecticut offers something for everyone, and this was also the case with Wyndham Land Trust's guided walks.

Rapoport/Spalding steward Jeff Stefanik guided walkers along a peaceful wooded trail, past active hayfields, which will remain as farmland, and along Taylor Brook beaver pond in Woodstock.

Andy Rzeznikiewicz is steward and habitat management guru at the Robbins Preserve in Thompson. Andy's guided hike offered a look at of the land trust's best preserves in terms of diversity and public access. A pristine section of the Five Mile River cuts through the center of the diverse property, and home to a variety of birds, amphibians, and pollinators.

The Aicher Preserve was visited thanks to the Weiss & Hale Financial team. The hikers met at Weiss & Hale's headquarters in Pomfret, and accessed the Aicher Preserve through private property versus the usual access point on Freedley Road. In addition to the wildlife that this preserve attracts, the views from the high point of the preserve, an elevation 505 feet, offers striking views of the surrounding countryside.

Last but certainly not least, a team of Wyndham Land Trust's younger members hosted a "By Kids/For Kids Scavenger Hunt" on the Lyon Preserve in Pomfret. Bella & Lucas introduced The Lyon Preserve, a hidden treasure, to attendees that were all first time visitors to this spot. All proclaimed it very family-friendly, great for toddling legs and strollers, too.

The Wyndham Land Trust holds other events throughout the year, and welcomes you to attend. Visit their (your) preserves. Learn the value of preserving land in Northeast Connecticut and see how you can become involved. There are many ways to enjoy and participate. Visit the website, http://wyndhamlandtrust.org and their facebook page, then visit in person.

The mission of the Wyndham Land Trust is to conserve the natural resources of northeast Connecticut — the water courses, swamps, woodlands, and open spaces, the plant and animal life therein, and the scenic natural and historic sites — all of which are very much a part of the unique character and beauty of all communities in northeast Connecticut.

Eversource gives to the community at Windham County 4-H

Courtesy photos

POMFRET — Under the direction of team leaders Shawn Johnston and Ana Alfaro, more than 20 volunteers from Eversource and Asplundh arrived bright and early at the Windham County 4-H Outdoor Center in Pomfret on October to participate in a community service day.

After fortifying themselves with a hearty breakfast prepared by 4-H Foundation volunteer board members, they headed off with bucket trucks, a tractor, and lots of muscle to do tree work, address two electrical safety issues, build some steps into the berm in front of the lodge to control erosion issues there and to re-stain benches for use this summer.

In appreciation, Eversource was given a one-week overnight campership to award to some child who might not otherwise be able to attend. Shawn Johnston commented that when we gave them a similar campership two years ago, they donated it to a TEEG auction. Money bid on it went to TEEG and the person who won the bid turned around and gave the certificate to TEEG to give to one of their young clients. Talk about a win/win/win situation!

Shawn was also presented with a "blast from the past" sweatshirt that board member Louise Pempek found in her closet recently. It was an amazing day and so much was accomplished. The Windham County 4-H Foundation extends a huge thank you to Eversource and Asplundh volunteers for the huge amount of work that was completed during this community service day.

'No adverse events' announced at DKH in 2015

DKH

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one that requires constant vigilance," Dr. Graham said. "We're extremely proud of the exceptional teamwork and skill of our staff here at Day Kimball. This has allowed our hospital to be one of the very few to achieve zero adverse events for the last two years."

Graham continued stating that the hospital's work is not done and that the staff can't rest on their laurels. While the hospital has done a good job maintaining patient wellbeing and health over the last two years, its an effort he feels the hospital needs to remained focused on in every possible way.

"It's important to note that reports such as this are just a snapshot of one particular point in time. Providing the highest quality, safest care possible is not a goal that has an end-point," Graham said. "This requires constant vigilance and even then sometimes things happen that are nor preventable. We don't live in a perfect world, but it's our job to provide care that's as close to perfect as it can be. We do that by constantly evaluating our quality performance and safety procedures, learning from what we find and using that knowledge for continual process and performance improvement."

The Adverse Events Reporting document that acknowledged Day Kimball's efficiency in patient health is only one of several reports produced by the DPH as part of the state's Quality in Health Care program. That program was developed to measure the clinical performance of health care facilities and develop systems for facilities to share best practices. If that is the goal it appears Day Kimball Hospital has set up a model that other health care facilities can look to as an example of good practice and patient care.

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November transitions

NANCY WEISS

There should be a word for the pattern made by falling leaves on the lawn or the driveway.

A golden maple tree stands outside the window where I write. It is about 30 years old, as it was planted when our "new" house was built. Because I am still getting used to living somewhere other than our antique farm, I observe the light and shadows, the shapes of the trees when in full leaf and now, when some stand like naked statues against the sky. The leaves array themselves, courtesy of the wind and gravity, into a corona of irregular brown shapes around the perimeter of the maple. It's a moving piece of artwork, changing every hour or so as more leaves fall and blow about. After all, it is November. The landscape is in transition and we follow suit.

As New Englanders we are more comfortable in down jackets and boots than in cutoffs and T-shirts. We live here because we want to step outside one morning, as happened last week, and feel the crunch of grass that has tasted frost. The plants we've coddled all summer are soggy masses of brown that have shrunk overnight into miserable balls of detritus. The whiff of wood smoke, the lonely call of geese overhead and the lateness of sunrise update our established routines.

I won't let the Maine Coon cat out for his morning stroll until the sun comes up. Darkness means nothing to him, but I believe the varmints who might carry him away are active just before dawn. He presses his nose against the window and whines, believing that he can wear me down with his pleas for a bit of freedom. As he and I stare out into the tree line, where the rosy dawn is slowly making its way, we both shiver a little in anticipation of what will pour though the door when I open it. We like fresh, chilly air and the smells of transition.

The chickadees are hard at work on the suet cakes I've set out for them. I like offering sunflower seeds, but the cat, even old and heavy, is still an excellent hunter. The suet prevents ground feeding birds from falling under the cat's power. So far, we don't worry about large animals popping over for a nutty snack.

Part of our family live in West Hartford where bears are frequent visitors. A few weeks ago one was found sitting on a trampoline in a suburban backyard. Residents don't put out birdseed because the hungry bears drop by for an easy snack. Then, perhaps bored by the prospect of spending the entire winter asleep, the bears hang around, get their pictures taken and, if they are unpleasant, get hauled away by wildlife officers, who know all the repeat offenders.

A few years ago a friend was walking with her dogs in the Wolf Den State Park, a heavily wooded area, named for the place where Israel Putnam shot the last wolf in Connecticut. Suddenly she was surrounded by big pileated woodpeckers flying low through the forest. She said it was thrilling and a bit like a scene from the movie, Star Wars. Migrations take many forms.

November brings a certain sadness. The year is getting older and so are we. There is something to savor in the longer hours of darkness and the sense that even if we are not farmers, the work we did outside for profit or pleasure is over for now. Before month's end, every leaf will have fallen from the golden maple, my window tree. Nature will transition to early winter and so will we.

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OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Spink: Boyd is the choice for 50th District

To the Editor:

I would like to lend my support to Pat Boyd as state representative for the 50th District.

My path has crossed with Pat Boyd multiple times over the years, since we both wear many hats. My first contact with Pat was through the Pomfret Independent Fire Company #1, Inc., when he became a member as a firefighter and Emergency Medical Responder. As administrative assistant, I work closely with Pat and Pomfret's chief to maintain the quality of emergency care, fire service and policy that is dictated by the Office of Emergency Medical Services and the NFPA/OSHA. He is very detail oriented. As a 30-year veteran of a fire service as an EMT and president in my fire department, I can confidently say that there is not a candidate in 2016 that can claim to be at the heart of people and their well-being more than Pat. When called to task as part of the PIFC, he is in the center of that emergency no matter the time of day or weather. That is true commitment to people, putting the communities first, ahead of this personal life. I see that commitment to our district 24/7, not by "appointment only."

In his career at Pomfret School, he works closely with the students who are the future. He is there always to help move forward. As a 35-year secretary on the high school level, I can support the difficulties anyone in a school system endures when interacting with students and their parents. Doubtful the other candidates can claim that. He handles himself in a respectful and professional manner no matter the situation; he is steadfast."

This past summer, I had the opportunity to volunteer at a local scout camp where Pat is one of the "main men" for the success of the program. He is down to the bare bones of working with scouts, their parents, and his peers – high moral standards and work ethics. His commitment on all areas of his life are second to none.

Pat is a "grass roots person with no hidden agenda, doesn't work for a select group to enhance his status in the district, then forget the little people who count on him. He wants what is best for this district, has listened by talking to what people want, and how he can do his best to make it happen. He has a plan.

After listening to debates and reading articles about the candidates, it wouldn't matter to me what party Pat was running under, he would have my vote. Often times, the northeast corner of this state, the "Quiet Corner," is overlooked at our state's capitol. We need a person who will work hard for people like me and not play the political games we all know about and that is "say lots and do nothing."

Vote as you wish for president on Nov. 8 but vote for Pat Boyd for state representative for the 50th District.

JEANNIE SPINK
EASTFORD

Flexer a proven hero for community hospitals

To the Editor:

As a resident of northeast Connecticut for more than 34 years and an employee at Day Kimball Healthcare for 23 years, I have seen the many ways that our community hospital and health system is vital to our community — not only by providing high quality healthcare but also jobs and economic support to our region.

It's no surprise then that the recent struggles Day Kimball and other small hospitals have faced with regard to state funding have become a hot button issue in this election season. However, recently I've seen some claims that Sen. Mae Flexer has done little to protect funding for our hospital and other small community hospitals. This is simply not true and I feel it's important to set the record straight.

I have witnessed firsthand the strong support that Senator Flexer has shown for Day Kimball over the last several years. She advocated on both sides of the aisle to successfully ensure that funding to Day Kimball and other small hospitals was by and large preserved.

Then, when Governor Malloy cut or withheld that preserved funding multiple times over the last year, Senator Flexer was a staunch advocate once again to get it restored.

I know because I was among the dozens of Day Kimball employees who met with Senator Flexer during Hospital Day at the State House this past March, when she not only spoke with us but personally arranged for us to speak with Governor Malloy. During that meeting with the Governor, Senator Flexer held one of the signs our staff had brought that read, "Restore our hospital funding." I don't think it's possible to be more forthright in one's stance and support than that.

But you don't have to take my word for it. A simple online search of media coverage or a look at the press releases posted on Day Kimball's website over the last couple of years provides the proof. Senator Flexer has been a hero for the protection of small hospitals and healthcare for the constituents she serves. And as both a resident of northeast Connecticut and an employee of Day Kimball Healthcare, I am very thankful.

PATRICE BERNIER
THOMPSON

Vote Flexer: 'There is no other option'

To the Editor:

I'm writing to encourage you to vote for Mae Flexer for the 29th District. During her time as our state senator, Mae has worked tirelessly to help victims of domestic violence and sexual assault and their families. She has worked to strengthen penalties for those convicted and help improve services for victims. When her constituents spoke up and demanded action, Mae stood up to Governor Malloy and helped return our 911 emergency response systems to our community. She truly cares about the health and safety of our residents.

As a daughter of a Vietnam veteran, and chair of the veterans' committee, Mae has been a constant advocate for our service men and women. She has fought to expand veteran education benefits, expand state tax credits for veteran-owned businesses, and streamline the application process for veterans looking for work.

I've known Mae for many years and I've seen her devotion and commitment to our community first-hand. There is no other option on Nov. 8, vote Mae Flexer for State Senate.

KATHERINE BISSON
BROOKLYN

Bugbee: 'It is time for a change in Hartford'

To the Editor:

In my view, it is time for a change in Hartford, and I endorse Anne Dubay Dauphinais for State Representative in District 44.

It is clear, our state is in dire fiscal and economic circumstances. Even though Connecticut is one of the richest states in the nation, somehow, we are also one of the most indebted states.

Despite a balanced budget Amendment passed by the citizens in 1992, one billion dollar deficits are now routine for our State's budget. $2.7 billion estimated over the next biennium based on May 2016 OFA projections. Connecticut is ranked the worst state in the nation for fiscal solvency by Mercatus' 2016 rankings. We now routinely spend beyond our means. Routinely bond for operational costs.

Our bonded debt has grown 57 percent in just the past 10 years and is now over $22 billion. Our unfunded liability (public employee retirement obligations) is over $70 billion and funded at less than 50 percent. An immoral gift to be left to our children to pay.

At $49,000 per taxpayer, the Tax Foundation ranks CT citizens the second most indebted taxpayer in the nation. We are the third highest taxed citizens in the nation according to Kiplinger. Is it any surprise the Hartford Courant reported 28,000 citizens left the state last year and with them billions in tax revenue.

GE is gone. Locally, Rogers, and other businesses and their jobs are leaving and worse, businesses are not coming to our state. At 5.7 percent, Connecticut's unemployment rate is highest in New England. Since the employment peak of 2007, Connecticut has recovered just 80 percent of jobs, our neighbor Massachusetts, 255 percent. In New England, only Maine has had a worst jobs recovery than Connecticut.

I agree with Anne, fiscal responsibility needs to be restored in our State House. The Constitutional spending cap amendment must be enacted, 25 years of doing nothing is enough. One billion dollar deficits must end. We do need to properly prioritize spending, we should oppose corporate welfare at the expense of services to those most in need.

Anne is correct, we need to stop punishing small business and entrepreneurs with punitive taxes, fees, regulations and license requirements and allow them to create jobs. For example, there is no reason Connecticut needs to have the second most occupational license requirements in the nation. They should be reviewed and those unnecessary rescinded to encourage new business start-ups and job growth. Same for regulations.

It is time for new ideas and a change in Hartford, and I encourage all my friends in District 44 to vote to elect Anne Dubay Dauphinais this November.

LEE BUGBEE
KILLINGLY

THE EVERYDAY ECOLOGIST
LIZ ELLSWORTH

Witch-hazel welcomes November

It's November, and we're welcoming the harvest season, saying goodbye to ghosts and goblins, and focusing on making apple, pumpkin and rhubarb pies.

We're getting used to the leaf-covered ground, the chilly air's soon-promise of snow, and the repeating songs of the migrating Canadian geese. The landscape is now defined by the bare-branched bushes and trees. Except – one plant isn't following the pattern of this late autumn season; instead, it's rooting itself in the brand-newness of spring.

The semi-confused plant is called American witch-hazel (Hamamelis virginiana). The plant blooms in golden color – a cluster flower with four "streamer-like petals" (Brooklyn Botanic Garden), or what might also be called a spider-like flower. The other kinds of witch-hazel bloom in the spring, and, thus, the American witch-hazel is affectionately called "winter-bloom" (Wikipedia).

Witch-hazel grows to shrub size – between 10-25 feet. The witch-hazel's leaves are oval, about 2-6 inches in length. Interestingly, the genus name Hamamelis means "'together with fruit,' referring to the simultaneous occurrence of flowers with the maturing fruit from the previous year" (Wikipedia).

Each flower is considered to be monoecious, which means that the blossom has both types of reproductive organs. However, each bloom operates as either a male (producing pollen only) or female (producing fruit only), and, so the fancy flowers instead lure pollinators, like bees or gnats, to ensure the cross-fertilization. Pollination happens in the fall but the fertilization of the seed occurs in the spring (Brooklyn Botanic Garden).

The seeds of the witch-hazel are black and shiny. The fruit is tan in color, with a tough, fuzzy shell, holding one seed in each of the 2 sections inside. As we've previously noted, these "confused" seasonal plants' fruit are mature after about 8 months in the autumn. The fruits separate with force and can spread the seeds up to 30 feet away. Another name for the American witch-hazel is "snapping hazel" (Wikipedia).

Native Americans used witch-hazel for medicinal purposes, and still, today, the plant is utilized in many manufactured health and beauty products. Witch-hazel extract is often employed as an astringent. Too, the plant's leaves and branches are used to create a mixture to lessen inflammation from things like mosquito bites or poison ivy (Wikipedia). The Brooklyn Botanic Garden notes that in "some cultures, branches of H. virginiana were used as 'divining rods' to locate underground sources of water."

The best place to plant witch-hazel in your garden is in part sun/part shade. These shrubs like moist, rich soils, and soils which are mildly acidic. They do not need a lot of care, which makes them a most welcome addition to your garden.

Winter will be here soon enough, and we'll have to bid farewell to our witch-hazel's flowers. Robert Frost notes this in his poem Reluctance: "And the dead leaves lie huddled and still, No longer blown hither and thither; The last lone aster is gone; The flowers of the witch hazel wither…."

Instead, we'll have to focus on the green of the pines, and the promise of spring's regeneration in the budded flora. Still, this sweet November, jaunt outside to catch a glimpse of the golden witch-hazel – you'll be thankful for this winter bloom!

Liz Ellsworth grew up in Eastford, and holds a master's degree in Environmental Education from Antioch University New England and a B.A. in English from Bates College. She specializes in conservation and recycling initiatives.

Are you ending 2016 healthy, wealthy, and wise?

Financial Focus

JIM ZAHANSKY
INVESTMENT ADVISER

Although the year is drawing to a close, you still have time to review your finances. Pausing to reflect on the financial progress you made in 2016 and identifying adjustments for 2017 can help you start the new year stronger than ever in terms of your financial life goals.

HOW HEALTHY ARE YOUR FINANCES?

Think of a year-end review as an annual physical for your money. Here are some questions to ask that will help assess your financial fitness.

• Do you know how you spent your money in 2016? Did you make any progress toward your financial goals? Look for spending habits (such as eating out too much) that need tweaking, and make necessary adjustments to your budget.

• Are you comfortable with the amount of debt that you have? Any end-of-year mortgage, credit card, and loan statements will spell out the amount of debt you still owe and how much you've been able to pay off this year.

• How is your credit? Having a positive credit history may help you get better interest rates when you apply for credit, potentially saving you money over the long term. Check your credit report at least once a year by requesting your free annual copy through the federally authorized website annualcreditreport.com.

• Do you have an emergency savings account? Generally, you should aim to set aside at least three to six months' worth of living expenses. Having this money can help you avoid piling up more credit-card debt or shortchanging your retirement or college savings because of an unexpected event such as job loss or illness.

• Do you have an adequate amount of insurance? Your insurance needs may change over time, so it's a good idea to review your coverage at least once a year to make sure it still meets your needs.

HOW WEALTHY ARE YOU REALLY?

It's easy to put your retirement savings on autopilot, especially if you're making automatic contributions to a retirement account. But market swings this year may have affected your retirement account balances, so review any statements you've received. How have your investments performed in comparison to general market conditions, against industry benchmarks, and in relation to your expectations and needs? Do you need to make any adjustments based on your own circumstances, your tolerance for risk, or because of market conditions*?

Finally, look for ways to save more. For example, if you receive a pay increase this year, don't overlook the opportunity to increase your employer-sponsored retirement plan contributions. Ask your employer to set aside a higher percentage of your salary.

HOW WISE ARE YOU ABOUT FINANCIAL MATTERS?

What you don't know can hurt you, so it's time to honestly assess your financial picture. Taking into account your income, savings and investments, and debt load, did your finances improve this year? If not, what can you do differently in 2017?

What are your greatest financial concerns? Do you have certain life events coming up that you need to prepare for, such as marriage, buying a home, or sending your child off to college? You can't know everything, so don't put off asking for assistance. It's a wise move that can help you prepare for next year's financial challenges.

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Food and fuel assistance to be collected at election

WOODSTOCK — First Selectman Allan Walker urges Woodstock residents to donate generously when voting at the Presidential Elections at the Woodstock Town Hall on Tuesday, Nov. 8, from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Walker stated, "With the cold weather months coming, collecting food items and fuel funds for Woodstock residents in need is especially important and is a high priority for my office. Woodstock residents are to be commended for their efforts in helping others who struggle financially. Coordinating these efforts is absolutely one of the most meaningful parts of my job."

Voters are urged to bring along a bag of non-perishable food items or make a monetary donation toward fuel assistance prior to casting their vote.

The Woodstock Town Hall will continue to be a food drive and fuel assistance collection point throughout the year. Information about the Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group (TEEG) will also be available for low-income residents to learn about what services are offered and how to apply for assistance.

Contact the Selectmen's office at 860-928-0208, ext. 336, for more information.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dauphinais: 'I hope to earn your vote'

To the Editor:

My name is Anne Dubay Dauphinais, and I seek your vote this November to be your state representative from District 44, towns of Killingly and Plainfield.

I am a mother and grandmother, with 30 years of professional healthcare experience. I am a graduate of KHS, QVTC, and ECSU. I have raised my four children in Killingly. My four grandchildren live in Killingly. I have lived most of my life in Killingly. I am not a politician.

As most of us know, Connecticut is ranked as the worst fiscally sound state in the nation primarily due to our debt burden and now routine billion-dollar budget deficits and poor economic performance. In national rankings, we rank last or near last in every economic factor that matters. Near last for job creation and economic growth. Our unemployment rate the highest in all of New England.

This is not good, and I believe doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result is not the solution to our problems. I believe it is time to change Hartford. Time for some new ideas.

Friends, I believe this election offers voters in District 44 a clear choice.

I am a fiscal conservative. My opponent has a 96-percent voting record with Governor Malloy and the Democrat controlled General Assembly. That's a pretty clear choice my friends. More of Governor Malloy's policies or new ideas.

On her most consequential vote, my opponent voted for the 2015 Budget, the second largest tax increase in our state's history and a jobs destroying law. This is the budget that created our hospital, school, and town budget crises of 2015 and 2016. A budget that required a 2016 special session because there was an almost a one billion deficit. Solved with budget cuts to our most vulnerable citizens.

Unlike my opponent: I will not vote for budgets that are clearly out of balance, not achievable, and that hurt citizens of District 44. I will not vote for corporate welfare over the need for vocational schools or services to our most vulnerable citizens. I will not vote to tax our hospitals out of existence. I will not vote to ignore spending cap. I will not vote to punish small businesses and citizens with oppressive taxes, fees, regulations and licensing requirements; killing jobs and driving them out of our state. I will not vote to allow the spread of Common Core. I will not vote to increase taxes on the third highest taxed citizens in the nation. I will not vote to put people out of work.

In my view, voters have a clear choice: more of Governor Malloy and his deficit policies, or restraint in spending, fiscal responsibility, and a balanced budget. I believe Connecticut citizens deserve better.

I hope to earn your vote this November. Visit my Facebook page at Elect Dauphinais to find out more.

Anne Dubay Dauphinais
Killingly

Burkes: 'Vote for Anne Dubay Dauphinais'

To the Editor:

We are writing to offer our endorsement for Anne Dubay Dauphinais for District 44 state representative.

In our opinion, our state has serious fiscal and economic problems, and believe we need to elect a representative to Hartford who is fiscally responsible, someone who understands that punishing small businesses is not the way to create jobs in our state. A recent Gallup survey ranked Connecticut last in the nation for job growth.

Consider, in a recent survey of Connecticut businesses, an astounding 92 percent stated that they did not believe the policies of the General Assembly were helping them. Put another way, only 8 percent of businesses believe our state legislators are helpful to them.

As small business owners, we can attest to the intrusive nature of the state, and the overbearing taxes, fees, regulations, and licensing that are choking job creation in Connecticut. We need state representatives in Hartford that truly understand this.

Example, for small businesses, the 2015 Budget bill passed, to include the second largest tax and fee increase in our state's history, was a serious shock, just as it was for our hospitals, just as it was for taxpayers. A jobs and business growth killer. Businesses are still trying to recover. Anne's opponent voted for this bill, and many other bills that made Connecticut businesses less, not more competitive.

And politicians wonder why Connecticut's economic growth was a recession like 0.6 percent growth in 2015.

Businesses and citizens are leaving the state in record numbers. Locally Rogers is gone. GE is gone, as are other businesses, and worse, businesses are not coming to Connecticut because there are better alternatives. According to the Hartford Courant, 28,000 citizens left the state last year. This is billions in tax revenue leaving or not coming to our state.

In 2016, CNBC ranked Connecticut the third highest cost state to do business, we citizens taxed the second highest in the nation according to WalletHub. Third highest indebted citizens in the nation according to Kiplinger.

Anne recognizes that small businesses are the engines that grow jobs. Her parents and family small business owners in Killingly for over 40 years. She will work to repeal laws that are killing jobs. She will vote for policies that make Connecticut businesses more competitive, not less competitive.

We need to change Hartford. We need a representative who will work to create a positive, business friendly, competitive environment for small businesses so that jobs can be created.

If you want fiscal responsibility in Hartford and job growth in our state, we urge you to vote for Anne Dubay Dauphinais this November.

Mary Jane and Jack Burke
Dayville

Cesolini: 'I support Anne Dauphinais'

To the Editor:

I support Anne Dauphinais for state representative. This time of year, incumbents campaign on the amount of pork-barrel spending they brought into their districts in a selfish attempt to return to public office. When I hear this, I do not imagine a hero fighting for us, but another pawn of a system built on attaining votes through wasteful government spending.

This year, I want a different kind of person going to Hartford. I want a candidate who will tell us about fighting for our rights when our personal civil liberties are being threatened by every level of government. I want a candidate who uses honesty in all communications, not because it will benefit her, but simply because it is the right thing to do. And I want a candidate who will not succumb to the usual system of budgetary bribes but instead maintain a moral and ethical standard in lawmaking that will return my faith to a broken system. Anne Dauphinais has the honesty, strength, and integrity to represent us in Hartford.

Let's not send another "yes woman" to Hartford. Instead, let's send an independent, iron-willed lady who will defend us and not the political machine.

Jonathan Cesolini
Killingly

Thoughts from a 'disenchanted Republican'

To the Editor:

As a disenchanted Republican, I am supporting Pat Boyd as our representative from the 50th District.

As a native from the "Quiet Corner," his background and credentials are clearly honorable.

I do not disparage my party's nominee who may also be well qualified. She alleges "40 percent of families plan on leaving Connecticut within the next 5 years." An alarming observation, a doomsday prediction, if true. I wonder. Perhaps her self-described acumen will help avoid this disaster.

Whatever, good luck to the winner. This region surely needs the state's attention, which it rarely receives.

David B. Boyd
Woodstock

Boyd, your best choice for the 50th District

To the Editor:

Pat Boyd has earned the endorsement of the Bulletin as the obvious "stronger candidate in the 50th District" race for state representative.

According to the Bulletin, his opponent, endorsed by many local Republican leaders, "appears to possess only superficial knowledge of state government and offers very little in the way of specific policies or even a clear agenda."

The Bulletin urges "hardline Republican voters to give Boyd serious consideration, particularly considering the weakness of their party's candidate in this district."

I hope all voters will see the wisdom in this endorsement and vote for Pat Boyd, the best candidate for Pomfret, Eastford, Brooklyn, Woodstock and Union's state representative.

Maureen Nicholson
Pomfret Center

Additional Letters To The Editor,
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Citizens deserve more than slogans

To the Editor:

Gov. Dannel Malloy's job approval rating according to a June Quinnipiac Poll was a dismal 24 percent. Is it any wonder why the mantra of Connecticut Democrat's running for re-election is "independent"? Apparently, "independent" is code to unaffiliated voters for not the same as Malloy.

Locally, District 29 State Sen. Mae Flexer is now an "Independent Progressive" Democrat according to her social media ads. Democrat District 44 State Rep. Christine Rosati Randall is an "Independent Voice" according to her mailer.

Unfortunately, neither offer any proof that they are independent. You know, a list of substantive bills they voted against that make them independent. They tell us they are independent yet by objective measure, their votes, they are not independent from their Democrat party and Governor Malloy on any matter of substance.

For example, as we know, the most important legislative vote for our representatives and we citizens in District 44 is our Biennium State budget.

Since 2011, Mae Flexer has voted for every one of Governor Malloy's budgets as state representative and senator. By any measure, Flexer is one of the most "progressive" left liberals in our state capital. Mae is certainly not independent on budget votes.

In 2015, both Mae and Christine voted for Malloy's budget, the budget that created the funding disasters for our hospitals, schools, and towns in 2015 and 2016. The budget that created a 2016 special session to deal with a one billion dollar deficit leading to budget cuts for services to some of Connecticut's most needy citizens.

Compare to Killingly's other state representative, Democrat Danny Rovero in District 51, who voted against the 2015 budget, voted against the 2016 budget. Danny offers proof of independence. Mae and Christine offer campaign slogans.

In my view, citizens deserve more than slogans from our representatives. Saying you are independent does not make you independent. What is the proof? It appears yet another hollow campaign slogan, like Malloy and the Democrat's promise to not raise taxes in 2010 and 2014, and then they did, and historically.

Friends, we can continue to do what we are doing, or make a change. Your choice this November. Continue the policies of Governor Malloy and the Democrat controlled General Assembly or make a change.

DUFFY DAUPHINAIS
KILLINGLY

Gray: Boyd for state representative

To the Editor:

It is with great pleasure that I endorse Pat Boyd for state representative in the 50th District.

Pat Boyd is a lifelong Connecticut resident and is a longtime resident of the Quiet Corner. Pat is a volunteer firefighter and emergency medical responder. He also teaches U.S. History and Government at the local Pomfret School. Pat Boyd is a strong advocate for the 2nd Amendment and is a certified NRA rifle/shotgun instructor and a range safety officer.

Although he is a registered Democrat and I am a Republican, I know that Pat has continuously shown independence when making decisions. I am confident that that Pat Boyd will bring a strong independent voice for both you and I to Hartford, in order to return Connecticut to better times.

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Dunne: A vote for Flexer is a vote for progress

To the Editor:

I received in the mail two political flyers, one promoting democratic candidate Mae Flexer for 29th District senator, and John French, Senate republican candidate.

Mae's flyers highlighted her successful accomplishments serving in the General Assembly, which includes fighting against funding cuts for Day Kimball and Windham hospitals; expanding benefits and improved services for returning veterans; helping seniors stay in their homes; and endorsement by the State Police. In addition to these challenging issues Mae relentlessly stands up against family violence, sexual assaults which resulted in passing tougher penalties and improving victim services. Mae supports building an economy that works for all and she is instrumental in initiatives to promote entrepreneurship in our district.

Together, Mae and the team of our district state representatives have fought Governor Malloy's hospital disastrous funding cuts which would threaten their ability to meet healthcare needs and cut jobs.

As the New Haven Register stated "to improve Hartford" we need "an army of Mae Flexers." Most importantly, Mae is articulate, thorough and has the highest integrity in making her decisions, based on the needs of her district, in Hartford.

The second flyer I received was from her opponent, John French, stating false facts about Mae's record and nothing about what he has accomplished and offers no solutions to the challenges facing our state.

A vote for Mae will keep the progress in our district and the State of Connecticut moving.

CYNTHIA DUNNE
PUTNAM

Randall is 'the clear choice' for state rep

To the Editor:

In this election for state representative, I believe residents of Killingly and Plainfield have a clear choice of who to vote for to represent the 44th District — and I am choosing to vote for Christine Rosati Randall.

As someone who has known Anne Dauphinais and had spoken with her about her running for state representative, I have been disappointed with the negative tone her campaign has taken. In my conversations with her, she stated that she was going to run a positive campaign that focused on the merits of why she was running and solutions she wanted to offer. After receiving her first two mailers, I was very dismayed to find that she has decided to instead attack the record of Christine Rosati Randall by comparing her to the governor using cartoons, photo shopped pictures and inaccurate statements.

The truth is no one has stood up more for her district and has been more independent than Christine. Using the statement that she voted with the Governor 96 percent of the time is simply untrue, mainly because the Governor doesn't introduce legislation. Of the bills that can be considered his policies, only 8 of 26 bills were even called for a vote. That is only 2.5 percent of all 313 bills voted on, and of those, roughly 85 percent had support from both parties.

When it mattered, Christine was one of only eight in her party to vote against the budget that cut vital services and hurt our towns. She also stood up to the Governor and restored $8.3 million to Day Kimball and Backus hospitals.

When it comes time to making my decision November 8th, I will be voting for the candidate with the positive message and the one who has given us reasons to vote for her. I will be voting for Christine Rosati Randall.

ADAM GRIFFITHS
KILLINGLY

Parking issues annoy in Putnam

To the Editor:

Recreation Drive in Putnam is a windy road that is used by quite a number of people as a shortcut from Kennedy Drive. Across from the soccer field, the street is clearly marked with a number of "No Parking" signs.

The past two weeks, there have been a number of cars parked in the no parking area. Right in the middle of those other cars is a state trooper vehicle. If the state trooper can park there, others figure they can do the same. This weekend the trooper had 10 friends parked with him.

Last weekend, I stopped at the Putnam Police Department and complained in person. I mentioned a state trooper was one of the illegally parked cars. When I drove back down Recreation Drive less than 10 minutes later, the trooper was gone. This weekend I called the Putnam Police. The impression I received was that I was wasting the time of the officer that answered.

WILLIAM JORDAN
PUTNAM

Boyd is the best choice

To the Editor:

I am writing to express my support for 50th District candidate Patrick Boyd.

I have known Pat for about six years, and feel he is the best candidate to represent us in the 50th District. As a life-long resident of northeastern Connecticut, he has a keen understanding of the unique character and concerns of our area.

His ideals and ideas that struck home with me include, but aren't limited to:

• A commitment to open space and preservation of the rural character of the Quiet Corner
• A focus on protecting funding for Day Kimball Hospital
• He is opposed to the proposed power plant in Killingly
• A commitment to finding ways to help small businesses survive and thrive in this unique area
• A commitment to community service- which started in scouting and through his journey to Eagle Scout
• A commitment to education — he is a teacher of History and Government, so he understands the challenges that teachers and schools face in educating our children in a time of limited resources.
• A commitment to community safety — he is a long-time Pomfret volunteer firefighter, serves as the president and EMS lieutenant, and is the former deputy emergency management director.

Most importantly, Pat's stance is on serving this district in a most non-partisan way, focusing on doing what is right for the area, and not simply following the party line. He is committed to looking at each situation individually, and listening to the will of the people.

I have been most impressed by his respectful position in choosing to promote his own positive qualities, actions, and accomplishments as reasons why he would make a good representative for our unique corner of the state, rather than pointing out negative things about his opponents in an attempt to win support.

I truly feel that Pat Boyd, a candidate who has taken the time to speak to so many small businesses, farmers, residents, and organizations in the area, has a good sense of what our community concerns are, and will do all he can to make sure our Quiet Corner voices are heard in Hartford.

DAWN M. MORIN
WOODSTOCK

Christmas Fairs

November 5, Sat., 9am-2pm
Harvest & Holly Festival, VFW Post Home, 654 Quinebaug Rd., Route 131, Quinebaug. Featuring: crafts, bake sale, mix n' match cookies, attic treasures, tea cup social, theme baskets, continental breakfast, luncheon, much more. To benefit Veteran and community programs.

November 5, Sat., 9am - 6pm
and Sunday November 6, 7am – noon. The St. James School in Danielson is having their annual Christmas Craft Sale! (in the church basement). There are paper crafts, tree ornaments, holiday decorations, gift cards, great gift ideas, gift baskets , raffles and baked goods!!

November 5, Sat., 10am-2pm
The East Woodstock Congregational Church will host The Holly Fair. Coffee Break all day. Lunch 11:30-2pm. Cookies, candy, jelly cupboard, new & like new gifts, crafts, and basket social!

November 5, Sat., 8am – 2pm
Yuletide Festival At St. Mary Church Hall, Putnam Sponsored by The Daughters of Isabella. Featuring: A large raffle, handy crafts, 30 basket raffle, 25 area venders, baked sale, Café refreshments and luncheon, and more!

November 12, Sat., 8am-1pm
Christmas Wonderland Bazaar, at Sacred Heart Church, Rte. 205, Wauregan. Many vendors, raffle, FREE COFFEE. Public invited.

November 12, Sat., 8am - 2pm
Westfield Winter Wonderland Bazaar, 210 Main Street, Danielson. Lunch and light breakfast (pastry) available, Basket Raffle, Bakery Table and Gourmet Foods, Attic Treasures, Silent Auction, Jewelry Table, Wreaths, Crafts and holiday decorations.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Support local businesses with a vote for Dauphinais

To the Editor:

We are writing to provide our endorsement for Anne Dubay Dauphinais in this November's election for District 44 in the towns of Killingly and Plainfield.

As small business owners in Killingly, we can speak to the costly and damaging effects Governor Malloy, and his Democrat cohorts, including Christine Randall, our current District 44 representative, have had on Connecticut businesses. And it is not good.

Most especially damaging and most disappointing was Christine's vote for the 2015 budget, the second largest tax and fee increase in our state's history. Small businesses were just recovering from the largest tax and fee increase just four years earlier. Then boom, we are hit again. And with retroactive taxes to add insult to injury. Unlike Christine, Danny Rovero (D-Killingly), our District 51 representative, did not vote for this budget.

To include her budget vote, Christine received four thumbs down on critical legislation to small businesses from the Connecticut Business and Industry Association (CBIA) and has not received their endorsement. Because of Christine's votes against businesses, her challenger Anne Dubay Dauphinais has earned the endorsement of NFIB (National Foundation of Industrial Businesses), the nation's largest small business association.

If Christine is as pro-business as she claims, why does she not have these endorsements? (Note: the CBIA only endorses those with legislative votes)

We agree with Anne, if we want to grow jobs in Connecticut, we need to stop punishing small businesses. We need to create a friendly business environment, not one hostile to business as is currently the state of affairs.

We also agree with Anne in her opposition to handing out corporate welfare to the politically and lobbyist favored. Unlike her opponent, Anne will not be voting to fund giant corporations, picking winners and losers at the expense of small businesses while at the same time cutting services to our most vulnerable citizens.

In our view, Christine Randall, Governor Malloy, and the Democrat controlled General Assembly and their punitive and ill-advised policies are the problem. We need to change our General Assembly in Hartford if we are to stop the fiscal and economic demise of our state and grow jobs.

We urge all small businesses and our friends to elect Anne Dubay Dauphinais this November. She will truly be pro-business and therefore pro-jobs … unlike her opponent.

Norm and Beverly Ferron
Killingly

Avery for 35th District State Senate

To the Editor:

Arlene Avery is the Democratic Candidate for the 35th Senatorial district.

She is running against incumbent Tony Guglielmo who has been state senator for 24 years. Perhaps it is time for a new face. Every election there is a call for change, and criticism of incumbents past records. Tony Guglielmo criticizes the current administration but he has seen many administrations of both parties over his quarter of a century in office. He has had years of opportunities to enact change. He claims he saw this economic crisis coming for years. What did he do? In April of this year, Mr. Guglielmo voted 'no' on SB 147 to authorize students qualifying for in-state tuition to receive financial assistance. Why? The bill passed anyway, 21 to 13 along party lines. We need to step away from partisan politics and work across party lines to solve problems.

Avery is a proponent of overhauling the state's tax policy, improving Connecticut's infrastructure and promoting green technology. She thinks the licensing and permitting process for small businesses needs overhaul, and correctly recognizes the current tax system is inequitable, with the middle class bearing an unfair share of the tax burden and the wealthy not paying their fair share.

Voters in Ashford, Chaplin, Coventry, Eastford, Ellington, Hampton, Pomfret, Stafford, Tolland, Union, Vernon, Willington, and Woodstock might benefit from a new set of eyes and a new set of priorities

Gail McElroy
Pomfret

Gladding: Randall is 'a keeper'

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our current state representative, Christine Rosati Randall.

Christine earned the state representative seat for the 44th District two years ago. She stepped into this role at one of the most challenging times the State of Connecticut has ever seen. She made personal sacrifices, without hesitation, to fight for all of us and she does so with positive energy and a true passion to make a difference.

Christine has been a strong and dedicated advocate, who successfully fought against the Governor's cuts to our local hospitals and voted against a budget that cut vital services and hurt our towns. As a parent of four children and an advocate for children and families, Christine understands how important education is for our children and secured an additional $250,000 in education funding.

In her first year in office, Christine was able to get a $200,000 grant to bring a commercial water line into Plainfield's industrial Park. This allowed a business to move into our town and opened up three more lots for new business. Christine sees the big picture and understands the important role local infrastructure plays in creating jobs.

Christine's lists of accomplishments are long. Given all that she has done, I find it disturbing that her opponent, Anne Dauphinais, would begin her campaign for this seat with negative attacks that distort the record, propound half-truths and mislead voters. There have been a number of mail pieces and phone calls containing inaccurate information. As someone who has been involved in campaigns, I find this type of behavior concerning. Voters have a right to accurate and truthful information. I applaud Christine and the other candidates who have chosen to run a campaign based upon their merits, the truth and what their plans are for the future.

On Nov. 8, I hope you join me in voting for Christine who has done so much for us in such a short time. She's a keeper!

Don Gladding
Plainfield

'The people of Killingly and Plainfield deserve better'

To the Editor:

I am writing to encourage people of Killingly and Plainfield to vote for Anne Dubay Dauphinais for state representative.

Anne Dubay Dauphinais is listening to her constituents and will fight and vote for issues that are in their best interest. Anne will vote her conscience for the benefit of her constituents and not a political ideology for the benefit of her career or political affiliation.

Anne will fight to release the chokehold the politicians in Hartford have on the taxpayers of this state.

Anne will be a state representative of the people and by the people, which is so blatantly lacking in the democratically controlled policy makers in Hartford. The people of Killingly and Plainfield deserve better! Anne Dubay Dauphinais will work to effect change and make things better. A vote for Anne is a vote for Political Accountability and Responsibility, something we all know is lacking in the current political climate in Hartford. A vote for Anne Dubay Dauphinais is a vote for reason, common sense and a brighter future for the residents of the 44th district of Connecticut.

I am proud to support Anne Dubay Dauphinais for State Representative in the 44th District of Connecticut.

Anne represents the change we are all seeking. She is the chance we have to be part of the solution instead of enabling the failing status quo currently in Hartford.

Mary Kruckas
Killingly

RSVP Santa's Winter Boots Drive a success

To the Editor:

Thanks to the help of volunteers, partners and supporters from NOW, Day Kimball Healthcare, the Arc Quinebaug Valley, WINY Radio and the community, the recent radiothon launch of the RSVP Santa's Winter Boots Drive for 2016 raised $800 in cash donations plus 20 pairs of warm winter boots for area kids!

Thank you to all who participated and contributed.

Our need this year is 400 pairs of boots for needy children at 22 public schools and program sites across Windham County. We are off to a fine start.

A big thank you to Gary O of WINY for driving the traffic to us all morning via his morning show broadcast. A special shout-out to Sarah Mortensen and Keith Mosher of NOW who went barefoot for the entire three-hour appeal outside WINY on Pomfret Street in Putnam. And thanks also to Christine Collins, Linda Lamoureux, Earl Rosebrooks and Jimmy Phaiah who also braved the elements.

Happy trails to you all and to the kids after they receive their new winter boots! Great working with you.

Greg Kline
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–Marc Cerrone, M.D.
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Flexer fights for people in the 29th District

To the Editor:

Mae Flexer stood up to Governor Malloy and fought against cuts to community hospitals in Putnam and Windham. She marched with Day Kimball staff directly to the Governor's office to make the case for repealing cuts that would harm healthcare services to local residents.

As both a state representative and state senator, Mae has led the fight against family and domestic violence, helping pass legislation to ensure that women and children are better protected and have appropriate judicial recourse when they need it most.

Mae's concern for our most vulnerable includes her extensive efforts in pushing for increased funding to improve and expand critical services for the aging and veterans.

Let's help Mae keep fighting for our communities: Vote Flexer on Nov. 8!

LOUISE NELSON DANIELSON

Pempek: Flexer 'a strong voice in Hartford'

To the Editor:

We may be the Quiet Corner in Connecticut, but that doesn't mean we don't need a strong voice representing us in Hartford.

Mae Flexer is the independent voice we need for our community – staying true to her values and never compromising our community needs, no matter how strong the opposition.

When the governor proposed devastating cuts to our hospitals that would threaten our jobs and our healthy, Mae Flexer fought relentlessly to put back the funding we needed.

When proposals for regionalizing local 911 systems were pushed, Mae fought to return the emergency response system to our community, earning the endorsement of the state police.

When utility companies tried to hike rates on our seniors and hurt their chances of staying in their homes, Mae led to fight to reduce fees and also strengthen protections against abuse and neglect of seniors, as well as to expand support for caregivers.

When Mae heard from her constituents stories of domestic violence and sexual assault, she took action in Hartford to pass tougher penalties and improve services for victims.

Mae Flexer is committed to working every day to make sure northeastern Connecticut has a strong voice in Hartford, and I urge you to join me in supporting her on Nov. 8.

J. SCOTT PEMPEK PUTNAM

Mudslinging doesn't help anyone

To the Editor:

This year has introduced most of us to an ever-increasing frustration with negative attacks between political candidates, from the presidential level to political adversaries throughout ballots everywhere.

In our own back yard, we've seen some mudslinging between candidates for state representative and senator seats which serve no one, and least of all the voters whom they say they want to serve! Taxpayer money is being spent by sending negative mailings with false information, without promoting or highlighting the constructive ideas to support any legislation that would improve the quality of life for residents in our district. None of these mailings have contained factual profiles or future commitment towards measureable progress in the efforts to make government more accountable to us.

I have no intentions of voting for those who play shell games with those of us who pay their salaries. Those who use public funds for negative and destructive attacks against candidates who are focusing on facts are simply using the election process to distract the voter from real issues. Anyone can criticize those who have stepped into the public arena and held office, but they also have a responsibility to present a credible alternative to those who are serving now. Why should voters consider changing present officials like Danny, Christine, and Mae, with proven records of commitment and constructive results, for anyone standing on a platform of negativity and empty agendas or promises?

It has been my experience that those who have nothing to offer, will do everything they can to shift the attention away from themselves with negative attacks towards their opponent. The easiest way of recognizing a weak candidate is to check the level of negative attacks. I would strongly suggest to my neighbors in this district to value the dedication and results provided by our present officials, and re-elect that kind of tested service next week.

LYDIA RIVERA-ABRAMS DAYVILLE

Boyd: Asking for your vote

To the Editor:

Over the last 10 months, I have traveled around the 50th District talking to you, my neighbors, about what issues are important and your specific concerns about what is going on in Hartford.

I have visited your businesses, walked your farms, stood on your porches, and talked about what is really important to you and your family. Two things became very clear to me — the first being that the national election is setting a poor example for the next generation of Americans. Citizen candidates should stand up for what they are for, not spend time belittling an opponent or suggesting that if the opposition were elected bad things would happen. If we all stand up for what we believe in, then the voters can decide who is the best to represent them. If that is the way every campaign would go, we would be in a much better position to have a civil discussion about how to solve our very real problems. I am proud to say that my campaign has been about by background, my beliefs, and my view on how we can fix our problems.

The other major trend at the doors is that everyone fears that the only way the General Assembly will improve the state's fiscal situation is to raise taxes. Budgeting is about creating a balance and prioritizing, not figuring out how to raise more money to keep up spending habits. We need to spend less money while focusing on: local education, public safety, and solid community health. A great community is not the government providing all the services, it is a partnership between government, non-profits, the private sector, and individuals. Just look at TEEG or the Arc, they get the job done in areas of need much better than the government could do alone. It is about building partnerships.

I have dedicated my life to community service as an educator, firefighter, non-profit director, and Scout. I am asking for your vote on Nov. 8, so that I can be your voice in Hartford. The 50th District has had a long history of public servants who have put the interests of the district first. I hope to be able to live up to the high standards set by those that have come before me, including State Representatives John Savage, Reece Painter, Jim Weiss and Harriet Sampson Pitt.

PAT BOYD POMFRET

Support Ty Perry for state rep

To the Editor:

I'm writing in support of Ty Perry as a write-in candidate for state representative of the 50th District, (Brooklyn, Eastford, Pomfret, Union and Woodstock) as a Libertarian.

For those who don't know him, Ty is a family man, who has been married for nearly 30 years. He is a first-generation American, who immigrated to this country legally. A 20-year Connecticut resident, an Army veteran/former military policeman and attorney/businessman who has worked in mid-management for the same company for 20 years. Previously, Ty ran freestanding chain restaurants. Ty has lived in Woodstock for the past 18 years. If you've attended a sporting event in the Quiet Corner, you've seen him on the sidelines as a coach for various sports or cheering on his two beautiful daughters.

If you believe that your next state representative should have business experience, Ty is the only candidate, with an actual/provable business résumé. The other is a teacher and the other has no verifiable business experience. I encourage you to ask the name(s) of the multi-national corporations she claim to run from her home and check for yourself. If you believe your next state representative should represent traditional family values, Ty is the only candidate who does that. One is divorced and the other is not married and has no children. If you believe your next state representative should be educated, Ty has a Juris Doctorate and an admitted attorney in good standing in Massachusetts. If you believe that being a good/patriotic American is important, for your next state representative, Ty is the only one of the three who has served this country in the Armed Forces, at a time of war, for no other reason than he wanted to give back to the country that has been so good to him. Finally, if you are as fed up as everyone else I know about both the federal and state governments being in your back pocket and stealing your wealth and using it to buy votes in Hartford or passing ever more restrictive laws that take away your rights, then there is only one person who will make that an absolute prohibition against either of these things — and that's Ty Perry.

IF elected, Ty has promised to donate 50 percent of his post tax state representative salary to TEEG and six churches within the 50th District, who provide direct social services to his constituency, as he believes, as all Libertarians do, that charity begins with each of us and not with stolen wealth (taxation) used to buy votes. He also pledges to seek no more than two terms as state representative, as a major part of all of our ills are career politicians who stay in office long enough to become corrupted. He promises to keep Hartford out of your back pocket and away from your freedoms. Like his FB page ElectTyPerry for the 2 step directions to cast a write in vote and he will have printed directions available at all town halls.

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Quiet Corner gears up for monumental Election Day

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state level beyond just the elected leader of the United States.

Locally, every single election on the ballot is contested. State representatives, senators and national leaders will all be decided on Nov. 8, and it's up to the public to decide who will help drive the state and the nation forward for the next few years.

On the state level, both local state senator seats in the Quiet Corner are contested in 2016. The 29th Senate District, which locally includes Brooklyn, Killingly, Putnam and Thompson, will have a rematch after less than 500 votes separated incumbent Democrat Mae Flexer and Republican challenger John French two years ago. The two compete for the seat once again, this time with Flexer trying to maintain the seat and French trying to reverse his fortunes for his first term as a state leader.

The other Senate seat up for grabs represents the local towns of Eastford, Pomfret and Woodstock, and sees longtime Republican incumbent Tony Guglielmo facing off against a new challenger, Democrat Arlene Avery. Guglielmo is hoping experience will win out for him on Nov. 8, while Avery is hoping to bring new ideas to the table in an election that has been less about what divides these two candidates and more about what each can bring to the table.

Looking at the races for state representative seats in the Quiet Corner, the one on everyone's radar is the 50th District, which is being vacated by Republican Mike Alberts, who announced his retirement from the political stage last year. This is the one seat where a new state leader is guaranteed, and three candidates have stepped up to the plate. Republican business owner Nora Valentine and Democratic educator Pat Boyd will be featured on the ballot by name, but there is a third challenger as well. Libertarian attorney and businessman Ty Perry is an official write-in candidate and has campaigned as if he will be on the ballot, making the 50th District race an essential three-way battle for a very coveted seat. Residents of Brooklyn, Eastford, Pomfret, Union and Woodstock will be charged with deciding who will take over on the state level.

In the 51st District, incumbent Democratic State Rep. Danny Rovero, a former Putnam mayor and long-time community leader, is looking to continue his work representing Killingly, Putnam, and Thompson following Nov. 8, but it won't come easy. Rovero is being challenged by Republican Brian Lynch, a former Thompson selectman, for the seat in a battle of friendly rivals. The two men have expressed respect for each other, but for the next few days they will be opponents, with Rovero hoping to continue his service and Lynch hoping to lead change on the state level that he feels is long overdue in the big picture.

The 44th District state representative seat, representing Killingly and Plainfield, will see incumbent Democrat Christine Rosati Randall work to continue her responsibilities in Hartford, while first-time candidate and Republican Ann Dauphinais looks to bring change in her own way at the state level. Both moms and long-time members of their local communities, Randall and Dauphinais may not see eye-to-eye on everything, but they respect their differences and are both hoping to be the top pick on Nov. 8.

The national elections also offer more decisions than just the president of the United States. For the U.S. Senate, incumbent Sen. Richard Blumenthal, who was first elected in 2010, will face a challenge from Republican Dan Carter. Libertarian Richard Lion and Green Party candidate Jeffery Russell join them on the ballot for who will work to represent the State of Connecticut on the national level for the next several years. Also the 2nd Congregational District Representative seat, currently held by Democrat Joe Courtney, is up for grabs. Courtney is looking to maintain the seat, while Republican Daria Novak, the Green Party's Jonathan Pelto and Libertarian Daniel Reale are all hoping to succeed Courtney on the national stage.

Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 8. Be sure to turn out, do your civic duty and cast your vote. As mentioned at the beginning of this article, the Villager did individual debate pieces on each local race affecting the Quiet Corner. If you missed a race that pertains to you, or feel like brushing up on your candidates, please feel free to visit our website at www.860local.com, and visit our archives. The following list will guide you to the correct edition.

- Christine Rosati-Randall (D) vs. Anne Dauphinais (R): 44th General Assembly District (Sept. 30)
- Danny Rovero (D) vs. Brian Lynch (R): 51st General Assembly District (Oct. 7)
- Pat Boyd (D) vs. Nora Valentine (R) vs. Ty Perry (L): 50th General Assembly District (Oct. 14)
- Mae Flexer (D) vs. John French (R): 29th Senatorial District (Oct. 21)
- Tony Guglielmo (R) vs. Arlene Avery (D): 35th Senatorial District (Oct. 28)

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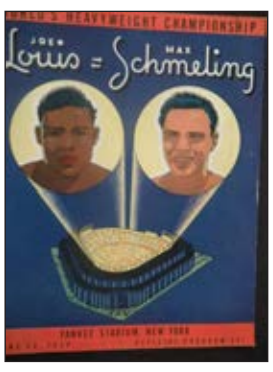
Don't throw away that ephemera



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A program from the Louis vs. Schmeling boxing match sold in the mid $100 range in our January 2010 auction.

ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES & ESTATES

WAYNE TUISKULA

Ephemera are "paper items (such as posters, broadsides, and tickets) that were originally meant to be discarded after use but have since become collectibles," according to Webster's Dictionary.

The Ephemera Society of America, Inc. describes itself as "a non-profit organization formed in 1980 to cultivate and encourage interest in ephemera ..." The society's website notes that Maurice Rickards, a noted scholar and expert on ephemera, states that "the essential appeal of most forms of ephemera lies in their fragility, their vulnerability — the very improbability of their survival." Rickards describes ephemera further as "minor transient documents of everyday life."

Defining ephemera gets a little more complicated, as some of the "transient" pieces were actually so well produced that they may have been saved. John and Carolyn Grossman's ephemera collection was impressive enough to be acquired by the Winterthur Museum. John Grossman notes that "some ephemera were deliberately preserved in family albums or attic trunks because they were beautiful images, held sentimental value or marked an event of historical importance. Trade cards, die-cut scraps, invitations and newspaper articles are some examples." The fact that "baseball cards, holiday ornaments, paper dolls and souvenir items are also considered ephemera, yet they were designed to be kept" makes the definition of ephemera even a little more unclear.

Using a broad definition of ephemera some of the more valuable pieces are posters, baseball and other trading cards, programs, photographs, and postcards. Other items include: brochures, calendars, greeting cards, menus, pinup art, manuals, instructional booklets, catalogs, maps, trade cards, die cuts, documents, blotters, tickets, scrapbooks, product labels, magazines, newspapers, souvenirs, playing cards and sheet music.

Now that you have a better idea of what ephemera is, what makes some ephemera valuable? Posters collections can become part of a home's décor. A rare poster can sell for five figure sums. Poster artwork can command figures well above an oil painting by a trained artist.

One of Webster's Dictionary's definitions of a broadside is a sizable sheet of paper printed on one side. Broadsides of historical interest can be very valuable. Those from the 1700's that mark important historical events or are signed by famous historical figures may be worth five figure amounts. Later ones from the 19th century with Civil War or slavery messages can also be very valuable. When chromo lithography became widely used in the later 19th century, advertising broadsides helped promote everything from food and medicine to travel and clothing. More desirable examples can command figures in the thousands of dollars.

We've discussed how a rare Honus Wagner baseball tobacco card sold for nearly $3 million. Other ephemera, like an 1865 photograph of the Brooklyn Athletics baseball team, sold for $92,000 at a small Maine auction house. A letter by the city of Worcester requesting admittance into the National League by their baseball team sold for over $9,000. I was fortunate enough to be the winning bidder when it sold at an out-of-state auction house.

We have been picking up many quality consignments for our Jan. 26 live auction that will take place in Worcester. The second session of rare radios will be auctioned on Nov. 13 in Carlisle, Mass. We also have an estate sale scheduled in Worcester on Nov. 19 and 20. See www.centralmassauctions.com for more information on upcoming events.

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Matulaitis Rehabilitation & Skilled Care in Putnam is nearing the one-year anniversary of a new initiative that seeks to tap into memories and associated feelings that can help a person retain their sense of personhood and identity.

Matulaitis memory program celebrates first anniversary

PUTNAM — Do you remember the song you danced to at your wedding? What tune was popular when you were in high school? What's your favorite music to listen to in the car?

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Matulaitis Rehabilitation & Skilled Care in Putnam is nearing one year of a new initiative, which seeks to bring these kinds of feelings to its residents. Tapping into memories and associated feelings can help a person retain their sense of personhood and identity as the relentless march of cognitive impairment tries to take more and more away.

The method of holding onto a sense of self for a bit longer is deceptively simple: Individualized playlists are loaded onto iPods for resident personal use. The familiar music is assumed to help a resident feel more grounded, lift the spirits, drive away fears, reduce problematic behaviors, or even help to alleviate pain. Music therapy is well-grounded in science, but, ultimately, surrounding a person with the music they love just makes sense.

In 2014, the head of the Culinary Services Department, Pam Bartolomei, saw the documentary Alive Inside and became inspired. With the advent of the new administrator Jarrett McClurg in 2015, the Social Services Department spearheaded the facility's certification through the national Music & Memory program. Matulaitis was the first organization in Northeast Connecticut to become certified with Music & Memory (see www.musicandmemory.org for comprehensive program information). Thankfully, other area facilities are following suit with certification and program implementation.

Certification, however, was just the beginning. The bulk of the work requires interviews, research, and numerous hours with the computer in creating and loading the playlists onto individualized iPods. The undisputed champion of the program at Matulaitis has been the chair of the Family Council, Patricia Simoni. With untiring care and sensitivity, Mrs. Simoni speaks to residents and family members, and spends hours creating and re-creating strong experiences for the residents. Activities personnel Wendy Ross, Nicole Zannini, and RoJeanne Doege constantly remind all staff members of the opportunity to utilize this non-pharmacological intervention for the benefit of residents.

The facility has purchased most of the supplies, however, a generous donation of equipment was also received recently from River Bottom Records on Main Street in Putnam.

In addition to sharing our positive experience, we invite persons interested in music, music therapy, memory care, or volunteering to reach out to the Therapeutic Recreation Department head Wendy Ross at wbither@matulaitisnh.org or 860-928-7976, ext. 322, to discuss ways to help support Music & Memory. From conducting interviews to checking equipment, uploading and purchasing songs, or simply setting up a resident with headphones and holding their hand while they journey outside of their limitations, there is plenty of work and enjoyment to share.

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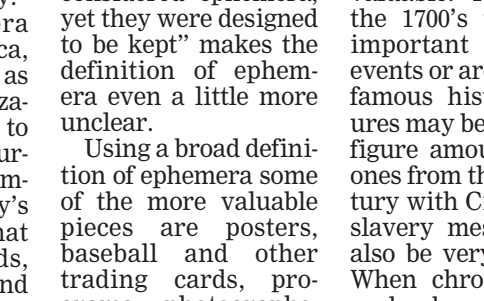

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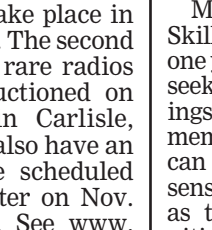

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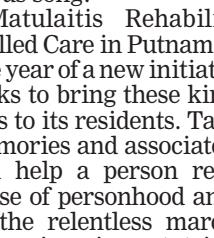

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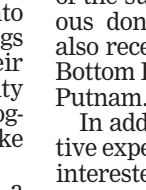

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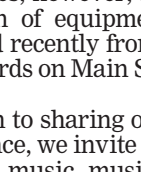

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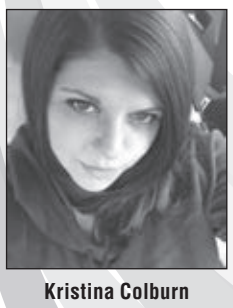

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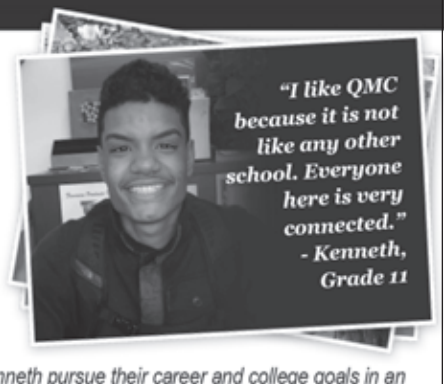

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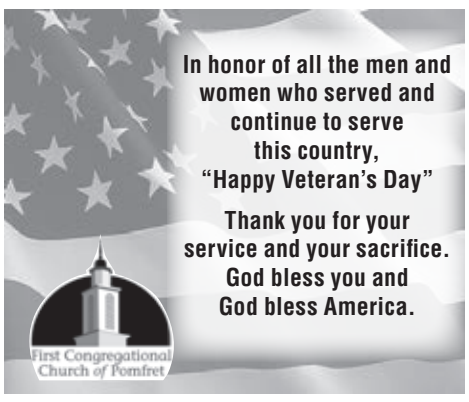

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By Laura Moorehead

Veteran's Day - a time to honor and reflect. On this day, and every day, I salute those who have served, those who have sacrificed a part of themselves to be part of something bigger, grander. I am proud to say I served my country. And I feel a little prouder knowing that I am standing hand-in-hand with women who have served in the armed forces.

Some of the United State's military heroines include Elsie S. Ott who took part in the first intercontinental air evacuation flight in 1943; Cordelia E. Cook who was the first woman to receive two awards – the Bronze Star and the Purple

Heart; Mary E. Walker who today stands as the first and only woman in the entire military force to have received the Congressional Medal of Honor for her actions and duties during the Civil War; and Oveta Culp Hobby who was the first woman to be awarded the Army's Distinguished Service Medal in 1945. Hobby's quote is engraved into the WWII

Memorial in Washington, DC: "Women who stepped up were measured as citizens of the nation, not as women…this was a people's war and everyone was in it."

I fondly recall the Sundays surrounding Veteran's Day in our small Central Village church when our minister would ask for all veterans to stand. It was wonderful to see several women rise up to be recognized. There were those who served in WWII as nurses and in clerical positions as well as my neighbor who retired as a Commander after 20 years of service. Her time in the Navy was during the Cold War/ Vietnam era when she was stationed far and wide, from the Pacific to the Pentagon. She recalls the tension and fear that gripped Washington during the Cuban Missile Crisis, a time when most of America was unaware of the seriousness of the situation. She was not. Her final position was an Executive Officer at the

Naval Reserve Officer School in Alexandria, Virginia. All of her roles were unique for women at that time. I admire her for that and so much more.

My own Naval career was unique as well. Although it was short – only six and a half years – I like to think my service helped carve a path to the roles that women hold today. I enlisted at a time when women could not serve on combatant vessels and, therefore, none were being trained in the Nuclear Power Program. However, it had been decided that a few women would be allowed into the program and I signed up. I was the only woman in my classroom training phase, one

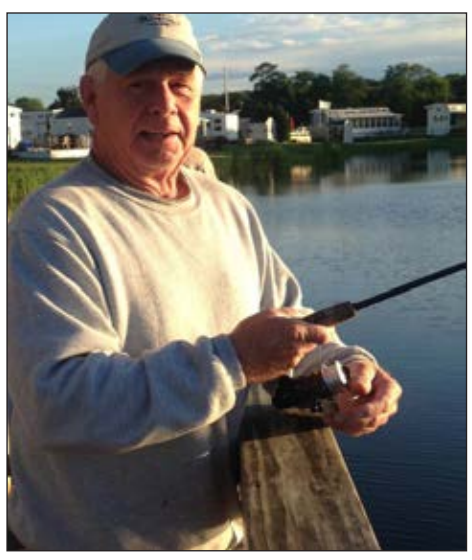
of only two women in the hands-on second phase, and one of three women who served in the Nuclear Repair Department aboard the USS Yellowstone, a surface tender I was later assigned to.

The Navy stopped admitting women into the Nuclear program in 1980, only two short years after it began, but with the repeal of the Combat Exclusion Law in 1994 women were once again admitted for duty aboard nuclear-powered surface ships. In 1994, six officers and one enlisted woman became the first females to be assigned to an aircraft carriers, The USS Dwight D. Eisenhower. Since then thousands have served on carriers, cruisers, destroyers and frigates.

I remember many challenges in my naval career – both from the intense training and re-training that was required in the most difficult of naval careers – as well as the struggles of being a woman in a position where I felt I had something to prove. My time in the Navy shaped me into the person I am today, for the better. Unfortunately far too many of our veterans cannot say the same and have suffered serious after-effects from their time in service.

As Eisenhower said in the first Veteran's Day proclamation "On that day let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom, and let us reconsecrate ourselves to the task of promoting an enduing peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain."

This Veteran's Day let us salute all those who have shaped our country and preserved our freedom - men and women, all races, religions and beliefs. And as we stand in the silence, honoring their sacrifices, let us listen for the voices of the past and the hopes of the future. Let us all pray that we can, indeed, "reconsecrate ourselves to the task for promoting an enduring peace so that their efforts shall not have been in vain." Peace around the world and in our own backyard. It could be bravery's finest hour.



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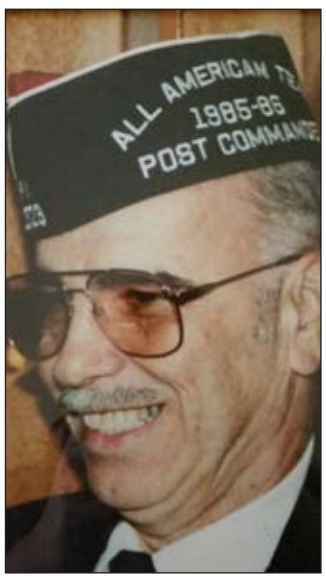

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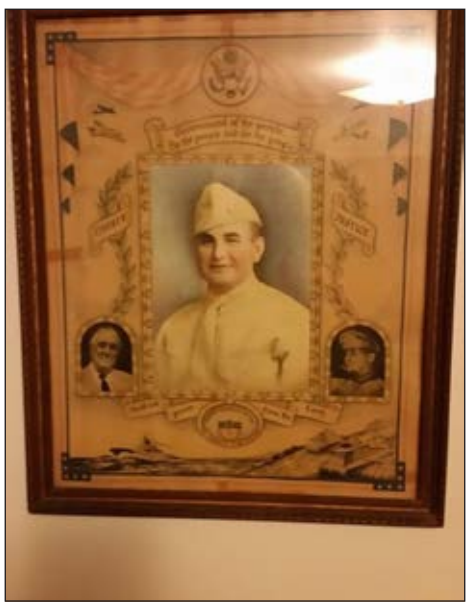

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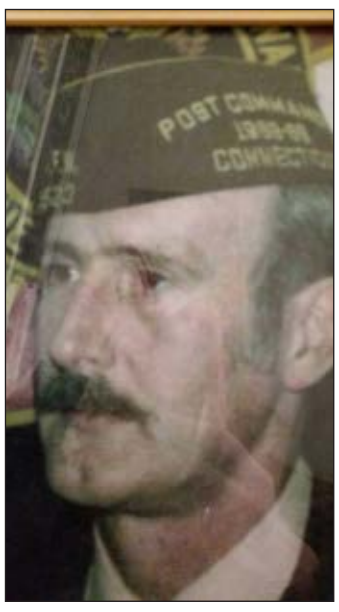

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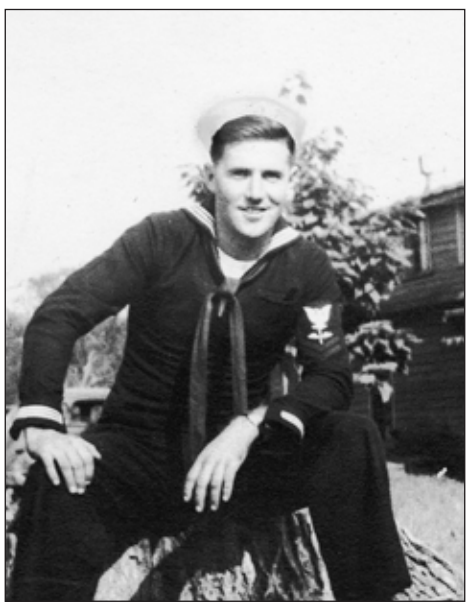

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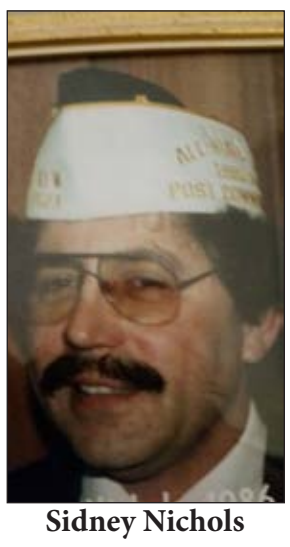

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By Jahala J. Beaupre, Woodstock

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Wells: 'Proud to be voting' for Boyd

To the Editor:

I am writing to express my full endorsement of Democrat Pat Boyd for state representative in the 50th District.

My wife and I have known Pat for the four years we have lived in Pomfret. I consider Pat a neighbor, a colleague, and a friend. His sincere and reliable involvement in our community is matched only by his sincere and informed awareness of the local issues. I trust Pat to advocate for the funding necessary to keep Day Kimball Hospital open and to preserve our beautiful rural setting. He cares about the common good of the 50th District and I trust him to be a responsive and solution oriented voice in Hartford. I'm proud to be voting for him on Nov. 8.

KATIE WELLS
POMFRET

Smith: Vote for Boyd for 50th District

To the Editor:

Over these past weeks, the public and I have had the opportunity to observe and evaluate the perspectives and agendas of the various candidates in the upcoming election to be our next state rep.

Pat Boyd brings an honest, pragmatic, and has a hopeful insight into our community's problems and needs. He has a willingness to examine the issues and listen closely to the public's questions and concerns. This sets him far apart from the other two candidates in the race for the 50th District seat.

I am writing today to express my support for Pat Boyd and my intention both to vote for him in the upcoming election and to spread word to others about the value of his ideas and abilities. Please join me in supporting Pat Boyd on Nov. 8.

MARCUS SMITH
POMFRET

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Randall 'is always there for her constituents'

To the Editor:

When I first heard my mother was running for state representative I thought it was very exciting. She sent out mailers and put up signs with her name on it all over town — very cool.

My mom does it all. She writes legislation, helps with homework, goes to committee meetings, takes care of my younger brothers, and runs for office. She has experience as a single mom, working for the NE Early Childhood Council while taking care of three children who were attending three different schools. We all had our own extra-curricular activities we were participating in and our mom made sure we got there. She is always there for her family … and she is always there for her constituents.

I admire my mom for all of her accomplishments and for her success as our state representative. She is a role model — she has persevered through great adversities in her lifetime making her a strong woman and also a strong voice for Killingly and Plainfield. I could not be prouder of my mother and the work she has done for our community. Please vote for my Mom, Christine Rosati Randall, on Nov. 8.

ERIK ROSATI
DAYVILLE

POLICE LOG

Editor's Note: The information contained in these police logs was obtained through either press releases or other public documents kept by each police department, and is considered to be the account of police. All subjects are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. If a case is dismissed in court or the party is found to be innocent, The Villager, with proper documentation, will update the log at the request of the arrested party.

STATE POLICE TROOP D LOGS

BROOKLYN

Friday, Oct. 21

Angela Marie Pedini, 37, of 169 South Main St., Brooklyn, was charged with failure to appear second degree.

Saturday, Oct. 22

Gregory James Lulumiere, 23, of 425 Hartford Road, Brooklyn, was charged with breach of peace; third degree assault.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

Justin Michael Brewer, 28, of 10 Mason Hill Road, Brooklyn, was charged with using a motor vehicle or vessel without owner's permission.

POMFRET

Friday, Oct. 21

Clifford Catlin, 47, of 21 Duffy Road, Pomfret, was charged with violation of probation/conditional discharge.

PUTNAM

Monday, Oct. 24

Seth Daley, 20, of 77 Chapman St., Putnam, was charged with possession of heroin; possession of heroin with intent to sell.

Sunday, Oct. 30

On Oct. 30, at 3:47 p.m., a masked male entered the business of Empire Buffet. The male proceeded to steal the cash register and an undetermined amount of cash before fleeing the store. The male was seen leaving the area in a 2013 Toyota Venza color gray with Massachusetts registration plate 3LHH986. The vehicle is reported as stolen from Massachusetts. Anyone who sees the vehicle is asked to contact State Police or your local police department immediately. Anyone who may have witnessed the incident is asked to contact Trooper Kane at Troop D, 860-779-4900.

THOMPSON

Thursday, Oct. 27

Susan M. Ashlaw, 50, of 32 Walker Road, Thompson, was charged with traveling an unreasonable speed; driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol; restricted turn/failure to signal properly/grant right of way; failure to notify Department of Motor Vehicles of address change.

PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT LOGS

Monday, Oct. 24

Felix De La Cruz, 26, of 1135 Pomfret Rd., Hampton, was charged with two counts of fourth-degree sexual assault, risk of injury to a minor

Tuesday, Oct. 25

Devon Ashton, 20, of 64 Green St., Putnam, was charged with two counts of violation of probation

Friday, Oct. 28

On Oct. 28, at about 9:30 a.m., the U.S. Marshall's Office and the Putnam Police Department attempted to locate Rebecca Heron (Salazar) at 125 Woodstock Ave., Putnam. Heron had an active felony warrant from the State of Utah for three counts of custodial interference.

The above referenced law enforcement personnel were able to locate Heron at 125 Woodstock Ave., and took her into custody without incident. Heron's three children were located in the apartment and turned over to the Department of Children and Families. The children were scheduled to be reunited with their father Friday evening.

Heron was charged with fugitive from justice and held on a $50,000 bond. Heron appeared at Danielson Superior Court late in the morning and will be extradited back to the State of Utah.

Sunday, Oct. 30

Dylan Laprade, 18, of 13 Walnut Rd., Woodstock, was charged with operating under the influence, operating a motor vehicle without a license

Codey Rogala, 19, of 73 Oak Dr., Woodstock, was charged with possession of hallucinogenic, third-degree criminal mischief

Ezarick Key, 48, of 329 Church St., Putnam, was charged with two counts of disorderly conduct, criminal trespass

Monday, Oct. 31

Dustin Rodio, 20, of 107 Smith St., Putnam, was charged with first-degree burglary, third-degree assault

Michael Wojek, 20, of 109.5 Providence St., Putnam, was charged with first-degree burglary, third-degree assault

Nathan Rioux, 22, of 115 Laconia Ave., Putnam, was charged with first-degree burglary, third-degree assault

Daniel Kurtyka, 20, of 364 Sabin St., Putnam, was charged with first-degree burglary, third-degree assault

Arrest Details: On Monday, Oct. 31, at about 2:54 a.m., Putnam Police responded to a single-family residence on Woodside Street for the report of a home invasion. The victims reported that the four suspects had just fled the residence. While in route, police stopped a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed away from the area of the victim's home. The occupants of the vehicle were detained while information was gathered.

After speaking with the victims four of the vehicles five occupants were arrested. The following were charged with first-degree burglary and third degree assault:

- Dustin Rodio, 20, of 107 Smith St., Putnam
- Daniel Kurtyka, 20, of 364 Sabin St., Putnam
- Nathan Rioux, 22, 115 Laconia Ave., Putnam
- Michael Wujek, 20, 109 1/2 Providence St., Putnam

Additionally, Rodio was charged with possession of narcotics and possession of drug paraphernalia. Kurtyka was also charged with possession of less than a half ounce of marijuana. Each of the four was held on $10,000 cash bond ad was presented in Danielson Superior Court on Oct. 31.

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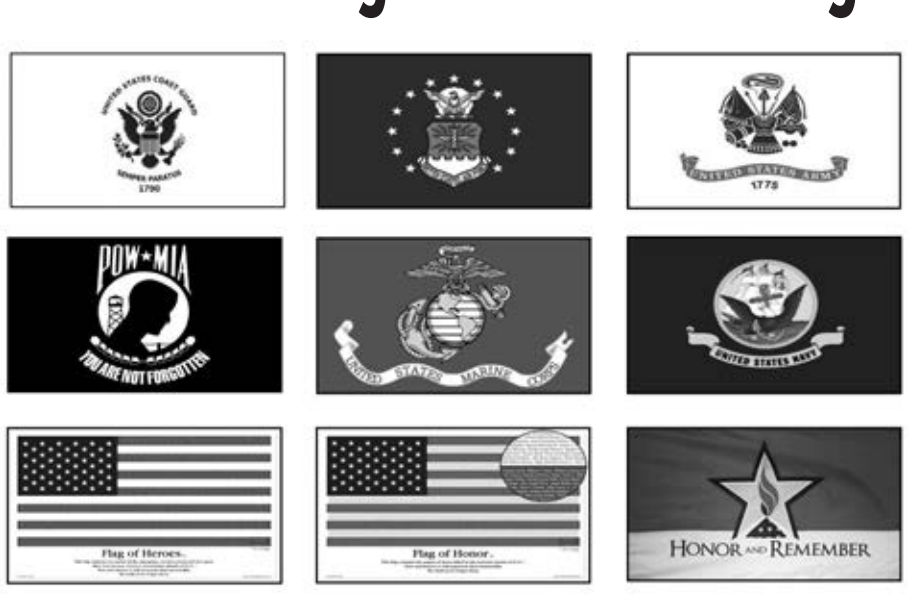

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Public transportation needs survey launched

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The goal of the survey is to collect feedback and ideas about the need for public transportation service between Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Please take a couple of minutes to complete the brief survey, available online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTMABus or available in paper format at various locations, including libraries, in Dudley, Southbridge, and Webster, Massachusetts or in Brooklyn, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Woodstock, Conn.

The survey material can be provided in accessible formats and translated to other languages as requested. Please contact Nick Burnham, Associate Transportation Planner, Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission at: (508) 459-3338, or through e-mail at nburnham@cmrpc.org.

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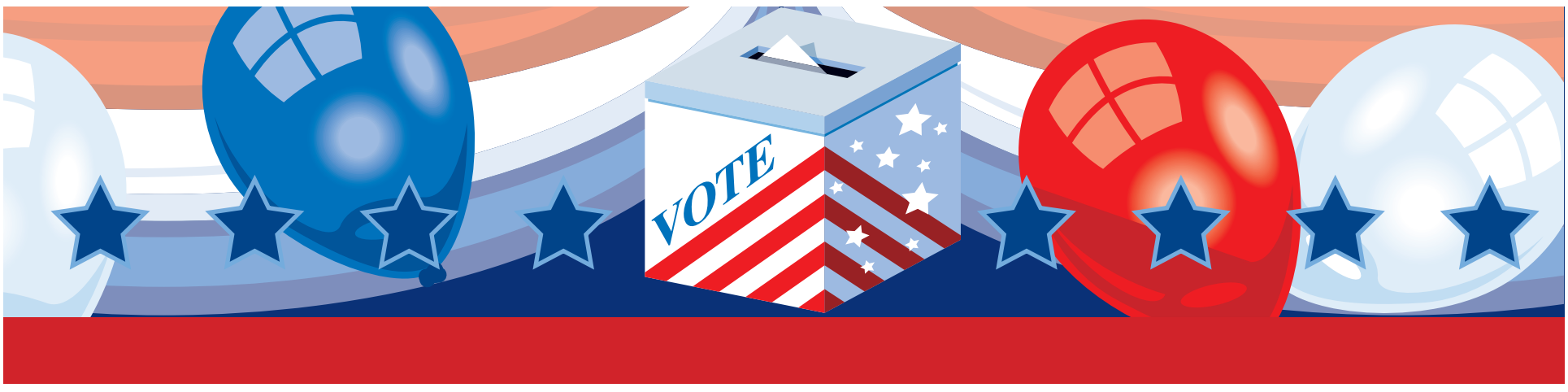

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Killingly hangs on in tight win over Plainfield

Charlie Lentz photo

Killingly's Spencer Lockwood rushes behind the blocking of Kelsey Rhines against Plainfield last Friday night at Killingly High.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

DAYVILLE — Killingly seemed to hit the snooze button as Plainfield rallied in the second half last Friday. But Bret Long slapped the Redmen awake by batting down a potentially game-tying extra point to preserve a 21-20 victory at Killing High School — perhaps slapping some sense into the Redmen in the process.

"It definitely scared the heck out of us," Long said. "Coach is always telling us we have to play for the whole 48 minutes. We came out strong for the first quarter but after that we kind of went flat. If we want to do well in States — and if we want to make it to States — we have to come out and play strong the rest of our games."

The shaky second-half was perhaps a hangover from a draining 14-12 win over Windham five days earlier — a game Killingly won on a touchdown as time expired.

"Since Sunday (against Windham) we've had two very tough games, two divisional games, and it's a lot for our kids," said Killingly coach Chad Neal. "It's a lot being thrown at them. So for them to persevere, face adversity tonight, and come out with a win, says a lot about where we've come as a program."

Long blocked Plainfield's comeback — coach Neal hoped the Redmen (6-1) could block out further distraction as they seek to secure a Class M State Tournament berth.

KILLINGLY 21, PLAINFIELD 29

Plainfield	**0**	**6**	**0**	**14-20**
Killingly	**14**	**0**	**7**	**0-21**

First Quarter
K – Zach Caffrey 1 run
(kick failed) 4:12
K - Spencer Lockwood 54 pass from
Kyle Derosier (Luke Desaulnier
pass from Derosier) :31

Second Quarter
P - Marcus Robinson 14 run
(pass failed) 6:56

Third Quarter
K – Lockwood 43 run
(Desaulnier kick) 11:42

Fourth Quarter
P – Robinson 31 run (Brenden
Ogden pass from Cameron
Gonzalez) 8:37
P- Robinson 31 run
(kick failed) 3:36

	PLAINFIELD	KILLINGLY
First Downs	18	9
Rushes-yards	31-206	32-122
Passing	159	94
Sacked-yds lost	3-18	2-17
Comp-Att-Int	14-29-0	4-4-0
Punts-Avg.	3-32	4-39
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	4-25	5-55

Individual Statistics
RUSHING-P: Robinson 14-144,
3 TD; Kyle Holt 9-42; Kegan Marcoux
2-4; Devin McGale 5-14; Gonzales 1-2.
K: Derosier 5-4; Lockwood 24-113, TD;
Kelsey Rhines 1-2; Caffrey 2-3, TD.
PASSING-P: Robinson 14-29-0 for
159. K: Derosier 4-4-0 for 94, TD.
RECEIVING-P: Chris Peasley 2-17;
Nick Burlingame 4-75; Gonzales 3-30;
McGale 1-7; Cade Wolak 2-2; Cullen
Hoerchler 1-8; Marcoux 1-20.
K: Jake Gauthier 2-29; Lockwood 1-54, TD;
Desaulnier 1-11.

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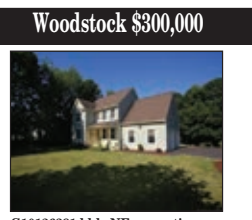

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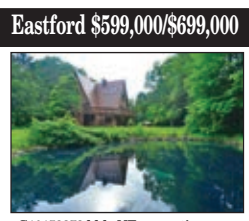

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"I think our focus is on ourselves. We've got to become more disciplined and do our jobs better and our responsibilities," Neal said. "Maybe it's a matter of simplifying things and looking at the film as a coaching staff and seeing where we can be more consistent."

Killingly raced to a 14-0 first-quarter lead behind Zach Caffrey's one-yard touchdown run and Spencer Lockwood's 54-yard catch-and-run for a score. Plainfield cut its deficit to 14-6 on quarterback Marcus Robinson's 14-yard touchdown scamper with 6:56 left in the first half.

The Redmen pushed their lead to 21-6 as Lockwood raced 43 yards for a touchdown on the first play from scrimmage in the second half — but Lockwood's score and Luke Desaulnier's extra point just 18 seconds into the third quarter would be the last points for Killingly.

Robinson led the Panthers rally, racing 31 yards for a touchdown with 8:37 left in the fourth quarter — followed by Brenden Ogden's conversion reception for two points and the Panthers trailed 21-14.

Robinson then raced for another 31-yard score with 3:36 remaining to pull the Panthers within one point — 21-20. The Panthers eschewed the two-point conversion attempt and elected to go for the tie as Robinson lined up to kick the point-after — but Long got a running start and timed the snap perfectly as he rushed through the center of Plainfield's line.

"I went right up the middle, right through the 'A' gap. Right up the middle — untouched. I wasn't even expecting (Robinson) to kick it. I thought they were going to go for two," Long said. "But as soon as I saw him snap the ball I just went for it. And I figured if they were going to go for two I could have just tackled (Robinson) in the backfield too. But I went for the block and I got it."

Robinson rushed for 144 yards and three touchdowns on 14 carries and completed 14-of-29 passes for 159 yards for Plainfield (4-3).

"The Robinson kid killed us all night," Neal said. "He's a heck of a quarterback. We saw this on film but not quite like he played tonight. I just think they wanted it more in the second half. When it was time to make a play they made it."

The Redmen are next scheduled to play on the road at East Lyme (0-6) on Friday, Nov. 4, with kickoff set for 6:30 p.m.

"We know we're being hunted. With Fitch and East Lyme coming up it's going to be a battle," Neal said.

Killingly senior quarterback Kyle Derosier said his team needs to lift its intensity as the hunt continues for a berth in the Class M playoffs — perhaps Long slapped some sense into them last Friday night.

"If Bret didn't block that and (Robinson) made that extra point we would have been in a little bit of trouble. Without Bret blocking that extra point we're going into OT," Derosier said. "Sideline-wise we just seemed dead today. We're going to have to change some stuff up in the locker room. We're going to have to get in some guys' faces. We need to get this team awakened so we can go down the road and win. We need to play stronger and we need to play as a family."

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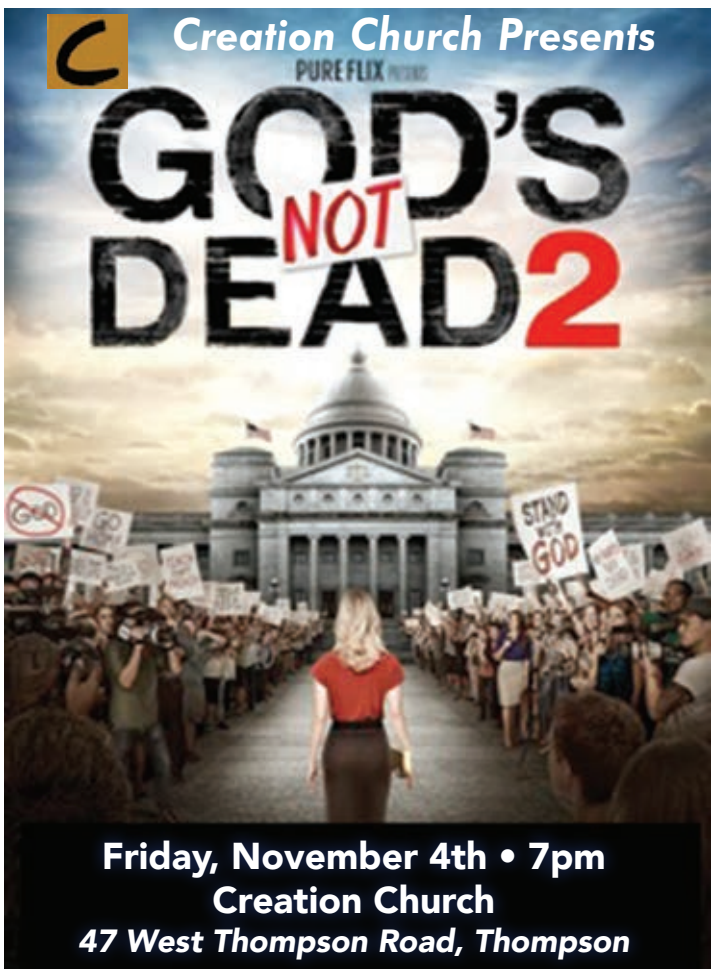
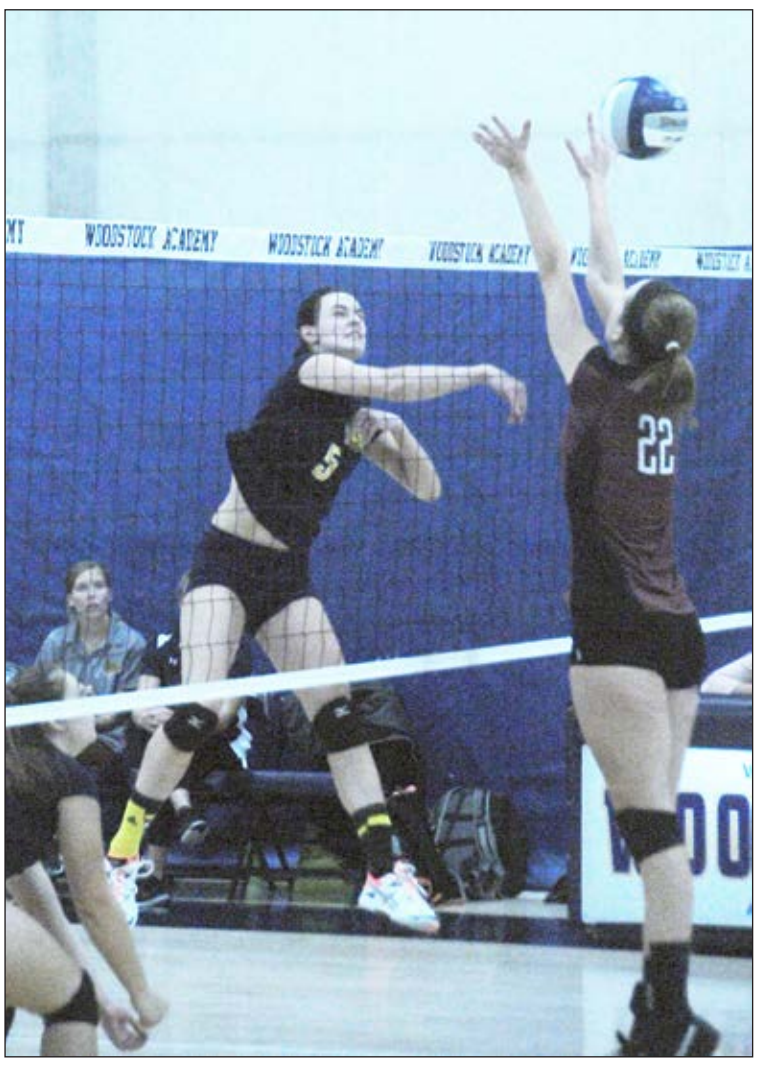


East Lyme ousts Woodstock in ECC tourney



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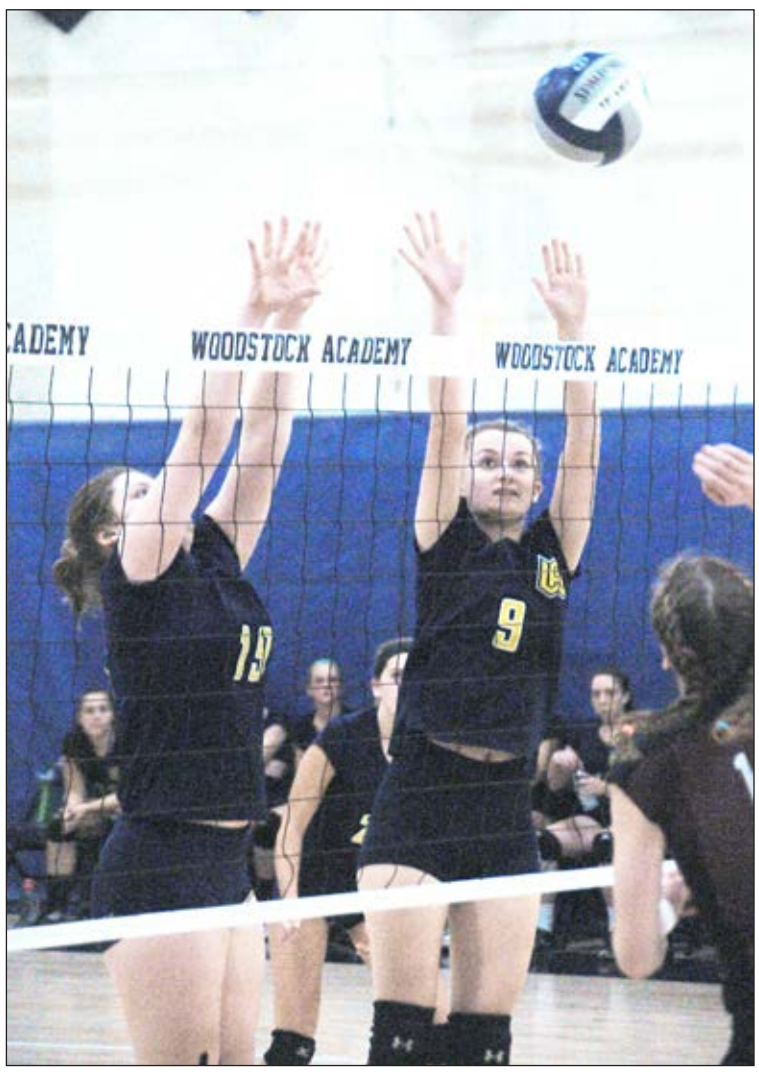
Woodstock's Caroline Eaton hits a shot past East Lyme's Megan Appleton last Saturday.



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Woodstock's Colleen Solitro, left, and Clara Sarantopolous defend the net against East Lyme last Saturday.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

WOODSTOCK — It took two hours and 20 minutes for East Lyme to oust Woodstock Academy from the Eastern Connecticut Conference Division I volleyball tournament last Saturday. The Centaurs battled until the final point in the five-set loss at Alumni Fieldhouse but Woodstock coach Adam Bottone said they'll have to fight even harder when the Class L State Tournament arrives on Nov. 7.

"I'm definitely happy with the way we battled," Bottone said. "It's just — we've got to be able to pull through when we need to."

Fourth-seeded Woodstock took a 2-1 lead in sets and was ahead 11-9 in the pivotal fifth set before falling 3-2 to the fifth-seeded Vikings (23-25, 25-23, 18-25, 25-20, 15-12) in the quarterfinals of the ECC-Division I Tournament. Bottone said the Centaurs made too many mistakes.

"Just comes down to errors. We made 19 service errors and 44 hitting errors," Bottone said. "We probably errored more than they did and that's the difference in the match."

Woodstock junior outside hitter Caroline Eaton had 23 kills against East Lyme. Eaton said the Centaurs have some work to do before the state tourney approaches.

"I think that we need to be a lot more focused and our passing definitely needs to be better," Eaton said. "I just think we need to keep our hits in, make our passing better, and we'll do great at States. Our service errors, there were so many of them, if we cut down on that we could have won the match."

The loss dropped Woodstock's record to 10-11. Fifth-seeded East Lyme lifted its record to 10-9 and advanced to the ECC D-I tourney semifinals against top-seeded Fitch. Second-seeded Killingly (18-3) defeated New London 3-0 in the quarters and advanced to the second D-I semifinal against third-seeded Norwich Free Academy — a 3-0 winner over sixth-seeded Ledyard in the quarterfinals.

Bottone said the Centaurs must be more consistent if they want to make a run in the state tournament. Woodstock's Maddy Gronski had 16 service points and made 38 digs against East Lyme, and the Centaurs almost persevered.

"We get a service string going and then we get a service error. It kind of deflates that intensity that we have," Bottone said. "You combine that with struggling to receive serve in a couple rotations, especially early on the match . . ."

The Centaurs had 10 days without a competitive match before the Class L Tournament arrives. Bottone said a run in the ECC tourney would have kept them sharp.

"It's also going to hurt having over a week of practice, no games going on, it would have been nice to stay in the tournament and keep that intensity going for a longer period of time versus just kind of stopping, not having that competitive environment really anymore," Bottone said.

The Centaurs will likely have a fight on their hands when the state tourney arrives but they're used to battling against some tough competition in the ECC.

"If we can play like this and just minimize the errors we should be OK," Bottone said. "It's just putting that mental piece to it — just staying mentally there 100 percent of the time. The other pieces are there, it's being able to execute when we really need to."

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Patience rewarded for Putnam boys

Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam's Ahmed Sano, left, and Platt Tech's Cooper Wessop race for the ball last Friday in Putnam.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

PUTNAM — Putnam High's Adam Saucier is a patient guy. He waited until the second overtime in the last home game of his senior year to score the first and only goal of his high school career. The Clippers surely appreciated Saucier's patience. He tallied at 2:44 of the second 10-minute extra session to help push Putnam past Platt Tech 3-2 in the opening round of the Constitution State Conference Tournament last Friday at St. Marie-Greenhalgh Complex.

Saucier, an outside midfielder, corralled a crossing pass from Ben Smith on the game-winning goal and booted it home from eight yards out.

"I saw the ball coming in, open shot, I just hoped for the better and it went in," Saucier said. "In the past games I have put it over the goal."

Saucier's shot lifted eighth-seeded Putnam's record to 8-7-1 overall and advanced the Clippers to the CSC Tournament quarterfinals finals against top-seeded Windham Tech. The loss dropped No.-9 seed Platt Tech of Milford's record to 8-9.

Platt Tech took a 1-0 lead at 4:38 of the first half on a goal by Genaro Rojas-Nohpal. Lucas Basilio scored for Putnam at 9:56 of the first half to tie it 1-1. Platt Tech took a 2-1 lead on a goal from Jason Silva at 13:52 of the first half and took a 2-1 lead into halftime. Putnam's Ahmed Sano knotted it at 2-2 with a goal at 6:52 of the second half.

Putnam coach Jon Miller is in his third season coaching the Clippers varsity but before his current assignment he coached the soccer team at Putnam Middle School. Saucier played for Miller in middle school but took a break from the game when he arrived in high school. Miller finally recruited Saucier to return to the soccer field for his senior season.

"I kept asking 'When are you going to come play?' I saw him over the summer and he said 'Oh yeah, I'll come out.' He's somebody who works hard every day, just hasn't been lucky enough to score a goal," Miller said. "He's smart on defense and he's very fast. He just hasn't had the chance to score a goal."

The Clippers have qualified for the Class S State Tournament, which begins on Nov. 8. Miller said the victory over Platt Tech was important because it extended the Clippers CSC tourney run and will keep them sharper when the state playoffs arrive.

"If we had a week off that would be tough to get back in the swing of things, to hop back in the state tournament if we had all next week off," Miller said. "So even playing one game, you go one game at a time, it helps quite a bit."

Putnam and Platt Tech battled through a scoreless initial 10-minute overtime before Saucier broke the deadlock at 2:44 of the second extra session. When the ball rolled his way he stayed composed and took his time — Saucier knows all about patience. It's been said that good things come to those who wait.

"Honestly, when I sat down on the bench after the game and started to think, it felt like a dream," Saucier said. "I'm just shocked that it went in."

Windham 5, Putnam 0

WINDHAM — The Clippers fell to Windham Tech in the CSC quarterfinals on Nov. 1 and were elimintated from the CSC tourney. Putnam awaits the start of the Class S State Tournament, with first round games set to begin on Tuesday, Nov. 8.

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Putnam girls open CSC tourney with win

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Putnam's Haily Bocash, white jersey, and Wolcott Tech's Sierra McIlwain skirmish Tuesday at St. Marie-Greenhalgh Complex.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

PUTNAM — Putnam High's girls soccer team wants to take care of some business before the Class S State Tournament arrives on Monday. The Clippers are hoping to capture the Constitution State Conference Tournament championship — and they made a good a start with a 6-0 victory over Wolcott Tech in opening-round CSC tourney action Tuesday at St. Marie-Greenhalgh Complex. Coach Molly Panteleakos said the Clippers are striving to win a CSC title on Saturday as a prelude to the state tourney.

"I'm hoping so. We have two more (CSC) games before States start," Panteleakos said. "One game at a time. Of course we want to win the conference but we've got our eyes on States."

Junior striker Morgan Foucault scored three goals, Mariah Travisano scored two goals, and Saige Morin tallied one goal in the win over Wolcott Tech. Second-seeded Putnam outshot seventh-seed Wolcott 32-0. With her hat trick Foucault lifted her career total to 76 goals, scoring 31 goals this season thus far.

"It's just crazy. I never thought I'd be where I am but I couldn't do it without my team and the support of my coaches," Foucault said.

Opening-round games in the Class S State Tournament are set to begin on Monday, Nov. 7. The Clippers would like to enter the state tourney as the reigning CSC champs.

"We take pride in playing in our conference tournament but we really want to play well to set us up for playing together and our confidence and peaking at the right time," Foucault said.

The loss dropped Wolcott Tech's record to 6-8-2. The win lifted Putnam's record to 12-3-2 and advanced the Clippers to the CSC tourney semifinals on Nov. 3 against the winner of the game between No.-3 Parish Hill and No. 6 Bullard Havens. The CSC championship game is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Cheney Tech in Manchester.

Panteleakos said the CSC tourney is a good test before the Class S playoffs arrive.

"We had a week off and I thought we might come out a little sluggish (against Wolcott Tech). We were finding the open lanes and making some great combination play and we were finding the net," Panteleakos said.

Foucault said they have a shot at reaching the CSC title game — she knows all about shots.

"Right now we're at the high of our season," Foucault said. "We've put all of our hard work together to get to this point. I don't think we can do much better. We just have to communicate like we are and keep moving forward with these games."

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Quinebaug Valley snaps losing streak

MIDDLETOWN — The Quinebaug Valley Pride thwarted a pass thrown into the end zone by Vinal Tech quarterback James Tharin as time expired to hang on to a 20-14 victory over Vinal Tech/East Hampton/Goodwin Tech last Saturday at Palmer Field. It was the first win of the season for Quinebaug Valley (1-6).

With Vinal trailing Quinebaug Valley 20-14 with less than a minute to play, Tharin completed a 20-yard pass to Nehemiah Brown move the ball to the 10-yard line with time running out. On the final play of the game Tharin received the snap with one second left and passed toward Justin Czeremcha but the ball was overthrown. Vinal Tech's record fell to 1-6.

Vinal Tech/East Hampton/Goodwin Tech grabbed an 8-0 lead on its first possession when Tharin hit Jared Reed with a 12-yard scoring toss and Mark Francis passed to Dante Bell for the two-point conversion.

The Pride tied it 8-8 late for in the first quarter on junior Will McGlynn's 14-yard touchdown run and sophomore quarterback Josh Dodd's conversion run. Quinebaug Valley took a 14-8 lead before halftime after driving 60 yards on eight plays, capped by Dodd's seven-yard touchdown pass to Jeff Reed. The Pride extended their lead to 20-8 on Dodd's 71-yard touchdown pass to Jamie from with 4:05 left in the third quarter.

Dodd finished 13-of-25 for 182 yards and two touchdowns. McGlynn rushed for 95 yards on 27 carries. Reed made six catches for 74 yards. Talbott made two second-half interceptions for the Pride. Quinebaug Valley is next scheduled to play at Cheney Tech (3-4), with kickoff set for 6 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 4.

WOODSTOCK 56, WOLCOTT TECH 6

TORRINGTON — Woodstock Academy defeated host Wolcott Tech/Housatonic/Wamogo last Saturday, lifting the Centaurs record to 4-3. The loss dropped Wolcott Tech's record to 0-7. Woodstock Academy is next scheduled to play host to Griswold (2-5) on Saturday, Nov. 5, with kickoff set for 1 p.m. at Bentley Athletic Complex.

Julie Quinn photo

Woodstock Academy Kyle Strandson stretches for yardage against Wolcott Tech in Torrrington last Saturday. Woodstock 56-6 to lift its record to 4-3.

Woodstock boys and girls fall in ECC tourney

WATERFORD — Woodstock Academy was edged in both the boys and girls soccer semifinals of the Eastern Connecticut Conference Tournament Tuesday night at Waterford High School. In the boys semifinal East Lyme's Zach Vandale scored the game's lone goal to lift the Vikings over the Centaurs 1-0. The win advanced seventh-seeded East Lyme (10-9-0) to the tourney championship game against Stonington. The loss dropped Woodstock's record to 13-5-1.

In the girls semifinal, Steph deLaforcade scored two goals to help second-seeded East Lyme top third-seeded Woodstock 4-3. Berkeley Callaghan and Mackenzie Northcutt each scored one goal for East Lyme (16-1-1). The win advanced second-seeded East Lyme to the ECC tourney title game against Plainfield.

Makara Sorel, Colette Cloutier, and Kiara Ballou each scored one goal for third-seeded Woodstock. The loss dropped the Centaurs record to 13-5-1.

WOODSTOCK 2, NFA 1

WOODSTOCK — Kennedy Davignon scored the game-winning goal with 15 minutes, 22 seconds left in regulation, lifting the Centaurs past Norwich Free Academy in the quarterfinals of the ECC girls soccer tournament on Oct. 28.

Kiara Ballou scored the first goal for Woodstock Academy. Mae Phipps scored for NFA (8-9-1). The win advanced No.-3 seed Woodstock Academy to the tourney semifinals against No.-2 seed East Lyme.

WOODSTOCK 2, WINDHAM 1

WILLIMANTIC — Woodstock's Eli Child scored with three minutes remaining to help the Centaurs top the Whippets in the quarterfinals of the ECC boys soccer tournament last Friday. The win advanced to Woodstock to the semifinals against seventh-seeded East Lyme. Patrick Houlihan tied the game for Woodstock with a header midway through the second half after Windham (13-3-1) took a 1-0 lead into halftime.

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Woodstock's Linda St. Laurent, right, and NFA's Natalie Dionne fight for the ball in an ECC tourney quarterfinal last Friday at Bentley Athletic Complex.

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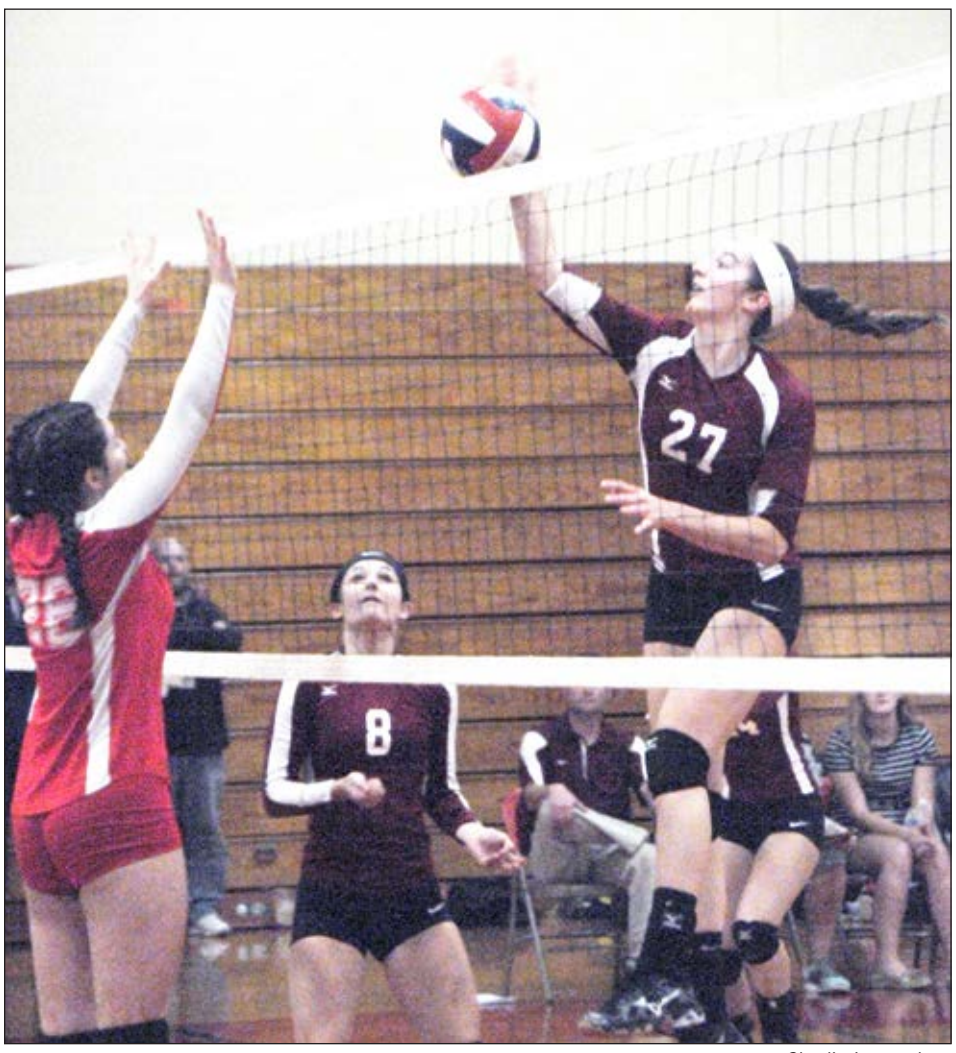

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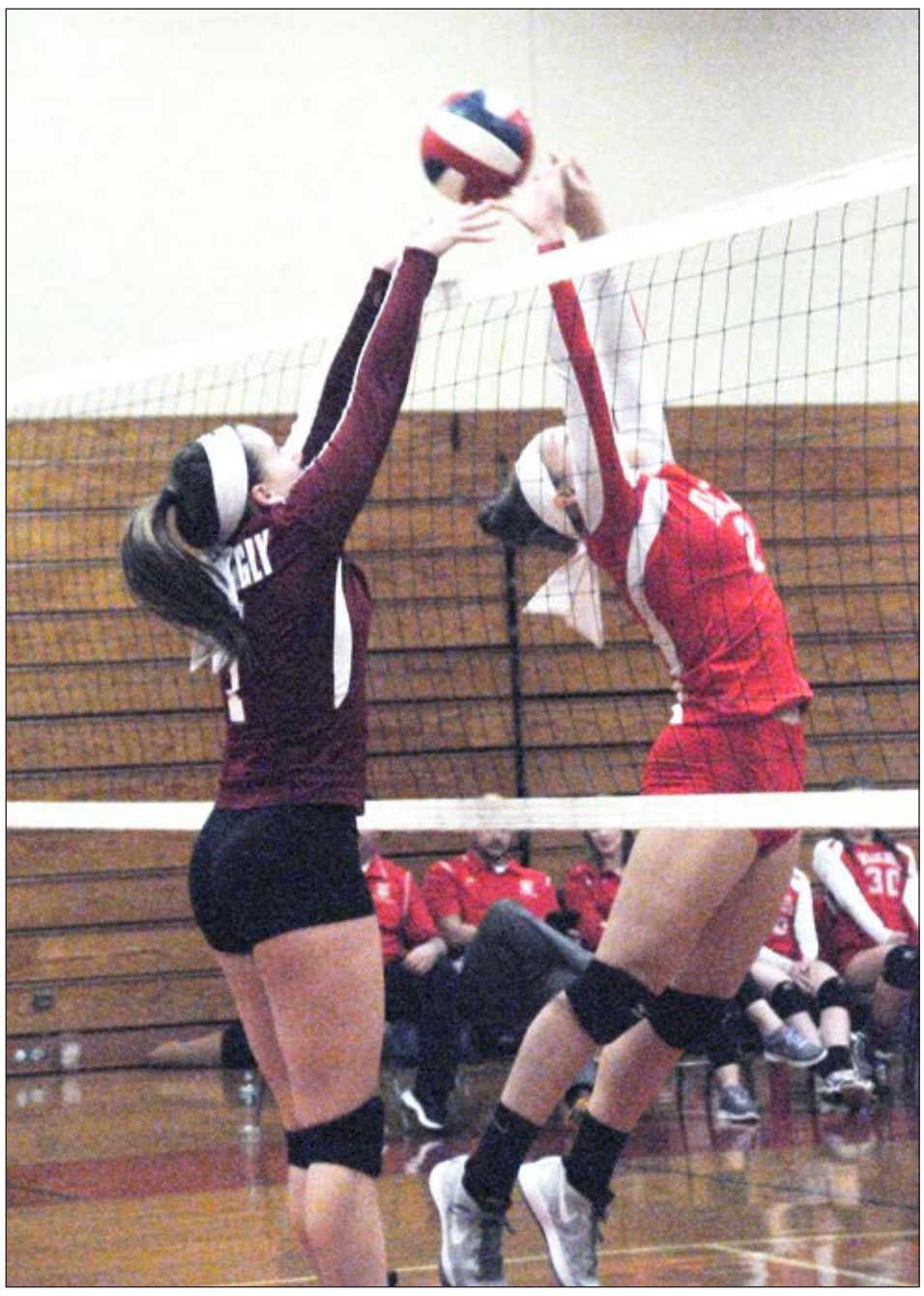
Killingly's Ally Conde goes for a kill against NFA Monday.



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Killingly's Reilly Allen, left, and NFA's Kayley Ericson battle at the net Monday.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

GROTON — The Killingly Redgals didn't make enough digs — but paradoxically that dug them into a hole in a straight-set loss to Norwich Free Academy in the semifinals of the Eastern Connecticut Conference Division I Volleyball Tournament on Monday night at Fitch High School. The Redgals couldn't shovel out.

"Volleyball is all about momentum. It went back and forth today," said Killingly coach Dan Vogt. "Unfortunately we couldn't sustain the momentum. And serving is key but we just couldn't sustain it today, mostly because we weren't playing very good defense."

Third-seeded NFA swept second-seeded Killingly 25-19, 25-23, 25-17. Killingly's best chance to reverse the pendulum came in the second set when the Redgals rallied after trailing 14-4, winning 16 of the next 21 points to take a 20-19 lead — and it was still any team's game when the second set was tied at 23-23, but NFA won the last two points to capture the second set.

"Give NFA credit. But I told the girls if we had won that second set it I think it would have changed the whole match," Vogt said. "Because fighting back from down 10, to actually take the lead, we just didn't finish. I give the girls credit for battling back. The same in the first set, I think we got down 7-0, and they battled back. We couldn't sustain it. It wasn't one of our better defensive efforts."

After narrowly winning the second set NFA jumped to an 11-5 lead in the third set and could not be caught. Killing Junior Reilly Allen said the Redgals can learn from the loss as they approach the opening round of the Class M State Tournament, which is set to begin on Monday, Nov. 7.

"Like a lesson learned, just stay up the whole time, just keep going, make sure we bring each other up because we've been having trouble with that a lot against the better teams — pick each other up and staying up the whole entire match," said Allen, who finished with five kills, eight digs, and 10 service points including three aces. "I feel like if we focus on that in States we'll do a lot better."

Killingly's Ally Conde had 12 kills and Meredith Zamperini had 16 assists against NFA. Vogt said they would work on some basics in the week of practice before the state tourney arrives.

"We do a lot of serve-receive, and free ball passing — just getting consistent making the adjustments on some of our technique with some of our passing and our defense," Vogt said.

The loss dropped Killingly's overall record to 18-4. The win lifted NFA's record to 13-7 and advanced it to the tourney finals against fifth-seeded East Lyme, a 3-0 winner over top-seeded Fitch in the second semifinal Monday at Fitch High.

Killingly's gymnasium will be readied for voting on Election Day and will not be available for the opening round of the state tournament on Monday, Nov. 7, so the Redgals will likely play host to a Class M opening-round game at Ellis Tech's gymnasium in Danielson on Nov. 7. The Redgals are expected to gain a top-eight seeding in Class M and if they win in the opening round they would play host to a second-round state game at Killingly High on Wednesday, Nov. 9. Allen said they'll move on from the loss in the ECC tourney and focus on a strong run in States.

"This is the best season I think Killingly has had in a long time," Allen said. "We're a team that overthinks a lot of things but I feel like once we come to the state tournament we'll be ready and just forget that this happened."

KILLNGLY 3, NEW LONDON 0

DAVILLE — Ally Conde posted nine kills and seven aces to push the Redgals past seventh-seeded New London on Oct. 28 in the first round of the ECC-DI Tournament. Set scores were 25-11, 25-9, 25-16. Reilly Allen added seven kills and five aces for the Redgals and Jemima Appolon had nine digs, three points and a block for the Whalers (2-16).

ELLIS TECH 3 UNIVERSITY 0

DANIELSON — The Golden Eagles swept University in the opening-round of the Constitution State Conference Volleyball Tournament Tuesday at Ellis Tech. Set scores were 25-20, 26-24, 25-10. Alyssa Pignataro had 15 service points and three kills for Ellis Tech. Sydney Tetrault notched 15 service points and had seven kills and Victoria LaBarre notched 10 service points for the Golden Eagles. The win lifted Ellis Tech's record to 13-9 and advanced the Eagles to the CSC semifinals.

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ECC NAMES VOLLEYBALL ALL-STARS

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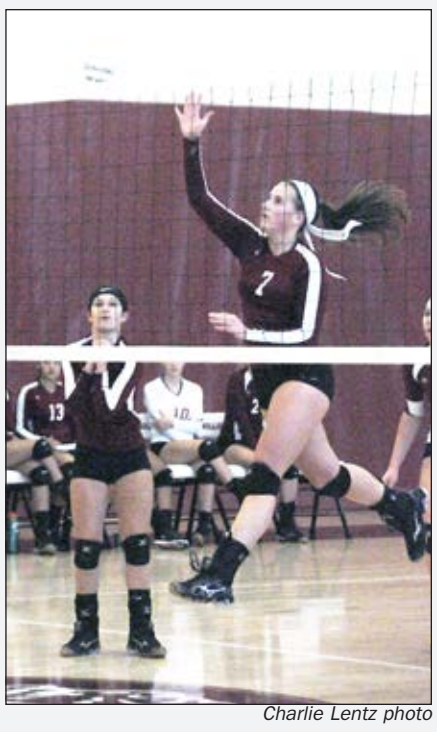
Woodstock Academy's Maddy Gronski earned ECC First Team All-Star honors.



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Killingly High's Reilly Allen was among three Killingly volleyball players who earned ECC First Team All-Star honors.

DAYVILLE — Three Killingly High volleyball players were selected to the Eastern Connecticut Conference Division 2 All-Star First Team in balloting by the league's coaches last Sunday. Killingly's Ally Conde, Reilly Allen, and Meredith Zamperini were all named ECC First Team All-Stars.

Woodstock Academy's Maddy Gronski was also named to the ECC Division 2 All Star First Team. Woodstock Academy's Caroline Eaton and Colleen Solitro earned ECC Division 2 Honorable Mention.

Killingly High's Abby Laseter was named ECC Division 2 Honorable Mention. Laseter also earned Killingly's ECC Sportsmanship Award. Woodstock Academy's Clara Sarantopolous earned Woodstock Academy's ECC Sportsmanship Award.

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Please take a couple of minutes to complete the brief survey, available online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CTMABus or available in paper format at various locations, including libraries, in Dudley, Southbridge, and Webster, Massachusetts or in Brooklyn, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Woodstock, Conn.

The survey material can be provided in accessible formats and translated to other languages as requested. Please contact Nick Burnham, Associate Transportation Planner, Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission at: (508) 459-3338, or through e-mail at nburnham@cmrpc.org.

Harvest and Holly Festival this weekend

THOMPSON — The Thompson Harvest and Holly Festival, sponsored by the VFW Auxiliary and Thompson Memorial Post 10088, will be held Saturday, Nov. 5, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the VFW Post Home, 654 Quinebaug Road (Route 131), Quinebaug, CT 06262.

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AMES HOLDS BOOK SIGNING

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PUTNAM — Author Sandra Ames, of Putnam, signed her second children's book Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Boxcar Museum. Sandra was a student of Ms. Warner, the author of "The Boxcar Children." Seventy-five years ago she decided to follow in her footsteps- becoming a teacher and author. Mrs. Ames is in her 58th year of teaching, now at Eastford Elementary School.

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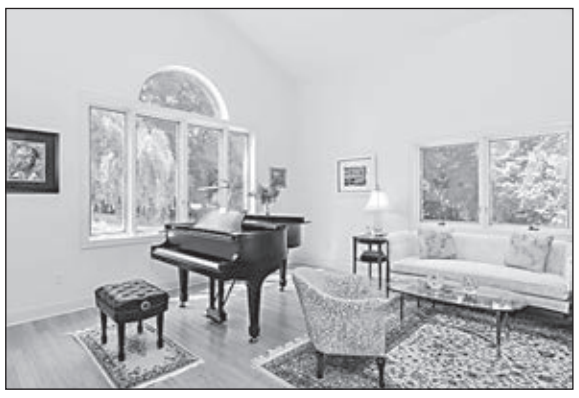

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Trick or treat festivities come to Roseland Cottage

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WOODSTOCK — Roseland Cottage put the gothic in gothic revival as ghosts of Halloween past handed out treats last Friday, Oct. 28, at "Trick or Treat at the Pink House." The event was sponsored by Historic New England and Woodstock Recreation.

Pam Bowen, left, and Diane Greggerson

Laurie Masciandaro, left, and Beverly Brazeal

Eva Monahan with General Ulysses S. Grant (Frank Perrin).

John Monahan, left, and Linda Chase.

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From left, Lynn Vonconta, Genya Rocca-Owodunni and Marylou Davis.

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Killingly celebrates Halloween on Main Street

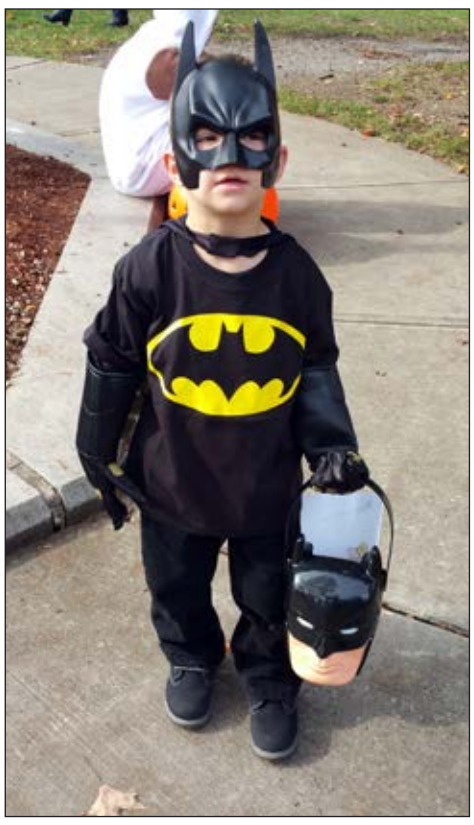
DANIELSON — Killingly celebrated the Halloween holiday a few days early with the town's annual trick-or-treat on Main Street on Saturday, Oct. 29. The annual Halloween celebration included the Scarecrow Kingdom in Davis Park where local families could set up their own personalized scarecrow and trick-or-treaters made their way down Main Street where businesses were waiting to hand out delicious sugary treats to the many characters that made up the seemingly endless line of trick-or-treaters that showed up for the fun.

Jason Bleau photos

Massive leaf piles were strewn around Davis Park in Danielson as youngsters used them to fill their scarecrows for the Scarecrow Kingdom, and also for a little pre=trick-or-treat fun.

Tunk City Revival welcomed guests and trick-or-treaters for the Main Street Trick-or-Treat. They had one heck of a selection to pick from too.

Look who stopped by Killingly — Homer Simpson, probably on vacation from the craziness of Springfield.



Daniel Blake, of Killingly, shows off his inner Dark Knight.

Amazing Animals was one of the most popular places for kids to get their candy. The pet store had a few friends on hand for the festivities, including Tank the pig to greeted trick-or0treaters with a lovable personality and a cute little "oink."

The ladies of Heart and Home marvel at some of the cutest costumes on Main Street in Killingly.

A few ladies from the Trink-et Shoppe great some young trick-or-treaters on their way through Danielson's' Main Street.

Scouts from local Troop 43 set up shop on Main Street to pass out candy during Danielson's Main Street trick-or-treat.

Danielson Adventure Sports welcomed trick-or-treaters and their parents providing a great selection of treats to choose from.

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Trick-or-treaters select their favorite treat from a candy bowl and a feline friend from Pizza Pizzazz.

Simply Orthodontics not only passed out candy, but made sure to spread the message of proper dental care with all that sugar kids will be consuming.

Kane and Jamis, of Danielson, sport a pair of the most popular costumes of the year for both trick-or-treaters and adults alike, the T-Rex from last year's smash hit "Jurassic World."

The Friend of the Killingly Public Library had a very different treat for trick-or-treaters on Main Street in Killingly. They passed out books donated to help inspire young readers in the region.

Prior to enjoying some trick-or0treating on Main Street in Danielson, local youngsters and their families had the opportunity to put together their own scarecrows at Killingly's Scarecrow Kingdom. Families could show up with whatever they wanted to decorates on of over eighty scarecrows to celebrate the holiday in Davis Park.

The Westfield Congregational Church had not one, but TWO patrons passing out candy as they shared their message of unity among humanity during Killingly's trick-or-treat.

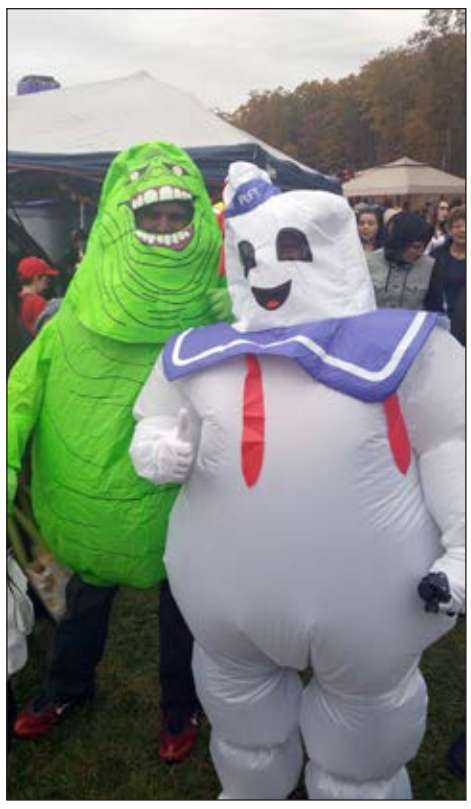
A few Disney princesses were found walking the streets of Danielson for trick-or-treat.

The crew at Joseph's Jewelers got into the Halloween Spirit, passing out candy to costumed trick-or-treaters.

It's becoming a local tradition for many trick-or-treat events. State lawmakers representing the towns holding those events have begun setting up stations to pass out treats themselves over the years. State Rep. Christine Rosati and State Sen. Mae Flexer continued this new tradition. Both are seeking reelection on Nov. 8.

Thompson church holds popular Trunk or Treat event

It might have been a wet afternoon, but that didn't stop local families from rushing to High Pointe Church in Thompson to take part in the Trunk or Treat event.



A few familiar Ghostbuster villains made appearances at Trunk or Trunk or treat. A few Ghostbusters may have accompanied them as well.

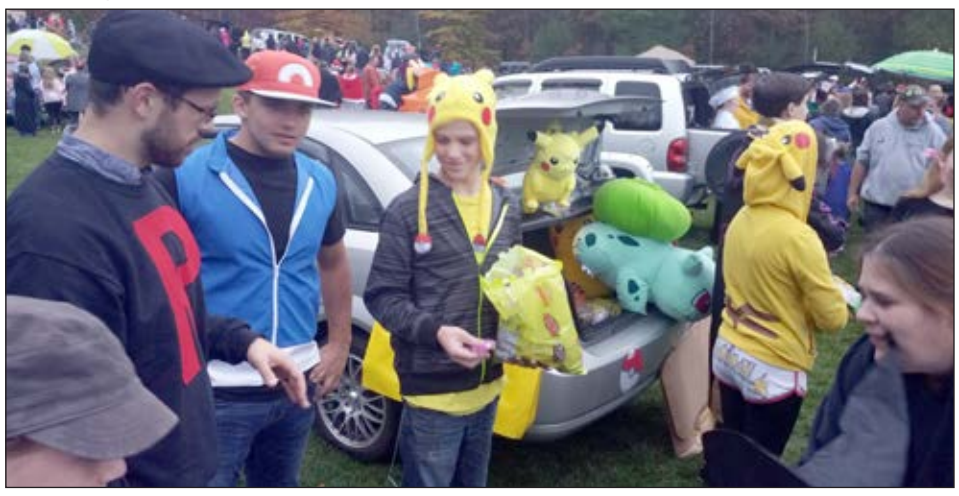
At left: Complete with duck sound effects, this family's display was inspired by the hit television program "Duck Dynasty."

At right: Who says Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles is just for boys? Theses young ladies proved you can look just a tough and represent the heroes in a half-shell no matter who you are!

Jaid, from Charlton, Mass., shows off his skills with a sword, mimicking the movement of his favorite video game character Link from "The Legend of Zelda."

Inspired by the popular book and more recently the popular film adaptation, these trick or treaters arrived dressed as the Twins from Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children.

Even the Grinch showed up for some Halloween fun before Christmas and he brought Cindy Lou with him to



Capturing the spirit of the 20th anniversary of the smash hit franchise Pokémon, a few of the franchise's most iconic characters were brought to life during the Truck or Treat event in Thompson.

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You want to know how to be a dedicated Halloween fan? Just ask Hazel, of Pomfret. This young lady was at literally every trick-or-treat event you could think of over the holiday weekend. Here she shows off her costume at Thompson's Trunk or Treat.

It never hurts to get a little creative with your costume, especially when you have a little one you want to include in the Halloween fun.

Jason Bleau photos

THOMPSON — High Pointe Church in Thompson played host to a very unique trick-or-treating experience on Sunday, Oct. 30. The grounds of the church were filled with vehicles set up in colorful and decorative displays as locals and church patrons welcomed trick-or-treaters for a Trunk or Treat event. Contrary to traditional trick-or-treat events, this particular event led countless ghosts, monsters and characters through a line of creative displays set up in the trunks of cars. Those displays included themes ranging from Star Wars and The Wizard of Oz to the Boston Bruins, Batman and more. Each display brought its own special something to an event that is quickly becoming another local Halloween tradition in the Quiet Corner.

Thompson firefighters were the first to great many trick-or-treaters. I mean what would a Trunk or Treat be without a fire truck?

The heroes of Shrek made a stop at Trunk or Treat, giving out some delicious candy to passing trick-or-treaters.

A Star Wars themed setup challenged trick-or-treaters to "use the force."

This display proved to be very magical, capturing the spirit of the Wizard of Oz.

In order to get candy from this display, guests had to join the Mad Hatter and Alice at the table for some tea.

Carl Fredrickson from "Up!" even showed up for the fun, colorful house and all.

Nothing like a family barbecue to celebrate the Halloween holiday right?

Woodstock Academy hosts annual 'Trick or Treat Street'

Charlie Lentz photos

WOODSTOCK — Woodstock Academy's Student Council played host to "Trick or Treat Street" at the Academy's Bowen Building last Friday, Oct. 28. Students dressed as ghosts, goblins, and characters of all kinds for games and fun. Admission was free but donations of non-perishable food items were requested and Earthsave collected gently used outerwear for distribution in the community.

Anne and Austin Dilko.

From left, Rowena Grossman, Cara Grossman, and Leigh Grossman.

From left, Susan and Lily Leite.

From left, Alex, Jaime Dunlop, and Cathy Dunlop.

From left, Pheobe Machamer, Contessa Vayo, Faith Machamer, and Chyanne Machamer.

Ben Barbour, back, and Owen Lepage, front.

Nicole and Anthony Beaudreault.

From left, Vicki Despres, Dominic Despres, and Natalie Despres.

Putnam trick-or-treaters invade downtown

Jason Bleau photos

PUTNAM — It's a local tradition here in northeastern Connecticut, as trick-or-treaters from all across the region filed into Main Street in Putnam on Friday, Oct. 28. The annual trick-or-treat on Main Street event has become the perfect opportunity for locals to connect with Putnam businesses who set up displays outside of their stores to pass out candy from Riverside Commons all the way to Jessica Tuesdays, turning downtown into a collection of colorful characters, superheroes, monsters and more as local children dawned their costumes to make an appearance.

The folks at Bottomless Pit of Treasure certainly looked the part as the game shop brought Princess Peach and Mario to help pass out treats.

A few young trick-or-treaters show off their adorable matching Nemo and Dory costumes, obviously inspired by the 2016 movie "Finding Dory" and its predecessor, "Finding Nemo."

One of the most creative costumes on Main Street in Putnam…ladies and gentlemen: Pac Man!

Twenty-three years and counting and still Power Rangers remains one of the hottest costumes on the market. Here a few young trick-or-treaters in Putnam embrace the newest incarnation of the famed super hero team, Power Rangers Dino Charged.

A family of Trick-or0treaters pose for a photo before their continue along Main Street in Putnam.

A blue-haired trick-or-treater receives a treat from a representative of Someplace Special in Putnam.

The Putnam Lions certainly got into the spirit, as they always do for the Main Street trick-or-treat in Putnam.

The Putnam Fire Department passes out treats every year at Putnam's Main Street trick-or-treat. They also gave short tours of their trucks to kids who wanted a little more than just the candy.

The First Congregational Church of Putnam used to set up its display in the church for the Main Street trick-or-treat. For a change of pace, they set up shop outside to pass out treats in 2016.

Gary and Karen Osbrey of WINY 1350 AM in Putnam went all out, as usual, in 2016. Capturing the spirit of this year's smash hit movie "Zootopia" the pair dressed as Nick Wilde and Judy Hopps for the occasion.

The folks at Rent-A-Center were certainly prepared. They had an entire tote of candy to give out.

Ann Monteiro stood outside her shop, the Flying Carpet Studio, in Putnam to give out treats throughout the evening.

As it does every year, Price Chopper set up a table to give out treats for Putnam's Main Street trick-or-treat as one of the first stops for many along the route.

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Margarete Doris Hazzard, 79

THOMPSON, Conn. — Margarete D. "Doris" (Doehler) Hazzard, 79, died Tuesday, Oct. 25, at her home after an illness.

Her husband of 49 years, Frederick A. Hazzard, died in 2006.

She leaves three sons, Morten J. Hazzard and his partner Carolynn of Holland, Michael D. Hazzard of Webster, and Mark S. Hazzard and his wife Tabatha of Thompson, Conn.; six grandchildren, Corey Hazzard and his fiancée Taylor, Traci Kachnowski and her husband Jay, Mark F. Hazzard, Ryan Hazzard, Amanda Hazzard and Lachelle Courtright; two great-grandchildren, Bradley and Abigail; nieces and nephews. She also leaves her cat Stella.

She was born and raised in Dusseldorf, Germany, the daughter of Hjalmer and Margarete (Thur) Lauritzen. She lived in Washington State, Kentucky and North Dakota before settling in Thompson, Conn., in 1971. She became an American citizen in 1959.

Mrs. Hazzard held several positions in her life. She was a clerk in the cosmetics department at Rose's Department Store in Elizabethtown, Ky. She was also a clerk in the Army PX stores at different bases. She owned and operated her own diner in Forman, North Dakota. She ran all operations at the former Perkins Press in Webster. "Doris" was a waitress and later hostess at the Colonial Club Restaurant in Webster for 38 years, retiring in 2012.

She was a member of the Thompson Congregational Church. She had many interests including cooking, chocolate, flower gardening, and attending musicals. She enjoyed the online computer game POGO, was an ardent fan of the Boston Red Sox and looked forward to her visits to Mohegan Sun. Her special joy was her family, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and Christmas Eve at home with her loved ones.

Visitation was held on Sunday, Oct. 30, in Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main Street, Webster, with a private service for the family.

Donations in her name may be made to the Hospice of NE Connecticut, PO Box 632, Putnam, CT 06260.

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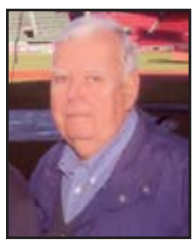
Edward J. Devlin, 71



PUTNAM – Edward J. Devlin, 71, of David Circle, died October 31 in Day Kimball Hospital. He was the loving husband of Jo Ellen (Kelly) Devlin. They were married November 25, 1967 in St. Mary Help of Christians Church in Pittston, Pennsylvania. Born in Kingston, Pennsylvania, he was the son of the late Edward G. and Agnes (Brennan) Devlin.

Mr. Devlin earned his undergraduate degree in 1967 from King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. In 1967 he became an English teacher for Tourtellotte Memorial High School and during that time he went on to earn his Master's Degree and Sixth Year Certificate from the University of Connecticut. He retired from teaching English in 2002 after 35 dedicated years. Ed was also an instructor for the Scotti School of Defensive Driving for over 15 years. He was a lector and commentator for St. Mary Church and donated his time to the Connecticut Mobile Food Pantry for four years. He was a lifelong fan and historian of Notre Dame and a follower of the Holy Cross Fathers. He attended Notre Dame football games since 1979.

In addition to his wife Jo Ellen, Ed was survived by his son, Sean Devlin and his wife Andrea (Beausoleil) Devlin of Putnam; his daughter, Jennifer Sack and her husband Eric of Owasso, Oklahoma; and his grandchildren, Evan Sack, Caitlin Sack, Megan Sack, Brady Devlin, and Nicholas Devlin.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Ed's family from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, November 4, in the Gilman Funeral Home, 104 Church St., Putnam. A gathering will begin in the funeral home at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 5, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 12:30 p.m. in St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St, Putnam. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West Brookline, MA 02445-7226 or to Daily Bread, 53 Grove St., Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

James H. Thebado, 84

PUTNAM – James H. Thebado, Phd., 84, of Keech St. formerly of Springfield, Minnesota, died October 11 in St. Vincent Hospital in Worcester, Massachusetts. He was the loving husband of the late Jeanne (Sward) Thebado who passed away in 2005. Born in Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, he was the son of the late Frederick and Viola (Stevenson) Thebado.

Mr. Thebado was a pharmacist in three states and co-owner of Sward-Kemp Drug Stores of Springfield, Minnesota, and also had locations in six towns throughout southern Minnesota. He was an artist, enjoyed playing golf, a "joke teller," cribbage player and was an avid Red Sox fan. He coached youth football and was well known as an exceptional punter coach. He enjoyed spending time with his children, grandchildren and great granddaughter whom called him "Great."

James will be remembered with love by his family; Janis E. Beltis and her husband, Jeffrey, of Putnam; Joan M. Beltis and her husband, Richard, of Dedham, Massachusetts; Judith A. Thebado of Putnam; Jeff Thebado of Thompson, and James Gerard Thebado and his husband, Scott Smith, of Weymouth, Massachusetts; and grandchildren, Allison Yarosh and her husband, Kris; J. Spencer Beltis, Richard Andrew Beltis, and Garrett James Beltis; and his great-granddaughter, Zoie E. Beltis; his niece, Malinda Conley and her daughter, Kalena Conley; his aunt, Shirley Mulig, of Ohio. He is predeceased by his brother, Frederick Thebado, and his sister, Kathleen Stevens.

A Mass of Christian Burial for James will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 5, in St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St, Putnam. Memorial donations may be made to The Jimmy Fund, 10 Brookline Place West Brookline, MA 02445-7226 For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Jean B. Williams, 76

DANIELSON – Jean B. Williams, 76, of Danielson, wife of Donald R. Williams, died Wednesday at Day Kimball Hospital in Putnam. She was born in Brooklyn on January 11, 1940, daughter of the late Stanley and Josephine (Wisniewski) Wernicki. She was a member of St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Danielson. Besides her husband she is survived by her children, Glenn Williams of Danielson, Tammy Miner and husband Kerry of Plainfield and Scott Bugbee of Central Village; sister Patricia Pelletier of Danielson, seven grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her daughter Lynnette Tracy. A Memorial Service was held Saturday, October 29, at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Danielson. To leave an online condolence please visit tillinghastfh.com

Vivian R. Ducharme, 85

WEBSTER — Vivian R. (Kuszewski) Ducharme, 85, died Friday, Oct. 28, at home after an illness.

Her husband of 42 years, Ernest W. Ducharme, died in 1990.

She leaves a daughter, Janice A. Ducharme of Thompson, Conn.; a son, Kevin J. Ducharme and his wife Elizabeth of New Hampshire; four grandchildren, Keith Ducharme of Minnesota, Jennifer Ducharme of Chicago, Julie Koenig of Boston and Krystie Jezerski.

She was preceded in death by her son, Ronald Ducharme in 1981 and by her sister, June Bolduc in 2010. She also leaves her adorable aunt, Ida Mierzejewski of Webster; her only niece, Deborah Shannon of Woodstock, Conn.; a dear neighbor, Gladys Dowgiewicz; and her Floridians, Dot Dutram and Joseph Pokraka.

She was born in Webster, daughter of Thaddeus and Cecile (St. Germain) Kuszewski and was a lifelong resident.

Mrs. Ducharme was the Financial Aid Director at Nichols College in Dudley and then at Becker College in Worcester. She retired in 1993.

She was a member of Saint Louis Church. She belonged to the National and Mass. Associations of Financial Aid. She enjoyed golfing, a sport she took up after retiring in 1993. She was a beautiful seamstress and quilter. She also designed needlepoint pictures.

The funeral was held on Thursday, Nov. 3, in Saint Louis Church, 14 Lake Street. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, Dudley. There were no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to Saint Louis Endowment Fund, Inc., 15 Lake Street, Webster, MA 01570. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Scanlon Funeral Service, 38 East Main Street.

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J. Paul Joyal, 80

NORTH GROSVENORDALE – J. Paul Joyal, 80, of Ravenelle Road, died October 27 in his home surrounded by his family. He was the loving husband of Betty (LaPointe) Joyal. In January, they would have celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary. Born in Burlington, Vermont, he was the son of the late Hilaire and Blanche (Rousseau) Joyal.

Mr. Joyal worked as a mason for the University of Connecticut and worked many years for his brother, Leo Joyal Masonry. He was a member of the West Thompson Fire Department for over 50 years serving as their Chief for 15 years. Paul enjoyed hunting, NASCAR, was a major race fan, and enjoyed country music.

In addition to his wife Betty, Paul is survived by his daughters, Sue Genest of Woodstock, Debbie Cyr and her husband Rick of Thompson; his brother, Leo Joyal and his wife Melissa of Pomfret; his sisters, Theresa Guertin of Putnam, Cecile Bellerive of Putnam, Lucille Farrell and her husband Robert of Danielson, and Rachel Ladyka and her husband Joel of North Grosvenordale; his grandchildren, Amy Genest, Ryan Genest, Craig Cyr, and Jason Cyr; his great granddaughter, Alyssa; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, the late Willie Joyal, and his sister, the late Joan Martel.

Calling hours were held November 1 in the Valade Funeral Home. The funeral was held November 2, and was followed by a Mass of Christian Burial in St. Joseph Church. Burial followed in St. Joseph Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Day Kimball Healthcare Oncology Department or to Hospice of Northeast Connecticut.

St. Rita St. Onge D.H.S., 99

PUTNAM – Sr. Rita St. Onge, 99, a member of the Daughters of the Holy Spirit died October 27 at St. Joseph Living Center in Windham where she had been in residence since July 1, 2016.

Born on August 30, 1917 in Putnam, the daughter of the late William A. St. Onge and Alma (Desautels) St. Onge, she entered religious life in 1935 and made her religious profession on August 23, 1938 at the Motherhouse in St. Brieuc, France. She was then known as Sr. Rita de la Croix.

After her profession, she was assigned as a teacher at Notre Dame du Mur, Morlaix, and at Ste. Marie Juniorate in Auray, both in France. From 1942-44, she was an internee in Vittel, France during World War II.

Upon her return to the United States, Sr. Rita received a B.A. at Annhurst College, South Woodstock, and later an M.A. in Theology at Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island. Her teaching assignments included St. Mary's School, Putnam, and St. Anne School, Waterbury. From 1951-53, Sr. Rita was named American representative on the General Council, St. Brieuc, France. After serving nine years as Mistress of Novices in the American Province, she was appointed Provincial. Upon termination of her term, she taught at Annhurst College in South Woodstock, after which she served as CCD Coordinator at St. Mary's Parish, Putnam, and from 1986-2001 she served as pastoral associate in the same parish.

She was predeceased by three brothers, Msgr. Paul St. Onge, at one time the Chancellor of the Diocese of Norwich, Rev. Theodore St. Onge, and Atty. William St. Onge, United States Representative at one time. She is survived by her spiritual family, her sisters in community, the Consecrated Seculars and the DHS Associates as well as nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Calling hours at the Holy Spirit Provincial House chapel were held on Sunday, October 30, which was followed by a Prayer Service. A Mass of Christian burial was held on October 31 at the Provincial House chapel followed by burial at St. Mary's Cemetery, Putnam.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Daughters of the Holy Spirit Retirement Fund, 72 Church St., Putnam, CT, 06260. Gilman Funeral Home, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT is in charge of arrangements. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com/

Raymond T. Bartkus, 88

WOODSTOCK – Raymond T. Bartkus, 88, of Woodstock, died Friday, September 23, in his home. Born in East Granby, he was the son of the late Anthony and Anna (Pautienus) Bartkus.

Ray was born and raised on a farm in East Granby, the youngest of eight children. He was an enthusiastic student graduating from Simsbury High School and went on to attend Columbia University in New York City. After graduation and service to his country, he went to work on Wall Street. He worked for several firms before becoming a senior vice-president for L.F. Rothschild, Unterbert, Towbini, Inc. In 1988 he retired and returned to his home in East Granby for a short time before moving to Woodstock to join his family. Throughout his life, Ray was an avid traveler, managing to visit all of the continents over the years. Some favorite highlights of his journeys were an elephant ride to photograph tigers, hiking in the Galapagos, and visiting a lifelong friend in China.

Ray enjoyed being a member of the Woodstock Senior Citizens group, and when his health allowed, participated in some of the activities. He attended services at the Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Pomfret. Afterward he could be found at the Vanilla Bean having coffee with some of his closest friends.

Raymond is survived by his nieces, Sharon B. Mulvey and Michele Koss, both of Woodstock; and his great nephew, Michael, also of Woodstock.

A Memorial Mass for Raymond will be said at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, November 4, 2016 in Most Holy Trinity Church, 568 Pomfret Rd., Pomfret, CT 06259. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

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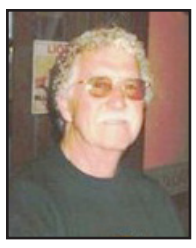
Marie A. Guertin, 77

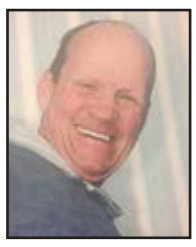
PLAINFIELD – We lost the heart of our family when Marie Guertin, 77, formerly of Danielson, passed away at home surrounded by her family on October 25, after a brief battle with cancer. She was born in East Boston, Massachusetts on November 5, 1938 to the late Charles Perricotti and Enid (Farrell) (O'Neil). She attended Killingly High School and lived most of her life in the Danielson area. She worked at ArrowHart Corporation for 20 years, then worked at Pierce Baptist Memorial Nursing Home in Brooklyn and Shady Acres Restaurant in Foster, Rhode Island before retiring. Marie was a young 77 and especially loved going on cruises, camping at Galilee, playing dominoes and bargain hunting. She leaves her daughters, Paula Guertin of Plainfield, Lisa Illingworth (Richard) of Plainfield; grandchildren, Lyn Riendeau of Plainfield, Brandon Guertin of Plainfield, Clifford Riendeau of Cleveland, Ohio and Tena Riendeau of Jacksonville, Florida, several great grandchildren and her sister Ruth Miller of Sterling, along with many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her granddaughter LeeAnn Guertin, son Kerry Guertin and sisters, Evelyn Johnson and Dolly Gallup. Funeral Services and burial are private and at the convenience of the family. To leave an online condolence please go to tillinghastfh.com

Robert Mack, 88



DANIELSON - Robert Mack, 88, of Danielson, passed away on October 4, at Westview Nursing Home. He was born in Plainfield on June 25, 1928, son of the late Jean and John Mack. He was predeceased by his wives Wanda and Renee Mack. Bob attended Plainfield High School and served on active duty in the U.S. Navy, on the USS Caloosahatchee. Bob was employed as a ground man for CL&P for thirty years before he retired. He was a member of the East Killingly VFW as well as the Snake Meadow Club in Moosup. Bob loved the outdoors, hunting, fishing, camping and spending time at the ocean. Bob was a very social person, and you were sure to find him at the Paddock amongst his friends. He will always be remembered for his "Hooyah" while leaving the building. Bob is survived by his children, Scott Mack of Rogers, Sandy Wheeler of Dayville, step children Kimberly Lewis of Enfield, Michael Fitzpatrick and his wife Carol of Danielson, Grandchildren: Ashley Wheeler of Watertown, MA, Caeleen Miller of Wisconsin, Nicole Miller of Manchester, Trever Lewis of Enfield and Lilian Freitag of Danielson. Bob was predeceased by his brothers John, Russell, James and sister Dorothy Pilounik. He also leaves many nieces and nephews. Memorial services will be private.

Robert J. Holland, 73



THOMPSON – Robert J. Holland, 73, of Thompson and formerly of East Killingly, died October 26 at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester, Massachusetts, after a brief Illness. He was the lifelong companion of Mary Woodson. He was born December 6, 1942 in Smithfield, Rhode Island, son of the late John F. and Helen (Bushee) Holland.

He was a U.S. Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. Robert worked as a truck driver for many years for Jolley Concrete and later for Tilcon. He was a member of the East Killingly Fire Department and was an EMT. Robert enjoyed his trips to the casino, crossword puzzles and computer games, he was very talented at building model trains. Most of all he enjoyed his daily coffee at Zip's and Four G's in Dayville. Robert had a big heart and was always willing to help out his family and his friends.

He leaves his companion Mary, his sister Joan Fox, his brother John Holland both of Danielson, his nieces Sandie Riemann and Shari Cote and his nephew Michael Fox, and his beloved cat Puff.

Burial will be private in Holy Cross Cemetery, Danielson. Donations may be made in his memory to the East Killingly Fire Department. Arrangements by Gagnon and Costello Funeral Home, 33 Reynolds Street, Putnam. Share a memory at www.gagnonandcostellofh.com

Eleanor Racette, 95

PUTNAM – Eleanor Racette, 95, known to generations as Putnam's "Wallpaper Lady," passed away suddenly October 29 at Day Kimball Hospital, surrounded by her son Frank and daughter and son-in-law Spring and William Price.

She proudly served as a Navy Wave during World War II. 95 at the time of her passing, she was perhaps the most senior member of Putnam's business community, still active in the family wallpaper business. Eleanor always pursued study in nature, her favorite subject. Additional information may be found at www.smithandwalkerfh.com

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Creative canning equals great gourmet gifts

TAKE THE HINT

KAREN TRAINOR

It's canning season, and with today's renewed appreciation of homemade foods, hand crafted side dishes and condiments have never been more popular.

Merging the art of basic canning with fresh, delicious ingredients and a dash of creativity results in upscale food gifts that rival pricey gourmet food catalog offerings. By canning now, such creative goods are an ideal way to bring something truly special to the Thanksgiving table or to share with family and friends throughout the year.

The following recipes are not only easy to whip up; they'll also earn rave reviews from lucky recipients!

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Pear Honey

This old fashioned recipe relies on fresh pears for its smooth, fruity flavor.

Ingredients: Six cups of ground pears; five cups sugar; four cups crushed pineapple.

Directions: Peel and core pears. Process pears until coarsely ground. Add sugar to pears and cook down until mixture thickens (can take up to four hours). Add the crushed pineapple and continue to cook and stirring periodically until thick and of a syrup consistency. Once desired thickness is achieved, pour hot liquid into hot sterilized jars. Process is hot water bath for ten minutes.

Gift Tip: A perfect pairing for poultry, a jar of homemade pear honey is an ideal gift for the Thanksgiving host.

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Thanksgiving Pickled Eggs

For some New Englanders pickled eggs are as traditional as cranberry sauce on the Thanksgiving table. This recipe is sure to "hit the spot!"

Ingredients: Eight eggs; 1 (15 ounce) cans beets with liquid; 1/2 cup white vinegar; 1/2 cup white sugar; 1/2 cup water; 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon (optional).

Directions: Hard boil eggs, cool and peel. In a medium saucepan combine beet liquid, vinegar, sugar, water and cinnamon. Bring to a boil and stir under sugar is fully dissolved. Pour mixture over eggs. Place egg in a saucepan and cover with cold water. Bring water to a boil and immediately remove from heat. Cover and let eggs stand in hot water for 10 to 12 minutes. Remove from hot water, cool, and peel. Pack eggs loosely into canning jars. Pour bet mixture over eggs. Chill for at least four hours before eating.

Note: Pickled eggs should be refrigerated, not processed. Refrigerated pickled eggs can last up to ten days in the refrigerator.

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Peach Salsa

Sweet and spicy, a fiesta of spices elevates this salsa from simple to sensational!

Ingredients: 9 cups fresh peaches, chopped; 2 tablespoons lime juice (fresh or bottled); 4 cups fresh tomatoes; 2 large bell peppers, diced; 1 large red bell pepper, diced; 2 cups sweet onions; ; 1 cup vinegar; 3 garlic cloves, chopped; 1 tablespoon cayenne pepper; 3 tablespoons honey; 1 tablespoon crushed red pepper flakes

Directions: Peel, pit, and dice peaches, and mix with lime juice. Peel and chop tomatoes. Combine all fresh fruits and vegetables in a large stainless steel pot. Add vinegar, honey, cilantro, cayenne, and crushed red pepper. Bring mixture to boil over medium heat. Cook for about three minutes, stirring frequently. Turn heat to simmer for three minutes more.

Ladle salsa into hot sterilized canning jars, leaving 1/4 inch headspace. Screw on band tightly and process in a hot water bath for ten minutes. Makes a dozen half pint jars.

Gift Tip: Present a jar of peach salsa with a spice packet of Old Bay seasonings for grilled fish. This lets the recipient know this salsa is not just for dipping tortillas!

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Wine Jelly

Made from just four ingredients, this simple recipe transforms white or red wine into a sweet spread sure to impress.

Ingredients: 3 1/2 cups red or white wine; 1/2 cup fresh lemon juice; 1 (2 ounce) package dry pectin; 4 1/2 cups white sugar.

Directions: Combine wine, lemon juice, and pectin in a large saucepot. Bring to a boil, stirring frequently. Add sugar, stirring until dissolved. Return to a rolling boil. Boil hard 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Skim foam off top, if necessary. Ladle hot jelly into hot, sterilized jars, leaving 1/2 inch headspace. Tighten two piece lids. Process for five minutes in boiling water bath. Makes five half pint jars.

Hostess Gift Tip: Gift with crackers and a wedge of aged cheese.

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Roasted Red Cherry Tomatoes

Rich, red Lilliputian tomatoes, fresh garlic and authentic Italian spices create this savory Mediterranean side dish.

Ingredients: Two pounds of cherry or grape tomatoes; six whole, peeled garlic cloves: 1/2 cup good olive oil; one teaspoon each fresh oregano and basil; 1/2 tsp. each: salt and pepper

Directions: Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Slice tomatoes in half and place in a bowl. Peel garlic, add to bowl with tomatoes. Stir in olive oil to coat. Pour mixture onto a shallow sheet pan with rim. Roast for 30 minutes or until edges of tomatoes are slightly charred. Pack into two ounce canning jars and pour oil over tomatoes to fill jar. Makes four jars.

Gift Tip: Tie with a raffia bow and include a bruschetta recipe.

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Festive Red & Green Jelly

The pop of festive colors in this pepper jelly make it a favorite accompaniment to the holiday meal.

Ingredients: 1 cup chopped red bell pepper; 1/2 cup chopped jalapeno pepper; 5 cups sugar; 1 1/2 cups apple cider vinegar; 1 six ounce bottle liquid pectin

Directions: Mince stemmed and seeded jalapenos in a food processor. Combine peppers, sugar and vinegar in a heavy pot. Bring to a rolling boil for three minutes. Remove from heat and cool for five minutes. Stir in pectin. Allow to cool for two minutes, and then stir for two minutes. Ladle into four ounce canning jars. Process in a hot water bath.

Gift Tip: Save a few jars for impromptu Christmas gifts! String a silver jingle bell through red curling ribbon and tie a big bow on the top of the jar.

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"Can Do" Canning Ideas

When it comes to canning fresh foods, while it's all about the flavor, presentation is also an important consideration, especially when gift giving. Here are some creative ideas that add a special touch to your homemade offerings.

• Use quilted four ounce canning jars for luxury condiments or high end spiced jellies.

• When gift giving pear or other honeys, tie on a small wooden spoon for serving.

• Use a typewriter font to print a recipe and attach to the jar with an industrial type manila tag.

• Write the recipient's name on a chalkboard tag and tie with twine to the rim of the jar.

• Monogramming large jars by pressing on a textured initial encourages recipients to recycle jar.

• Print out a recipe or greeting and cut to fit the circle lid on the jar. Glue in place after jars have sealed and screw on band.

• If the canned foods are from heirloom recipes, print out an old photo of the original cook and glue it to the lid (see above).

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

Do you have a helpful hint or handy tip that has worked for you? Do you have a question regarding household or garden matters? If so, why not share them with readers of Stonebridge Press publications? Send questions and/or hint to: Take the Hint!, c/o Stonebridge Press, P.O. Box 90, Southbridge, MA 01550. Or email kdrr@aol.com.

LEGALS

TOWN OF WOODSTOCK

The Zoning Board of Appeals has scheduled a Public Hearing for November 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., Woodstock Town Hall, 415 Route 169, lower level, conference room B, to hear the following application: #16-03 Amy Hare, Trustee and Donald E. & Ann F. Hare, 88 Pulpit Rock Rd. - Appeal of ZEO for the issuance of a zoning permit to Jane Newall & Deborah Vuillemot, 78 Pulpit Rock Rd, for a 40'x8'6" box car (restoration project) to be used for storage. Chair William Brower.
October 28, 2016
November 4, 2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Raymond T Bartkus
(16-00324)
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated October 25, 2016, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Brenda Duquette, Clerk
The fiduciary is:
Michele Koss,
5 Cornfield Point,
Woodstock, CT 06281
November 4, 2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Nancy I. Charpentier
(16-00309)
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated October 25, 2016, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Brenda Duquette, Clerk
The fiduciary is:
Thomas A Charpentier
c/o Ernest J Cotnoir, Maher & Cotnoir, P.O. Box 187,
Putnam, CT 06260
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TOWN OF THOMPSON

On October 26, 2016 the following wetlands agent approval was issued: Application # WAA16019 approved with conditions, William Lepage, 12 Fairview Dr. (Assessor's Map 77, Block 61, Lot 57G) - construction of a residential home including septic system, driveway and underground utilities for savings of which are in the 100-foot upland review area.
Marla Butts, Wetlands Agent
November 4, 2016

TOWN OF THOMPSON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

The Town of Thompson Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on November 14, 2016 beginning at 7PM in the Merrill Seney Room, Thompson Town Hall, 815 Riverside Dr., North Grosvenordale, CT for the following:
Variance 16-08: Havish, LLC, Applicant and Owner of Record. For property at 440 Riverside Dr. Map 85/Block 95/Lot 23A/Zone C. Variance requested to: 1) Increase impervious surface to 80%; 2) Add a sign for a free-standing menu board and direction signs not to exceed 25 sq. ft.; and 3) Add pavement for drive-up window.
Variance 16-09: Kerstin Forrester, Applicant and Owner of Record. For property at 593 Fabyan Rd. Map 17/Block 84/Lot 32/Zone R40. Variance requested to reduce road frontage from 150 ft. to 82 ft. allowing division of land between 2 existing independent single-family units, both pre-date zoning regulations.
Variance 16-10: James Hoyce, Applicant and Owner of Record. For property at 7 Center St. Map 116/Block X/Lot P/Zone R40. Variance requested to increase impervious surface by 74 sq. ft. to allow construction of a 24' x 32' detached garage.
Variance 16-11: Lisa and Thomas McDougall, Applicants and Owners of Record. For property at 142 Quinebaug Rd. Map 59/Block 88/Lot 6&6A/Zone RA80. Variance requested to decrease acreage of lot 6A by 9,611 sq. ft. and increase acreage of lot 6 by 9,611 sq. ft. to allow for a septic system on lot 6. Both lots are nonconforming and will remain so.
Files are available to review in the Planning & Development Office, Town Hall. At these hearings, interested parties may appear and be heard, and written testimony received.
Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Roy, Chairman
November 4, 2016
November 11, 2016

TOWN OF THOMPSON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE

The Town of Thompson Zoning Board of Appeals, at its October 12, 2016 meeting, rendered the following decision:
CORRECTION: Variance 16-07: Duane Higgins, Applicant and Owner of Record. For property at 1 Alix Dr. Map 143/Block 16/Lot 56/Zone R-40. Variance requested to decrease side and back yard setbacks from 25 ft to 5 ft. **Continued to November 14, 2016.**
Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Roy, Chairman
November 4, 2016

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Villager Newspapers
COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT
"Shining a light on community events"

November 5, Sat., 9am-2pm
Harvest & Holly Festival, VFW Post Home, 654 Quinebaug Rd., Route 131, Quinebaug. Featuring: crafts, bake sale, mix n' match cookies, attic treasures, tea cup social, theme baskets, continental breakfast, luncheon, much more. To benefit Veteran and community programs.

November 5, Sat., 10am
Story hour—Octopus at Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

November 5, Sat., 4:30-6:30pm
Take Out Lasagna Dinner $10 includes lasagna, salad, bread, and cake -- at the Federated Church of Christ – Rtes 6 & 169 Brooklyn

November 5, Sat., 11:00am
Storyteller Eshu Bumpus, with Captivating folktales from Africa and around the world, will be at the West Woodstock Library. Sponsored by CT Humanities. Register for this free family program by calling the library at 860-974-0376, or email librarian@westwoodstocklibrary.org.

November 5, Sat., 10am-noon
Canterbury Historical Society Hosts Walking Tour of Canterbury Green National Historic District with Uconn - meet first in Canterbury's one-room Green District Schoolhouse; Pre-register and pay for the program at http://www.cac.uconn.edu/mnhcurrentcalendar.html or call 860-486-4460.

November 5, Sat., 9am - 6pm
and Sunday November 6, 7am – noon. The St. James School in Danielson is having their annual Christmas Craft Sale! (in the church basement). There are paper crafts, tree ornaments, holiday decorations, gift cards, great gift ideas, gift baskets , raffles and baked goods!!

November 5, Sat., 10am-2pm
The East Woodstock Congregational Church will host The Holly Fair. Coffee Break all day. Lunch 11:30-2pm. Cookies, candy, jelly cupboard, new & like new gifts, crafts, and basket social!

November 5, Sat., 8am – 2pm
Yuletide Festival At St. Mary Church Hall, Putnam Sponsored by The Daughters of Isabella. Featuring: A large raffle, handy crafts, 30 basket raffle, 25 area venders, baked sale, Café refreshments and luncheon, and more!

November 7, Mon., 7pm
Quiet Corner Garden Club will hold its next meeting at South Woodstock Baptist Church meeting room. The Club welcomes speaker, Karen Olah, owner of Woodstock's new business BLOOM. The public is welcome!

November 10, Thurs., 6-7pm
Cats! P.A.W.S will be here to discuss shelter animals and how you can help! At Killingly Public Library on Westcott Road. For ages 6-10. Please bring in one item to help the P.A.W.S. Shelter, such as old towels, dish gloves, canned cat food, kitten food, dish liquid & grocery bags. Registration required at www.kplibrary.org.

November 10, Thurs., 7:30pm
The Brooklyn Historical Society will present historian-musician Rick Spencer who will perform "Freemen for Fremont: Songs from the Presidential Campaign of 1856," a chance to compare this year's campaigns with those of the past when our country was on the brink of Civil War. Trinity Episcopal Church Parish Hall, (Route 6). For info: 860-774-7728

November 10, Thurs., 6-7pm
Woodstock Recreation presents Zumba with Liz McCool (Also Nov. 17, Dec. 1, 8, & 15 - Thursday Evenings) at Woodstock Elementary School Gymnasium, 24 Frog Pond Road. Cost: $45 (6 classes) or $7.50 (per class)

November 10, Thurs., 5-9pm
American Legion Post 13 Celebrity Bartenders at Black Dog Bar & Grille featuring Kevin Hogan (Channel 3), Roger LaFrancois (Boston Red Sox), Tom Borner (Putnam Bank) and Gary O (WINY Radio), Matt Desaulnier (PBA), and Earl Rosebrook (PBA).

November 10, Thurs., 2pm
Putnam Seniors Club meets second and fourth Thursdays at VFW, 207 Providence Street, Putnam. Dues are $6 per year. Penny social/bingo after the meeting. Monthly luncheons and shopping at different locations.

November 11, 6pm-9pm
Tommy Toy Fund Auction & Gala, at Thompson Raceway Restaurant. Hearty hors d'oeuvres serves. To benefit the children of eastern Connecticut.

November 11, Fri., 7pm
Andrew McKnight in Benefit Folk Concert: at the Central Village Congregational Church, 33 Main Street, Central Village. Nationally-acclaimed, award-winning singer/songwriter and guitarist returns to his hometown. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to United Services Domestic Violence Program. Suggested donation $10 adults, $5 children includes free coffee and refreshments. Call 860-564-3616 for more information or visit centralvillagechurch.com

November 11, Fri., 7pm
Researcher and reenactor Bob Young will explore with us the role, training, and tools of the trade of an 18th century apothecary in America, at the Canterbury Historical Society This is sure to be an entertaining. Free and open to the public. Bring friend. Community Room of the Canterbury Town Hall, 1 Municipal Drive, Canterbury.

November 11, Fri., 9:30-11:30
Celebrate Veteran's Day at Windham County Christian Women's Connection Brunch at The Inn at Woodstock, 94 Plaine Hill Rd. Special Feature CDR Barbara E. Miller relating experiences as Navy Nurse. Speaker Darlene Clark. Patriotic music by Ed Pitkin. Reservations required by Nov. 5. cancellations essential. Call 860-774-5092, email:wccwc81@hotmail.com. Men invited!

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

HERE & THERE → Local Events, Arts, and Entertainment Listings

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Village Bake Shop, Jar Deal
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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7
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SUPPORT GROUP
Celebrating one year!
6:30-8:30
Join us to celebrate our
anniversary of supporting
and assisting families and
their addicted loved ones
Speaker: Kristin Birch,
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Followed by casual get-together
with guests.
Refreshments served
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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11
ATTENTION VETERANS:
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FLU SHOT to U.S. Veterans
on Friday, November 11th
8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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No appointment is necessary.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17
THE CHURCH OF THE
RECONCILIATION
(Episcopal)
invites Webster, Dudley, Oxford
residents of all branches of service
to a FREE DINNER at
POINT BREEZE RESTAURANT
6:00 p.m.
Speaker: Mr. Dave Lauzon
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3
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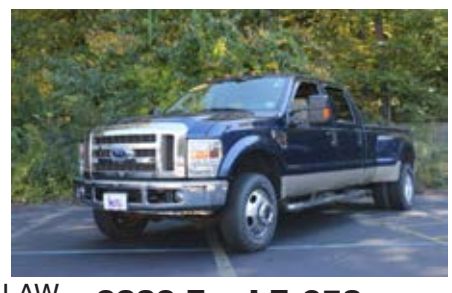

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2012 CHEVY EQUINOX LT — ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 6 CYLINDER, REMOTE STARTER, POWER SEAT, PIONEER SOUND SYSTEM, LOW MILES #EQ17364 — NADA RETAIL VALUE $19,250 — YOUR PRICE $16,988

2015 CHEVY TRAX LT SUV — ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LOW MILES, ALLOY WHEELS, #P138 — NADA RETAIL VALUE $22,900 — YOUR PRICE $18,988

2014 CHEVY EQUINOX LS — SPORT UTILITY, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LOW MILES, ONE OWNER, #EQ17307A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $27,958 — YOUR PRICE $18,988

2009 GMC SIERRA EXT. CAB SLE 4X4 — ONE OWNER, FULL POWER, THOUSANDS IN UPGRADES, #TK16466A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $22,375 — YOUR PRICE $19,988

2010 CHEVY SILVERADO EXTENDED CAB 4X4 — V8, POWER PACK PLUS PKG., FULL POWER, BLUETOOTH, AUTOMATIC, MUCH MORE #EQ17006A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $22,970 — YOUR PRICE $19,988

2011 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 — LT 1500, EXT. CAB, ONE OWNER, ALLOY WHEELS, #TC16408A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $27,290 — YOUR PRICE $20,988

2016 CHEVY TRAX LT AWD — REMOTE START, ONE OWNER, ONLY 8,000 MILES #EQ16184A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $24,250 — YOUR PRICE $20,998

2014 BUICK ENCORE — PREMIUM EDITION SPORT UTILITY, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, ONE OWNER, HEATED SEATS, #EN16610A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $26,855 — YOUR PRICE $23,988

2011 FORD F150 XLT, SUPERCREW, 4X4 — 5.0L, 8 CYLINDER, XLT, CONVENIENCE PACKAGE, FULL POWER, SLIDING REAR WINDOW, #TC16710B — NADA RETAIL VALUE $28,800 — YOUR PRICE $24,988

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2012 CHEVY SUBURBAN 2500 4X4 — LT, 7 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, DVD, #TS16265A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $29,440 — YOUR PRICE $25,988

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2013 CHEVY TRAVERSE, 2 LT — ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ALLOY WHEELS, 5 2013-2014'S TO CHOOSE FROM, STARTING AT #P161 — NADA RETAIL VALUE $29,100 — YOUR PRICE $26,988

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2013 GMC YUKON 4X4 SLT EDITION — 8 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, #ES15503A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $33,970 — YOUR PRICE $29,988

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2014 GMC ACADIA SLT — ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LOW MILES, LEATHER, 7 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, NAVIGATION, REAR DVD, TRAILERING PACKAGE, 12 TO CHOOSE FROM 2013-2015'S, #P232 — NADA RETAIL VALUE $33,450 — YOUR PRICE $30,988

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2014 FORD F150 FX-4, SUPER CAB, 4X4 — ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, #CA16256A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $35,540 — YOUR PRICE $31,988

2013 BUICK ENCLAVE PREMIUM — ALL WHEEL DRIVE, HEATED/COOLED LEATHER SEATS, DUAL MOONROOFS, DVD PLAYER, NAVIGATION, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, #P277 — NADA RETAIL VALUE $36,475 — YOUR PRICE $33,988

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2014 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500 LT, CREW CAB, 4X4 — ONE OWNER, ONLY 13,000 MILES, HEATED SEATS, 271 PACKAGE, #SI16504A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $40,100 — YOUR PRICE $35,988

2014 GMC SIERRA, 2500 HD, SLT, CREW CAB, 4X4 — ONE OWNER, ONLY 12,000 MILES, LEATHER, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, NAVIGATION, LOADED, #TK16738A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $46,675 — YOUR PRICE $43,988

2015 GMC YUKON SLT, 4X4 — ONE OWNER, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, REAR ENTERTAINMENT, 7 PASSENGER — NADA RETAIL VALUE $49,250 — YOUR PRICE $44,988

2012 DODGE RAM 3500 LARAMIE CREW CAB — DUALLY, CUMMINGS, DIESEL, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, HEATED SEATS, ONE OWNER, ONLY 30,000 MILES, #TK16186A — NADA RETAIL VALUE $51,025 — YOUR PRICE $47,988

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