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From the archives

Let me start out this column with a disclaimer. I am away on vacation this week, so I was not able to produce a new column for you all. I know, I can hear the weeping and gnashing of teeth over this sad news as you read this — but fear not, dear reader, as I have plunged into the vast archives of my prolific column library and fished out a nice little gem from almost exactly five years ago (July 1, 2011), looking back on my high school graduation in 2001.

I thought it would be especially fun because as many times as I say the phrase “10 years,” that number is now “15 years” today. Time sure does fly!

Anyway, enjoy this blast from the past, and I’ll be back with a new, fresh column next week! Until then!

Ten years.

I know that for a lot of our readers out there, a decade of anything is “no big deal” —



**THE
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DETAILS**
ADAM
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10 years married, 10 years at a job, 10-year-old kids — but for some reason, I can’t get

over the fact that 10 years have passed this week since I walked the stage at my alma mater and picked up my high school diploma.

As I stood and cheered on the Class of 2011 at Woodstock Academy Sunday, June 26, I couldn’t help but feel nostalgic. Little did I know that 10 years later, not only would I still be around, but I would work in an office within a 30-second drive from the school, be married for almost four years now, and yes, even have a child on the way — it seems surreal to think about my 17-year-old self on that very ball field hearing my name announced over the loud speaker, nervously walking, praying to God that I don’t trip over my gown or drop my mortarboard (I’ve done clumsier things since — but maybe I’ll save that column for a rainy day).

I know that when put into perspective, 10 years out of high school is chump change, as I was reminded by a friend when I put my thoughts on Facebook Sunday (she politely reminded me that she had been out 24 years!). Even at a graduation party — one of the three I attended last weekend — I proceeded to share my “10-year” tale, only to be reminded that some there had graduated as far back as the World War II era.

Maybe it was just the familiar surroundings that made me feel so reflective. After all, I had spent four awkward, fun, exciting and interesting years at the Academy, years I’ll never forget. I’ve lost touch with a lot of friends from high school, as we all do. We all go off and do our own thing — some travel the world, some move to the opposite side of the country, and some, like me, stick around, content with the place I’ve called home for so long.

Maybe it’s the fact that I know so much has happened in my life since that day in early summer 2001. Standing there in my cap and gown, little did I know that our world would change forever only eight weeks later on Sept. 11, 2001. Little did I know that after breaking up with my then-girlfriend, I would reconnect with her in 2006 and eventually marry her in 2007. Little did I know that only four years later, I would lose my younger brother in a car accident.

It’s been a long 10 years, but it feels like it has flown by.

I had several personal connections to the Class of 2011 — a few former youth group kids I’ve watched grow up, and even a “little sister” whom I won’t embarrass by naming in this column, but I can remember holding her as a one-week old baby ... and now she’s a college student.

Talk about feeling old.

So on Sunday, for a few hours in the hot sun, I relived my high school days, and I realized, looking back, those years prepared me well for the 10 years I have been in the “real world.”

We’ll see how I’m doing in 2021.

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Olivia Richman photos

“This is great!” said Nikki and Phil Lafuer (with their patriotic hats) of the Putnam Town Common annual event near the Fourth of July.

Annual fireworks display packs Putnam Town Common

ONE OF PUTNAM’S LARGEST YEARLY EVENTS

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM — One of the town’s largest events each year, the Putnam Fireworks display, had the Town Common packed with patriotic attendees from all over the Quiet Corner on Saturday, July 2. Live music and food had guests at the Town

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The crowd clapped and cheered for the extravagant firework display.

Rodgers bids farewell to Killingly High

MUSIC TEACHER RETIRES AFTER 39 YEARS

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

KILLINGLY — After 39 years Killingly High School has said goodbye to one of its most dedicated educators with the retirement of choral director and music teacher Pam Rodgers on June 30. Rodgers has been a consistent presence in KHS for her entire teaching career with the job in Killingly being her first, and only, teaching job. With the iconic educator now preparing for the next stage of her life and the much-anticipated KHS music department reunion on July 15 at Foxwoods Resort and Casino. Villager Staff Writer Jason Bleau, a former student of Ms. Rodgers, sat down to talk with his former teacher about her retirement and her 39-year commitment to KHS.



Courtesy Photo

Pam Rodgers

missed the 40-year mark. What went into your decision to retire now?

“You know, it’s OK. While I’m still healthy and running around I want to find some time to go see the world. Right now I can still do that and right now I

First off, a 39-year career. You just

Please Read **PAM**, page **A12**

After recount, Thompson finally passes budget

THREE REFERENDUMS NEEDED

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

THOMPSON — After months of preparation and two referendums, the third time was the charm for the Town of Thompson as both the general government and education spending plans put forward finally passed on June 28 as voters created yet another close margin for the education budget, which is the only one of the two spending plans that failed the first two times the budgets went to the

polls.

The general government budget passed by a wide margin of 920 to 518, but the education spending plan passed by only four votes in a 722 to 718 decision, causing the results to be recounted later in the week, at which time it was confirmed that both budgets passed. In fact, the education budget was found to have actually passed by a slim five votes instead of four.

First Selectman

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Woodstock celebrates Independence Day with annual jamboree



Jason Bleau photos

A young participant drives his tractor during the Fourth of July Jamboree parade in Woodstock.

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WOODSTOCK — As they do every year, the patrons of the East Woodstock Congregational Church put together another fantastic day of fun and excitement on July 4 with their annual Fourth

Please Read **JAMBOREE**, page **A17**

Woodstock Academy announces addition of armed security

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WOODSTOCK — Woodstock Academy will have new additions to the campus in the new school year with the announcement that the school will be adding armed security this fall.

Over the past few years the academy has made several strides in the way of security additions to the campus. Over the past three years those improvements have included 83 cameras installed on campus, an anonymous tip line added to the website, a comprehen-

sive vulnerability assessment of the campus, updated emergency procedures, a School Security and Safety Plan being implemented, an access control system on exterior doors, and a Campus Safety Committee was formed. The new armed security officers on campus

is just the latest addition in this process according to Headmaster Chris Sandford, who posted a message on the Woodstock Academy website following the decision by the school’s Board of Trustees.

Please Read **SECURITY**, page **A10**

Summertime in the 1890's

Summer is upon us and thoughts turn to outdoor activities such as swimming and boating. I thought you'd find the following interesting. It seems that Dayville had a local boat maker.

"Dayville — John Brooks is improving his premises on Pleasant Street by the erection of a wagon-house. Some funny things happen in the post-office sometimes. The other day a letter was received at this office addressed to some person in 'Hattie Wargon.' Of course the postmaster here understood at once that that meant Attawaugan and it will reach its destination. It might have been different. Henry L. Esten has nearly completed repairs on his boat, including

the painting, and will soon launch it on the lake. Samuel Todd has just completed a handsome skiff for George W. Webster, Jr. She is a beauty. Mr. Todd is to build one for A. Wood, and also one for Amasa McDonald" (Windham County Transcript, June 18, 1890).

"The Transcript force, without a dissenting vote, declare the 'ice cream and orange sherbet' combination which Woodis has invented this season to be one of the choicest delicacies that ever tempted human palates. Two experts who opportunely arrived at the scene of attack joined in the voice of approval." (WCT, July 2, 1890).

The year 1890 saw a Fourth of July parade in Danielson. "The uniforms for the St. James band were purchased through Peter Breault, the clothier, of Boston parties. The cloth is blue, trimmed with red and gold, and the uniforms are not only neat and serviceable but quite showy. The band numbers 23 musicians, and on the morning of the Fourth, marching up Main Street, they made a splendid appearance, playing finely for a band that has been practicing only about a year.



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Their leader is Mr. Hawkins" (WCT, Feb. 9, 1890).

Several years later a number of significant changes were occurring in Danielson during the summer of 1893. Work was begun on Madame Cyr's new business block. The leading feature of the structure was that it had the largest plate glass windows in town.

"The whole lower front will be nearly one continuous wall of plate glass, interrupted only by the doorways and wall supports...Of the three stores Madame Cyr will occupy one; the others have not yet been rented. Madame Cyr will also occupy one of the tenements and Dr. LeClair has already engaged the other. Madame Cyr intends to have the stores heated by steam." (WCT, Jun 21, 1893).

Madame Valerie Cyr commenced her millinery business in Danielson in 1876. She was apparently quite successful for it was uncommon for a female to have had a business block constructed. For a photo of the Cyr Block see Images of America Killingly by Natalie L. Coolidge and Robert A. Spencer, p. 31.

The summer of 1893 saw a number of Danielson(ville) business establishments installing electric lighting. (Oh, how I treasure being able to flip a switch and instantly have light).

"The use of electricity for interior illumination in our borough is fast becoming an established fact. It was only a few weeks ago that we noted the fact that Messrs. Sherman & Keach had introduced the arc light into their store, and the introduction of the incandescent into Mr. Flagg's store was chronicled only a week or two later. These announcements would have been more significant if it had

not been for the fact that at time the light was available only at those times when the current was turned on for the street lights...Last week F. A. Shumway & Co. and Mr. E. W. Hayward had the arc light put into their stores and Mr. Flagg has also an arc lamp in addition to his incandescents, four stores on Main Street being thus already so equipped..." (WCT, July 12, 1893).

For a photo of an early street light located on Main Street near Academy Street see Images of America Killingly, p. 31. Both that and the Cyr building are on the same page.

The following summer saw the blossoming of Alexander's Lake as a resort. "Wildwood Park (Alexander's Lake) is one of the prettiest country resorts to be found in this section. The handsome dwelling house has been changed into a hotel, with the sign to the public 'Wright's Hotel.' A large dance hall near the hotel and close to the beautiful lake is being erected, and everything put in true summer seashore resort style." (WCT, May 23, 1894).

The June 20 issue of the Transcript reported that the "new dance hall at Alexander's Lake was dedicated Tuesday evening." According to Images of America Killingly that dance hall was a forerunner of the building that was used in the more modern era, which was erected in 1923 (p. 94).

The same week that the dance hall was dedicated, in Danielson "the band stand in Davis Park will be finished..." As St. James' band gave the first and largest subscription, all will agree that they should have the honor of being the first band to give a concert in the new stand, if they wish to" (WCT, June 20, 1894). The St. James Band did not end up giving the first concert. "The first concert on the new band stand in Davis Park was given Saturday evening by the Mechanics band, numbering 22 members. St. James will give a concert next Saturday evening." (WCT, July 11, 1894).

"Important Notice. Ball Playing on Streets and Bicycle Riding on Sidewalks

are Forbidden. The Chief of Police is directed to enforce the following by-law regarding bicycle riding: Every person who shall ride, drive or lead any horse, or drive any vehicle or cattle of the neat kind, or ride any bicycle, tricycle or velociped, or propel any barrow, upon any sidewalk in the borough shall be fined an amount not to exceed \$10. Also to stop all ball playing in the streets. Per Order of Court of Burgesses, W. H. Hamilton, Warden" (WCT, July 11, 1894).

The residents must have been fond of creating their own entertainment in those days prior to radio or television. "A ball game between the east and west side of Main Street by those only who do not know anything about playing ball, is the next number on the base ball program. And the umpire and scorer must be totally ignorant of the laws governing the game. That this game will furnish the most amusement of any one yet played here, no one doubts. Two clubs are being organized among the middle-aged business men of the place, who will play an up-to-date game of baseball, the date to be announced hereafter. As none of those enlisted have played ball for years there will be plenty of fun. A small admission fee will be charged, part of which will be devoted to light refreshments for the weary players and the balance will be given to some local charity, which should insure a liberal patronage." (WCT, July 18, 1894).

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QUOTATION OF THE WEEK

"Research shows that when students feel safe, they focus on learning; their academic achievements increase. After careful deliberation, the Board of Trustees approved an administrative recommendation for armed security on campus, which will start with the 2016-2017 school year. This is the next logical step in the safety of our campus."

- Woodstock Academy Headmaster Chris Sandford, commenting on the Academy's newly implemented plan to add armed security this fall.

AT CT AUDUBON

Bird sightings at Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Pomfret and Wyndham Land Trust properties for the week of June 27:
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Field Sparrow, Blue-winged Warbler, Veery, Wood Thrush, American Kestrel, Cedar Waxwing, Barred Owl, Scarlet Tanager, Ovenbird, American Redstart, Red-eyed Vireo, White-eyed Vireo, Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Barn Swallow, Wild Turkey. Visit www.ctaudubon.org/center-at-pomfret.

Wildflowers currently in bloom or about to bloom at Connecticut Audubon Society's Bafflin Sanctuary in Pomfret for the week of June 27:
Birdsfoot Trefoil, Deptford Pink, Common Fleabane, Black-eyed Susan, Ox-eye Daisy, Yarrow, Common Milkweed, Orange Milkweed, Swamp Milkweed, Water Lily, Swamp Azalea, Pickerelweed.

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Saturday afternoon in Owen Bell Park

DAYVILLE — Family and friends enjoyed a sunny Saturday afternoon over the Fourth of July weekend at Owen Bell Park.



Charlie Lentz photos

From left, John Surrell, Edward Surrell and Ed McAuliffe.



Page Krupula, left, Alyssa Borowski and Landon Vinal.



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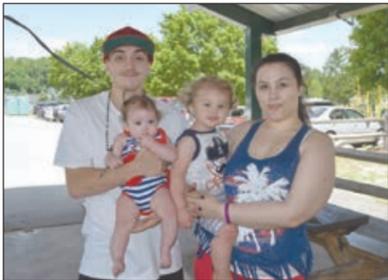
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Jocelyne Ruffo, CCMC, Revenue Collector



Anthony Tella holds Layla Tella, and Caitlin Tracy holds Anthony Tella, Jr.



Bob Pepe and his son, Robert.



From left, Annie Wittmann, Emily Taylor and Alexis Wittman holding Matthew Wittman.

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Putnam First Friday embraces Boston culture

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM — Putnam embraced the city of Boston on July 1 as the town braved the rain for the third First Friday event of 2016. Titled “Beantown and the Cradle of Liberty,” the event not only celebrated one of the most successful sports cities in the United States, but also the city’s connection to the birth of the nation with the Fourth of July weekend officially in full swing. Hats and shirts showing love for Boston sports teams and even a few celebrating Canada Day, which also fell on July 1, filled the crowded downtown area of Putnam as the music of some of Boston’s most successful bands and Boston themed activities and art exhibits created a fan friendly atmosphere and a fun time for all at First Friday.



Jason Bleau photos

Big Ten Inch, an Aerosmith tribute band, brought the popular tunes of one of Boston’s most storied musical success stories to the stage for Putnam’s First Friday on July 1.



Ladies from the Complex Performing Arts Center show off their Boston pride and dance moves during a practice run of one of their routines.



Not only was July 1 the unofficial celebration of the Fourth of July on Putnam’s Main Street and a celebration of the city of Boston, but with it also being Canada Day on July 1 many also wore Canadian pride shirts and hats to embrace the history of the United States’ neighboring country as well.



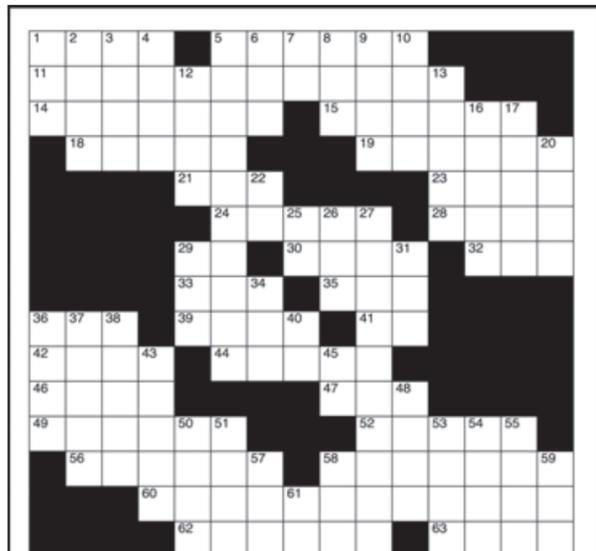
Anna Charron of Millbury, Mass. shows off a little upper body strength as she takes a turn on a pull-up bar provided by the local Young Marines.



Katie Partlow of Putnam stands for a photo in front of a Fenway Park-inspired background during her time at Putnam’s First Friday on July 1.



The folks at Artique, as they do every First Friday, presented a fitting work of art painted over the course of the evening. Their latest project depicts a statue of Paul Revere in the city of Boston.

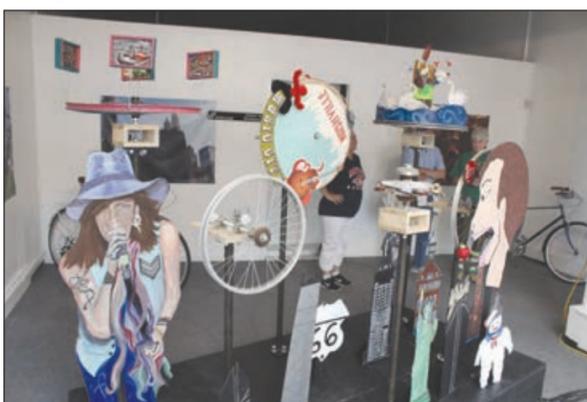


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Systems, doctrines, theories
- 5. Belle’s friend Chip was one
- 11. NBA MVP
- 14. Preminent
- 15. ___ and the Beast
- 18. Round, flattish cap
- 19. Bright
- 21. Unpleasant person
- 23. Passes through a wheel’s center
- 24. The New York ___
- 28. Military alliance
- 29. He prosecutes the accused
- 30. Noble act
- 32. Handyman’s tool
- 33. Austrian river
- 35. An accountant certified by the state
- 36. Dad (slang)
- 39. Women
- 41. Type of blood
- 42. Ambush
- 44. Measuring instrument
- 46. Protein-rich liquids
- 47. Socially conservative person (Australian)
- 49. Girl
- 52. Small Spanish dishes
- 56. Mexican plant
- 58. About thigh
- 60. Absorptive
- 62. Diner
- 63. Ethnic group of Laos

CLUES DOWN

- 1. International radio band
- 2. Thrust
- 3. Measures insignificance
- 4. Appears on Roman currency
- 5. Does not drink
- 6. Midway between northeast and east
- 7. Actinium
- 8. A Chicago ballplayer
- 9. Compound
- 10. Former British pol Derek
- 12. Color properties
- 13. Chinese magnolia
- 16. American state
- 17. Conference of Allied leaders
- 20. Cats “say” this
- 22. Didymium
- 25. He conducts physicals
- 26. European Economic Community
- 27. Individually
- 29. Begetter
- 31. Press against lightly
- 34. Licensed for Wall Street
- 36. Posttraumatic stress disorder
- 37. Mountain nymph (Greek)
- 38. Italian city
- 40. South Dakota
- 43. Rank in the Ottoman Empire
- 45. In the year of the Lord (abbr.)
- 48. Explorer Vasco da ___
- 50. Besides
- 51. Bart’s sister
- 53. They hold plants
- 54. Song
- 55. Rescue
- 57. Small island
- 58. Coniferous tree
- 59. Albanian currency
- 61. OFI



A very unique display called a “Kinetic Bike Sculpture” was on display during Putnam’s First Friday. The sculpture was a five-month effort by The Stealthy Street Art Crew of Putnam’s First Friday Committee and is a staple of every First Friday event this year.



One of many “art attack” events on Putnam’s Main Street for First Friday, this performer lip-synced to the popular Boston anthem “Sweet Caroline” by Neil Diamond with the entire crowd getting into the action by singing along.



Members of the Putnam Business Association greeted visitors to Putnam’s Main Street throughout the evening for Putnam’s First Friday event.



Christopher and Dante Brisson of Putnam stopped on Main Street showing off their pride in the Boston Red Sox during the Boston-themed First Friday event.



The Tuesday Saints provided some great musical entertainment on Main Street as visitors walked through several vendors that turned out for the big event.



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The second annual Lower Quaddick Lake boat parade took place on Sunday, July 3.

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GRADE 11

High Honors: Schaleemar Alicea-Leandry, Joshua Cole Allen, Demetri Paul Arsenault, Deidra Alice Askitis, Ryan Michael Barthelet, Harrison James Basley, Sean James Bennett, Elizabeth Marie Birt, Dominic Aaron Bisson, David Ronald Blain, Ryder Joseph Boisselle, Luke Frederick Campos, Skye Elizabeth Challinor,

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Honors: Elualio Samuel Alvarez, Makayla Lynn Barrows, Cole Howard Blair, Danielle Cinthia L Bousquet, Brandon R Cady, John William Chiavarini, Joseph Anthony-Edward Choiniere, Kayli-Ann Taylor Clark, Corey Jaden Collard, Waylin Jeffrey Collins, Darius Nathaniel-Charles Deveny, Leslie Joan Diaz, Kevin Ross Dimock, Parker Ryan Doss, Preston Riley Doss, Heidi Lynn Ducat, Katelyn Ann Elie, Benjamin Jacob Figueira, Jaime Joel Garcia, Baltazar Joel Gonzalez, Jacob Joseph Graffam, Harley Ann Marie Graham, Jordan Anthony Hill, Christina Marie Jean, Brendan S Kania, Zachary George Kettle, Jacob Ryan Kreger, Amber Ashley Kuuttila, Dustin Alan Langlois, Megan Katherine Langlois, Corey Michael Leoni, Andrew Ray Levesque, Justin T Lumbra, Caitlin Leandra Martelle, Craig Peter Martin, Nicole Kathryn McCracken, Robert Alexander Mcrae, Emily Rosalia Mead, Zachary Joseph Messier, Lance William Metzger, Jordan Edward Mileski, Nicholas Ryan Miller, Spiro Dimitrios Thomas Mournouris, Kyle Patrick Percy, Alyssa Karen Pignataro, Michael Andrew Postemsky, Hunter C Raymond, Zachary James Reid,

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High Honors: Firas M Aldarawch, Christopher Daniel Arpin, Travis John Baker, Hailey Shay Barrows, Amanda Lynn Battey, Nevin Earl Beausoleil, Evan Brian Benoit, Phillippe Christopher Breault, Kyle Ryan Brown, Jaclyn Rose Burdzel, Ashleigh Jennifer Carignan, Benjamin D Caron, Anna Lise Carpentier, Makayla Suzanne Christensen, Haylea Anne Corriveau, Roger Scott Coutu, Sierra Monique Danyow, Brian Joseph Davis, Colin Robert James DelSanto, Alexander Mychale Deschamps, Joseph Ronald DiBenedetto, Sophie DiPanni, Thomas John Ellis, Joshua Patrick Fingerle, Ciera Noel Fontaine, Alexxis Morghin Fultz, Corey Michael Golden, Michael Anthony Guilmette, Alec Michael Hammel, Andrew Francis Hansen, Autumn Jackson, Kevin Patrick Kelley, Mason J Lafleur, Andrew Lamoureux, Brooke June Langley, Tyler Matthew Langlois, Zachary David Lavoie, Tristan Scott Lee, Camron Chad Louis, Megan Rose Manning, Michaela Grace Marshall, Sierra Mercier, Brendan Reed Miller, Mason Morissette, Gavin R Murphy, Abigail Newland, Caitlyn Marie Norton, Ryan James O'Hara, Vincent Olsen, Andrew Thomas Pember, Steven William Rainville, Joseph Saccoccio, Kristal Salisbury, Joshua Hebert Sandage, Shealyn Schroth, Dianarys M Serrano, Marquis Tate Shaw, Ty Aaron Smith, Samuel Andrew Spelman, Kaitlyn Spink, Keegan Jared St Jean, Sydney Tetrault, Benjamin Ward Thibodeau, Gabrielle Tucker, Jacob Andrew Waite, Mya Eve Windrow, Evan Ryan Zach

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GRADE 9

High Honors: Frank J Abdullovski, Zachary A Andersen, Addison M Brown, Cody E Burke, Jebidiah X Burr, Alisha M Cesario, Joseph M Cosman, Madison R Coutu, Donald DeAngelis, Max C Degrin, Ethan M Dougherty, Jacob M Duprey, Matthew S Froehlich, Isabella I Fugazzi, Conor T Gagnon, Morgan F Harvey, Travis N Jacobson, Wessun D Jordan, Jonathon P Kolodziejczak, Zoe L Latterell, Michael E Mallett, Shelby A McAllian, Samantha A McLaughlin, Savannah L Mendez, Luke H Norman, Mikayla C Peters, Ellie F Pettigrew, Hunter J Read, Trevor D Roberts, Sean A Scepanski, Jillian I Schmeelk, Alexandra J Schotts, Haley R Sokolowski, Brileigh J Suntheimer, Joshua A Sychevsky, Jacob Tremblay, Andrew R Troniar, Jonathon P Varga

Honors: Matthew S Adamick, Cameron L Blanchard, Brendan A Buquiran, Remanje O Carter, Shelby L Charbonneau, Justin A Combies, Delaney A Cross, Benjamin W Davidson, Chelsea J Demers, Alexandra L Filbert, Matthew R Fitzpatrick, Tatiana Garcia, Daniel C Goebel, Olivia H Gould, Logan I Gustafson, Zachary J Ivans, Jacob R Keefe, Hailey R Kennett, Jonathan A Knowlton, Michael W Kovacs, Jacob A Laffleur, Caleb J Lajeunesse, Dylan C Magao, Amber L Morin, Summer D Mosley, Sydney A Nault, Nicholas A Nunn, Brendon A Paquin, Dylan A Para, Kyle R Proulx, Joseph A Ritchie, Halle A Rodriguez, Devin M Roy, Lukas E Skaradowski, Brandon A Souksavath, Ryan B Sweet, Christian M Thomasson, Jenna K White, John Paul L Zlotnick

KILLINGLY HIGH HONOR ROLL

The following Killingly High School seniors achieved high honors in quarter 4:

Frances Ashun, Tyra Bergstrom, Meagan Bianchi, Brooke Blanchette, Jarrett Greb, Jillian Grimshaw, Michael Raheb, Alyssa Rainey, Vanessa Soto, Anthony Sychevsky, Taylor Viele, and Kayla Zmayefski.

First Honors include:

Bernice Boateng, Stephen Conde, Abigail DeAngelis, Blake Deschamps, Regan Disco, Duncan Driscoll, Karim Elgebaly, Gino Ferraj, Autumn Fortin, Anika Frink, Nicholas Malone, Tyler Metivier, Dayle Parsons, Madison Ruta, Colby Sandman, Joseph Santese III, Emily Sweet, Michael Wetherell, and Hailey Zulkiewicz.

Second Honors include:

Kristie Alexander, Alyshia Allen, Abigail Blouin, Mead Bragdon, Kyle Cyr, Brandon Desjardins, Madison Field, Madison Flerra-Weaver, Kris-Anne Genus, Benaiah George, Austin Gill, Derek Grzysiewicz, Sydney Guari, Sean Guerin, Robert Joao,

Alexandra Lamontagne, Larry Lane, James Lantigua, Justin Lasher, Gabrielle Lavoie, Matthew Mayotte, Kayla Mineau, Angie Prindle, Tayler Shea, Cory Sipos, Karissa Slowik, Kaylee Staton, Megan Vertefeulle, Chace Wood, and Jack Zornado.

The following juniors achieved High Honors in quarter 4:

Jeremy Brown and Sarah Pasqualetti.

First Honors include:

Megan Cassada, Cameron Chahanovich, Emily Ernest, Erin Kiltyka, Emma Nichols, Karyn Stamper, and Olivia Swanson. Second Honors include:

Dominic Barclay, Kathryn Bellavance, Marjorie Berkery, Haylee Boudreau, Hailey Cacciapouti, Jordan Chenette, Ethan Corrigan, Haley Costello, Ava Crescimanno, Kyle Derosier, Dylan Desjardins, Jeffrey Duplisea, Andrew Duval, Armando Ferraj, Payton Fitzgerald, Destiny Gonyer, Jared Gosper, Samantha Hindle, Brody Hopkins, Megan

Hyatt, Sherquan Jn Baptiste, Patrick Joao, Lindsey Julian, Allison Keeling, Owen Kelly, Isabella Latour-Gervais, Lorraine Lawson, Brandon Lemire, Morgan LeSage, Jason Muscara, Katelyn Picariello, Angelia Rafter, Michaela Raymond, Aboyowa Rone, Haley Russo, Brittany Souksavath, Ashley Spalty, Justin St. Onge, Kaitlyn Stevens, Abigail Teczar, Abigail vanderSwaagh, Averi Walch, Hannah Weiss, and Eliana West.

The following sophomores achieved High Honors in quarter 4:

Emily Morin, Reagan Morin, Lynzee Ritchie, and Julia Traftaconda.

First Honors include:

Taerang Bae, Brandon Cacciapouti, Ryan Comtois, Alexandria Conde, Justin Heath, Emily Keeling, Corrine Khamphoukeo, Jenna McCauley, Jared Olson, Zachary Schena, and Alexis Smith. Second Honors include: Krystyna Andrews, Sarah Azizi, Alexis Bedard, Allison

Bonneau, Samuel Burdick, Johnathan Cacciapouti, Sierra Cassano, Lyllan Cheeks, Ashley Depointe, Brett Dexter, Jacob Gauthier, Courtney Greene, Grace Higgins, Nicholas Hindle, Felicia Horne, Rachel Hultzman, Sean Johndrow, Madison Laperle, Dylan LeDuc, Britney Mares, Alyssa Mason, Jayson McAuliffe, Julia Morrison, Logan O'Rourke, Ericka Olsen, Connor Pellitier, Carlos Poch, Erika Rivera, Aeron Sampson, Kory Seiden, Nicholas Theroux, Alyssa Tracy, Devin Turchetta, Ashley Veillette, Stephen Wetherell, Jacob Zadora, and Meredith Zamperini.

The following freshmen achieved High Honors in quarter 4:

Jennifer Burdick, Taylor Jax, Allison Levesque, Brynly Rich, and Blake Wolanin.

First Honors include:

Karena Ayotte, Jacob Brower, Skyler Cummings, Savannah Ferguson, Andrea Filbert, Ezra George, Jasmine Hunt, Trevor Johnson, Noah Marcoux, Lauren Mayotte,

Prachi Patel, Dylan Petersen, Joseph Raheb, and Emily Robinson.

Second Honors include:

Kelsey Allen, Terren Allen, Jasmine Alvord, Katherine Archambault, Camille Benoit, Bryce Bentinck, Colin Bragdon, Meghan Briquier, Taylor Charron, Allison Cheng, Tyler Chitmanotham, Alexandra Chitwood, Nicole Credit, Kera Crossman, Lauryn Durand, Ronald Ernest, Jean Foraker, Tres-Belle Gaudette, Quinlan Gervasio, Grace Hebert, Shannon Higbee, Hailey Jimenez, Colby Johndrow, Violet Khoshtariya, Taylor Knupp, Trevor LaFlamme, Nathan Laffleur, Luke Lageman, Cecilia LeBlanc, Alexis Lirette, Nolan Marcoux, Kylee Mazzarella, Kaitlyn McCrory, Dylan McMerriman, Alexandria Morrisette, Kaitlyn Peckham, Sedona Pratt, Gabriella Ross, David Rull, Jamie Shay, Morgan Tamburri, Arianna Toth, Emily Watling, and Aubrey Woods.

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EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

University of Delaware

NEWARK, Del. — Nicholas Kowalchuk and Emma Newell, both of Pomfret Center, were recently named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2016 semester. The Dean's List recognizes outstanding academic performances by undergraduate students. A minimum of 12 graded credits and a grade point average of at least 3.33 are honored with Dean's List recognition.

Norwich University

NORTHFIELD, Vt. — Nicholas Anthony Listro, of Woodstock, earned Dean's List honors for an excellent Spring 2016 semester.

Regis College

WESTON, Mass. — Rachel Gagnon, of Ashford, Class of 2016, is among the students who attained Dean's List honors. To be eligible for the Dean's List as a senior, students must have a semester GPA of at least 3.5.

Central Connecticut State University

NEW BRITAIN — Jessica L. Musto

of Woodstock has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring semester of 2016. Musto is entering her final semester and is majoring in Biology. Students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

TROY, N.Y. — John Neill of Woodstock has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2016 semester. The Dean's List recognizes full-time students who maintain grade point averages of a minimum of 3.0 out of a possible 4.0 and have no grades below "C." Neill studies Biomedical Engineering.

Killingly Public Schools

KILLINGLY — Killingly Public Schools announces free summer meals! For kids and teens 18 and under.

Two locations: Westfield Café at 79 Westfield Ave., Danielson (KPS Central Office, old high school) and Killingly High School, 226 Putnam Pike, Dayville.

Please visit Killingly Public Schools website for lunch menu — <http://www.killinglyschools.org>. Continental breakfast served every morning.

Dates of operation: July 5 through Aug. 5, Monday through Friday.

Times of Service: Breakfast served 8:30-9:15 a.m. Lunch served 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Please visit: www.ctsummermeals.org for the most up-to-date site information.

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New Regional PowerSchool User Group to Meet July 20

HAMPTON — In response to requests from PowerSchool users across eastern Connecticut, EASTCONN and LEARN are teaming up to host a free, regional user group that will connect members with one another, and inform them about the latest PowerSchool software updates and data-reporting mandates.

The Eastern Connecticut PowerSchool User Group will hold its first meeting on Wednesday, July 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at EASTCONN's Conference Center, 376 Hartford Turnpike (Route 6), in Hampton. Lunch will be provided by EASTCONN. The group's quarterly meetings will alternate between EASTCONN's Conference Center and LEARN's 44 Hatchett Hill Road facility in Old Lyme. The next meeting will be held in the fall, date to be determined.

"PowerSchool users throughout eastern Connecticut have requested user-group meetings closer to home, so they don't have to travel to Hartford to find the PowerSchool expertise and resources they need," said Linda Brock, EASTCONN's student information sys-

tems specialist. "Now, our region's guidance counselors, technology and administrative staff will be able to connect with peers to share ideas and keep up-to-date on developments in student data systems and reporting."

The new group will examine PowerSchool systems that include Student Information, PowerTeacher Gradebook/Pro, Learning, Assessment, Analytics, Messaging and Registration, and more, Brock said.

Brock will co-facilitate the PowerSchool group with LEARN Coordinator of Student Information Wendy Jean Sonstrom. EASTCONN and LEARN are public, non-profit, Regional Educational Service Centers, established by the Connecticut legislature to offer cost-effective programs and services that serve the education needs of schools and communities in northeastern (EASTCONN, at www.eastconn.org) and southeastern (LEARN www.learn.k12.ct.us) Connecticut.

To register for the free Users Group, go to <http://rs.registereastconn.org/courses/view/id/14164>, or visit www.eastconn.org and click on Registration at the top of the page. Scroll down to Regional Groups and Councils.

For more information, contact EASTCONN's Linda Brock at lbrock@eastconn.org, or 860-455-1521; or contact LEARN's Wendy Jean Sonstrom at wjsonstrom@learn.k12.ct.us, or 860-434-4800.

TOURTELLOTTE MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL FOURTH QUARTER HONOR ROLL

GRADE 9

High Honors: Jaylyn Armstrong, Natalie Benton, Brian Beresik, Amanda Bogoslofski, Marissa Elkinson, Spencer Fulone, Halladay Glode, Chloe Graca, Rori Johnson, Stephany Kolodziejczak, Daniel Langlois, Devin Nichols, Lauren Ramos, Lindsey Seney

Honors: Ashley Bonnette, James Cooper, Olivia Cunha, Anthony Ferraro, Katherine Heffernan, Nicholas Kolodziejczak, Brennan O'Brien, Mary Steglitz, Jacqueline Wheeler, Jolie Wilber

Recognition: Tava Castano, Nicholas Chace, Alexander Chedda, Travis

Cournoyer, Karissa Gaudlap, Brendan Henry, Brianna Loffredo, Patrick Monahan, Eric Parafinowicz, Dylan Vincent

GRADE 10

High Honors: Julia Annese, Olivia Antonson, Shannon Gauthier, Justyna Gil, Michaela Godzik, Kevin Gomes, Sidney Ratliff, Maegan Roy, Jordon Sroczenski

Honors: Kendra Annis, Joseph Bogoslofski, Morgan Graham, Joshua Houghton, Katey Kwasniewski, Benjamin Leveille, Samantha Morin, Alex Rooney, Rebecca Torres, Skyla

Wesolowski

Recognition: Nicholas Elliott, Connor Monahan, Julia Pezzano, Caleb St. Onge

GRADE 11

High Honors: Victoria Babcock, Karista Brissette, Emma Fahey, Jake Sullivan, Jennifer Vear, Taylor Ware

Honors: Haley Fettig, Mia Krysa, Hailie Lemieux, Stephanie Prouty, Emily Vincent

Recognition: Mackenzie Anderson, Eric Borski, Cody Jacques, Sophia Prouty

GRADE 12

High Honors: Kayli Annese, Jared Annis, Cory Houghton, Michaela Johnson, Christina Kopacz, Sarah Langlois, Breanna Rice, Emily Szamocki

Honors: Samantha Anderson, Alexander Angelo, Hunter Angelo, Mariah Beausoleil, Julianna Brissette, Lindsey DeFilippo, Grace Deneault, Emily Dunn, Tyler Hopkins, Daniel Majercik

Recognition: Elizabeth Jourdan, Troy Morin, Courtney Raduege, Carinne Sosnowski, Justin Tennant

Fortezza performs songs of the world at Westview



Courtesy photo

On June 10 the group "Fortezza," a mixture of 13 select fourth grade chorus members from Mary R. Fisher Elementary School, performed at Westview Health Care Center.

Residents and patients of Westview Health Care Center were pleased to welcome the group "Fortezza" back to their facility's formal dining room on June 10. Fortezza, a group of 13 select fourth grade chorus members from Mary R. Fisher Elementary School in Thompson, performed an hour-long set of 19 songs from around the world. The students performed in the native language of each song — a feat that spanned 13 different languages and included the instrumentation indigenous to each region. The students utilized numerous percussion instruments including xylophones, glockenspiels, metallophones, a gong, triangle and tambourine.

Carol Rosetti, music educator at Mary R. Fisher Elementary School, directed her talented group of performers with profound efficiency despite the technical variances that each song constituted, all while providing musical accompaniment via piano, guitar or ukulele.

"The level of dedication and professionalism that these students possess is truly inspiring," stated David T. Panteleakos, Administrator. "We commend and thank Mrs. Rosetti and Mary R. Fisher Elementary School for their ability to create and achieve a performance of this caliber. We're honored to have Fortezza share their talents with us today."

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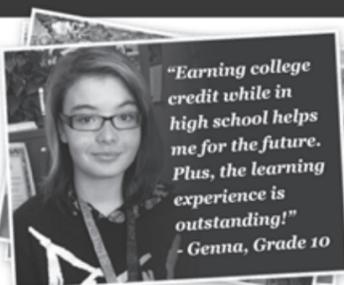
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Fancy Food Show in NYC

The Fancy Food Show at Javitz Center in New York City was stunning. With over 5,000 exhibitors, my husband and I were dazzled as we walked for miles up and down the long rows of food products from all over the world. The streaks of color, the vibrant aromas, the dizzying array of packaging and the attractive, energized people made the event feel like a giant marketplace, ready to broadcast goods across all borders to all people.

The place pulsed with the rhythm of commerce as deals were made, contracts were signed and ideas were exchanged. The largest section was allotted to the Italians, who stepped from behind their booths to shake hands, proffer excellent samples of products from pasta to pecorino. The men looked as if they had stepped from Armani ads and the women were dressed to perfection. Conversations, laughter, heavy cologne and espresso made the Italian enclave pulse with life.

The French on the other hand, held back, glued to their cellphones or staring blankly at some middle distances. If one wanted to sample their wares, most of which were beautifully packaged and delicious, go ahead they would say with a dismissive wave of a manicured hand, but don't waste my time chatting me up. One had the impression that the real client was waiting in the wings somewhere and their presence at the Fancy Food show was just a time waster.

We enjoyed meeting Peruvians, who were selling jars of asparagus and Mexicans with exquisitely designed packages of moles. The best array of U.S. goods was from Vermont, which must have state funding to provide a coordinated look for the small purveyors who were represented at the show. We loved with the people at a booth from Cundy's Harbor, Maine, who market frozen lobster dinners. They buy locally, process and ship the product. They were enthusiastic about what they had to sell and their story. I was disappointed when I talked with two women from a supermarket chain about the lobster product. They dismissed my enthusiasm with the comment that it was just too expensive. Perhaps there is a way to buy it directly.

Family businesses are the most interesting. The effort, the risk and sheer hope linked the enterprises regardless of where they originated. The truest entrepreneurs are the biggest dreamers and food brought them to NYC believing that their grandmother's fudge or family olive grove would be loved by the masses. I was rooting for every one of them.

My husband became a chocolatier a few years ago. We went to a meeting of the chocolate association the night before the Fancy Food Show. The group is small, but growing. Artisanal chocolate is labor intensive and the raw product is expensive, but fascinating. We met cacao growers from Central America and shop owners from North America. As with many foods, the genetic diversity of cacao is changing. Indigenous varieties are being abandoned for trees that produce more beans faster. The chocolate association has a foundation to preserve heirloom varieties to maintain their special flavors. We were happy to buy a few raffle tickets to help the cause.

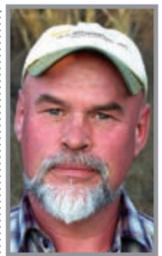
We watch cooking shows by the ladleful these days. My husband has begun dusting off his chocolate tools. Attending the Fancy Food Show was an indulgence. As we sampled one item after another, I thought about the connections we make through food and glories of the marketplace. I hoped all the little guys would make it. I was glad I wasn't manning a booth, but grateful for the talent that crosses all borders to bring us remarkable, memorable food.



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OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gun-controlling Democrats have given up on the Constitution

To the Editor,

Last week's Villager article, "Legislators respond to votes on gun control," perfectly illustrates what a sorry group of representatives this state currently has in Congress.

The comments of Senators Blumenthal and Murphy, and Representative Courtney, make it perfectly clear that they have zero respect for the rights of Americans as guaranteed in our Constitution.

I am not talking about just our 2nd Amendment rights to keep and bear arms, but also those established in the 5th Amendment, which state that "No person shall be ... deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law."

This is what was at the heart of the debate in the Senate after the tragic attack in Orlando in June, but the Villager article only covered one side of the debate.

Leaving aside the disrespectful activity of the Democrats' House sit-in, and the utterly childish comments by our Senators demonstrating that they have more disdain for both Republicans and the National Rifle Association than they do for Islamic State terrorists, the most important thing the article overlooked was that both Senators had an opportunity to vote on a Republican measure that would have given them exactly what they claimed to want, while still upholding American citizens' rights to due process of law. Both voted against it.

The article mentioned the two amendments put forth by the Democrats, but failed to mention the two amendments put forth by Republicans, including the SHIELD amendment.

Sen. John Cornyn's SHIELD amendment (No. 4749) to Sen. Feinstein's original amendment (No. 4720) would have allowed the government to delay firearms sales to suspected terrorists for up to three business days, giving the government time to file an emergency petition to stop the sale altogether. A hearing

would then be held in a court of law, and the attempted purchaser would be notified of the hearing and would have the right to participate in it. If the government could successfully make the case that the sale is a threat to society or national security, the sale would not take place.

But the government has to prove a threat. Simply being on a terror watch list or a no-fly list is not sufficient grounds to deny someone a Constitutional right. Even the left-leaning ACLU is opposed to such ideas, as there is numerous evidence that almost anyone can end up on such a list for almost any reason, and it is nearly impossible to then remove oneself.

When Rep. Courtney says, "I cannot fathom what the rationale is for allowing people who are banned from flying on airplanes because they are suspected terrorists to continue buying firearms just like any other person," he is either being disingenuous or he is not even trying to listen to those on the other side of the aisle who have repeatedly explained the Constitutional rationale for their opposition.

Apart from cynically voting against a measure that would have given them the gun control measures they claimed to want for purely political purposes, the statements made by these three Connecticut representatives make it clear that they either do not understand the Constitution they took an oath to uphold, or they are willing to sabotage our Constitutional rights to accomplish their own political agendas. I will leave it to the readers to decide which. Neither option is favorable.

I hope everyone will remember their actions in November, when we will have an opportunity to replace Sen. Blumenthal and Rep. Courtney with folks who actually care about the freedoms our Founding Fathers fought for.

BENJAMIN NEWELL,
 WOODSTOCK

Thank you to organizers, sponsors of Ovarian Cancer Research Golf Tournament

To the Editor,

Jimmy Fund Golf extends its sincerest thanks to the organizers and sponsors of the Ovarian Cancer Research Tournament held on June 5, 2016 at Connecticut National in Putnam. Special recognition and appreciation goes to Cynthia Johnson of Webster, Mass. and the committee who organized the third annual event.

The dedicated sponsors, participants, and volunteers helped raise critical funds to support The Ovarian Cancer Research Fund at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

The Ovarian Cancer Research Tournament is one of the many golf tournaments that will be held in 2016 to raise funds for the Jimmy

Fund and Dana-Farber.

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NANCY ROWE
 ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT,
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SOUND OFF

Killingly police force needed in town

The Killingly Town Council never fails to amaze me. They requisition this "Tiffany Glass" artwork at a cost I don't know how much to start with and then spend over \$2,000 to get it fixed when it was vandalized. It seems like everyone but them knew it was only a matter of time before it got trashed and now they are going to monitor surveillance cameras to catch whoever breaks it again. On top of it all, unless someone told you or you read about it in the newspaper, you wouldn't have a clue as to what the pretty glass in the middle

of town next to the train tracks represents. I feel it's safe to say it isn't a magnet for those passing through town.

But do you think that they thought of lighting and surveillance cameras by the ever so popular amphitheater and footbridge where drug deals go down like clockwork? How about a few cameras placed in other areas?

Sure, there now is a task force concentrating on the undesirables, but is it possible it's too little too late? We need a police force in town, not just resident troopers.

NEWS BRIEF

Killingly delegation welcomes small cities grant for Maple Courts

KILLINGLY — State Senator Mae Flexer (D-Danielson), State Representative Christine Rosati Randall (D-Killingly) and State Representative Danny Rovero (D-Killingly) welcomed news that Governor Dannel P. Malloy has named Killingly as one of 21 municipalities that will receive funding through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Small Cities program.

Killingly — \$800,000 — Maple Court Congregate Rehabilitation Project: The town, in cooperation with the Killingly Housing Authority, will replace the kitchen cabinets, countertops, sinks, refrigerators and closet doors in all 43 affordable housing units at Maple Court. The project will also include replacement of exterior doors with ADA compliant entry ways, the replacement of commercial kitchen equipment, installation of new flooring, and upgrades to the elevator and emergency generator, and the installation of a new fire alarm system.

"I am very pleased that the governor and Connecticut Department of Housing are continuing to invest in affordable housing for seniors in Danielson," said Sen. Flexer. "These improvements will make the apartments at Maple Courts safer and more comfortable for my neighbors who call this community home."

"This is wonderful news for the residents of Maple Court," said Rep. Rosati Randall. "Investing in senior housing makes Killingly a welcoming community for all stages of life. Ensuring that residents have safe, affordable and accessible housing is important for improving day to day quality of life."

"I believe this is a wise use of taxpayer money," said Rep. Rovero. "These funds will go a long way to improve housing for our elderly residents. It is very important to provide a quality living environment for senior citizens. This is wonderful news for Killingly."

Pileated woodpecker

One of our most striking forest birds is *Dryocopus pileatus*, the Pileated Woodpecker. Also known as Logcock, it is nearly the largest woodpecker in North America, 17 inches tall, about the size of the crow. Only the extremely rare Ivory-bill Woodpecker is a bit bigger. Mostly black-feathered with facial white stripes on its neck and back, this amazing creature sports a brilliant red crest. Males exhibit a distinguishing red stripe on the cheek. A conspicuous small white patch occurs on wing edges. When clinging vertically to the sides of trees with prominent, triangular crests and largess it can be mistaken for no other. For those of us old enough to remember Saturday morning cartoons of a certain era, its characteristic profile is almost certainly the template used for the hyperactive if not downright crazed animated character, Woody Woodpecker. Contrarily, for their large size Logcock is very shy.

In flight both sexes display much white on their wings' undersides. Their flying pattern is similar to other woodpeckers in that they soar with a slight undulating dip during each flight segment, then flap their wings in slight ascent, then soar/dip again in a repeating pattern. This identifying trait demarcates them from the similar-sized crow whose flight tends to be more straight forward accompanied with periods of steadier flapping.

The Pileated ranges year round from Prince Edward Island, south to Florida, west to central Texas and north to southeastern Manitoba; then continues in a band west northwest through the central and western Canadian provinces dipping down into the U.S. northern Rocky Mountains to the Pacific Ocean in a narrowing swath to central California.

The population of this dramatic bird has gradually increased circa the start of the 20th Century as woodlands once again reestablished in the east. It had become quite rare as forests had been cleared for the pastoral, idyllic work of agriculture. When farming lessened numbers rebounded as forests regrew. Presently, where it has not been pestered Pileated Woodpecker has even adapted to wooded areas and parks at the verge of large cities. They are content in the spectrum from coniferous to deciduous woodlands. In the east young forests suffice but western populations seem to be drawn more to older growth.

One of its needs, both for food and nesting, is deceased but still standing trees. These magnificent long-necked birds hammer deep rectangular holes in both supine and standing trees in search of food. They pry and probe in the quest with strong, chiseled bills the color of charcoal. Carpenter ants, the bane of wooden structures and homeowners everywhere, make up approximately 60 percent of its diet supplemented with the larva of boring beetles, termites and other insects. Wild fruits, nuts and berries provide nearly 25 percent of its nutritional needs. When harvesting vegetarian fare Pileated Woodpeckers can be downright acrobatic. The abandoned cavities they create then become important sheltering opportunities to a number of species including owls, ducks, bats, pine martens and swifts. As do other woodpeckers Logcocks drum on dead trees to announce territorial claims. When they drill it is percussive, resonant, slow

Mid-year 2016: an investment reality check

Market volatility is alive and well in 2016. Low oil prices, China's slowing growth, the prospect of rising interest rates, the strong U.S. dollar, global conflicts — all of these factors have contributed to turbulent markets this year. Many investors may be tempted to review their portfolios only when the markets hit a rough patch, but careful planning is essential in all economic climates. So whether the markets are up or down, reviewing your portfolio with your financial professional can be an excellent way to keep your investments on track, and midway through the year is a good time for a reality check. Here are three questions to consider.



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ferring the proceeds to underrepresented asset classes, or simply by directing new contributions into asset classes that have been outpaced by others. Keep in mind that rebalancing may result in commission costs, as well as taxes if you sell investments for a profit.

Asset allocation does not guarantee a profit or protect against loss; it is a method used to help manage investment risk.

3. Am I maximizing my tax savings?

Taxes can take a significant bite out of your overall return. You can't control the markets, but you can control the accounts you use to save and invest, as well as the assets you choose to hold in those accounts. Consider the "tax efficiency" of your investment portfolio. Certain types of investments tend to result in larger tax bills. For example, investments that generate interest or produce short-term capital gains are taxed as ordinary income, which is usually a higher rate than long-term capital gains. Dividing assets strategically among taxable, tax-deferred, and tax-exempt accounts may help reduce the effect of taxes on your overall portfolio.

All investing involves risk, including the loss of principal, and there can be no guarantee that any investing strategy will be successful.

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make sure you know the total fees you are paying (e.g., mutual fund expense ratios, transaction fees), preferably as a dollar amount and not just as a percentage of assets.

2. Is my investment strategy on track?

Review your financial goals (e.g., retirement, college, house, car, vacation fund) and market outlook for the remainder of the year to determine whether your investment asset mix for each goal continues to meet your time frame, risk tolerance, and overall needs. Of course, no one knows exactly what the markets will do in the future, but by looking at current conditions, you might identify factors that could influence the markets in the months ahead — things like inflation, interest rates, and economic growth projections from the Federal Reserve. With this broader perspective, you can then update your investment strategy as necessary.

Remember, even if you've chosen an appropriate asset allocation strategy for various goals, market forces may have altered your mix without any action on your part. For example, maybe your target was 70 percent stocks and 30 percent bonds, but now you have 80 percent stocks and 20 percent bonds. To return your asset mix back to its original allocation, you may want to rebalance your investments. This can be done by selling investments and trans-

1. How are my investments doing?

Review a summary of your portfolio's total return (minus all fees) and compare the performance of each asset class against a relevant benchmark. For stocks, you might compare performance against the S&P 500, Russell 2000, or Global Dow; for mutual funds, you might use the Lipper indexes. (Keep in mind that the performance of an unmanaged index is not indicative of the performance of any specific security, and you can't invest directly in an unmanaged index.)

Consider any possible causes of over- or underperformance in each asset class. If any over- or underperformance was concentrated in a single asset class or investment, was that consistent with the asset's typical behavior over time? Or was recent performance an anomaly that bears watching or taking action? In addition,

WHAT IS IT?



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and loud. Sonorous, it carries on the wind a distance. Courtship behavior includes raising crests, spreading wings to display white patches, swinging heads in a back and forth motion plus showing off white while gliding in midair. Both sexes will hammer away at a chosen nesting site generally between 15 to 18 feet above the ground. Usually a dead, vertical tree is chosen where a deep cavity is hollowed. Less often a large dead branch may be utilized still connected to a living tree. On rare occasion the hole will be excavated in a utility pole. An average of four white eggs are laid. Incubation takes approximately 18 days and eggs are coddled by both parents. Males take nighttime duties and parts of each day setting on eggs in the countdown to hatching. Both parents hunt and tend fledglings by the regurgitation method of child rearing. Nestlings fledge by the 28th day and remain with mom and dad for two to three months learning independence and Pileated skills.

We spot individuals from time to time at the wooded edges of Quackin' Grass. Unfortunately, I've never had a camera at these moments. Many photos online can be accessed. One winning afternoon we spotted two together, either a mating pair or a parent with youngster. When surprised and alarmed the bird will fly to a tree much farther from your proximity while launching into a very loud, percussive and quickly repeated "cuk cuk cuk cuk cuk cuk, etc." Take note: this is your tip-off that an individual is near. Follow the series of rising and falling "cuks" and locate this woodland wonder. Look up. Listen. Enjoy.

Wayne Paquette is the owner of Quackin' Grass Nursery, 16 Laurel Hill Road, Brooklyn. For more information, call (860) 779-1732 or visit online at www.quackinggrassnursery.com.

Summer barbecue recipes

As we officially head into barbecue season, outdoor chefs everywhere are gearing up for a creative season of grilling. In fact, recent sun filled summer days have inspired more than a few impromptu backyard suppers. Whether you prefer the flavor of cooking over hot coals, or the convenience of gas grilling, the following recipes for rubs, glazes and marinades are just right for eager cooks who can't wait to "fire up the grill."



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KAREN TRAINOR

All Purpose Barbecue Dry Rub for Chicken — Be sure to apply this rub to dry chicken for superior flavor.

Ingredients: one quarter cup paprika; two tablespoons granulated garlic; two tablespoons granulated onion; two teaspoons peppercorns; one teaspoon dry mustard; one teaspoon chili powder; two tablespoons cumin seed, toasted; three tablespoons coriander seed, toasted; one quarter cup kosher salt; one quarter cup light brown sugar; chicken pieces.

Directions: Combine all ingredients and mix very well. Rub on chicken directly or coat in a plastic storage bag. Makes about 1 1/2 cups. ***

Classic BBQ Sizzling Sauce — This old fashioned sauce has been a favorite for decades. Best of all, it's made with common kitchen ingredients.

Ingredients: One cup condensed Tomato Soup; one quarter cup vinegar; one quarter cup vegetable oil; two tablespoons packed brown sugar; one tablespoon Worcestershire sauce; one teaspoon garlic powder; one eighth teaspoon hot sauce (optional) **Directions:** In small bowl, combine soup, vinegar, oil, brown

Tablespoon Worcestershire sauce; 1 pinch ground cloves; Hot sauce to taste

Directions: Fry and drain bacon; Add the onion and cook over medium until soft, 3-5 minutes. Add garlic at this point if you're using fresh and stir it for half a minute or so. Add the rest of the ingredients, plus about half a cup of water. Stir well. Allow to simmer or a half hour to marry flavors (sauce will cook down). Season to taste.

The recipe makes approximately 10 servings of 1/4 cup each. Each serving has about 3.5 grams of carbohydrate plus 1 gram of fiber.

Win Dinner for Two

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

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

NEWS BRIEF

Thompson Speedway to honor women of motorsports on July 9

THOMPSON — NASCAR racing returns to the high-banked oval at Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park (TSMP) for the only weekend night race of the summer on Saturday, July 9. In addition to featuring six thrilling divisions of racing, For the Fans Night will also include a special recognition for the women who help support TSMP's four NASCAR Whelen All-American Series (NWAAS) divisions and drivers.

Although not always in the spotlight, there are many women who show up to TSMP race after race, whether as car owner, crew member, spotter, race official, wife, daughter or friend. Without their support of the drivers and track, racing at TSMP would not be what it is today.

One familiar face at TSMP, Nanette Viens, has supported her husband Mike "Butch" Viens and son, Christopher, in the Mini Stock division for the last few years. Listed as car owner, her duties go far beyond that when it comes to her family's racing.

"Her support is amazing. She is in charge of fueling the cars at the track, and since she's taken over we've never had an issue," said Mike. "She helps keep us pointing in the right direction, and her moral support is invaluable."

As a thank you to her and the countless other women of TSMP, the track will have a special "Ladies Night" hospitality area set up on For the Fans Night with a BBQ dinner and refreshments, courtesy of Renee's Working Girl Catering.

For the Fans Night will be held Saturday, July 9 and will feature the North East Mini Stock Tour and Lite Modified divisions, in addition to TSMP's own four NWAAS divisions, the Sunoco Modifieds, Late Models, Limited Sportsman and Mini Stock. Admission for this event will feature a special discounted rate of only \$12 for adults and \$10 for seniors, veterans and active military. As with every race, children 12 and under are free.

For more information about Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park or to order your tickets, visit www.thompsonspeedway.com. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter or YouTube to stay up to date on recent news and events.

Rotary awards Paul Harris honors

Courtesy photos

PUTNAM — The Putnam Rotary Club honored three with Paul Harris awards June 14. The Paul Harris is the Rotary's highest honor. Receiving the Paul Harris was Rotarian Gerry Cotnoir (pictured with Rotarian Ron Coderre); Kathi Peterson (pictured with Rotarian Karen Osbrey) and Rotarian Gary Osbrey (pictured with Rotarian Pam Brown).



“The King” al Fresco 2016 comes to Rotary Park on July 16

As part of this season's free events, the Town of Putnam is welcoming “The King” al Fresco on Saturday July 16 at 7 p.m. at Rotary Park Bandstand with a rain date of Sunday, July 17. River Fire begins at 8:30 p.m. and goes until 10.

“The King” al Fresco 2016 is sponsored by Wheelabrator Putnam, Inc. and Putnam Bank. This will mark the 10th year of sponsorship for the town's summer al Fresco events.

Jeff Krick is not only an award winning Elvis tribute artist, but also the No. 1 Elvis tribute artist in the country. He has been performing professionally around the United States and Canada for over 25 years.

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what Elvis loved to do, entertaining the people. Jeff will help you relive some of the memories, make new ones, and enjoy the music of the one and only King of Rock-N-Roll.

“The King” Elvis Presley will be accompanied by the Seven Hills Symphony from Worcester, Mass. The Symphony will have 40 accomplished musicians and will be conducted by Putnam native Scott Chaurette. This will bring the sound of Elvis alive and really make for an exciting performance!

Bring a lawn chair or blanket to Rotary Park on Kennedy Drive in Putnam for a night of “Sensational” enjoyment.



Security at Woodstock Academy ‘next logical step in the safety of our campus’

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“Research shows that when students feel safe, they focus on learning; their academic achievements increase,” Sandford said in a joint statement to parents and citizens with Associate Headmaster Holly Singleton. “After careful deliberation, the Board of Trustees approved an administrative recommendation for armed security on campus, which will start with the 2016-2017 school year. This is the next logical step in the safety of our campus.”

Woodstock Academy will fill those

positions with current members of the school's Campus Safety staff. The weapons will be concealed and won't be visible to the students or community at large to ensure that the security staff is armed, but won't be intimidating in outward image to anyone on campus.

“Once you strip away any initial emotional response to this change, which many of us had to do, and look at the facts, you will see the reasoning for this recommendation. Research shows that any school shooting is over between 3-7 minutes after it starts. Due to our location, it is possible that the response time for help to arrive could be as much as 15-20 minutes,” Sandford

added in his statement. “Another concern is that the first responders may be unfamiliar with our campus; this could further delay a response. These factors convinced the administration and the Board to support the proposal.”

The school will also be making strides in discussing issues with their students directly. Sandford said those at the Academy do truly care for their students and their wellbeing and they want to work to make sure those relationships remain intact. “A comprehensive Advisory Program (a 30-minute monthly meeting to discuss school issues and develop strong student/adult relationships) was created, members of the administration and campus mental health professionals met for regularly scheduled meetings, and significant hours of professional development were dedicated to training our staff on de-escalation techniques. All members of

the staff received National Incident Management System (NIMS) training, as well as active-shooter training,” Sandford said.

With the expectation that the addition of armed security officers may worry some and that questions are certainly likely Sandford said that officials at the school, including himself, are more than happy to provide answers to any concerns. “Families expect that we will provide a safe environment and protect our students from any harm; safety is truly the center of all these decisions,” he said. “Based on the yearly survey data, over 90 percent of our students felt ‘safe’ on campus, a significantly higher percentage than the state average. We will continue to explore any way to protect our students and, if it is feasible, we will put it in place.”

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Fireworks display impresses attendees at Putnam Town Common

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Common early, waiting for the huge fireworks display later in the evening. As the sky turned dark, people turned their attention above the river. The infamous Putnam fireworks finale had the crowd cheering for more.

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Family and friends dressed up for the occasion, showing off their Patriotic side.



From left, Sydney Barber and Nayley and Rylee Freeman had fun climbing the rocks and running around with other children before the fireworks started.



Christina and Elizabeth (4) Joliff made their way to the Town Common for the Putnam fireworks.



Jenelys and Javien Marrero were very excited for the fireworks.



Leo Ritrovato with his granddaughter.



"This hat screams America!" said Bethany Charron.



Members of Congregation B'nai Shalom had a salad and fruit buffet at the fireworks.



A huge crowd formed on the Town Common for the Putnam firework display.



Many children, including Jason Royer (8) and Gabe Scala (4) got their faces painted at the event.



As the sun went down, attendees prepared themselves for the large fireworks display.



The Church Street bridge was a popular location for firework viewing.



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After 39 years, Rodgers — a beloved music teacher — retires from Killingly High

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still have excitement, so that's my plan. The kids certainly didn't drive me to make this decision. I love the kids and I love teaching. It's not about the round number. It's about it being time for me. I'm a person who really has given my heart to this job, there's no doubt about it."

In 39 years you've seen many students, including myself I may add, come through this program. Some have been in chorus, some in band, some in more minor classes, but you've seen a lot of them come through here. How do you try and preserve all of those memories? It really seems like you do remember all your students, or at least most of them.

"I buy a yearbook for every year. I don't know if I thought about it when I first started, but I do have one for every single year and I wanted to keep track of the kids. I care about them. I do have the unfortunate part of that when I see that a student has passed away, but the good side is you give me a picture and I'll remember the kids probably 95 percent of the time. I may even be able to pull something out of my brain to associate with that person. Everyone stands out for

a different reason, even you stood out for a different reason and it was a pleasure working with you and all my students. Now I'll have the time and be able to go and see my students perform and see what they've done since they graduated so that's another great thing about this decision."

The teaching keeps you that busy?

"Well that's what happens when you're at one place for one time. You build a program and then you have to maintain it and as you maintain it the program becomes more and more labor intensive, and you don't really get any faster. I'm starting to probably slow down quite a bit, and my computer certainly is, but the process is not. My job is ready for a fresh face. I'm very excited about the new person coming in."

So you've met your successor then? What's he like?

"His name is Mr. Michael Carnaroli. He's going to be awesome. I saw him in action for a short period of time because we interviewed our three finalists in front of the choir so they actually got a vote. Everybody is totally on board with this young man. He has taught before. He's from North Branford and has a fam-

ily. He's a good guy and very musical and I think he will leave his own little mark on this place."

Now you're unique among many of the retirees I've interviewed in that you're very chipper. I mean everyone is excited to enter a new stage of their life but you seem very optimistic, even compared to some of the brighter personalities it has been my pleasure to interview upon their retirement.

"I am chipper, yes. You have to be. I chose a long time ago to be an optimist. I decided that is the way I'm going to live my life because it's not fun if you live your life without optimism. If you spend your life complaining you're going to attract other people who complain. If you spend your life feeling good about who you are and what you do then people tend to rally more around you. It's an approach that has worked very well for me. It's a lot more fun to be positive than negative."

So lets talk about the last 39 years. You have a lot of memories, but what are some of your favorite things that have made this job so rewarding to you?

"I want to say my opening 10 years I felt like I was still a kid.

I don't think I really began to feel like a grownup until I had my child in 1988. After that things blossomed. The first band director at that time, who really made me grow as a teacher, was Paul Smith. He was an amazing band director and is still a very good friend and working with him for 10 years was wonderful. Pops Night was a 25-year entity here in Killingly, which I think if I gave any real gift to the school it was that show. It was a great talent show open to anyone in the school, but more so it as a real show with students writing their own scripts and putting together their own acts. The last one was in 2006 and they were great shows. Since then there's been a much lower key program called Coffeehouse and I hope that continues. Killingly has also participated in the New England Music Festival and we hosted it in 2012 and it was a wonderful thing for the community. So there are a lot of things that have made this a very rewarding career."

You're a unique case in your career field because this was your one and only teaching job. You started here, and this is where you end. It's not a common path for educators. What is it about this community and the school that has

kept you here for so long?

"I married in 1983 and I married someone local so that might have been the first thing. I got to know the community and who these people were and what the northeast corner of Connecticut was. I found that the kids have heart. The kids would work for me and I would set the bar and they would go there if I asked for it as long as I treated them like human beings and that's what it's about. The students have always been ready to work and they enjoy the participation and the music. Another piece of it is music is a positive thing to teach and it's fun, emotional and needs you to put your heart into it. Killingly is beautiful too. I didn't need to be in the city and I didn't always live in town and right now I don't, but I put my roots down here and it's a cool place."

You mentioned to me outside of the interview that you could have retired last year, but you didn't. Why did you stay that extra year?

"One of the reasons I stayed was because I looked at the class ahead and I said I hated to leave them. That's what kept me here, and it's one thing that has kept me here for years, is the kids."

What was it like on graduation day when you had that opportunity to close out the ceremony one last time and with the class that kept you around one more year?

"To be honest Jay, I have not shed any tears yet. I know they're coming, but that night was just another graduation because I knew I still had a lot to do. It was special in the way that it was a graduation and every graduation is special, but it was a joyous occasion, not a sad one."

Well I have to say as one of your former students it is an honor to be able to interview you for this article and it is sad to see you go. I know I thank you and everyone else thanks you and I hope you get to enjoy some time with each and every one of them on July 15 for the big reunion.

"Thank you. I will say the music banquet was amazing and we did have a retirement party. I have been heavily lauded and applauded and everything and it's been rather overwhelming to be honest. So now I'm ready to go party on the 15th, that's what it's about."

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Five-vote difference determines fate of education spending plan in Thompson

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Ken Beausoleil said he was happy with the result and thanked the voters for pushing through the spending plans so the town can get back to business.

"I was very pleased with the 26 percent voter turnout," the First Selectman told The Villager Newspapers. "The voters did speak and every vote certainly does count as evidenced by the education budget passing by four, five after the recount. I thank everyone for

coming out to vote."

Beausoleil said he knew by the results that the numbers would go to a recount, but the First Selectman had faith that even after the votes were re-tallied that the result would be the same.

"I did have confidence that the recount would stand. It actually increased from four to five votes on the school side and I was pleased with that result. We'll get down to business now with the budget in place and getting the work done that is needed. We start it all over again in eight months for the

next budget cycle."

The combined budgets total \$25.3 million with a 1.26 mil increase to the tax rate. The general government budget makes up \$7.1 million of that total while the education spending plan totals more than \$18.1 million.

With many citizens being vocal about communication and presentation of the budgets over the course of the process, Beausoleil said that town officials learned a few things and hopefully they can apply some new ideas and approaches next year to prevent three referendums from being needed again.

"What I did find was that we need to

continue to get as much information out to the voters as possible through the media as needed. An educated public makes the voting season go a lot easier and the voters are more comfortable and informed on what they're making the decision on," Beausoleil said. "With the school budget being the biggest part, communications with the public from both municipal and the school side is extremely important so we don't have to go through three referendums again."

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Brooklyn Historical Society Museum photo exhibit

BROOKLYN — The Brooklyn Historical Society Museum is currently featuring photographs from the town's storied past. Many photos that are featured in the exhibit were taken after the Hurricane of 1938. The cottage that served as the original one-room law office of Daniel Putnam Tyler is located directly behind the museum building. Tyler began practicing law in 1822 and continued practicing in his office until his death on Nov. 6, 1875. Tyler's paternal grandmother was Mehitabel Putnam Tyler, the daughter of General Israel Putnam. Both the museum and Tyler's law office are located behind the General Israel Putnam statue on 25 Canterbury Road (Route 169) in Brooklyn. The museum and law office are open to the public, free of charge, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and Sundays through Columbus Day.



A view down Broadway in Brooklyn after the Hurricane of 1938.



The half column and splat shelf clock on the mantel of Daniel Putnam Tyler's law office.



General Israel Putnam's Homestead, built circa 1750, photographed circa 1900.



Ye Olde Homestead on Main Street, built circa 1760.



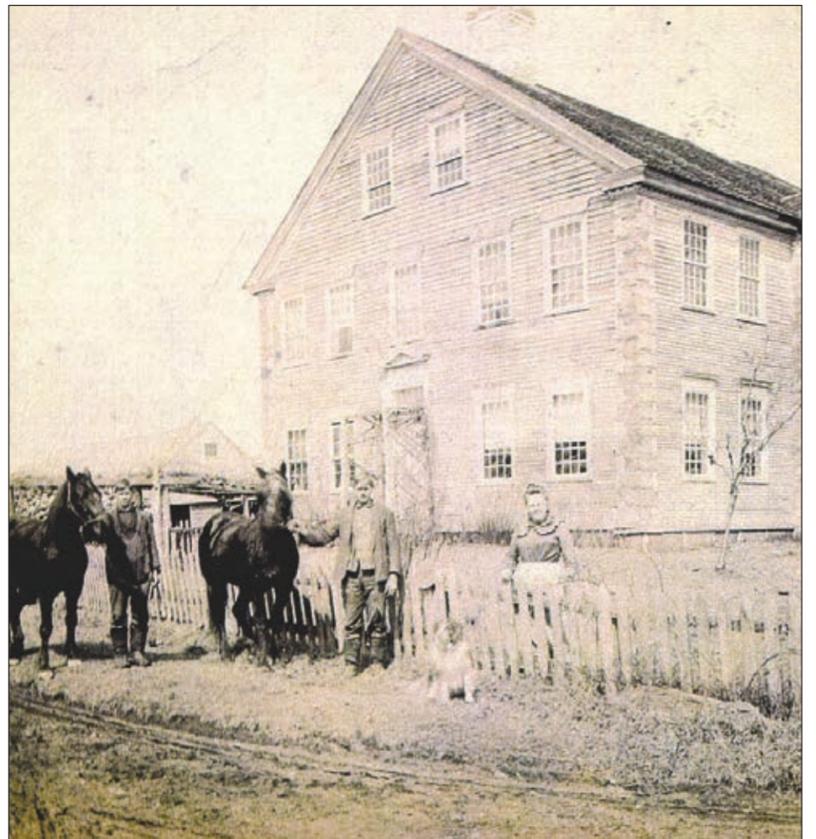
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hyde's home, photographed circa 1900.



Arthur E. Mott's General Store, after the Hurricane of 1938.



Thomas S. Marlor's house, photographed circa 1870.



The Arba Allen residence, on Allen Hill Road, photographed circa 1900.



The Congregational Church after the Hurricane of 1938.



The fireplace in Daniel Putnam Tyler's law office.

Killingly High grad Kristie Alexander wins MAE scholarship

Killingly High School's Kristie Alexander is this year's MAE Scholarship award winner. The \$500 award is given to a KHS graduate who plans on pursuing a career in education, preferably elementary education. The award, fueled by sales of Dick Martin's book MAE, is also based on the recipient's community involvement as a volunteer, strong work ethic and positive attitude.

Alexander was a strong candidate in all three areas, says Martin, who teaches English at KHS, as well as being a professional writer.

The KHS senior had experienced some major setbacks during the course of her high school career, including a devastating motor vehicle accident to her father, which laid him up for an extended period of time in recovery. She also experienced several other hurdles she had to overcome, as well.

"She was an obvious choice," adds Alisha Martin-Macaulay, Martin's daughter who helps select the recipient each year.

Martin chose to offer the annual award after the success of his first novel MAE, which is based on the life of Mae Martin, his mother. She grew up in Scituate, R.I., on the family

farm during the Depression and kept diaries of her younger years. She later became an elementary school teacher in Glocester, R.I., retiring at the age of 65. The main room in Harmony Library is named after her for her involvement in the library.

The book, published in 2012, continues to sell briskly.

"It seemed the right thing to do," said Martin. "My mother was involved in community and helped so many people in so many ways over the years."

Martin published his second book last year, *Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Sanity*. Both books can be found at A Bees Buzz in Foster, R.I.; Brown and Hopkins Country Store in Chepachet, R.I.; Wright's Farm Restaurant in Nasonville, R.I. and quality bookstores around New England.

Courtesy photo

Kristie Alexander and Dick Martin



Join the fun at Pomfret Senior Center



On June 28, a group of seniors from the Pomfret Senior Center took a Lighthouse Cruise out of New London. There was singing and laughing all the way down to the ferry. Area towns' seniors come to the Pomfret Senior Center three days a week to gather in fun, make friends and play games.

All kinds of games and events happens at the center: planned trips, tai-chi, yoga, movies, meditation, a book club, educational speakers, bingo, cribbage, pitch, rummikube, dominos and periodically a game of crokinole. Join us in the fun. Everyone is welcome. There is no fee.

There is another private senior group named the Pomfret Senior Association that meets once a month, not to be confused with the town sponsored Pomfret Senior Center group that meets three days a week. If you wish to join that group in addition to the Pomfret Senior Center, please call Gail at 860-974-0426 for details.

The Center is opened Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with a hot lunch served at 11:30 a.m. Please call Jim Jutras to reserve your meal at 860-928-7459. A donation for lunch is appreciated.

Courtesy photo

A group from the Pomfret Senior Center took a Lighthouse Cruise out of New London on June 28.



PUTNAM ROTARY CLUB WELCOMES FOUR NEW MEMBERS

Courtesy photo

The Putnam Rotary Club recently welcomed four new members. From left, Amanda Kelly, Jennifer Beckett, Elizabeth Zachow and Jonathan Sturdevant, far right. Putnam Rotary President Marc Archambault is second from the right.

Friday's Child



Photo: Mike Ritter

Lisa is a sweet eleven-year-old Caucasian girl in need of a loving, consistent, attentive, calm and structured home. Lisa is currently playing basketball at a community center and enjoys the opportunity to be in the community away from her program. Lisa currently resides in a group home and has developed attachments to her caretakers in the

home. While in her current placement, Lisa has made many gains. She has been following the program structure and has improved peer relations. She is able to take space as needed. Lisa is currently in the fourth grade where she is in a regular classroom setting and gets pulled out for extra support and some behavioral skills. Her teacher reports that Lisa is capable student who is working at nearly grade level. Overall, Lisa receives a good report.

Lisa is ready to transition into a long term placement. Lisa has expressed her wishes to reside with a two parent family and be adopted. Lisa has identified that she feels most comfortable with African American caretakers, preferably two mothers. She has a brother with whom it will be important to maintain contact. Lisa needs caretakers that would work with her current providers to understand Lisa's needs and how to best respond to them.

Ironstone Adoption Party

Have you ever considered adopting a child from foster care with a physical, intellectual or developmental disability? Join the Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange (MARE) at Ironstone Farm on August 7th from 11am-1pm in North Andover to find out more about the process and children in foster care with special needs. Learn about the different services offered to families post-adoption, meet waiting children and their social workers and participate in activities. Pre-registration is required. Please call Victoria at MARE to learn more about this annual event (617)-542-3678 x135 or email victoriata@mareinc.org. You can also visit www.mareinc.org to register.

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STATE POLICE TROOP D LOGS

DANIELSON

Saturday, June 25

Donna K. Beavais, 27, of 44 Dyer St., Danielson, was charged with breach of peace, threatening.

Wednesday, June 29

Floyd Lambert, 54, of 80 Morin Ave., Danielson, was charged with breach of peace.

At 10:31 a.m. Troopers were dispatched to 1007 North Main Street in Killingly for the report of a male that was coming by taxi with an explosive device in his backpack. United Services reported the

man to police. During this time neighbors of Lambert came to Troop D to report that Lambert showed them a bag in his backpack and said it looked like a bomb. Troopers responded and evacuated the facility. Information was then received that Lambert was calling for a taxi from 202 Pomfret Street in Putnam. It was then confirmed that this address was the Generations Health Center next to Day Kimball Hospital. This facility is located in the District of Putnam and Putnam Police were notified. Putnam Police and Troopers responded to Generations. Troopers along with members of the Putnam Police entered the property and located and arrested Lambert who was standing inside next to a backpack. Lambert stated there was no explosive device in the backpack and that this was a misunderstanding between him and his therapist. The facility was evacuated and CSP ESU (Bomb Squad) was notified. ESU arrived and deemed the bag safe with no explosives found. Lamberts apartment was also searched and deemed safe with no explosives found. Lambert was charged with breach of peace and released on a \$5,000 non-surety bond. Investigated by TFC Manbeck #1210, Assisted by members of the Putnam Police Department, Supervised by SGT McCusker #188 and Ericson #231, Emergency Services Unit

(Bomb Squad) responded, LT Madden #043 notified LT Conroy #033 on scene.

DAYVILLE

Tuesday, June 28

William James McNabb, 23, of 11 Pineville Road, Dayville, was charged with fugitive from justice.

KILLINGLY

Thursday, June 23

Donna Fenner, 56, of 59 Broad St. B, Killingly, was charged with third degree criminal trespass, sixth degree larceny.

Wednesday, June 28

Michael Partridge, 19, of 27B Sayles Ave., Killingly, was charged with sixth degree larceny.

Thursday, June 30

Joshua Bazinet, 28, of 41 Fall Brook Road, Killingly, was charged with failure to appear first degree, possession of heroin, criminal possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

NORTH GROSVENORDALE

Tuesday, June 28

Chanel Lima, 33, of 26 Central St.,

North Grosvenordale, was charged with risk of injury to a child, breach of peace/fight capable of causing minor injury.

PUTNAM

Friday, June 24

Natasha Marie Hamblin, 28, of 112 Laconia Ave., Putnam, was charged with failure to appear second degree.

Monday, June 27

Shad Morin, 40, of 26 Davis St., Putnam, was charged with third degree assault, breach of peace.

Friday, July 1

Michael Robichaud, 38, 1 Riverside St., Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct, second degree harassment: intimidation.

PUTNAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monday, June 27

Daniel Hartman, 33, of 104b Powhattan St., Putnam, was charged with failure to appear first (two counts).

Joshua Butt, 41, of 7 Laparle St., North Grosvenordale, charged with operating under the influence, failure to drive right.



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East Woodstock Congregational Church helps put together Fourth of July Jamboree

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of July Jamboree. Live music, a frog jumping contest, hay rides, great food and, of course, the annual parade made up a morning and afternoon of family fun and entertainment on a beautiful Independence Day. As always, the event was crowded with any visitors wearing red, white and blue to celebrate their love for the United State of America.



Brook Marshall of Woodstock shows off a cool horse toy she made herself, one of many kids' activities during the Fourth of July Jamboree at the East Woodstock Congregational Church.



As the parade begins, retired members of the United States Armed Forces lead the way with flags in hand.



The annual parade at Woodstock's Fourth of July Jamboree always includes a variety of colorful and decorated bikes as youngsters from the local area ride their creations around the grounds of the East Woodstock Congregational Church.



Ralph and Pauline Hebert of Putnam show off their America pride with some very patriotic clothing choices during Woodstock's Fourth of July Jamboree.



Probably one of the most symbolic floats in Woodstock's Fourth of July Jamboree Parade, this float focused on the unity of the holiday and how a backyard barbecue can bring together everyone no matter their race, creed, political party or age.



A stilt walker, dressed a famed American symbol Uncle Sam, makes his way through the Fourth of July Jamboree in Woodstock, greeting children and adults along the way with trivia questions about the United States.



Possibly the most popular food item purchased outside of the chicken barbecue was the famed pulled pork sandwiches that are always a hit at the Fourth of July Jamboree.



One of many antique cars that made up the back end of the annual Fourth of July parade in Woodstock, part of the East Woodstock Congregational Church's Fourth of July Jamboree.



Liam Galante of Pomfret gets a cool face paint makeover during the Fourth of July Jamboree in Woodstock.



A popular addition to the East Woodstock Congregational Church's yearly Fourth of July Jamboree is the annual book sale with books from all genres and authors being donated for purchase to benefit the church and local programs.



Bella the Clown creates a balloon animal for a young visitor to the East Woodstock Congregational Church on July 4.



Lynda Hennigan and Linda Felt, both of Woodstock, were certainly patriotic as they showed off their fun miniature red, white and blue hats.



Volunteers worked hard all day not only preparing, but serving the delicious meals as part of the chicken barbecue at the Fourth of July Jamboree in Woodstock.

Experience Eastford, events to run all day

EASTFORD — Did you know there is only one Eastford in the USA? This unique little town in the Quiet Corner of Connecticut will hold Experience Eastford, a town wide event to be held on Saturday, July 16, 2016. The day will include a Heritage Day event sponsored by the Town from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Eastford Elementary School, a Vintage Car Show at Bowen's Garage starting at 9 a.m., a Craft Fair at Coriander Café from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., an afternoon music event at the Frog Rock, a Family Potluck sponsored by the Eastford Seniors starting at noon at Camp Nahaco Park, and a Frog Jump Contest, Cake Walk, Cook-Out and Band

Concert at the Congregational Church of Eastford starting at 5 p.m. Events throughout the day are free and will be held rain or shine.

Featured are contests, games and hands on activities for children, live music, displays, vendors, a silent auction, a car show, a bounce house. Activities include:

A Bounce House at the Eastford Elementary School during the day and the Congregational Church in the evening.

The Horizon Birds of Prey exhibit at 11 a.m. including a bald eagle.

A Dog Photo Contest — Is your dog Eastford's No. 1 Dog? The first prize is the Eastford No. 1 Dog

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Live Music by the Babcock Band at 11 a.m. and the East Woodstock Cornet band at 6:30 p.m.

Cup Cake decorating — Come and celebrate Ivy Glenn's birthday with a free cupcake.

Children's games, face painting, and balloons.

A Pie Eating Contest — Don't worry, it's just a slice...

A Dog-Kissing Contest — Vote for your favorite person who will kiss "Mickey" the Boxer!

Fire Trucks on display at the Eastford Elementary School.

A Frog Jump Contest — at the Congregational Church starting at 5 p.m.

A Cake Walk — at the Congregational Church at 7:30 p.m. — the cakes don't actually walk... but they are all delicious. Vendors and refreshments.

Local organizations will display and highlight their activities.

Experience Eastford on July 16. You will find something for all ages, so bring your friends and family, and come check it out. A full schedule of activities and events can be found on the Eastford website at eastfordct.org/townofeastford.

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Angelo helps Tri-Town vault into playoff picture

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
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THOMPSON — Tri-Town needed a win over Jewett City to vault into the American Legion Zone 6 playoff picture — Alex Angelo took that situation literally Tuesday at Tourtellotte Memorial's field — leaping over Jewett City catcher Zach Christensen to steal home with the key run in Tri-Town's 15-9 victory.

"It's like the game of Twister," said Angelo of his dive toward home plate. "You kind of just move your body and see what can happen. I missed the plate. I didn't want him to tag me. It was like cat and mouse, see who can get there first. I got my hand in."

With Tri-Town trailing 7-6 with one out in the bottom of the fifth inning and Angelo on third base, Jacob Guertin whiffed on a suicide squeeze bunt and Angelo was hung up between third and home. But Angelo induced Christensen to throw toward third base and then broke for home.

"I saw (Christensen's) weight going forward and then I saw his arm come up and he just let go to third and I thought 'Alright, I'm going home,'" said Angelo, who went 2-for-3 with a walk and one RBI. "I knew I could beat it. I got around the tag."

Angelo vaulted past Christensen to score the tying run. Nick Foucault followed with a two-run double to put Tri-Town up 9-7 on the way to the win. The victory was critical for Tri-Town, it entered Tuesday's game in sixth place in Zone 6 with an 8-10 record — trailing both Willimantic and Jewett City, who both came into Tuesday's action with 9-9 marks.

"I knew if we won we could flip flop," Angelo said. "We knew we had to sweep the series. I hope we're ready the rest of the season."

With the win — coupled with Waterford's 2-1 win over Willimantic Tuesday night — Tri-Town vaulted into a tie for fourth place in Zone 6 with Jewett City and Willimantic — all sporting 9-10 records. The top five teams in



Charlie Lentz photo

Tri-Town's Alex Angelo avoids Jewett City's Zach Christensen to steal home in the fifth inning Tuesday in Thompson.

Zone 6 qualify for the American Legion state tournament, scheduled to begin on July 16.

Tri-Town's Tuesday win was the first of a pivotal three-game series against Jewett City. Tri-Town is scheduled to play host to Willimantic in a key doubleheader on Saturday, July 9, at Tourtellotte Memorial's field, with the opener set to begin at 11 a.m.

Chuck Innes picked up the win in relief over Jewett City, going four innings, striking out four, walking five, and allowing two hits and five runs, two earned. Guertin went 2-for-2 with a triple, three walks, and scored five runs. Nick Foucault finished 2-for-3 with a

double, a sacrifice fly, and finished with three RBIs. Kyle Tyler went 2-for-5 with a double and two RBIs. Ryan Gadoury finished 2-for-5 with one RBI for Tri-Town.

Reliever Connor Bright took the loss for Jewett City, going one-plus inning, striking out one, walking three, allowing four hits and eight runs. Trent Appleton went 2-for-3 with a triple and two RBIs for Jewett City.

Tri-Town coach John Foucault said he had faith Angelo — who turned a pickle into relish on Tuesday night.

"He's smart. We try to put smart guys in smart spots," Foucault said. "He's a smart guy."

Tri-Town 3, Waterford 0

THOMPSON — Zach Cutler tossed a one-hitter in Tri-Town's win over Waterford on June 30. Cutler struck out one, walked two, and needed only 68 pitches en route to the victory. For Tri-Town, Jacob Guertin went 2-for-4 with one RBI, Josh Allard finished 1-for-2 with one RBI, and Alex Angelo went 2-for-3.

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<p>2015 Chevy Tahoe LS</p> <p>Remote Start, Back-Up Camera, Alloy Wheels, 4x4 • #D7732L</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; color: red;">\$39,977 or 142/wk</p>	<p>2013 Dodge Durango</p> <p>Alloy Wheels, All Wheel Drive, SXT Trim • #D7679L</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; color: red;">\$22,977 or 85/wk</p>	

<p>2012 GMC Sierra</p> <p>4x4, Trailer Hitch, Alarm, Fuel Efficient, Low Miles • #P10011A</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; color: red;">\$26,455 or 134/wk</p>	<p>2015 Lincoln MKZ</p> <p>Alloy Wheels, Sunroof, Heated Leather Seats • #P10188R</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; color: red;">\$24,955 or 89/wk</p>
<p>2015 Ford Edge</p> <p>SEL Trim, Turbo, Aluminum Wheels, AWD, Spoiler • #P10159R</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; color: red;">\$27,955 or 99/wk</p>	<p>2012 Kia Optima</p> <p>SX Trim, Fuel Efficient, Power Package, Turbo • #16543A</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; color: red;">\$15,988 or 81/wk</p>

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Danielson Legion lacking offensive punch

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

DAYVILLE — Danielson American Legion's Drew Daley pitched well enough to win but you can't win if you don't score and Danielson mustered just two hits and was shut out in a 4-0 loss to Niantic in the opening game of a doubleheader last Saturday at Owen Bell Park. Danielson fell 5-3 in the second game of the twin bill.

Perhaps even more frustrating for Daley in the complete-game loss in the opener, he allowed just two earned runs and those two runs came on a balk and a RBI-grounder to a drawn-in infield, where a play at the plate was eschewed in lieu of a sure out at first. But a loss is a loss despite seven strong innings from Daley, who struck out five, allowed just six hits, and walked two.

Niantic's Dylan Feeney went six innings to get the win, striking out four, allowing two hits, and walking one. Sam Gonski

pitched the bottom of the seventh and retired Danielson's side in order.

Evan Clarkin and Zach Gagnon each notched a hit for Danielson in the 4-0 defeat. The doubleheader losses dropped Danielson's Zone 6 record to 5-10. In the opener, Niantic's Hunter Sheffield went 2-for-4, Michael Morgan finished 2-for-4, and Logan Banker went 1-for-2 with a double and one RBI for Niantic (14-3 in Zone 6).

Danielson is next scheduled to play at Waterford on Friday, July 8 and then travels to Norwich for a doubleheader on Saturday, July 9.

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

Charlie Lentz photo

Danielson Legion's Drew Daley pitches against Niantic last Saturday in the first game of a doubleheader at Owen Bell Park.



American Legion baseball on a summer night

THOMPSON — Baseball fans enjoyed a warm summer evening last Tuesday as Tri-Town played host to Jewett City in an American Legion Senior Division baseball game at Tourtellotte Memorial's field. Tri-Town won 15-9.



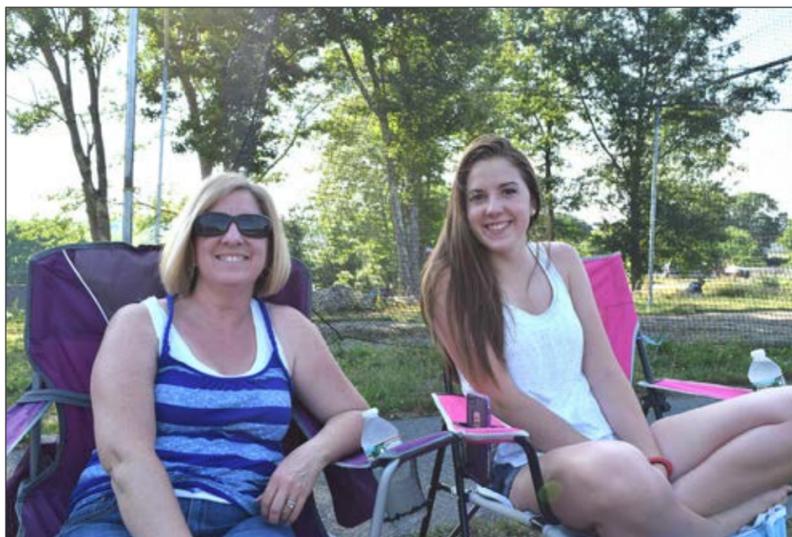
Christie Akana, left, and Grace Akana



Charlie Lentz photos Kerri Angelo, left, and Nancy Elizabeth



Mike Bernier, left, and Kyle Anderson



Kathy Durand, left, and Lauryn Durand



Jean Moore and Jim Gadoury



Terry and Guy Fodor

Villager Newspapers COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

“Shining a light on community events”

July 8, Fri., 7 p.m.
Twilight Lawn Concert, Roseland Cottage welcomes the classic sound of The Blackburns. Bring a picnic and enjoy the beautiful grounds of Woodstock's National Historic Landmark, 556 Route 169, Woodstock. Rain date July 15. Cosponsored by Historic New England and Woodstock Recreation. Free. Call 860-928-4074 for more information.

July 9, Sat., 10-11am
Killingly Grange No. 112, 801 Hartford Pike, Route 101 and Dog Hill Road, Dayville, Ct., Saturday's in July 9, 16, 23, and 30 - Donation \$40.00 - space is limited call to sign up or for more info 860-779-3358.

July 9, Sat., 4-8pm
East Thompson Volunteer Fire Department's 6th Annual Clam Cakes and Chowder, at the station at 530 East Thompson Road, East Thompson. 12 oz. Cup of chowder and 6 clam cakes \$6! Please call ahead for large orders 860-923-2152. Come out and support your local volunteer firefighters!

July 9-10, Sat. & Sun. 10-3pm
Civil War reenactment with the New England Brigade, Wilson's Creek; The Fall of General Nathaniel Lyon, will be held at Aicher Preserve in Pomfret. Food, education events, hospital set up. Soldiers will be in character.

July 11, Mon., 1-6pm
Blood Drive - Community Room of the Canterbury Town Hall, 1 Municipal Drive. To schedule an appointment, call 800-733-2767. Walk-ins welcome. To volunteer your time, or to donate, please call 860-546-9266. For info redcrossblood.org

July 11, Mon., 6:30-8pm
Reception for Journey Through Rural New England, Paintings by Brian Tracy & Janice Leitch On View: June 29 to July 28, Program generously supported by the Friends of the Library, Thompson Public Library www.thompsonpubliclibrary.org

July 12, Tues., 10:30am-11:15am
(Also on July 19, 26) The Pomfret Senior Center is offering Tai Chi for core strength and balance. Open to all area seniors. This is a free program, donations welcome. 860-928-7459. The Center is located at 207 Mashamoquet Road (Route 44) in Pomfret.

July 13, Wed., 10-11am
(Also on July 20, 27) Join the walking club on Wednesdays as they enjoy the beautiful scenery as they stroll the Airline Trail. Open to all area seniors. 860-928-7459. The Center is located at 207 Mashamoquet Road (Route 44) in Pomfret.

July 13, Wed., 1-2pm
(also July 20 & 27) Fun crafts for kids ages 5-10 years. Each week we will be creating crafts that go

with our summer theme: On Your Mark, Get Set... READ! Pre-Registration Required. Killingly Public Library, 25 Westcott Road, Danielson, 860-779-5383

July 13, Wed., 12:15pm
Movie- "Shall We Dance" at Pomfret Senior Center. Open to all area seniors. The Center is located at 207 Mashamoquet Road (Route 44) in Pomfret. 860-928-7459.

July 14, Thurs., 1pm
(Also on July 21, 28) Yoga at the Senior Center. Open to all area seniors. 860-928-7459. The Center is located at 207 Mashamoquet Road (Route 44) in Pomfret.

July 14, Thurs., 10:30
Book Club "Can't Wait to Get to Heaven," by Fannie Flagg; combining southern warmth with unabashed emotion and side splitting hilarity. Open to all area seniors. At Pomfret Senior Center, 207 Mashamoquet Road (Route 44) in Pomfret. 860-928-7459.

July 15, Fri., 9:30-11:30am
"Finding Your Hidden Talent" w/Lisa Andrews of Artique at Windham County Christian Women's Brunch at The Inn at Woodstock Hill. 94 Plaine Hill Rd. Inspirational speaker Jean Steber. Reservations \$12. Call 860-774-5092, 860-455-7671 or email: wccwc81@hotmail.com.

July 15, at 11:00 am
Gymnastics Program - Deary's Gym will be here; enjoy some fun activities. Open to families with children. No registration required! Killingly Public Library, 25 Westcott Road, Danielson, 860-779-5383

July 15, Fri., noon-8pm
Knights of Columbus Council 2087 will hold a fish fry in the Knights Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Fish and chips; baked haddock or bay scallops; fried clams; combo platters, and more. 860-923-2967, council2087@att.net.

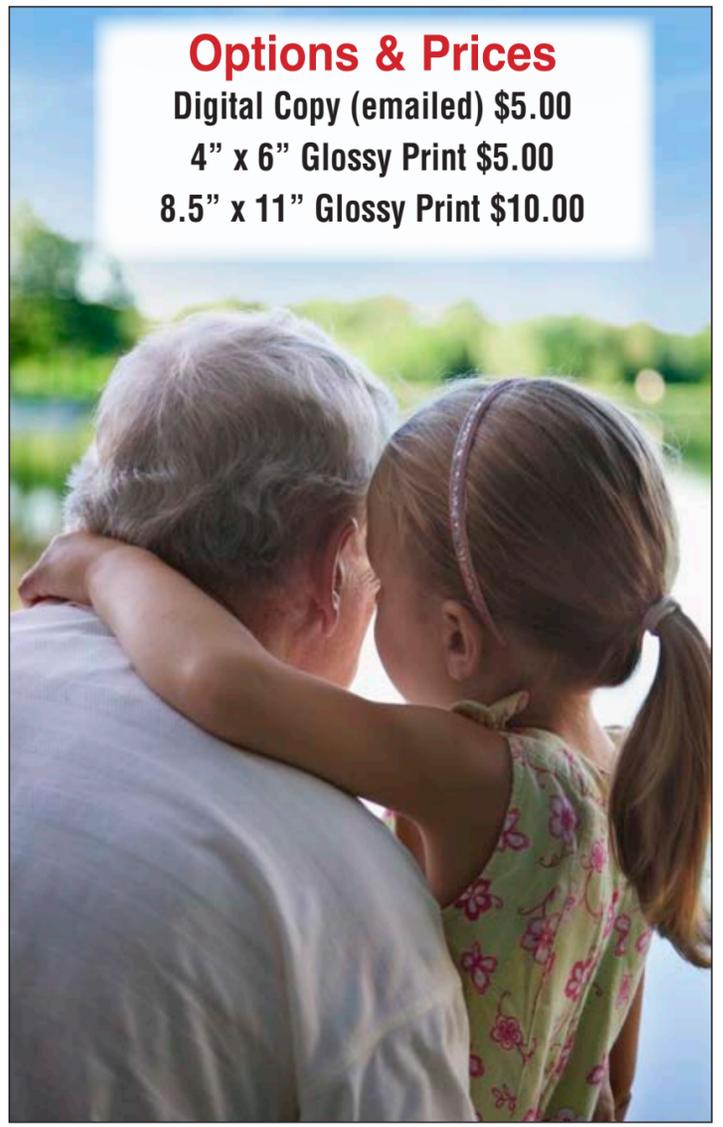
July 15, Fri.
A Reunion Celebrating Music Education at Killingly High School - for former and current Chorus, Marching Band, Symphonic Band and Color guard members, Killingly High School and Killingly Intermediate School music faculty and marching band staff, and Music Boosters, at The Foxwoods Resort Casino For more info call Killingly High School.

July 15, Fri., 6pm
(also Fridays July 22, & 29). It's "Campfire Club" time again for kids ages 4-12 at Open Bible Baptist Church, 198 Prince Hill Rd, Brooklyn. There will be good food, lots of games, entertaining skits, and loads of fun. It is free and all are welcome! We hope to see you there! Info call 860-779-7595

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

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301 Allen Hill Rd	11-12:30	\$374,900	Diane White 860-377-4016 Berkshire Hathaway HS
EASTFORD			
15 School House Hill Rd	10-11:30	\$285,000	Charlotte Cook 860-931-6006 Berkshire Hathaway HS
THOMPSON			
45 Breaults Landing Rd	10-Noon	\$207,900	Jen Jackson 401-413-1001 Berkshire Hathaway HS
WOODSTOCK			
109 Crooked Trail Ext	11-1	\$599,900	Mary Scalise 860-918-1539 Berkshire Hathaway HS
50 Crooked Trail	Noon-1:30	\$229,000	Charlotte Cook 860-931-6006 Berkshire Hathaway HS
21 Deer Meadow Dr	2-3:30	\$309,900	Diane White 860-377-4016 Berkshire Hathaway HS
64 Laurel Dr	2-3:30	\$309,000	Charlotte Cook 860-931-6006 Berkshire Hathaway HS
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OBITUARIES

Viola Cerreto, 91



KILLINGLY – Viola (Bonneville) Cerreto, 91, of Pettingill Road, formerly of Putnam, died June 29 at the Westview Healthcare Center after a brief illness. She was the loving wife of the late

Sebastian S. Cerreto. Viola and Sibi were happily married for 68 years. Born in Putnam, she was the daughter of the late Eugene A. and Georgianna (MacIvor) Bonneville. She was predeceased by her brothers Norman Bonneville, Robert Bonneville and sister Pauline Snelgrove.

Viola was a beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother who cherished the quality time she got to spend with her family. She was known for her kind heart, always putting others first and her unwavering support for her family.

Viola was the valedictorian of her Putnam High School class. She worked at Belding Hemingway Company, and then in the finance department of Rogers Corporation for 20 years.

She was an avid knitter and one of her proudest accomplishments was creating a wedding gown for her daughter. She enjoyed crossword puzzles, reading, and especially spending time with her family and her much loved miniature Australian Shepherd,

Pixie. Viola was an avid reader of The New York Times every day. Notably, she learned how to use an iPad in her later years and would frequently stay in contact with family members by email.

Her family would like to give a special thank you to her longtime, trusted physician Dr. Joseph Botta, the staff at Westview Health Care Center and Day Kimball Homemakers for their excellent care.

Viola is survived by her son, Michael Cerreto and his wife Patricia of Bridgewater, Massachusetts; her daughters, Mary Cerreto and her husband David Coulter, of Natick, Massachusetts, and Barbara Porter and her husband Clyde of Dayville; her sister, Barbara Vadnais and her husband John of Ravena, New York; her grandchildren, Jonathan Porter and his wife Brynn of State College, Pennsylvania, Craig Porter and his wife Beth Dubofsky-Porter of Killingly, and Kenneth Cerreto and his wife Patricia of Harvard, Massachusetts; and her great grandchildren, Sebastian Cerreto and Holly Cerreto.

Relatives and friends are invited to a Mass of Christian Burial at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday July 30 in St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St, Putnam, CT. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Jason Craig Dunlop, 35

BROOKLYN – Jason Craig Dunlop, 35, of Brooklyn and formerly of Sterling, Massachusetts passed away unexpectedly on June 28. He was born in Worcester, Massachusetts on December 7, 1980, son of Craig E. and Sandra M. (Tears) Dunlop of Brooklyn. Jason attended local schools in Sterling, Massachusetts, graduated from Wachusett Regional High School in Holden, Massachusetts and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York. Jason was a former employee of Davis Farmland in Sterling, Massachusetts. He was a software developer at Mad-Doc Software in Lawrence, Massachusetts and was Assistant Manager of Farm Operations at Gould Farm in Monterey, Massachusetts. Jason enjoyed helping others, farming and volunteered

at Blue Cliff Monastery in Pine Bush, New York.

Besides his parents he is survived by his Grandfather, Edward Dunlop, his sisters, Cara Coraccio-Bellantone and husband Stephen of Brooklyn and Cathy Dunlop of Brooklyn; nieces and nephews, Vincent, Crystal, Daniel, Samantha, Alexander, Anthony, Contessa, Summer, Mary, Megan and Jaime. He is also survived by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. A memorial service was held on July 6 in Tillinghast Funeral Home in Danielson. Burial will be in South Cemetery, Brooklyn. In lieu of flowers please give a tax deductible contribution to LymeDisease.org at www.LymeDisease.org/get-involved/donate/.

George A. Leotsakos, 80



April 16, 1936, son of the late Anastasios

BROOKLYN – George A. Leotsakos, 80, of Brooklyn died June 12 at Southbridge Rehab and Healthcare in Southbridge, Massachusetts. He was born in Argylia Lakonia, Greece on

and Maria (Soucaras) Leotsakos. He is survived by daughter Maria Moustakos and husband Kostas of Greece; his sister Christina Menounos of Brooklyn; brother Michael A. Leotsakos of Danielson and several brothers and sisters living in Greece. Funeral services were held at The Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Danielson. Tillinghast Funeral Home, Danielson was in charge of arrangements.

Violet E. Thayer, 81

PLAINFIELD - Violet E. Thayer, 81 of Windsor Ave., died June 30 in Colonial Health & Rehab Center of Plainfield. Born in Waterbury on April 29, 1935, she was the daughter of the late Wilfred and Albany (Turcotte) Thayer.

Violet enjoyed collecting "Toddler Sized Baby Dolls," reading, and was a lover of all animals. Her other interests were coloring, playing bingo, crafts, dancing, walking, music, and phone calls from family! Violet also enjoyed being taken out by people who visited her and time spent with family!

Violet is survived by her sisters, Shirley Smith and her husband Ron of Amherst, New York, Jean Spaven

of Chatham, New Jersey, and Patty Martins and her husband Joe of Swansea, Massachusetts; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brothers, the late Wilfred Thayer, Leon Savoie, and Henry Wheeler; and her sisters, the late Joyce Thayer, Gloria Thayer, and Pearl Kenney.

Services are private at request of family and have been entrusted to the Gilman and Valade Funeral Homes and Crematory, 104 Church Street, Putnam, CT 06260. For Memorial Guest book visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Donald L. LeBeau, 78

PUTNAM - Donald Lionel LeBeau, 78, of School St, died June 18. He was born in Putnam and was the son of Lionel and Simone (Bourque) LeBeau.

Mr. LeBeau was a machinist and sheet metal specialist for Kaman Aerospace Corporation for 40 years. He was a member of the Putnam Lodge of Elks and also served with them for many years. Don enjoyed golfing, playing pool, family cookouts, vacationing in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, Florida, and Texas with family and friends. Those who knew him can attest to his consummate "good guy" attitude towards everyone. He loved to dance, sing off key and generally entertain us with his good humor. He especially loved his family and all of his dogs; Rusty, Chucky, and Maggie.

Donald is survived by his longtime

companion of 18 years Mary Ethier, two sisters: Shirley Jewell of Norwich, Barbara Gendreau of Putnam and his five daughters and their spouses: Deborah and Walter Wilson of Danielson, Sandra and Daniel Del Sonno of Eustis, Florida, Denise and Scott Williams of Frisco, Texas, Sharon LeBeau of Frisco, Texas, Danielle and Steven Stafinski of Millbury, Massachusetts, along with ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren and multiple nephews and nieces.

Relatives and friends were invited to Donald's Funeral Mass June 25 in St. Mary Church in Putnam. A small reception followed at the Elks Lodge on Edmond St. in Putnam. For memorial guestbook please visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Charles T. Sheppard, 74



DANIELSON — Charles T. Sheppard, 74, died Tuesday, June 28 at his home surrounded by his family.

He leaves his wife of 45 years, Thelma L. (Cline) Sheppard; two sons, Charles J. Sheppard of California and William N. Sheppard of Brooklyn; one daughter, Tracy and her husband Steven Caron of Inverness, Fla.; two brothers, Oliver and Joseph Sheppard; a sister, Phyllis Arbogast, all of West Virginia; four grandchildren; Alyssa, Thomas, Nikolous and Chloe; nieces and nephews.

He was born in Oakmont, W.V., son of the late Charles N. Sheppard and

Phyllis L. (Rhodes) Sheppard and lived in Virginia before moving to Danielson 56 years ago. He was a Vietnam Era United States Army Veteran. He was a maintenance worker at Wal-Mart in Putnam. He enjoyed cross word puzzles and solitaire.

There are no calling hours. A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, July 14 at 7 p.m. in the First Apostolic Church, 6 Academy Street, Danielson, CT 06239. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School Street, Webster, Mass. has been entrusted with his arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or a memory. The family requests donations in his memory to the American Cancer Society.

Irene A. Bacovin, 87



years, Thomas M. "Tommy" Bacovin, died in 1997.

She leaves her daughter, Debra Minarik and her husband Robert of Douglas, Mass.; two grandsons, Todd Minarik, his wife Pamela and children Colin and Ethan Minarik, all of Webster, Mass., and Kyle Minarik, his companion Kellie Kavanagh and children Trevor and Lauren Minarik, all

of Burlington, N.J.; a sister, Norma Taberski and her husband Robert of Thompson; nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her son, Timothy Bacovin, in 1965, by her brother, Francis Shepard, and by her two sisters, Dorothy Donovan and Theresa Reich.

She was born in Webster, a daughter of Frank and Marie (Daniels) Shepard and lived in Webster and Dudley. She graduated from Bartlett High School.

Mrs. Bacovin was a teacher's aide at Park Avenue Elementary School for 23 years before retiring in 1998.

Irene was a member of Saint Louis Church in Webster and the PAV Women's Auxiliary. She enjoyed playing bingo and cards. The time she spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren was the highlight of her life.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated on Friday, July 8, at 11 a.m. in Saint Louis Church, 14 Lake Street, Webster (please meet at the church). There are no calling hours. Donations in her name may be made to the VNA of Southern Worcester County, PO Box 368, Webster, MA 01570 or to Tri-Valley, 10 Mill Street, Dudley, MA 01571. Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral Home, 340 School Street, Webster. www.sitkowski-malboeuf.com

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DANIELSON

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St. Joseph Church

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Thompson resident celebrates birthday aboard Indian Princess



Courtesy photos

WEBSTER, Mass. — On May 29, Omer Menard, his wife Carolyn, and daughter Lisa Sharpe of Thompson, celebrated his 93rd birthday on the Indian Princess on Webster Lake.

Omer is 93 years old, and several years ago began following the story of the Indian Princess. Following the adventures of the Indian Princess became Omer's hobby, and he made a scrap book recording every fact on the Princess.

The Indian Princess traveled from its home in Fort Myers, Fla., via the Atlantic Ocean, to Barrington, R.I. The trip from Florida to Rhode Island took 6 weeks. From Rhode Island the Princess was towed overland, through Connecticut, eventually making it to Webster Lake in Massachusetts.

While on board, the Master of the vessel, Captain Rabbett, made Omer an honorary First Mate for the voyage, and presented him with a picture of the Indian Princess and an Indian Princess cap. While on the voyage, his fellow passengers stopped by to offer Omer their congratulations on his milestone birthday. In addition, the bald eagles, and their chicklet, nesting on Little Island made a special appearance to honor Omer and this family.

The crew at Indian Ranch and the Indian Princess, made this day as special as they could for Omer. Omer at one time worked at the Ranch, from 1956 to 1966. Many more Happy Birthdays to you!



LEGALS

TOWN OF BROOKLYN LEGAL NOTICE

The **FIRST** installment of real estate, personal property, and motor vehicle tax bills of 26.34 mills on the dollar levied on the assessment of Oct 1, 2015 becomes due July 1, 2016. The **FIRST** installment of sewer usage and fire district taxes also becomes due July 1, 2016. Bills will become delinquent on Aug 2, 2016 and subject to interest from the due date at 1.5% per month as prescribed in the General Statutes of the State of CT. Minimum interest penalty is \$2.00.

The Tax Office's hours are as follows: Mon-Wed 8AM to 5PM, Thursday 8AM to 6PM, and CLOSED FRIDAY. If you wish to pay by mail, enclose coupon of bill and address to: Revenue Collector, PO Box 253, Brooklyn, CT 06234. If a receipt is desired, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

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Jocelyne Ruffo, CCMC, Revenue Collector
July 8, 2016
July 29, 2016

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JAMES P. ROY
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The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated June 23, 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.

Janis E. Beltis, Clerk

The fiduciary is:

Vincent J. Roy
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Brenda Duquette, Clerk

The fiduciary is:

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AKA Patricia Meyers (16-00213)
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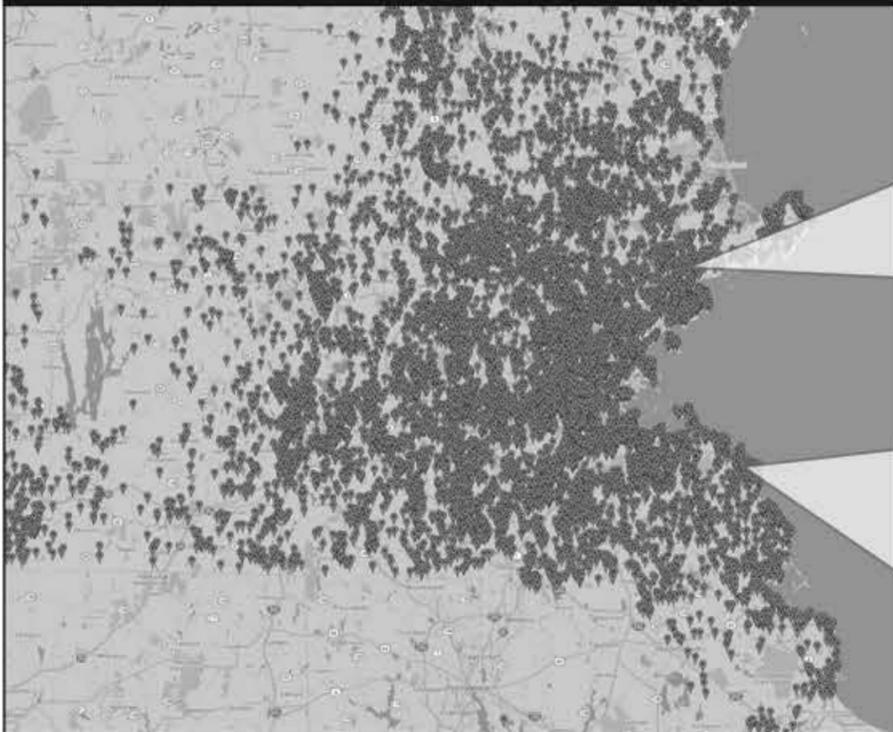
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SLE EXTENDED CAB, 4X4, ONE OWNER, HERITAGE EDITION, LOW MILES, #TK16259A
ORIGINAL MSRP \$44,120
YOUR PRICE \$27,988

2013 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4
DOUBLE CAB, CUSTOM SPORT EDITION, 8 CYL. 20" WHEEL, HEATED SEATS, #P181
ORIGINAL MSRP \$41,760
YOUR PRICE \$27,988

2015 CHEVY TRAVERSE LS
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 8 PASSENGER, ONLY 10,000 MILES, ONE OWNER, STK.#S16226A
ORIGINAL MSRP \$36,760
YOUR PRICE \$27,988

2012 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLE CREW CAB 4X4
ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, Z71, #TB16538A
YOUR PRICE \$27,988

2012 GMC SIERRA 2500 SLE
REGULAR CAB, DURAMAX DIESEL, 4X4, ONE OWNER STK #TK16513A
YOUR PRICE \$28,988

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PREMIUM EDITION SEDAN, LEATHER, MOONROOF, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, NAVIGATION, STK #P139
ORIGINAL MSRP \$41,029
YOUR PRICE \$28,988

2011 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 1500 LT CREW CAB 4X4
271 PACKAGE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, #P9968
YOUR PRICE \$28,988

2015 CHEVY SILVERADO 1500LT DOUBLE CAB 4X4
ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, 10 IN STOCK! STK.#P117
ORIGINAL MSRP \$43,684
YOUR PRICE \$29,988

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ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, 6 CYLINDER, MOONROOF, NAV, LOW MILES, ONE OWNER, #P207
ORIGINAL MSRP \$43,486
YOUR PRICE \$29,988

2011 CHEVROLET AVALANCHE LTZ
4X4, LEATHER, MOONROOF, LOW MILES, NAV, 20" WHEELS, #P182B
YOUR PRICE \$29,988

2013 GMC ACADIA SLT
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 7 PASSENGER, NAVIGATION, DUAL MOON ROOFS, HEATED SEATS, ONE OWNER STK.#P199
ORIGINAL MSRP \$45,590
YOUR PRICE \$30,988

2013 GMC YUKON SLT
4X4, LEATHER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, 7 PASSENGER, #ES15503B
YOUR PRICE \$31,988

2010 CHEVROLET TAHOE LTZ
4X4, LOW MILES, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAV, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, REAR DVD, #SR15668A
YOUR PRICE \$32,988

2013 CADILLAC SRX PERFORMANCE COLLECTION
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, LEATHER, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, UNTRAVEL MOONROOF, #P213
ORIGINAL MSRP \$58,914
YOUR PRICE \$32,988

2013 BUICK ENCLAVE
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAV, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, REAR DVD, ONLY 25,000 MILES, #P40
ORIGINAL MSRP \$49,090
YOUR PRICE \$32,988

2013 CERTIFIED CADILLAC ESCALADE PREMIUM COLLECTION
ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, 7 PASSENGER, NAV, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, REAR DVD, #P234
ORIGINAL MSRP \$78,530
YOUR PRICE \$49,988

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CONVERTIBLE, Z11 PACKAGE, 3 LT, AUTOMATIC, YELLOW, ONLY 5,800 MILES, ABSOLUTELY SPECTACULAR STK.#P124
ORIGINAL MSRP \$77,710
YOUR PRICE \$61,988

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2011 CHEVROLET EQUINOX LT



ALL WHEEL DRIVE, MOONROOF, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES STK# DN16333A SALE PRICE \$15,988

2014 BUICK VERANO SEDAN



AUTOMATIC, FULL POWER, ALLOY WHEELS, LOW MILES STK #P195

2012 CHEVY VOLT



ELECTRIC, NAVIGATION, LEATHER, ONLY 33,000 MILES STK #VL14401A

\$0 DOWN Budget **\$219** Per Mo.

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YOUR PRICE \$19,988



2011 CADILLAC CTS COUPE PREMIUM COLLECTION
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, MOON ROOF, NAVIGATION, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES STK.#SR15772A
YOUR PRICE \$22,988



2013 CADILLAC ATS
2.0 TURBO SEDAN, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, AUTOMATIC, HEATED SEATS, CUE SYSTEM, MOON ROOF STK.#P231
ORIGINAL MSRP \$40,780 / **YOUR PRICE \$22,988**



2014 CADILLAC ATS SEDAN LUXURY COLLECTION
ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 2.0 TURBO, MOON ROOF, CUE NAVIGATION, HEATED SEATS, ONE OWNER STK.#16289A
ORIGINAL MSRP \$45,682 / **YOUR PRICE \$25,988**



2014 CADILLAC CTS SEDAN LUXURY COLLECTION
2.0 TURBO, ULTRAVIEW MOONROOF, HEATED/COOLED SEATS, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES STK.#P141
ORIGINAL MSRP \$57,215 / **YOUR PRICE \$36,988**



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ELECTRIC VEHICLE, NEVER USE FUEL AGAIN, ONLY 5,000 MILES, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, STK.#R9141
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