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Patriots Day in Thompson

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN

THOMPSON — New England Patriots star Derek Rivers came to visit Thompson Middle School for the NFL's national Fuel Up to Play program. The famous and humble football player handed out smoothies to 5th and 6th graders during lunch on June 8, gave a speech about the importance of proper nutrition and sleep, and answered a few questions about being friends with Tom Brady.

"Being from the New England area, this means a lot to me," said Rivers. "Promoting dairy and great eating habits — great nutrition — and sleep is so important. It's beneficial to our growth. We can't reach our maximum potential without it. And getting to tell them at this age, it makes a big difference in their lives."

To take part in the highly



Olivia Richman

New England Patriots player Derek Rivers handed out smoothies on June 8 to 5th and 6th graders to promote Thompson Middle School's addition of locally made smoothies to their breakfast program.

desired Fuel Up to Play program Thompson Middle School had to complete a six-step application, including a physical activity component and a way in which they incorporated healthy eating. Thompson Middle School staff — and students — took this initiative very seriously.

They not only started giving out milk and fruit-based smoothies from a local dairy farm for just \$1 as part of their breakfast program, but started a Walking Club. And according to Principal Christopher Scott, there were four kids from the club that walked over 100 miles this year.

"Physical activity and healthy eating are at the core of a healthy child. They learn better. They're more alert and engaged with the learning process if they are wellfed and physically fit," said Health Educator Rose Palazzo-Gagnon.

While those are huge benefits that should motivate anyone to move a bit more and eat a bit healthier, having hometown hero Rivers come and speak to the kids — and give autographs to Walking Club members - was obviously a huge

motivator as well.

"Many of our students have a family who cheer on the Patriots. Many are season ticket holders. So this really hits home, having someone like that tell you to eat healthy and get proper sleep," said Tim Cooper, TMS's physical education teacher. "Some students, when we first were coming out with the initiative, weren't willing to participate. But now they got to see the Walking Club members get a reward at the end. It sets the tone for next year."

"To have a role model come and say to eat healthy... It really resonates with the kids. It basically tells them, 'If you want to be a pro footballer, you need to do these things.' " said Scott.

Of course, Rivers told the students about his pretty intense pro-football diet — which included eating up to 5,000

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Keep on rocking in the free world

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN

DANIELSON — They call themselves Back By Popular Demand for a reason. The five band members come from all corners of the Quiet Corner to perform for free for organizations, groups, businesses and fundraisers across the state. That's their mission. And soon, Back By Popular Demand will be playing — once again — at the Veteran's Coffeehouse BBQ on Tuesday, July 10 at 5 p.m.

Back By Popular Demand began when keyboardist and percussionist Bob Cristina came back to the area after being gone for 35 years. With a love of music, and a love for his hometown community, Cristina decided he wanted to start a band in the area that would play for free, entertaining the community with rock and roll covers.

"It took me two years," Cristina said.
"Because not everybody wants to play for free."

But he found some passionate and charitable musicians, willing to donate their time to the cause: Eastford resident Miriam Tefts provides the vocals, Baltic resident Dave Arpin plays the guitar and bass, Douglas George from Danielson plays the lead guitar and vocalist Julie Hemeon hails from Pomfret

All the musicians have been playing and singing for decades, and they just have a love of music they can't wait to share with everyone. It's what they're meant to do, said Cristina.

"I just enjoy playing and playing with other people. It's just the love of music. Getting out there, having fun, having people enjoy what they're listening to," Cristina said.

Unfortunately, many local organizations can't afford to hire a band for their events, fundraisers or grand openings.

That's where Back By Popular Demand comes in.

"I was in the service, the National Guard, and I was also a police officer for 10 years in South Carolina," said Cristina. "I just see a lot of things happen, a lot of people in need... We're just in the position to be able to let others enjoy music with us, and what we do."

Cristina started playing music when

he was seven years old. For him, it all started with three years of piano lessons. He quickly moved to guitar and bass.

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History marks the spot in Pomfret



Courtesy photos

Earlier this year, the DAR held a ceremony on Memorial Day for "Real Daughter" Hannah Green Robbins, who is buried at the East Thompson Cemetery.

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN NEWS STAFF WRITER

THOMPSON — Join the Captain Noah Grant and Sarah Williams Danielson Chapters of the Connecticut Daughters of the Revolution on June 16 for a Grave Marking Ceremony honoring Revolutionary War patriot and mariner Albemarle Stone of Pomfret.

Held at the Bruce Cemetery on River Road in Pomfret, the emotional and historically important ceremony will be followed by a reception at the Old Town House

These annual grave marking ceremonies are an important part of what the DAR do across the state. Because while all chapters can choose their own community-oriented fundraisers and activities, they often share the same values.

"We want to bring it home to people that we had people right here in our community that were involved in the Revolutionary War," said Chair Ida Ransom. "Unfortunately people today often don't know their history."

Honoring history is a huge part of the DAR.

Earlier this year, the DAR held a ceremony on Memorial Day for Hannah Green Robbins, who is buried at the East Thompson Cemetery. Robbins is considered by DAR to be a "Real



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Back By Popular Demand



Charlie Lentz photo

AMERICAN LEGION SEASON OPENER

THOMPSON — Putnam American Legion Post No. 13's Color Guard participated in pre-game ceremonies before Tri-Town's season-opening American Legion baseball game on Tuesday night. From left, Post Commander Ron Coderre, Alan Joslin, Marc Coderre, Curt Prochowski, Rich Carnahan, and Charlie Leach. Story on page B-1 of today's sports section.

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NOW receives \$5,000 donation from Rotaract Club

Opportunities for Wellness, Inc. (NOW) was the recipient of a \$5,000 donation from the Quinebaug Valley Regional Rotaract Club, presented at the club's fifth annual Celebration Dinner on Wednesday, June 6.

We could not be more thankful for the generosity and hard work of the Rotaract Club," said NOW Executive

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Director Sarah Wolfburg. "The \$5,000 will be invested right back into the community and will help us immensely with our spring scholarships and upcoming clinics.'

The \$5,000 in funds was generated at the QVR Rotaract third annual Cornhole Classic on June 2nd at The Raceway Golf Club in Thompson. The tournament, which is the first of its

kind in Northeast Connecticut, is an annual fundraisthat benefits the Rotaract Club and a different non-profit parteach 2018, For NOW was chosen as the non-profit beneficiary, with funds to support youth wellness programs and scholarships in the 10-town area.

The Cornhole Classic featured 41 teams facing off in a bracket-style tournament with the



NOW Executive Director Sarah Wolfburg, center accepts \$5,000 donation from QVR Rotaract Club members at the fifth annual Celebration Dinner on June 6.

top three teams winning cash prizes. The event was supported by over two-dozen sponsors, all of which are local businesses in the region. In addition to their role as non-profit partner, NOW also saw several board members participate in the event, including President Allan Rawson, Treasurer Julie Quinn, and board members Christine Collins, and Michele Geragotelis. NOW Board Emeritus members Eric Quinn and Earl Rosebrooks also took part with respective family teams. Rosebrook's team finished strongly in fourth place in the

NOW is a non-profit human services organization focused on vouth wellness. NOW provides children with the opportunity to participate in area wellness activities and athletics programs, offering scholarships to the youth of the community with up to 95 percent of the cost being subsidized by NOW. The mission of the organization is to provide ALL children, regardless of financial resources, equal opportunities to achieve & maintain youth wellness, beginning at an early age.

On Sunday, June 24, NOW will host a free Youth Football & Cheerleading Clinic at Killingly High School, open to children ages 5 - 15. Other upcom-



President Allan Rawson NOW Fundraising Chair Christine Collins at the third annual Rotaract Cornhole Classic; the funds raised at the event were donated to NOW, totaling \$5,000.

ing events include plans for a Celebrity Bartender Night in August, free soccer clinics, and the seventh annual NOW Road Race & Walk on September 16. For more information on NOW and upcoming events and programs, visit: www. nowinmotion.org.

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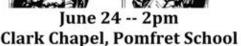
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Day Kimball Healthcare awarded grant for breast cancer patients

PUTNAM — Day Kimball Healthcare was recently awarded an \$8,000 grant from Pink Aid, a charitable organization that helps to fund breast cancer support services for women in need, for the period March 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019.

"We are so fortunate to be able to offer financial support to our breast cancer patients through this grant from Pink Aid," said Carolina Starr-Manning, DKH Director of Critical Care and Cancer Services. "The grant will allow eligible breast cancer patients to access long and short term home care and personal care, as well as transportation to medical appointments and other needed outings, through Day Kimball's Homemakers division. This is the first time Pink Aid has helped to support our patients through our friends at Homemakers who already serve hundreds of women in northeast Connecticut with in-home nonmedical needs."

Pink Aid's mission is to help underserved local women survive breast cancer treatment with support and dignity, to provide screening to women in financial need, and to empower breast cancer survivors to heal by helping and inspiring others.

For more information on DKH's Pink Aid grant and cancer services, contact Megan Belanger, Oncology Nurse Navigator at (860) 963-6425 or mrbelanger@daykimball.org or visit www. daykimball.org/cancercare.



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New England Patriots player visits Thompson



Health Educator Rose Palazzo-Gagnon, Physical Education Teacher Tim Cooper and Principal Christopher Scott pose with Derek Rivers, and a signed football.



Olivia Richman photos

THOMPSON — New England Patriots

football player Derek Rivers visited Thompson Middle School on June 8.

Rivers was promoting dairy products

Physical Education teacher Tim Cooper felt that having a Patriot come to the school would hopefully encourage students to join the Walking Club and participate in other health-related activities at Thompson Middle School.

and good eating habits.

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"Being from the New England area, this means a lot to me," said Derek Rivers. "Promoting dairy and great eating habits great nutrition - and sleep is so important. It's beneficial to our growth."



Derek Rivers talked about dairy, sleep, practicing with Tom Brady, and how to always have confidence in what you do.

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Crystal Simonson, right, community outreach coordinator of The Arc Quinebaug Valley, receives a donation from Jen O'Toole.



Derek Rivers heads down to Thompson Middle School's cafeteria after greeting Superintendent Melinda Smith.

Arc Quinebaug Valley receives donation

DANIELSON — Tootin' Hills School Parent Teacher Organization provided a donation in the amount of \$300 on June 1 to The Arc Quinebaug Valley. Annually, this PTO puts on the Simsbury Duck Race, in which they borrow thousands of rubber ducks from The Arc Quinebaug Valley. Due to the success of their event, Tootin' Hills School PTO donates a portion of their proceeds to The Arc. The gift will help to enhance services provided by The Arc for individuals with intellectual, developmental, and other life-affecting disabilities. Vocational, residential, recreation, day and retirement services offer opportunities for people with disabilities to reach their goals and be integral members of their community.

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Boy Scout Troop 21 camps out

John D. Ryan photos

PUTNAM — Members of Boy Scout Troop 21 from Putnam participated on June 1 and 2 in a campout in East Putnam, along the Five Mile River. The Boy Scouts leaned how to cook, how to set up and take down tents and how to care for ropes. Scoutmaster Peter A. Lombardo of Putnam is shown instructing and assisting members of Troop 21.







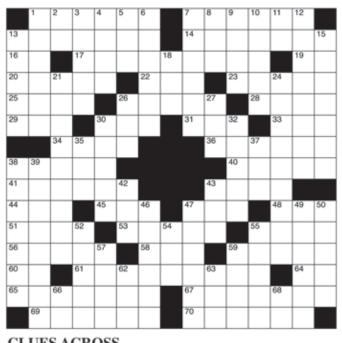












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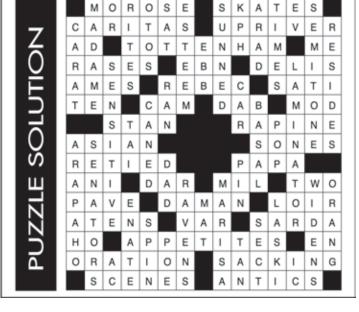
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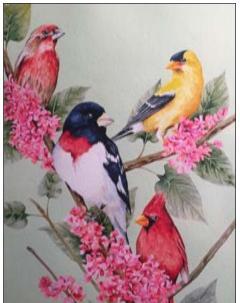
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David Stumpo bird art

PUTNAM — David Stumpo will be the featured artist at Arts & Framing in downtown Putnam in June. His varied styles showcase the beauty of local bird species and other wildlife from the region. Let his paintings and sketches transport you to the area's local trails, and let you imagine yourself walking through a park in the fall, looking for a dash of color in the tree as a bird lands



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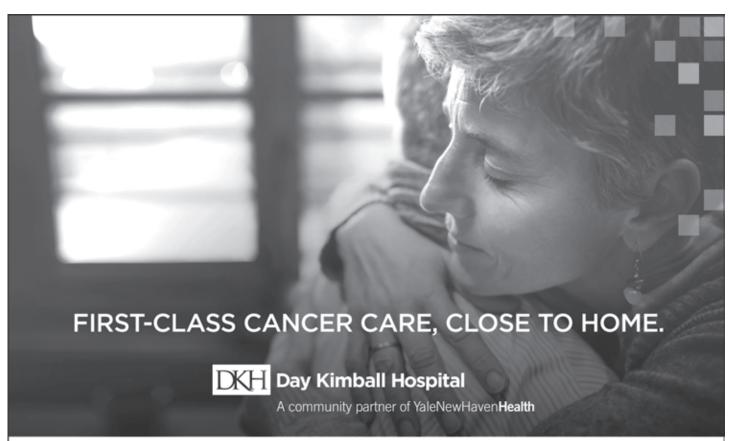
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COLLEGE NEWS

MIDDLETOWN — Sarah Swenson from Woodstock earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in neuroscience and behavior from Wesleyan University at the commencement ceremony on May 27.

FRAMINGHAM, Mass. — At the Framingham State University commencement on May 20: Tomasz Slanda from North Grosvenordale received a Bachelor of Science degree. Anthony Mantelli from Thompson received a Master of Public Administration degree.

NEW LONDON, N.H. Megan Pickett from Pomfret Center graduated from Colby-Sawyer College on May 5 with a bachelor of arts degree in English.



PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Karissa S. Page, from Brooklyn, graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree Magna Cum Laude from Johnson & Wales University in fashion merchandising and retailing in November, 2017. Page participated in the university's study abroad summer schedule which included the 2017 Italy Fashion Program at Florence University of the Arts. Page accepted a position as a merchandise assistant at TJX Corporate Headquarters in Framingham, Mass. Page, a 2014 Woodstock Academy grad, is the daughter of Jeffrey and Lisa Page.

HAMDEN — Sean Falvey from Woodstock received a bachelor of arts degree, cum laude, from Quinnipiac University on May 19. Falvey was inducted into the National Political Honor Society and awarded the

Scholars award at Quinnipiac University for integrating difference.

CASTLETON, Vt. — Kaetlyn Collins from Danielson was named to the Castleton University Dean's List for the spring semester.

FRANKLIN, Mass. — Dean College announced that Morgan Cacciapouti from Thompson made the Dean's List.

CONWAY, S.C. — Kyle Kusnarowis from Woodstock was named to the President's List at Coastal Carolina University. Meghan Corey from Woodstock was named to the Dean's List.

WILLIMANTIC — Eastern Connecticut State University's spring Dean's List includes: Shai-Lin Gothreau, Class of 2021 of Putnam; Adam Greczkowski '17 of Putnam; Jacob Guertin '19 of Putnam; Halie Poirier '18 of Putnam; Allen Horn '20 of Pomfret Center; Jacquelyn Orlowski '17 of Woodstock; Sean Gilmartin '18 of Eastford; Robert Johnson '20 of Eastford; Jason Beauregard '19 of Danielson; Samantha Hayward '18 of Pomfret Center; William Ahern '18 of Danielson; Cassidy Bonin '20 of Woodstock Valley; Timothy Chisholm '19 of North Grosvenordale; Paul Doherty '18 of Danielson; Richard Duff '18 of Danielson; Zachary Foskett '18 of Woodstock; Nicolas Guastini '19 of Danielson; Morgan Harriott '21 of Danielson; Brendan Hebert '19 of Woodstock; James Hemeon '21 of Pomfret Center; Emily John '18 of Woodstock Valley; Robert John '19 of Woodstock Valley; Tracy Johns '18 of Woodstock; Margalit Kaufman '19 of Woodstock Valley; Mikko Koivisto '20 of Pomfret Center; Sylvia Lawrence '21 of Woodstock; Courtney Olivo '19 of Danielson; Jessica Perreault '18 of Danielson; Lauren Perry '20 of Eastford; Brooke Peyton '19 of Pomfret Center; Jolene Potter '18 of Danielson; Leeann Rauls '20 of Woodstock; James Rowley '18 of Pomfret; Sothea Semmelrock; Tayler Shea '19; Daniel Simpson '19 of Eastford; Anna Stevens '18 of Danielson; Meaghan Strange '18 of Woodstock; Michael Thienel '18 of Woodstock; Maxwell Chace '21 of Brooklyn; Kayelyn Seiden '18 of Danielson; Fallon Michalski '20 of Brooklyn; Jason Beauregard '19 of Danielson; Mia D'Amico '20 of Brooklyn; Reinert Angle '19 of Brooklyn; Victoria Bryer '21 of Dayville; James Christopher '20 of Brooklyn; Paul Doherty '18; Richard Duff '18 of Danielson; Martha Ennis '19 of Brooklyn; Jeffrey Fontaine '18 of Dayville; Nicolas Guastini '19 of Danielson; Christopher Maynard '18 of Brooklyn; Matthew McMerriman '19 of Brooklyn; Paige Norgren '21 of East Killingly; Courtney Olivo '19; Erik Rosati '18 of Dayville; Samantha Ross '21; Tayler Shea '19; Tyler Smith '18 of Brooklyn; Anna Stevens '18 of Danielson; Mary Wilterdink '19 of Brooklyn; Julie Szamocki '18 of Thompson; Timothy Chisholm '19; Elizabeth Coty '18 of Thompson; Haylee Olson '19 of Thompson.

WORCESTER, Mass. — The Dean's List at Becker College includes: Curran Mead, from Quinebaug; Brittany Goulette, or wulliebaug, Center; Alexandra Lamontagne of North Grosvenordale; Nicholas Rogerson of Pomfret Center; Shanna Steen of North Grosvenordale.

KINGSTON, R.I.: The University of Rhode Island Dean's List includes: Ivan W Asikainen of Eastford; Nicolette P Deary of Danielson; Ethan James Hellwig of Woodstock; Michael Conrad LeBeau of Danielson; Marie E Thibodeau of Woodstock; Meryl Emelynn Wolfe of Eastford; Rose Baade Wood of Pomfret Center; Ryan Thomas Humphreys of Brooklyn; Wendy Parr of Dayville.

 ${\tt MANCHESTER, N.H.-Hayley\ Schnatter, from\ Danielson, made\ the\ Dean's\ List}$ at Southern New Hampshire University.

Local students win CHET awards

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Carolina Ahearn

Johnny Kazantzis



BROOKLYN — The statewide 2018 CHET Dream Big! Competition, which asks students to share their dreams about life after college through drawings and essays, selected 48 winners from across the state out of more than 3,000 entries.

Aspiring artists, architects, construction workers, chefs, college professors, nurses, engineers, government officials, judges, journalists, photographers, police officers, detectives, teachers, video game designers, graphic designers, and more participated in this year's competition, which drew entries from schools in 92 of the State's 169 municipalities. The topic of equality, both gender and racial equality, was prominent in the entries.

Four grand prize winners will each receive a \$1,000 contribution to a CHET college savings account and 44 additional students in kindergarten through eighth grade will receive \$500 contributions including the following Windham County students: Jasmine Wrenn, Brooklyn Middle School; Johnny Kazantzis, Brooklyn Middle School; Carolina Woodstock Ahearn, Elementary School; Brousseau, Kestrel Woodstock Elementary School.

The winners were honored at a special reception at the Connecticut Science Center on June 1.

Since inception, the CHET Dream Big! Competition has made contributions to 772 accounts, totaling more than \$265,000. More than 34,000 Connecticut students have shared their college dreams in Dream Big! entries.

For the Dream Big! Competition, kindergarteners through third graders were asked to share artwork depicting what they want to do after they go to college. Fourth through eighth grade students were asked to answer in a 250word essay how they will change the world after

Dream Big! entries were judged within four grade groups — K-1, 2-3, 4-5, and 6-8 — based on theme, originality and creativity. Drawings also

were evaluated based on artistic design and attractiveness with essays judged on overall grammar, spelling and punctuation.

\$500 Six Prizes Awarded to Top Participating Schools. Brooklyn Middle School is one of six schools that won a \$500 prize for having the highest percentage of student submissions. The other school winners include Vance Village Elementary School in New Britain; Gainfield Elementary School, Gainfield; Madison Elementary School, Bridgeport; George Hersey Robertson School, Coventry; and North Stonington Elementary School, North Stonington.

Dream The Competition is sponsored by the State Treasurer's Office, TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc. (TFI) and CHET. It is funded by TFI, the program manager; no state funds are used for awards issued through the Dream Big! Competition.

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Maximillian Armstead, Marigona Bacaliu, Lucius Brittian, Alpha Diallo, Hassan Diarra, Ibrahim Dibassy, Niya Fields, Mia Garcia, Cobie Holman, Jerry Lin, Travis Mangual, Kareem Reid, Seth Thomas, Junbo Wang





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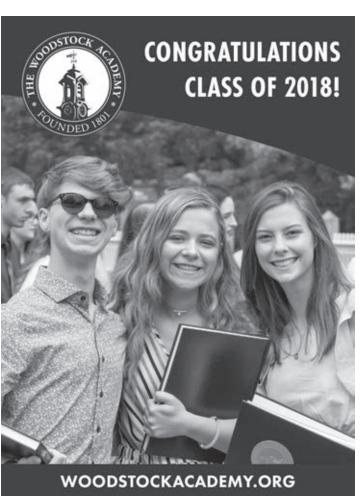
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Woodstock Academy Senior Sports Night



From left, Bobbie-Jo Saucier, Chris Alves and Charlene Perry



Cliff Spelman (left) presents Fabian Meiser with the Clifford Spelman Boys Tennis **Sportsmanship Award**

Jack Gelhaus, the Outstanding Male Athlete and athletic director Aaron Patterson

WOODSTOCK Woodstock Academy held its annual Senior Sports Awards ceremony on June 3. Jack Gelhaus and Kennedy Davignon were named the Outstanding Male and Female Senior Athletes respectively.Gelhaus was a member of both the varsity soccer and golf programs. A four-year varsity starter in Gelhaus soccer, helped the team make the Eastern Connecticut Conference championship match in his sophomore season. He finished with 32 assists as a junior and had seven goals and 10 assists in his senior season for the Centaurs who qualified for both the Eastern Connecticut Conference and Class L state tournaments. Gelhaus was also a leader

on the golf course where he placed third in the Eastern Connecticut Conference championship match with a 78. He was an All-ECC honorable mention choice in both his junior and senior seasons and finished in the top 10 at the Division II state championship tournament in the last two seasons. Gelhaus finished tied for eighth last week, shooting a 78 at the Fairview Farms Golf Club in Harwinton. Jacopo Ambrosetti, Mark Dumas, Connor Huda and Kameron Janice were also nominated for the award.

Davignon participated in girls soccer and both indoor and outdoor track. A four-year varsity performer in soccer, Davignon led the Centaurs to the team's first-ever ECC tournament championship this past season. Davignon was also a key ingredient in the team's Division II regular season title last year. She also played in the Connecticut Girls Soccer Coaches Association Senior Bowl. Madison Brennan, Caroline Eaton Casidhe Hoyt, Olivia Perry and Clara Siegmund were also nominated for the award.

Davignon was also given the award for the Most Memorable Play of the year. It was her assist with a corner kick that found Ashleigh Angle for a 3-2 overtime win over Norwich Free Academy in the first-ever home night game. Brennan received the Comeback Player of the Year Award. She helped the girls basketball team to the Division II ECC regular season crown and a 17-7 overall record. She followed up in the spring with 55 goals to lead the Centaurs girls lacrosse team to a 14-5 record; a share of the ECC Division II regular season crown; an ECC tournament berth and their first-ever Class M state tourna-

The Most Outstanding performance by a senior was had by Janice, who rushed for 529 yards and eight touchdowns in a 49-26 win over Quinebaug Valley. The 529-yard total was third best in state history and set the school's single-game record for yards and touchdowns scored.

Ciri Miller and Ian Sohan were given the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference scholar-athlete awards while Eden Law and Will Schad received the Connecticut High School Coaches Association scholar-athlete awards.

The National Federation of State High Schools Association Award of Excellence went to Dumas and Eaton.

The Centaur Awards, significant of academic achievement. athletic participation, leadership, citizenship and sportsman-

ship, were given to Lindsey O'Dea and Sohan.

The Evelyn and Arthur Weimann Award significant of the

athlete who has done most for the athletic department over their four years at the school went to Makara Sorel. The Hannah Green Memorial Award was given to Olivia

Perry for her sportsmanship, character, desire and determi-

The Clifford Spellman boys tennis sportsmanship award went to Fabian Meiser for his dedication to the sport.

The Alfred C. Warren Soccer Sportsmanship Award, given to a player who shows a true love for the game, understands the foundation of teamwork, respects the rules and brings honor to the school, went to Davignon and Ethan Werstler. Sorel and Clara Siegmund were awarded \$1,000 scholarships by the Booster Club. The Booster Club also named Dennis Snelling, girls soccer coach, as Coach of the Year. Joe Banas, who worked with cross-country and both the indoor and outdoor track programs, was named the Assistant Coach of the Year.

The Unified Sports Awards were presented to Mya DeShaw and Samantha Gelinas.

Centaur Nation Persons of the Year Awards were given to Charlene Perry, Bobbie-Jo Saucier and Chris Alves. Media instructor Eric Collelo was given the Centaur Nation Media Award for his contributions to promoting the athletic program.



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A group of seniors pose before heading into Senior Sports Award ceremony on June 3.



At left: Associate Head of School Holly Singleton presents Ethan



Kennedy Davignon, the Outstanding Female Athlete and Aaron Patterson



Seniors who participated in a sport in all 12 seasons of their four-year Woodstock Academy careers were honored at Senior Sports Night.

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Introvert extrovert

As the smoke from a fire pit wafted through the air and the sun set on newly mown fields, we arrived at a summer party full of expectations. This is the season for outdoor parties, which each of us approaches from unique points of view. The extrovert launches right into the crowd while the introvert holds back a bit to survey the scene. It is interesting to watch the fundamentals of human behavior as they unfold on a soft, green

I love receiving invitations and pin them up on a bulletin board near my desk. Sometimes I hesitate to respond or forget completely, a

behavior that seems more

common than in the past

for other people as well

as for me, but it is not

because I don't want to

go. Often it is because I

need to check with my

family about commit-

ments I have made with

them or I believe I have

responded and I haven't.

I try to answer as quickly



NANCY WEISS

as I can. Then the expectations kick in.

If I understand the label correctly, I am an extrovert. I enjoy being with other people. I see myself as sociable and talkative. I even enjoy a certain amount of small talk and dinner party conversation, that is often disparaged, but greases the wheels of community interaction. Being with other people leads to insights, new information, new friendships and strengthening the bonds of long relationships. It is also lends itself to superficial, repetitious and shallow conversations, gossip and weather reports. Sometimes it is just old jokes or shared memories of other parties.

A few years ago I picked up the book: The Power of Introverts in a World that Can't Stop Talking", by Susan Cain. It took off and became a best seller and a TED talk. Once I skimmed it (an extrovert habit, I am sure) I have enjoyed watching her assertions play out.

Cain says that about one-third of us are introverts, who would rather listen than speak, read a book than go to a party and are inventive and creative but don't need center stage. Some really interesting people, Eleanor Roosevelt, Gandhi and Rosa Parks, were introverts. She provides data that say being introverted or extroverted are part of major personality traits that are 40-50 percent heritable – in her words: "We are born with prepackaged temperaments that powerfully shape our adult personalities.

It's no surprise that certain personalities seen to run in families, but there is always variety too. Siblings can be as distinct from each other as if they were not related at all. Spouses sometimes are opposites as if they sought their alternative as a partner to even things out. In her book Cain says that society prefers extroverts as it values action more than deeper, creative thinking. In school we might be graded on how much we participate in class discussion and group work, but it is introverts who, according to "Quiet.." get higher grades and are more likely selected to the prestigious Phi Beta Kappa.

As the evening wore on, the partygoers mingled happily. The distinction between who had initially resisted joining the chattering throng and who had not, dissolved. We are all a mix of extravert and introvert. We all want to enjoy the company of other people and feel the warmth of belonging someplace brimming with gaiety, nice food and a little drink or two. I bounced from one conversation to another, happy in the soft evening light, pleased to be in the company of fellow humans, who shared their special gifts in the best way they could.



Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader praises Day Kimball

Three months ago, I gave birth to a hale and hearty baby girl at Day Kimball's excellent LDRP facility. During our stay I was saddened to hear that the nurses and staff often encounter ungrateful, disrespectful, or downright mean patients.

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge the amazing job that the entire team at Day Kimball performed during our stay. Our room was large, comfortable, and maintained promptly each day by a kind and courteous staff. Shortly after my daughter's birth the whole room was cleaned and freshened up. This make a huge difference in the life of a brand new mother and child!

The food was always hot and on time, and I always received exactly what I had requested. I was scared as this was my first hospital food, but contrary to the horror stories, it was very tasty! Both of our obstetricians, Dr. LaCorte and Dr. MacKenzie, were professional and extremely knowledgeable. Even though I'm sure this process is completely routine to them by now, they made me feel like this was an entirely special and unique birth experience (which it was!) Dr. Mardani came in at midnight to administer my epidural. I was told it would take him an half-hour to arrive, but it didn't even take him fifteen minutes. He was quick and very patient with me as I attempted (poorly) to hold still.

The nursing staff is top of their field, in both a professional and humanitarian sense. Every nurse I had the pleasure of working with was able to assist me with breastfeeding my daughter, and I am certain it is the instruction and guidance they gave me in the maternity ward that led to the success in breastfeeding I have enjoyed. It fills me with pride that my daughter has never needed supplemental formula; I cannot thank the nurses enough for the gift of confidence they gave me as a new nursing mother. The staff lactation consultants even went so far as to call to check up on me, twice, postpartum to see if I had any problems or questions. They absolutely went above and beyond the call of

The two nurses we interacted with the most were named Heather and Denise. They were both kind, patient, and capable. Denise was a wealth of knowledge; there was not a single question I had that she couldn't answer. In fact, she covered most areas so thoroughly that I didn't have many questions in the first place. Heather is one of the warmest and kindest people I have ever met. Those first nights are very scary as a new mother, but Heather stayed in my room with me and began to feel like an old friend come to chat. Her presence helped keep me calm and reassured, which did wonders in helping to cheer me up from my burgeoning "baby blues." The staff treated me and my daughter "the people" - not just our symptoms.

So, to all the staff on the maternity ward, please accept my deepest and most humble gratitude. Helping a new mother and child navigate those first rocky moments is a huge responsibility, and you have all risen to the challenge. Any patient you have is truly lucky to experience a team as wonderful as you, and we look forward joyfully to bringing any future children we will have into the world with you all as our support. With our sincerest appreciation and warmest regards.

> SHANNON GARCIA AND THE GARCIA FAMILY Woodstock

Malloy's coddling of prisoners is wrong

Hats off to Kevin Skulczyck, Heather Somers, and the other state legislators for their recent inquiry into the Malloy administration's early release programs for convicted offenders. It's unfortunate that it takes a tragedy like the one in Griswold to wake everyone up again. The last time we had a wakeup call were the tragic Petitt murders. As a retired 20-year Dept. Of Correction and Parole retiree, watching this administration coddling convicted offenders with IPads, "better" lunches, and early release programs based on "good" time and completion of required programs makes me wonder aloud where does personal responsibility fit into the equation. Anyone who has worked in this field knows all too well that most offenders are only incarcerated after numerous violations of the law. The Mallov administration has reduced or eliminated bail for many offenders, and has influenced the Judicial system to be more lenient in sentencing. They claim now that the prison population has decreased. This administration has tied the hands of police officers, parole officers in the process. It only makes sense that if vou refuse to lock up offenders, the population will decrease. But what message are we sending those who refuse to abide by the laws of this state. We are losing the battle with regards to opiate addiction, not prosecuting

abusers and not holding those accountable who continue to ruin their lives with drug use and drug sales. If we do not start to hold offenders accountable for their actions we will continue to spend a disproportionate amount of money (that we don't have) on bureaucracy related to DOC, DCF, and our overburdened court system.

It's obvious that this administration does not get it. It's time for the people of this state to elect people like Representatives Skulczyck, Somers and others who do get it. Our state is in trouble with budget deficits, high taxes, failing cities that we have recently bailed out, and businesses leaving this state. We have no money for important things such as education, infrastructure, etc. because we spend all our money on failed policies. The leaders of this state are more concerned with national politics rather than than dealing with the myriad of problems we face in this state. The tax payers have had it. As we look to the upcoming elections in November let's support some new leaders like Former Putnam Police Chief Ricky Hayes, local business owner Dave Coderre, and let's reelect Ann Dauphinais. They get it.

> SCOTT TETREAULT DAYVILLE

Bogdanski thanks Chief and Mayor
While driving down Bolles Street on my place through respect for

way to our gym and karate school I passed by two houses that had lots of trash on their front lawn and yard. I was in contact with the Putnam building and zoning official who worked hard to get these residents to clean up their property. He persisted for months and eventually, it began to get improve. I happened to run into Putnam Mayor Seney at a First Friday event in May and complained to him over this lengthy cleanup process. He listened to my story and as we parted he said if it wasn't picked up on Saturday he would do it himself. Sure I thought, sure.

The next morning as I pulled into our parking lot Mayor Seney pulled up behind me, with the couch and debris in his pickup! He said it, he did it. No politics, just Putnam style action.

Ever since Putnam instituted a beautification day we encouraged members of Quest Martial Arts and Midtown Fitness to get involved. We teach the concept of being part of the town and making the world a better place through respect for ourselves, respect for others and respect for our town and coun-

Located on Railroad street in Putnam we fairy groves and standing start our cleanup right in front of our building but always end up on the railroad tracks the grounds for a couple in front of the school because for many people of hours, we decided to it is an easy opportunity to discard trash, tires and anything else that has no more use.

As we worked our cleanup crew onto to ple waiting in line for an the tracks we found ourselves working side hour and a half to enter by side with Mayor Seney and Police Chief the gate. When you watch Ricky Hayes. They worked diligently on the Hollywood period movies, area and even found time to take a photo with the castles always have us. When you see the Chief and the Mayor grand, sweeping stairplease shake their hand, pat them on the back cases where ladies float and say thank you. I know I will.

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Woodstock Selectman urges citizens to attend meeting

A valid petition to hold a Town Meeting has been submitted to the Town of Woodstock Town Clerk to vote upon the petitioner's request to keep the Woodstock Town Hall open five days a week in the upcoming fiscal year. The Town Meeting will be held Monday, June 18 at 7 p.m.; a referendum will be held Monday, June 25 from noon to 8 p.m., also at Town Hall.

The Town budget recently enacted requires the Town to continue to reduce its staffing costs. We now have only one none-elected Town Hall employee who will work a 37.5 hour/week schedule beginning July 1st; all others are scheduled to work 31.5 hours or less in their primary role. To ensure that offices are properly staffed, the Board of Selectmen considered various options and very transparently decided to close the Town Hall on Fridays as several other area communities including Brooklyn, Pomfret, and

Eastford have done over the past decade.

To open the Town Hall on Fridays for a few hours under the same approach will require that hours be reduced elsewhere during the week. To balance that new expense, closing the Town Hall earlier on Wednesdays would be a viable option. Unfortunately, that could eliminate the only late day hours available to

The advent of the internet, among other developments, has changed the way that people are accessing the Town Hall; drop -box service for tax payments, and communication by mail and phone have continued to lessen foot traffic in the building.

I urge residents to attend the Town Meeting and participate in our referendum.

> MIKE ALBERTS WOODSTOCK FIRST SELECTMAN

Back from Across the Pond

Sue from Awards & Printing asked if I was going to write about my vacation abroad, so here it

Sean and I arrived home from a ten-day holiday touring Ireland and England, and we amazingly still like each other. If you really want to know if you'll make it as a couple, go on a trip together...better yet, leave the country completely. If you don't throttle each other then you're probably a decent match. The weather was perfect and it only rained for 10 minutes. So I didn't really need to have brought two sweaters and a raincoat. Sean, on the other hand, didn't have anything to put on at night when the temperature cooled down because Yours Truly left his sweatshirt in the garage back home.

> We had decided that rent-



Red's Word **BRENDA PONTBRIAND**

Cork was necessary due the many places in Īreland we wantto visit. The \$100-perweek car we rented ended up costing over \$600 and it was

the size of

a postage stamp. Sean was the main driver so he had to sort out sitting on the opposite side of the car, shifting with his left hand, programming the useless GPS system, and staying on the left side of roads that were no wider than a Band-Aid. Add to this a hysterical woman (me) in the passenger seat, and Sean ended up using every cuss word he knew, and then invented a few when he ran out. All road signs are in kilometers so it's anyone's guess how fast or how far we were supposed to go. Sean looked as if ne unknowingly, and unwillingly, had become a Formula One racer but was given a Matchbox car to drive. Roundabouts in Europe are as common as intersections here, and visions of Chevy Chase circling a roundabout for an entire day in European Vacation came to mind a few times.

desperately

wanted to visit a few medi-

eval castles so our first stop was Blarney Castle. The grounds were stunning, with trails leading though blooming gardens, wooded stones. After wandering tour the castle itself....us, and a thousand other peodown the steps in flowing gowns, and knights defend MIKE BOGDANSKI their honor, clashing their PUTNAM: swords up and down those MIDTOWN FITNESS first stairwell and realized that Hollywood is a flat out lie. The staircases were designed for a five year old to comfortably move through. Gene Pepper of Carpentry Services CT would have had a field day with these spiral pre-building-code steps. We also visited the beautiful Bunratty Castle...again with those Hobbit steps but the best honey mead ever! In Dublin there's a pub every ten feet, and they're all packed even in the middle of the week. If we had tried to do a pubcrawl, we would have been dead in less than one street. Traditional live music wafted out of every doorway, and what with the cheeriest atmosphere on Earth you just can't help but dance in the street...or maybe it was

the Guiness.

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The first graduation class of Killingly High in 1875

Since June is the month of graduations, I thought I would check the files of the Killingly High School Alumni Association to see what I could find about the earliest graduates of Killingly High School. Perhaps you'll recognize the name of a relative. There were five individuals in the first graduating class in 1875: Flora Smith (Mrs. C. H. Pellett), Arthur G. Bill, George H. Danielson, Frank Stone and George Stone. The files, which are kept at the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Center, contained a photo of this first class. The graduation program featured the following "Order of Exercises: Prayer, Music. Declamation by George M. Stone "Walpole against Pitt." Declamation by Arthur G. Bill "Pitt's Reply to Walpole." Music. The essay "Our Little World" by Flora A. Smith was followed by a declamation by George Danielson "Thoughts on Politeness". Music. The Valedictory speech was given by Frank Stone. Then the principal presented the diplomas.

Class size increased significantly the following year when there were twelve: William F. Barstow, Melissa Brainard, Ferdinand Clemens, Sara B. Chollar (Mrs. John Howland), John Day, John Dowe, Addie Hyde, Fannie Scranton (Mrs. George L. Wilson), Ella Short (Mrs. E. G. Barrett), Dudley Thomas, Chauncey Young, and Clara Witter (Mrs. D. A. Champion). However, no one graduated in 1877. (Booklet compiled by Ruth A. Fiske).

I noticed a June 24, 1875 Windham County Transcript in the Alumni File for the first graduating class and, of course, my curiosity got the better of me. I particularly love to read the old ads. One brought to mind my column of last week when I mentioned store owners keeping running accounts of purchases. Times were changing! H. E. Tillinghast's ad read, "Grocery Notice to Cash Buyers: Having bought out my partner, Mr. C. H. Domingue, I propose now to carry on the business with a full stock of the different kinds of goods formerly kept by us. I also propose to supply a want long felt by the Cash Buyers of Danielsonville and surrounding country, viz:—A Cash Grocery Store. Therefore, on and after May 20th we shall sell goods strictly for CASH and One Price, believing that to be the only proper way to do business. We are confident that we can and will sell every kind of goods kept by use on an average of fully 5 per cent less than any one can do who does a credit business. Many articles kept by us we will sell from 10 to 15 per cent less than formerly. To

the farmers of this and adjoining towns, we would say, that we hope to be favored with a continuance of your trade. We shall continue to take Farmer's Produce in exchange for goods, and will pay market price for the same, either in cash, or in goods at cash prices.'

Tillinghast's store with disaster less than a year The following was in the March 16, 1876 Windham

County Transcript. "The fire (on the 8th of March) was discovered at 12 o'clock and before the alarm could be given, the Union Hall building was wrapped in flames. The fire first originated in the grocery store of H. E. Tillinghast, and within the space of a few moments spread so rapidly that all hope of saving the building was despaired of. The freight house, only a few feet from Union Hall, was soon on fire, but all effort was necessarily directed to protecting the depot and adjoining buildings. The Exchange and Webb buildings several times caught fire, and only by almost superhuman effort was the latter building saved. The building owned by J. D. Bates, Esq., and occupied by N. C. Bowen & Son and Edward Dexter, was badly scorched. Had this building caught, the Methodist church, parsonage and W. C. Bacon's building could not have been saved. (Think Central Street for the location of these buildings). Warden Rickard telegraphed for aid to Norwich, and the operator, Miss Emma Shumway, had just time to send the message and leave the office before it was enveloped in flames. The Chief Engineer Carrier of Norwich sent a steamer and hose carriage on an extra train, which reached our village about 3 o'clock, the train making the trip in the quick time of 35 minutes. But at this time the fire was under control." Just imagine bringing fire fighting equipment and aid on a train! (According to the History of Windham County, Connecticut, edited by Richard Bayles, neighboring Putnam's fire district was not organized until 1875, p. 805). According to Natalie Coolidge's Killingly Business Encyclopedia, Tillinghast and H. A. Brown purchased a mercantile business in Branford in October of the year.



KILLINGLY AT 300 **MARGARET**

WEAVER

Tillinghast died in October 1878, age 34. My mind meanders like dominoes when I start with a history project. One idea leads to another. Next, I thought it would be interesting to see what else was changing in the Borough in 1875. Apparently a need for new streets was being felt. "A new street, which it is proposed to open from the Currier Block to School Street, is very much needed, as the most direct way now to our fine School house is through the alley by the Franklin block, and it is rather mortifying to attempt to pilot a stranger through such an avenue as that." (WCT 1/21/1875). "The February 25, 1875 Transcript noted that a Borough Meeting would be held "To see if the people will accept the layout of a street from the Currier Block to School Street, and also Hutchins Street, running from Main to Mechanic Streets. (Note that Hutchins Street is not as old as some might think).

In 1875 construction was also underway in other parts of Killingly and in neighboring Brooklyn. A. & W. Potter had constructed a new woolen mill at Elmville---2/25/75). In May it was decided that a new dwelling was needed on the poor farm. (WCT 5/27/75). "Quinebaug Co. (Brooklyn section of Danielsonville) is putting an addition to the old Tiffany mill. It will be 84 by 32 feet."(3/25/1875).

Plans also commenced for the building of a new school in Dayville. "It had been ascertained when the addition was built on to the end of the old building, the new part trespassed twelve feet on land of S. & H. Sayles. The old building was found to be in very unfavorable shape for repairs and its location and surroundings undesirable. A new building was recommended. (4/22/75). "Our building committee for the new school house have decided to build of brick, and after the general plan of the new school building at Central Village, but a little wider and longer than theirs'

Lynn LaBerge and Frank Aleman are still going through all the papers in the collection of the late Madeline Wells. What treasures from the past! Lynn came across the following World War II era "document" on a small slip of paper. We wondered if anyone could help us decipher it. "Post Orders. May 10, 1942. Post #305. Area---Store or Davis Bridge to First Bridge on Mashentuck Road, Back to Valley school (corner of Valley and Peep Toad Road) and surrounding buildings, thence West to First Bridge on old Black Road. Kenneta (?) Cooper, District Warden per (*) clerk. *could possibly be an abbreviation for Civil Defense Commission or some variation. Lynn and I pulled out a Killingly map, but unfortunately it was not detailed enough to show bridges. We knew where the Wells Store had been located but thought a walk to Mashentuck Road would have been quite long. (Could Burlingame Road once have been considered part of Mashentuck Road)? We have no reference to Black Road. If you can shed any light on this, please email me or call the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Center. If you have memories of the local Civil Defense practices during World War II, please

Margaret M. Weaver is a Killingly Municipal Historian. Special thanks to For additional infor-Lynn Laberge. mation email Weaver at margaretmweaver@gmail.com or visit the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Center Wed. or Sat. 10-4 or www.killinglyhistorical. org. or call (860) 779-7250. Like us at Facebook at www.facebook.com/killinglyhistorical society. Mail for the Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society, Inc. or the Killingly Historical and Genealogical Center should be sent to PO Box 265, Danielson, Ct. 06329

Preparing for Medicare enrollment

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As the Medicare enroll-

ment period approaches. the best way to ensure you are doing the best thing for your financmight es seeking advice from a financial

planner. You may have read a previous article this month about HSAs, if not, visit www. weissandhale.com/articles to learn more. You cannot have A and Medicare however, there are exceptions. HSAs and Medicare each have benefits that may be helpful to discuss with an advisor. Weiss & Hale Financial believes that you should utilize the tools most effective at achieving your goals.

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Mark your calendar. When you

turn 64, mark the calendar for your Medicare enrollment period. If you already receive social security or Railroad

Retirement Board benefits, you will automatically be enrolled in Part A and Part B coverage on the first day of the month you turn 65. If not, you may enroll during the three months before your 65th birthday or during the three months after you turn 65. If you don't sign up for Part A, Part B, or both when you are first eligible, you can enroll between January 1 and March 31 every year, but you may be required to pay a

penalty for late enrollment. Note the special enrollment

If you're currently covered by group insurance through an employer or a spouse's employ-

er, you may be able to delay Medicare enrollment; talk to your employer to determine how the group plan coordinates with Medicare. You may sign up without penalty while you are covered by a group health plan or during the eight-month period that begins the month after your employment ends or comes first. Note that COBRA and retiree health plans are not considered "insurance based on current employment" and are not eligible for the special enrollment period when that coverage ends.

Research Medigap and Medicare Advantage plans.

It's wise to look into how Medigap and Medicare Advantage plans work and decide if either type of plan would benefit you. Medigap also policies, called Supplement Medicare Insurance policies, are sold by private companies. These can help pay for some posal box he built was not being put out at Town of the health care costs that original Medicare doesn't cover (e.g., copayments, responded that the box was in storage for the wincoinsurance, and deductter and she was "saddened and discouraged" that ibles). Medigap policies require you to pay premisonally before writing his letter. She did not say that ums, which are standardized according to federal she was saddened and discouraged because the issue

and state laws. Much like HMOs or PPOs, Medicare Advantage plans are health plans offered by private companies approved by Medicare. These plans provide Part A and Part B coverage, not

original Medicare. For more information, visit www.weissandhale.com/articles see the related links tab for Medicare.

Talk to your health care providers.

Unfortunately, not health care providers accept Medicare, which is why it's essential to double-check that your physician does. Also, be sure to ask if the provider accepts assignment, which means he or she will accept the Medicare-approved amount as full payment for This is important because, depending on the type of Medicare plan you choose to enroll in, some providers may not restrict their fees to the Medicare limit. Another benefit of assignment is that you won't have to pay up front for treatment, file a claim form, and wait for reimbursement. Instead, the health care provider will file your claims, and you will be billed only for your share of the costs, such as the deductible and coinsurance amounts.

Seek advice from a trusted resource.

When faced with an array of Medicare choices, it's easy to become confused and frustrated with the enrollment process. Unfortunately, many people aren't aware of the decisions they will need to make or the factors they should consider. A knowledgeable financial advisor can answer your questions about Medicare, guide you through the enrollment process, and help you make the most of your benefits. By planning and working with a trusted advisor, you'll pave the way

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<u>LETTERS TO THE EDITOR</u>

A comment on Pomfret Boy Scout

First, I do not know Jacob, but would be honored to meet him. I do know the first selectman. I don't have all the facts but believe Jacob is sincere going public. When a town official attempts to sweep something he or she feels unimportant under the table, the brave have a voice in our newspapers. You were right, Jacob, going public with your concerns. The first selectman was "saddened and discouraged" (her words) because this issue was not important to her. We need more young adults to speak out, you have a voice too.

FORD FAY POMFRET

Pet Owners Act is fair

Paws Cat Shelter here in Woodstock takes in and rehomes between 900 to 1,000 cats a year. We work with many low-income communities whose residents can't afford veterinary care. Currently, there are few low-cost pet clinics in Connecticut where cat owners can get prescription medications at reduced prices. With owners being unable to afford the cost for care, many cats are surrendered to shelters like ours. Thanks to Senator Blumenthal who recently introduced the Fairness to Pet Owners Act, caring pet owners may soon have better options. With strong support from the animal welfare community, this legislation would ensure pet owners are always given copies of their pets' prescriptions including heart worm prevention. Enabling pet owners to shop around for the most affordable options is an important step towards keeping companion animals healthy and out of overcrowded shelters.

(Editor's note: In an earlier letter to the editor,

Pomfret Boy Scout Jacob Ireland said a flag dis-

Hall. Pomfret First Selectmen Maureen Nicholson

Ireland had not brought up the issue with her per-

was unimportant to her.)

KY TUCKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PAWS CAT SHELTER, WOODSTOCK

Reader doesn't like Murphy story

I was in attendance at the Danielson Veterans Coffee House on June 4 when the guest speaker was Senator Murphy. The Danielson Veterans Coffee House is a nonpolitical Veterans organization and prior to Senator Murphy speaking, Mr. Ruhlemann spoke to the group, reminding the Veterans to keep their questions limited to Veteran issues only and political issues were not to be discussed.

I was shocked to read the article in the June 1st issue of the Villager Newspaper that reported statements made by Senator Murphy that were not made at the meeting. My first thought was that it was as President Trump states about the media, Fake News.

If there was an interview after the meeting with the Senator, it should have been an entirely different news article and not stated as part of Senator Murphy's discussion with the group.

> VICTOR J. STRAMA WOODSTOCK

(Editor's note: Mr. Strama is referring to Senator Murphy's comments in the story after a paragraph which reads: "Civil debate underpins democracy and Murphy wasn't shy about adding his voice to the current debate in Washington."—which clearly states the Senator is commenting on the politics of Washington, D.C., not Danielson, Ct..)



Legally Speaking

by Paul Smith Attorney at Law

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Senator Murphy & President Trump

Wolfram

Should Senator Murphy "stop blaming the President" (in reference to last week's opinion article)? In my view, no he should not. The writer seemed upset about two things, one being that the Senator should be doing more to get things done and that we should ignore Donald Trump's lies and "use actual results as our measure"— noting his "considerable progress in foreign policy". There is a saying amongst those resisting Donald Trump and the agenda of the 115th Congress currently controlled by the Republican Party — and that is "if you are not outraged, you are not paying attention".

To address the first concern, why is Senator Murphy having a hard time getting things done? That is because he belongs to the Democratic Party that is currently the minority party in Congress which means they cannot schedule hearings or bring bills to the floor. I actually suggest checking the Senators sponsorships and drafted bills on the website of Congress to see he is trying to help Americans and the citizens of Connecticut. I constantly hear how the Federal Government isn't doing anything to help the middle class, well the Republican Party has controlled Congress for the past ten years which includes the budget and literally everything else that could help the

middle class. As for the second point, Donald Trump lies . . . a lot. The Washington Post has a fact checker and keeps track of all his false and misleading statements. As of June 1st they reported on 3,251 in 497 days — meaning only his time as president. Now of course Trump likes to call this "fake news", because nothing protects the freedom of the press better, but it is 2018 – anyone of us can visit the website and fact check ourselves any of those 3,251 false or misleading statements. Even if there was a margin of error of 1,000 — that is still over 2,000 false or misleading statements in 497 days. Now I understand many do not use Twitter — which must be blissful if you don't have to read any of his 3,000plus tweets since becoming President but most of his lies are stated there. He hasn't held a press conference in over 400 days — so hard to really catch him lying if you are not paying attention.

Now can Mr. Trump's lies be compared to President Obama making a statement like "If you like your doctor, you can keep your doctor"? I do not think so, I do not even call this a lie — I call it a hopeful outcome that wasn't able to be achieved. As when President Obama made that statement it was the original plan, much like the current Speaker of the House Paul Ryan making a statement that they will simplify the tax code so much we all will be able to fill out our taxes iust on a postcard. Now was Paul Ryan lying, or stating his desired outcome — I say making a statement that was not achieved.

I believe there are some truly mind blowing lies that just cannot be ignored, such

as the president on Airforce One (there is video of this) making the statement he knew nothing about the \$130,000 payment made by his private attorney (now under massive federal investigations) to a porn star just 6 days before the election to hide an affair he had with his third wife while his young son was still in diapers. We know this is a lie due to the fact he disclosed the payment on his financial forms he is required by law to file once a year, and in which the Office of Government Ethics reported to the Department of Justice because Mr. Trump did not report it last year.

I also believe it should not be ignored when the sitting President of the United States lies about the previous President illegally wire tapping his phones in Trump Tower, or that Obama placed a spy in his campaign, or that he would of won the popular vote if 3 to 5 million illegal voters didn't vote (of course just in the states that he lost), or that nobody respects women more than him (Billy Bush video), or separating immigrant parents from their children is a law, never mind a "Democrat Law", or that President Obama wasn't eligible to become president because he was born in Kenya, or that the Mueller probe is led by all Democrats (they're actually all registered Republicans).

So, do we ignore all the lies and give credit where credit is due such as his progress in foreign policy? My answer to that is still no, because credit is not due - and even if it was the lies outweigh the credit. For those who are paying attention, our allies hate us or maybe just Mr. Trump. Just this weekend the White House Trade Advisor Peter Navarro on Fox News made the statement — "There's a special place in hell for any foreign leader that engages in bad-faith diplomacy with President Donald J. Trump...and that is what badfaith Justin Trudeau (the President/ Prime Minster of Canada) did with that stunt press conference. That's what weak, dishonest Justin Trudeau did. And that comes right from Airforce One". So I think we can say progress with Canada isn't going so hot.

Not sure if things are going so well with Mexico, which brings up another important lie to the American people who is going to pay for the wall? Donald Trump just put in a zero-toler-

means anyone crossing the **GUEST** border, even legally to seek asylum will be held — and COLUMN their children will be separated from them as a deter-Douglas rent. For this first time in United Nations history the

> a resolution and only one country voted for it, and that was the United States. Canada is part of the British Commonwealth so they're probably not happy. He has ended protected status for nearly one million immigrants from foreign countries (none of which have white skin), or that one time that he created a Muslim Ban that has now been struck down by every court.

United States brought up

I guess he is making foreign progress with dictators like the "Supreme Leader" of North Korea, the President of the Philippines Rodrigo Duterte, who orders killings of his own citizens and jokes about it, the King of Saudi Arabia, he seems to love President Putin of Russia being that not once has he ever degraded him on Twitter, as he has done with movie stars, Democrats, Republicans, judges, private citizens, talk show hosts, porn stars, lawyers, etc.

Remember, Donald Trump was found guilty of creating an illegal university and had to settle a class action lawsuit for \$25 million dollars because of that illegal university (while President),

ance detainment policy that his former campaign chairman Paul Manafort could be sent to jail this week for violating his release while awaiting trial for conspiracy against the United States and a slew of financial crimes, his personal lawyer Michael Cohen is under serious investigation for financial crimes (who also happens to be the Deputy Treasurer for the Republican National Committee), another Deputy Treasurer of the RNC Elliot Brody just quit this year due to paying off a Playboy model, the RNC Finance Chair was (past tense) Steve Wynn who is also in a lot of trouble both in his casino dealings and personal life for sexual assault.

So in conclusion, Donald J Trump and the Republican majority in Congress who enable him need to be voted out. Do we want Senator Murphy to be able to help us out more here in the great state of Connecticut? Then let us give him a majority in Congress both in the Senate and House of Representatives so we can hold him to his promises and give him the tools he needs to get things accomplished. I am in no way saying Republican idealism is completely wrong, what I am saying is the current Republican Party both at our state level and federal level have become the Trump Tea Party — where lies and corruption are OK as long as you get to stay in power.

Douglas Wolfram lives in Danielson

A poor substitute

The last historical book of the Old Testament describing the deplorable state into which Judah, the southern tribes of the children of Israel, had fallen is the book of 2 Chronicles. In the last chapter the historian describes how time and time again God sought to turn Judah from her rebellious, sinful ways back unto himself but to no avail. Verse 15 and 16 of this chapter states "And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place: But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy." Because Judah decided that they wanted no part of God's compassion which in essences is saving that they really wanted no part of God, they are cited here for committing three offenses against Him "...till there was no remedy". God was left with no other alternative. There was no other course of action for Him to take but to meet out his judgment upon them by allowing them to go into

captivity for a period of seventy years. If you will stop and think for a moment I believe that you will see that there are some striking similarities between the conditions existing in Judah with the conditions that have existed in America over the last four decades or so. Generally speaking America, like Judah, has grown quite proficient at mocking the messengers of God; in other words, we are deriding them. You could also say that we are ridiculing them, harassing them, and even censoring them to the point of silence because our ever increasing godless society doesn't want to hear anything about God or morality or values or standards; need I go on? In short, we've chosen to substitute God for our own way of thinking or living because, after

all, godliness and morality, values and standards are archaic; but doesn't it seem apparent while mindset this of living independently of a moral standard

of right and wrong may very well be the acceptable trend that it is con-

tributing to our destruction? Then we see that the messengers of God are mocked because the word of God is despised. Despised is a very strong word; it's a very harsh word. When something or even someone is despised it means that someone or something is looked "... down on with contempt and scorn" or it means "to regard with dislike or repugnance" (Webster's New World Dictionary, Second College Edition, 1980). The Word of God used to be held in high esteem in our society. There was a day when it was read in the classrooms of our schools; in fact, there was a day when the Bible was used as a primer to teach both children and adults how to read in our country. And yet, what once was esteemed is now despised. What once was allowed to be read with acceptance is now disallowed with contempt and adamant rejection. Heaven forbid that any sector of our society, the church excepted, have any exposer to God's word because it is offensive to some, frightening to others, and convicting to all. But isn't it ironic that the Bible, the word of God, that contains the Ten Commandments is no longer acceptable? How sad that we have substituted the commandments of God for the commandments of men because among those commandments of God is one which explicitly states "THOU SHALT NOT KILL"! But we can't teach a person that anymore; so, if we can't teach thou

shalt not kill then what

are we teaching? Are we

teaching the opposite

which is thou shalt kill?

We can no longer teach

our children to love God

with all their heart, with

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all their soul, and with all their mind, and to love their neighbor as themselves because, as Jesus said, these two commandments are the greatest of them all. Why

is it that we have chosen

to substitute love for hate and life for death when the truth of the matter is that if we loved and feared God as we should and we loved others as we ought then we wouldn't have the problem of killing one another as we do? All human life is precious because it is created of God. And because it is created of God life does have value, it has meaning and purpose, and it has an eternal destiny; therefore, shouldn't we teach our children as well as others to value and to cherish human life rather than destroy it? These commandments along with many others is what the word of God teaches but unfortunately there are those within our society who believe that their instructions or their philosophy is much more suited for us than God's; yet I am of the opinion or conviction that such instructions and philosophies that denigrates and devaluates human life are a poor substitute for the Word of God.

The last indictment levied against Judah is that she misused the prophets of God or she mistreated them. Judah's intent was to silence God by silencing those who spoke directly for God; and for this she fell under His judgment "...until there was no remedy" verse 16 says. Perhaps America has not gone so far away from God that we have yet reached the point to where there is no remedy but we certainly will reach that point if we continue to substitute our own way for His way or our word for His word. May God help us to return to the old paths and walk therein rather than seeking to substitute for them.

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Air Force tells Courtney it will cancel \$24 million refrigerators

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Congressman Joe Courtney (Conn.-2nd district), ranking member on the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces released a letter on June 4 his office received from the Secretary of U.S. Air Force, Heather Wilson, responding to his request for more information on a \$24 million sole source contract to supply refrigerators for the existing Air Force One aircraft (known as the VC-25A). The letter confirms that the Air Force is canceling the contract and will review more affordable options.

"Clearly, the Air Force is making the right decision to cancel the previously announced sole-source contract and hit restart on this process. Even with the understanding that the Air Force One mission brings with it unique requirements and challenges, a \$24 million solesource contract just didn't pass the smell test," said Courtney. "That is why the Seapower and Projection Forces subcommittee mark to this year's National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) includes a provision which would limit these needlessly expensive modifications from being made in the future. I commend the Air Force for reversing this decision and look forward to working with them to ensure the next-generation Air Force One program stays on schedule."

Secretary Wilson wrote to Courtney. saying, "The Air Force, working with the White House Military Office, recently reviewed the investment for the VC-25A chiller replacement and jointly decided to terminate the effort. While the VC-25A chiller replacement requirement still exists, the progress on the VC-25B program weighed against the cost of the chiller effort makes termination the most prudent fiscal sense for the government. If the VC-25B program is delayed, the Air Force and White House Military Office will need to relook at this effort. While not optimal, mitigation options exist to ensure food security until new aircraft are delivered. The Air Force has notified Boeing of the government's intention to cancel the subject contract."

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Head Start annual art show

BY OLIVIA RICHMAN NEWS STAFF WRITER



Olivia Richman photos Travis and Rose Flickner.

Killingly High School student Rachel Hultzman volunteered at the Head Start Art Show, painting faces. Pictured painting Killingly Head Start student Kenzie Skellenger.

KILLINGLY — When Eastconn Head Start Killingly teacher Janet McDonald rode the bus in the afternoon with her students on the night of their annual Art Show, she heard the kids tell their family members, "I've got to dress up tonight." And later, many of the boys showed up to the show wearing dinosaur graphic

tees. The excitement the children had over the Art Show is what makes McDonald the most passionate about it. Featuring hundreds of art pieces from Head Start classrooms in Plainfield, Putnam and Killingly, the show is a night to show the children just how special they are.

"I let them know how big a deal the night is," said McDonald. "Their accomplishments and growth are demonstrated through their artwork."

The family and community celebration had more than just awesome art pieces, said McDonald. There was also live music, face painting, balloon animals, crafts and food.



Morgan Germain poses with the Killingly Head Start's bug art projects.



Killingly Head Start students Isabella Kettle and Eli Boyd with Artie the paper mache anklyosaurus, one of the huge art projects the students worked on together.



Killingly Head Start's spider web art project.



Killingly Head Start teacher Janet McDonald helps paint some faces at the Art Show.



Putnam Head Start preschool teacher J Balloon Artist Nancy Whitehead aka Noodles





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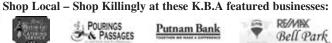




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Killingly High School student Emma Marceau helps Killingly Head Start student Reilly Goyette at the craft table.



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Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church Greek Food Festival

 ${\tt DANIELSON-Holy\ Trinity\ Greek\ Orthodox\ Church's\ annual\ Greek\ Food}$ Festival on June 2 brought the community together over something everyone loves: Greek food. The festival is the church's largest annual fundraiser.



Members of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church were proud to serve their traditional dishes to their community on June 2.



"It's all about the food," said church members John Haidemenos and Bruce Sievers.



Helen Kridzelis and Alexandra Moumouris making fresh loukamades.



Trent Pappas Sr. and Yanni Politis were in charge of the bar at the Food Festival.



Chicken and pork kebabs made by George Asezenias and George Lakatzis were a huge hit.



This supports our church," said Anastasia Balis, as she prepared a lamb chop dish. "But mostly it's a way to share our culture Anderson. Added husband Ben: "The gyros." with the community.'



"We're here for the food!" said Cathy





Community baked goods (including diples, galatobouriko and baklava) were handed out by church members Penelope Karambinakis, Gloria Lakatzis, Pagona Karambinakis, Maria Elsamin and Angela Sezenis.



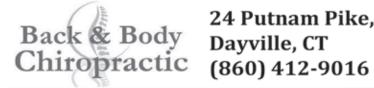
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Valley Spring Sportsman's Club Fishing Derby



Olivia Richman photos

"I love their slimy feeling," said Matt Poitras.



Other outdoor activities were available for kids, like supervised tree climbing and "treasure hunting" with metal detectors.



Talon Bellerose's father said that fishing is a fun family activity they can all do together.



Nathan Guzman Sr, with his son Nathan Jr and niece Avalon Angell. This is their second year attending the Fishing Derby.



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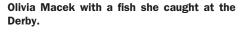
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THOMPSON — The Valley Spring Sportsman's Club's annual Fishing Derby on June 3 brought families from all over New England together for one thing: Fishing. Many children caught their first fish that day, and countless others had a great time eating burgers and hanging out by the pond with their friends, parents and siblings, listening to music and enjoying the warm weather.





Raymond McMaugh with Jackson Ragniere, who just caught his first fish.





It was 2-year-old Philip Schumacher's first time fishing.



Delpha Very's granddaughters Charlotte and Abigail Worster try their ahnd at fishing.



Greta, Tara, Cora and Andy Hilbrecht pose with one of two fish that two year old Cora caught.

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Woodstock Little League results

Baseball Majors Monday June 4

Pomfret Bulldogs 10, Woodstock Dodgers 8

Trailing 7-2 heading into the bottom of the third, the Dodgers stormed back to tie the game at 7, thanks to hits by base hits by Noah Sampson, Brady Lecuyer and Dominic Dennett, double by Riley O'Brien and Henry Wotton and a triple by Matthew McClure. The Dodgers then took the lead 8-7 in the bottom of the fifth, as Brady Lecuyer singled to lead off the inning and was knocked in by another double by Riley O'Brien. However, in the top of the sixth, Pomfret scored three runs to re-take the lead, and Woodstock could not answer in the bottom half of the inning.

Brady Lecuyer pitched well in relief for Woodstock, tossing four innings, allowing five hits and three runs while striking out three. Noah Sampson (2-3), Brady Lecuyer (2-2), Riley O'Brien (2-3, 2 doubles, 2 RBI), Matthew McClure (1-3, triple, 2 RBIs), Dominic Dennett (1-3, RBI) and Henry Wotton (3-3, double, RBI) all contributed offensively for Woodstock, who fell to 9-5-1 on the season with the

Tuesday June 5

Pomfret Brewers 5, Woodstock Astros

Clinton Kallgren pitched 5 1/3 innings allowing 3 hits and striking out 8. Bradley Blair, Maxx Corradi, Kyle Grist and Clinton Kallgren all had hits for the

Thursday June 7

Woodstock Dodgers 8, Pomfret

Dominick Tocci picked up the win for Woodstock, tossing three innings, allowing six runs on six hits while picking up one strikeout. Alex Brouillard was effective in relief, pitching one inning, allowing one run on one hit, while striking out one. Dominick Dennett picked up the save, tossing two crisp innings of scoreless relief, striking out four bat-The Dodgers were up and down on defense, committing four errors while also turning in some nifty plays, including nice plays at shortstop by Noah Sampson and Riley O'Brien, and a terrific catch on a soft liner by first baseman Matthew McClure. Dodgers

outfielders Dominic Dennett and Henry Wotton also threw out runners at second and home, respectively, on nice relays by McClure and Sampson. Offensively, the Dodgers were led by Riley O'Brien (2-2, double) and Henry Wotton (2-3, 2 RBI). Noah Sampson (1-4), Brady Lecuyer (1-2, RBI), Matthew McClure (1-3, RBI), Brady O'Brien (1-2) and Eli Laffert (1-3, triple) also had hits for Woodstock. With the win, the Dodgers finish the season at 10-5-1, earning the #4 seed in the upcoming Quiet Corner playoff tournament.

Woodstock Astros 7, Killingly Aces 2 Bradley Blair, Maxx Corradi, Clinton Kallgren and Nicholas Sivertsen all had 2 hits for the Astros.

Baseball Minors

Monday June 4

Woodstock Yard Goats 10, Killingly Eagles 2

The win is the 9th in a row for the Yard Goats and it put them in sole possesion of second place in the Quiet Corner standings. Woodstock was energized by a strong start from Hayden Maloney. Maloney went 4 1/3 innings recording all 10 outs via the strikeout. He was relieved by Brady Hebert who tossed 1 2/3 innings. Hebert also recorded all of his outs via the strike out.

Offensively, Jonah Labonte stayed hot going 2-2 with three runs scored. Maloney added two hits while Hebert drove in 3 runs. Elijah Laprade was patient out of the 9 hole walking in all three at-bats and coming around to score twice. Jax Golden also got on base via the walk and later came around to score. The Yard Goats go for 10 straight on Friday night when they face the Pomfret Cyclones in Woodstock.

Tuesday June 5

Woodstock Paw Sox 8, Brooklyn Bolts

The Pawsox allowed 4 runs on 3 hits in the 1st inning, then settled down to a win over the Brooklyn Bolts. Alec Nunes struck out 4 in 2 2/3 innings to start the game then Aiden OConner closed out the win with 7 straight K's. At the plate, Rhys Asikanean (2-2 2 runs scored), Aiden OConner(2-2 1 RBI), Braydon D' Oliviera(2-3, 1 RBI 2 runs scored) and Alec Nunes(1-3 2 RBI's 1 run scored) paced the Pawsox offense. This win improves the Pawsox record to 11-3.

Thursday June 7

Woodstock Paw Sox 8, Putnam A's 8 The Pawsox and A's battled to an 8-8 tie in Putnam. It was a back-and-forth game with each time performing well offensively. The Pawsox were led by Alec Nunes who was 3-3 with a single, double and triple. 2 RBI's and 3 runs scored. Rhys Asikanean, Keiran Shephard and Wyatt Matuleus also contributed hits for the Pawsox. Aiden OConner pitched 4 strong innings and then Luke Thompson finished the game with 2 strong innings. Keiran Shephard made an excellent play in the outfield on a scalded line drive by

Saturday June 9 Woodstock Paw Sox 15, Brooklyn Bolts

Kieren Shepherd and Luke Thompson were both 3-3 for the Paw Sox and Wyatt Ducat had 3 walks.

Softball Majors

Tuesday June 5

Mansfield 21. Woodstock Bravehearts

In their last regular game of the season the Bravehearts looked to get some work in new positions. Despite trying their hardest the Bravehearts struggled at new positions and lost 21-4 to Mansfield. Kaya Nichols started in the circle pitching 2 innings while striking out 5. Penelope Esposito, Reegan Reynolds and Allison Griswold also saw time pitching. At the plate, the Bravehearts were led by Eva Monahan who was 2-2 with a run scored, Madison Whitehouse who was 1-2 with an RBI. The Bravehearts finished 8-5-1 for the season. For the season, the Bravehearts were led in the pitching circle by Annika Leboeuf who pitched 20 innings and struck out 47 and Kaya Nichols who pitched 36 innings and struck out 28. On Offense, Reegen Reynolds batted .563, 16 runs, 18 hits, 3 doubles, triple and 15 RBI. Sarah McArthur had 17 walks to lead the team.

Softball Minors

Monday June 4 Woodstock Bandits 11, Mansfield 10

The Woodstock Bandits stormed back from an early 9-1 deficit to defeat Mansfield. Mansfield struck early against Woodstock pitchers Ava Golden and Kaylee Ziarko, scoring 9 runs in the first two innings. Ellary Sampson helped the Bandits slow down the Mansfield offense, pitching the final two innings and only allowing one run. Woodstock's offense woke up late, as the team scored six runs in the bottom of the third and three more in the bottom of the fourth to steal the victory. Campbell Favreau (1-3), Maci Corradi (1-1), Ellary Sampson (2-2, double, RBI), Lily Bogoslofski (1-2, RBI), Ava Golden (2-3, RBI), Kaylee Ziarko (1-3, RBI) and Caralyn Tellier (1-1, RBI) all had hits for Woodstock, who improved to 8-4 on the season with the win.

Woodstock Bandits 15, Plainfield 8

The Woodstock Bandits won their fifth game in a row. Plainfield jumped out to a 4-0 lead in the top of the first inning against Woodstock starter Caralyn Tellier, but Tellier was able to limit the damage by making a nice catch on a pop up to the mound for the final out of the inning. The Bandits stormed back, scoring five runs in the bottom of the first. Ellary Sampson doubled home two runs and Abigail Converse hit a triple, knocking in two more. Campbell Favreau then held Plainfield scoreless in the top of the second, striking out three of the five batters she faced. The Woodstock offense continued the onslaught, scoring five more runs in the bottom of the second to stretch the lead to 10-4. Kaylee Saucier knocked in two runs with a single, and Ellary Sampson followed with another double to knock in Saucier. Maci Corradi and Kaylee Ziarko would go on to pitch one inning each, combining to strike out four Plainfield batters. Offensively, the Bandits were led by Ellary Sampson (3-3, 2 doubles, 4 RBIs) and Abigail Converse (2-2, double, triple, 4 RBIs). Kaylee Saucier (1-1, 2 RBIs), Caralyn Tellier (1-1, RBI) and Katelyn McArthur (2-2, RBI) also had hits for Woodstock. Maci Corradi (0-0, 3 walks, 3 runs scored) and Lily Bogoslofski (0-2, RBI, run scored) also helped the Bandits on offense. With the win. Woodstock ended their championship season with a record of 9-4.



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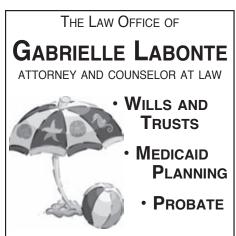
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Kevin Bisson

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Bisson named hockey coach at Woodstock

WOODSTOCK — Kevin Bisson was introduced as Woodstock Academy's boys ice hockey coach on June 11. Bisson takes over for Mike Starr who coached the program through its first six years and led it to the CIAC Division III state championship in 2017. Bisson is a former assistant men's hockey coach at Assumption College in Worcester, Mass.

"The goal all along was to find a high school that would fit. This, finally, just came along and it was the right place at the right time. It gives me everything that I'm looking for. A program that is looking for someone to lead it and give it the right direction in a school that had a physical education opening. It was everything in one place," Bisson said. "It has worked out tremendously and it certainly helps that the (Woodstock Academy) is an amazing school.'

He played defense for St. John's High School in Shrewsbury, Mass. and also for the Junior Bruins while in high school. In his senior year, St. John's captured the Division I state championship in Massachusetts. He played collegiately at Assumption and after graduating became the first assistant coach there as well as defense and goalie coach in his three years at Assumption.

Bisson is currently the owner and director of Wolf Den hockey, a spring and summer tournament team in Massachusetts. He also runs his own skill clinics and hockey camps and gives private lessons. He has been the AAA director for the Worcester Crusaders and has since been elected the vice-president of AAA hockey for the Worcester Junior Railers. He looked forward to taking over the reins of the Centaurs hockey program. He will also teach physical education at the school.

"There is definitely a lot to work with and to build off of right away," Bisson said. "It's just getting that winning mindset back, getting everything going the right way and have everybody buy back into my message and philosophy. I'm fully confident I will be able to achieve that.

Thompson Speedway results

THOMPSON — Thompson Speedway held the Limited Sportsman Long Distance & Military Night on June 7. In the limited sportsman division, the 30-lap feature was won by Ryan Waterman. Eric Bourgeois won the mini stock division. Keith Rocco won the Sunoco Modifieds 30-lap feature. Ryan Morgan won the Late Model division with a 25-lap feature.

Unofficial results

Limited sportsman long distance feature top ten: 1. Ryan Waterman (Danielson, CT); 2. Shawn Monahan (Waterford, CT); 3. Larry Barnett (Moosup, CT); 4. Chris Meyer (North Franklin, CT); 5. Brent Gleason (Griswold, CT); 6. Mike Malbaurn (Moosup, CT); 7.

Steve Kennaway (Lowell, MA); 8. Meghan Fuller (Auburn, MA); 9. Jesse Gleason (Lisbon, CT); 10. Ed Correia (Raynham, MA)

Mini stock feature finish: 1. Eric Bourgeois (East Haddam, CT); 2. Dave Trudeau (Mansfield, CT); 3. Jared Roy (Sterling, CT); 4. Doug Curry (Norwich, CT); 5. Chris Taylor (East Lyme, CT); 6. Dave Trudeau, Jr. (Mansfield, CT); 7. Steve Michalski (Brooklyn, CT); 8. Keith Ballou (Pascoag, RI); 9. Evan Bourgeois (East Haddam, CT); 10. Tommy

Silva (Gales Ferry, CT) Sunoco modified feature top 10: 1. Keith Rocco (Berlin, CT); 2. Woody Pitkat (Sturbridge, MA); 3. Steve Masse (Bellingham, MA); 4. Marcello Rufrano (Northhaven, CT); 5. Troy

Talman (Oxford, MA); 6. Cam McDermott (Canterbury, CT); 7. Kyle James (Ashaway, RI); 8. Paul LaPlante (North Attleboro, MA); 9. Robert Palmer (Lisbon, CT); 10. Ronnie Williams (Tolland, CT)

Late model feature top 10: 1. Ryan Morgan (Gales Ferry, CT); 2. Rick Gentes (North Smithfield, RI); 3. Nick Johnson (Rehoboth, MA); 4. Paul Charette (Woodstock, CT); 5. Chad Baxter (Pascoag, RI); 6. Joey Parker (Weymouth, MA); 7. Michael Lindquist (Sandy Hook, CT); 8. Glenn Boss (Danielson, CT); 9. John Warren (Chicopee, MA); 10. Matt Lowinski-Loh (Milford,

Statue of the Virgin Mary to visit Putnam

PUTNAM — The Knights of Columbus will host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue at St. Mary's Church. The World Apostolate of Fatima will bring its United Nations Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St., in Putnam, on Saturday, July 7, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

This statue of Mary is based in Rhode Island and is owned by the Fatima Sanctuary in Portugal. One of the four International Pilgrim Virgin statues, it was blessed by Pope Pius XII and shortly thereafter it began being taken on a continuous worldwide pilgrimage on May 13, 1947, the thirtieth anniversary of the first apparition of Mary at Fatima.

Sponsored by Putnam's Cargill Council 64, Knights of Columbus, the program will start with a prayer service at 3 p.m. at the Putnam Deanery Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel, in the St. Mary's Parish Center, behind the church. At 3:45 p.

m., the statue will be processed into the church by Knights for the 4 p.m. Vigil Mass.

After Mass, the custodian of the statue, Judith Studer, will give a short talk about Our Lady's appearances at Fatima, the history of the statue itself and about her trips around the world with the Fatima Apostolate. She will also discuss her own miraculous healing from cancer, through prayer and the intercession of Mary. This will be followed by the recitation of the rosary, before the statue will be processed out of the church by Knights at 6 p.m.

On display with the statue in Putnam will be first class relics of Saints Francisco and Jacinta, two of the three children who were visited by Mary at Fatima over a century ago. Also on display will be a piece of the oak tree over which Our Lady appeared.

Police Logs

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DANIELSON

Monday, June 4

Jarred Stets, 18, of 30 Prospect Street Apt. #D, Danielson, was charged with criminal impersonation and interfering with an officer/resisting, and on multiple warrants

POMFRET

Tuesday, June 5

Raymond M. Rilling, 43, of 45 Cassidy Road, Pomfret, was charged with breach of peace (second

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Daughter," which means that she was a member of the DAR and that her father was a patriot in the Revolutionary War.

Her father, Joseph Green, was a soldier serving as a private in the war. After receiving his discharge, reads a press release, he became a teacher in Thompson.

The grave marking ceremony of Robbins saw four generations of women in the family come together. Robbins' granddaughters placed a her memory.

Although all DAR members must be related to a patriot of the Revolution, all chapters have their own individual ways they honor their ancestors. This includes historic preservation, as well as community out-

"Some chapters do a lot of work with the youth in the community." said Ransom. "Others give awards to community leaders, people who are doing something outstanding. People involved in conservation. If you

wreath on her stone in find something you're interested in, the DAR

will try to fit your needs." Made up of a lot of working mothers, it's understandable that many members don't have a lot of time to dedicate to the DAR. So people picking very specific goals to accomplish is common.

There are currently over 40 chapters in Connecticut. And they all have the goal of honoring and supporting veterans. They participate in Veterans Day parades and mark graves of Revolutionary soldiers.

"Without our veterans we would not be here, said Ransom. "They gave so much for all of us.

The DAR was formed when the Sons of the Revolution American refused to allow women to join. Four women started their own society in 1890, and the DAR currently has 950,000 members.

Lady Godiva Ransom's 33rd great-grandmother. It's one of many ancestors Ransom wants to honor in the multiple societies she belongs to, including DAR.

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Now, he loves playing the keyboard.

He recalls his keyboard from the 70s

being 250 pounds. A huge difference

from his current, portable 25-pound key-

"I just love playing music," he gushed.

Arpin, now retired, has been playing

George has been playing guitar for over 25 years, and was a huge player in

the 1990's Providence music scene. He is

excited to be in a band again, and feels

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enjoyable. Come home after a long day,

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never stopped.

calories a day — but he emphasized the importance of growing strong bones with dairy from local farms, as well as the positive effects of a good

nights sleep. Rivers also answered a few questions from students at the end of his time at Thompson Middle School. With a laugh, he told them he was friends with Tom Brady, and also really enjoyed practicing with him because of Brady's competitive nature. It motivates him to do better.

Rivers also talked about his love of basketball and spending time with his wife, especially seeing movies with her

on his time off. One kid asked him, "Is

music is a great way to bring people together and celebrate life. Tefts owns her own dog grooming

business, but always finds time to sing in the band. Hemeon recently joined, since sing-

ing is a life-long passion of hers. She minored in music in college, and she has been involved with many choral groups throughout the years.

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> there ever a time that you thought you weren't going to win, and then you guys still did?"

"You always have to go in with confidence,' Rivers said. "You can't doubt yourself."

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Public Meetings

PUTNAM

Monday, June 18

Public Information, 6 p.m., Putnam Middle School

Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Hall

THOMPSON

Monday, June 18

Conservation Commission, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Tuesday, June 19

Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Wednesday, June 20

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

Thursday, June 21

Library Board of Trustees, 2 p.m., Library

Friday, June 22

NECOGG, 8:30 a.m., 125 Putnam Pike, Killingly

EASTFORD

Monday, June 18

Clean Energy Task Force, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Tuesday, June 19

Republican Town Committee, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Wednesday, June 20

Recreation Commission, 4:30 p.m., Town Hall

WOODSTOCK

Monday, June 18

Agricultural Commission, 1 p.m., Town Hall

Special Town Meeting, 7 p.m., Town

Wednesday, June 20

Quasset Advisory, 4 p.m., Town Hall

Wednesday, June 20

Garden Club, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall

WRTC, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Thursday, June 21

Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Hall

Planning & Zoning, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall

POMFRET

Monday, June 18

Board of Selectmen, 8 a.m., Pomfret Community/Senior Center

ZBA, 7 p.m., Senior Center

Wednesday, June 20

Planning & Zoning, 7 p.m., Old Town

MARY FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

June 18, Monday - hamburger/bun, yogurt, muffin, cheese stick, tater tots, baked beans, baby carrots, 100% fruit juice.

June 19, Tuesday - Mozzarella sticks w/dipping sauce, SunButter & Jelly sandwich, cheese stick, cucumber wheels, garden salad.

June 20, Wednesday - Early release. Turkey/cheese sandwich, mayonnaise, baby carrots, potato chips, 100% juice.

June 21, Thursday - Early release. Ham/cheese sandwich, mayonnaise, baby carrots, potato chips, 100% juice.

June 22, Friday - Early release. SunButter and jelly sandwich, baby carrots, potato chips, 100% juice.

POMFRET COMMUNITY SCHOOL

June 18, Monday – Field day – hamburger, hotdog, chips, watermelon June 19, Tuesday – Cook's choice – last day of school!

PUTNAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL & PUTNAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

June 18, Monday – WG mozzarella sticks w/zesty marinara dipping sauce, seasoned broccoli

June 19, Tuesday - Crispy chicken tenders served w/gravy, whipped potato, carrots and whole wheat roll

June 20, Wednesday - WG spaghetti w/meatball dinner, WG garlic bread, seasoned squash

June 21, Thursday - WG chicken patty sandwich, plain or BBQ sauce, side of lettuce and tomato, potato smile fries

June 22, Friday - Putnam Special pizza, assorted fresh toppings on home-made whole wheat pizza dough, fresh garden salad w/cherry tomatoes and cucumbers.

THOMPSON MIDDLE SCHOOL & TOURTELLOTTE (GRADES 5-12)

June 18, Monday – No high school lunch. Senior Breakfast. Stuffed crust pizza, oven baked potatoes, baked beans. Alt. main: Manager's Choice.

June 19, Tuesday - No high school lunch. Chicken patty w/bun, plain or spicy, pasta salad, peas & carrots. Alt. main: Manager's Choice.

June 20, Wednesday – No high school lunch. Early release. Manager's choice. June 21, Thursday - No high school lunch. Early release. Manager's choice. June 22, Friday – No high school lunch. Early release. Manager's choice.

WOODSTOCK MIDDLE SCHOOL

June 18, Monday – Chicken wraps, carrot stix, fruit, milk.

June 19, Tuesday – Sloppy Joe/bun, celery stix, fruit, milk.

June 20, Wednesday – Bosco stix, marinara sauce, salad, fruit, milk.

June 21, Thursday – Pizza, zucchini, fruit, milk. June 22, Friday – ½ day, no meals served.

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June 18, Monday – Chicken wraps, carrot stix, fruit, milk.

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Murphy statement on Singapore summit

Chris Murphy (D-Conn.), a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, released a statement on June 12 following President Trump's meeting with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un. On June 11 Murphy introduced an amendment to the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 2019 that would prohibit President Trump from starting a preemptive war against North Korea, absent an imminent threat or without express authorization from Congress. Murphy introduced similar legislation prohibiting funds from being used for kinetic military operations in North Korea without congressional approval.

"I think President Trump exposed himself as an unprepared, weak negotiator yesterday, with serious negative consequences for American national security. Many people like me – historic supporters of diplomacy – are hesitant to criticize Trump's foray into nuclear diplomacy because they fear being labeled hypocrites. But Trump is not Obama. North Korea is not Iran. And no one should hold back from continuing to savage the directionless, counterproductive foreign policy of this administration just because diplomacy, done right, is almost always worth support-

"First, let's consider the context of this historic meeting. Over the weekend, President Trump brutally ruptured relations with America's closest allies - Canada, Germany, France, Italy, Japan, and the United Kingdom. These are the nations that came to our defense after 9/11. These are the countries that we rely on for counter-terrorism cooperation. These are the countries that join us to push back against assaults on democracy, human rights, and the rule of law around the world. But President Trump gave them all the middle finger at the G7 summit, and, increasingly, he's making it clear that if you have a history of friendship and alliance with the United States, you're going to pay a price. This disastrous treatment of our allies makes the syrupy photo op he just gave the brutal dictator Kim Jong Un so dangerous. I have no quarrel with

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Senator an American president talking to our enemies. But how and when you talk to vour enemies—that matters. Trump's generous treatment of Kim, coming on the heels of his public rejection of our allies, sends a chilling message to those who are thinking about signing up for an alliance with the United States in the future.

"Second, the specifics of the agreement are deeply troubling. Kim's commitment on nuclear disarmament is weak-even more watered down than the commitment North Korea made in 2005 It breaks no new ground and is entirely consistent with existing North Korean policy. Kim gave absolutely nothing up; arguably, he backtracked on previous statements regarding nuclear disarmament. Trump didn't give up much either...until he did, at the subsequent press conference. After the meeting with Kim, Trump noted that the U.S. would no longer engage in military exercises with South Korea, a monumental win for Kim, and a major blow to South Korea, signaling a retraction of America's commitment to defend the peninsula south of the border. By giving this concession, there is much less for Trump to offer if there are indeed to be follow up negotiations. This blunder shows how unlikely Trump is to ultimately achieve an agreement that is good for American national security.

'And if that ultimate agreement is unlikely, then the gift Trump just gave Kim - a legitimizing photo op that will solidify his evil regime back home - simply isn't worth it. It's not even close. It tells the world that democratic allies get treated like crap, and dictatorial regimes get put on a pedestal without any meaningful sign of reform. It tells Kim that he can gain much from this American President without giving up anything. And it creates the impression that as long as you give Trump a good visual, the substance just doesn't matter. As Churchill said, 'To jaw-jaw is always better than to war-war,' but the context and the terms of this jawjaw likely just made America a whole lot less safe."

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Tri-Town opens American Legion season

BY CHARLIE LENTZ VILLAGER EDITOR

THOMPSON — To hear Ron Coderre tell it, the American Legion baseball season is as much about right and wrong as it is about balls and strikes. Don't get the Commander of Putnam Legion Post No. 13 wrong — Coderre wants Tri-Town to win. But he wants the Townies to do it the right way.

"The American Legion has four basic pillars. And that's the rehabilitation of veterans, defense of our country, Americanism, and service to youth," Coderre said. "And as part of service to youth we do this baseball program."

Tri-Town's baseball committee expects the players to carry themselves with honor. Tri-Town represents American Legion Post No. 13 in Putnam, Post 111 in Woodstock, and Post 67 in North Grosvenordale. Coderre is the Legion Commander for Post 13. Todd Smith is the Commander for Post 111. Robert Lebeau is the Commander for Post 67.

"What we're trying to do is inculcate into the players a sense of teamwork, responsibility, respect — not only for their teammates but for the officials, for the coaches, for their parents — and take it beyond the baseball field and into the field of life," Coderre said. "So that when they get out in the world they will be well-rounded young men who will be prepared to face the challenges that are ahead."

American Legion baseball was established by the veterans of the U.S. armed services in 1925. The organization's aim is to foster discipline, leadership, fitness, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Tri-Town's players are expected to adhere to a code of conduct that includes the prohibition of foul language, throwing equipment, inappropriate haircuts, and the heckling of opponents. There was no need for any heckling in Tri-Town's Senior Division season opener on Tuesday night — the team defeated Jewett City 10-0 in five innings.

Tri-Town first-year coach Jason Akana was pleased to get the win over Jewett City on June 12 at Tourtellotte Memorial High's field



Tri-Town's Mitchel Barylski steals second base in the fifth inning as Jewett City's George Etzel covers the bag in Thompson on June 12.

he saw the bigger picture.

"They have to conduct themselves in a manner, they have to hustle on and off the field. They have to dress appropriately. They have to wear their cap appropriately. They have to look like ballplayers," Akana said. "Respect the game. Respect their opponents. Respect each other as team-

Further respect will be accrued if the team can make the playoffs. Tri-Town failed to qualify for the state tournament last season. In order to qualify Tri-Town must finish the regular season among the top four teams in Zone 6. Akana hopes to guide them to the tourney this season.

"I thought I could I come here and offer these kids more

than what they had and really turn the program around," Akana said. "Try to give them that taste of what winning's about and change their mindset on how they play the game and how they are as human

beings and individuals."

Akana has the credentials to back up his goals. He was a standout at Tourtellotte in high school. Akana played for Manchester Community College and while there he competed in the Junior College World Series, with MCC finishing runner-up in the Series in 1993. He went on to play at Worcester State University in Massachusetts and led the nation in hitting in his senior season, batting .514 in 1996. Akana said Tri-Town has a talented roster and is capable of reaching the state tourney.

"We run the bases a lot harder now than we have in the past. We're trying to make some things happen. We have a pretty young team. Most of these kids are going to be coming back next year. This is a good building block — to stay within the process and develop and hopefully compete," Akana said. "Obviously every season you come in you want to shoot for the state tournament. We just want to be competitive. Take one game at a time and we'll see what happens at the

Luke Mathewson got Tri-Town off on the right foot against Jewett City. The game was stopped in the bottom of the fifth after Evan Zanauskas's two-run triple stretched the lead to 10-0 and ended the game via the mercy rule. Mathewson picked up the complete-game shutout, striking out six over five innings, allowing three hits, and walking three. Mathewson, who will be a senior at Woodstock Academy next high-school season, said the American Legion experience is valuable.

'Just getting more work over the summer instead of just getting the two months during the high school season. The goal is to get to North Carolina, national tournament, that's the overall goal," Mathewson said. "The goal is first to win zone, then to win states, then to make it to nationals. We have five, six weeks and we have 28 games — high compact schedule — hopefully we just keep it rolling.'

Kobe Akana, the coach's son, went 2-for-3 with one RBI against Jewett City. Zack Cutler knocked a run-scoring double and Scott Davagian doubled for Tri-Town. Nick

Gileau took the loss, going four and two-thirds innings, striking out five, walking seven, and allowing five hits.

Tri-Town is next scheduled to play a doubleheader at New London on Saturday, June 16. Tri-Town returns home to Tourtellotte Memorial's field to play host to New London on Sunday, June 17, with the first pitch scheduled for 11 a.m. The team hopes to get its wins this season, but do it the right way.

"We have three guys retiring after this year so we have a pretty young team," Mathewson said. "All the young guys are really into it. Everyone's really into it."

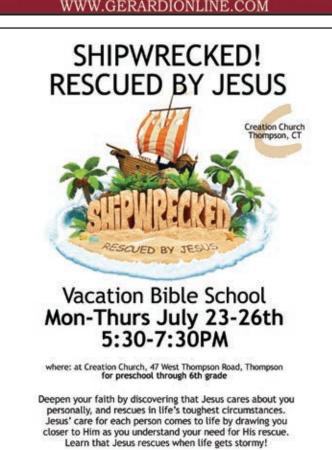
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Charlie Lentz photo Tri-Town's Luke Mathewson pitches against Jewett City.







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Fans support Tri-Town at season opener

THOMPSON — Baseball fans came out on Tuesday night, June 12, to support the Tri-Town American Legion Senior Division baseball team. Tri-Town defeated Jewett City 10-0 in the season opener for both teams at Tourtellotte Memorial High's field.



Charlie Lentz photos

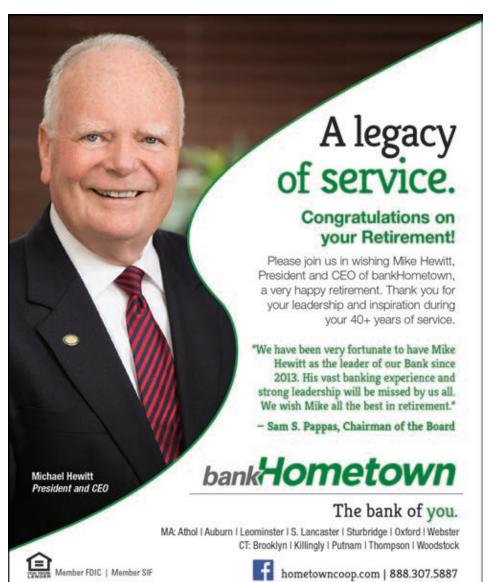
Moe Coderre sings the National Anthem. From left, Mike Turano, Coderre, Brian King, and Russ Mayhew.



Rob Mileski, left, and Mark Gileau



Diane Mateau, left, and Brenda Shead





Moe Coderre, left, and Russ Mayhew



Dexter Cutler, left, and Scott Davagian



Danielle Davagian and her son, Brayden



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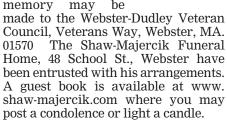
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John A. Gomes Jr., 49

DUDLEY- John A. Gomes Jr. age 49 died Friday, June 8, 2018 at the Brookside in Webster. He leaves his wife Rhonda McKinney Gomes of Dudley. He also leaves a son Scott Gomes and a daughter, Jerica Gomes both of Southbridge. John also leaves a sister Jeannette of Cape Cod. He had a brother that predeceased him, Junior Gomes.

He was born in Wareham, MA son of the late John A. Gomes Sr. and Georgette (Lamaroux) Gomes and he lived in Dudley since 2005 prior to that living Southbridge. He was a US Marine Corporal and served in Desert Storm. He drove truck for several area companies. He was a avid football fan and enjoyed anything diesel related and also motorcycles. He was a proud member of the American Legion. There are no calling hours. Services with military honors will be private. Donations in his memory may be



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Claire E. Toth, 81



SOUTHBRIDGE-Claire E. (Dionne) Toth, 81, a lifelong resident of Southbridge, died at home Friday, June 8th, after an ill-

ness. She leaves her husband of 56 years, Calvert "Cal" O. Toth,

whom she married April 30, 1962. She leaves her son and daughter-in-law Calvert J Toth and his wife Carol of Southbridge, She 5 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. She also leaves a brother Leo Dionne of Sturbridge, and 2 sisters Jeanne G. Dionne of Putnam, and Marie I Dionne of Southbridge, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a daughter Louise Corriveau, and her brother George E. Dionne, Jr.

Claire was born in Southbridge,



January 3, 1937, daughter of the late George E. and Ida M. Paquin, and lived her all her life. She was a faithful parishioner of St. John Paul II Parish (Notre Dame Church), where she was a Eucharistic Minister, and many years ago taught CCD. Claire enjoyed camping, knitting and crocheting, but most of all loved spending time with her family. She retired from Hyde Manufacturing, where she worked for many years.

Calling hours were Monday, June 11, 2018, from 6-8PM at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. The funeral Mass was at 10AM Tuesday, June 12th, at Notre Dame Church 446 Main Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. Burial followed at New Notre Dame Cemetery, N. Woodstock Road, Southbridge, MA

Steven A. Skeates, 62



OXFORD Steven A. Skeates, died suddenly Tuesday, June 5, 2018. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Nancy (MacPherson) Skeates of Oxford; three children,

Marissa A. Skeates and her partner, Glenn Cairns, of Worcester, Miranda J. Jandrow and her husband, Michael, of Oxford, and Andrew C. Skeates and his wife, Courtney, of Oxford; five grandchildren, Courtney Thacker, Addisyn Skeates, Noel Steven Jandrow, Alexander Skeates, and Mya Skeates; a brother, David Skeates of Auburn; four sisters, Jayne Reynolds of Thompson, CT. Winnie Skeates of Hancock, NH, Lori Proulx of Dudley, and Cheryl Skeates of East Norriton, PA; and many nephews, nieces and cousins. He was predeceased by a brother, Robert Skeates.

He was born in Worcester, son of the late Ernest "Bob" and Nancy J. (Becklund) Skeates, and was a lifelong resident of Oxford. He graduated from Oxford High School in 1973.

Steven was a humble man, and an exceptionally devoted husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, friend and colleague. He is sorely missed by all. He was proud of his kids and grandkids; he loved nothing more than spending time with his family, especially their vacations at Disney World and York Beach, ME.

Nature brought him joy; his favorite activities included camping, fishing, hunting and bird watching. He loved road trips; one of his fondest memories was a driving trip to Alaska with family when he was a teenager. He loved history, was an avid reader, an ASA softball umpire, a Red Sox fan, a diehard NASCAR fan, former president of the OHS Booster Club and a regular blood donor. He is remembered for his easy smile and sense of humor, his quiet competence, his compassion, his sensitivity and his knowledge of a wide range of subjects.

Steven held many jobs, including milkman, gas station manager, machinist; and was the Production Expert at POBCO, Inc. in Worcester for the past 36 years, where his presence and knowledge are greatly missed.

A funeral service was on Thursday, June 14 at 11 a.m. at Paradis-Givner Funeral Home, 357 Main St., Oxford Burial will follow at North Cemetery in Oxford. Calling hours Wednesday, June 13, from 5-8 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Steven A. Skeates Memorial Charity Fund, care of Webster Five Cents Savings Bank, 343 Main St., Oxford, MA 01540. Donations will supply emergency equipment, including AEDs, to recreational sports fields in the Town of Oxford.

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Margaret (Taunte) Zuckerman



Zuckerman

Passed unexpectedly on May 21, 2018 at Umass Memorial. Main Campus. She leaves behind, her Sister Cathy Precanico, and her Niece

Langevin of CA. Along with her Niece Shelby Langevin and her children Benjamin and Jenna Gormley of Woodstock. Many close friends and neighbors, and her beloved little black

Born in Southbridge, lived in

Worcester, worked many years in finance at Morgan Construction. Later as an executive secretary for Clarient Corp. in Holden. Taunte enjoyed celebrating in the life of her family and friends. Especially proud of the accomplishments of Ben & Jenna She enjoyed daily walks with Patsy, brightening the day of everyone who crossed her path.

Special Thank You to the medical team at Umass L2 ICU, for their extraordinary care and support.

Arrangements being handled by Callahan, Fay & Caswell in Worcester,

A celebration of life being arranged by the family for a later date.

Anne Marie Sarette



FLORIDA -- Anne Marie Sarette of Sebring, Florida passed away 6, May 2018. She was born December 16, 1954 in Putnam. She attend-

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ed St. Mary's School and graduated from Putnam High School in 1973. She was the daughter of the late Gerard Sarette and Claire Sarette of Putnam. She leaves two sons; Gerard Sirrine of Sebring, Florida and Beau Sarette of Killingly. Anne was predeceased by her father and her brother, Roger Sarette. Anne leaves four brothers, Maurice of Putnam, Donald of Moosup, Robert of Putnam, and Michael of Plainfield. Anne also leaves two aunts Muriel Denomme of Taftville, and Jeanne Denome of Putnam. Anne also leaves numerous cousins, nieces

> nephews. Anne worked as a cook in numerous nursing homes in Connecticut and Florida. Funeral services were held at St. Mary's Cemetery Putnam on June 8.

Barbara Flora Slate, 83



Barbara Flora Slate, 83 of Worcester MA. Passed on Saturday, June 9th with family by her

She is predeceased by her husband, Harold H. Slate and thirteen broth-

ers and sisters. She is survived by Raymond Slate of Worcester, Henry Slate of Auburn, Janice Zukowski of Worcester, Jon Slate and wife Anne of Woodstock, CT, Tina Walsh and fiancee Russell Simmarano of Worcester, MA. A lso ten grandchildren, 24 great grandchildren.

Parker worked for

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for many years until retiring. She enjoyed spending time with her family and reading books. She also loved watching her great grandson Vito grow

and hearing about his football games.

She will be laid to rest at Worcester County Memorial Park in Paxton

and family is requesting private services. The Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home. 48 School St., Webster, MA has been entrusted with her arrangements. A guest book is available at www.shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a can-

Magdalen (Madge) J. Gromelski Bibeau, 82



WEBSTER-Magdalen (Madge) (Jakubowski) Gromelski Bibeau age 82 died at her home, Wed. June 6, 2018 with her family at her side. She was the wife of George Bibeau and

the late Richard S. Gromelski who died in 1998. Besides her husband she leaves a daughter Mary Ellen Gromelski of Worcester, a son Thomas R. Gromelski of N. Grosvenordale, CT, and three stepchildren, Michael, Mark and Neil Bibeau, a brother Anthony (James) Jakubowski of Dudley and a sister Mary Brouillette of Dudley. She also leaves a special great nephew and great niece Jack and Jennifer Jakubowski of Dudley, many other nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by two brothers, Edward and Henry Kaczmarek and three sisters Helen Ryznal, Wanda Jarosz and Irene Billings.

She was born in Dudley daughter of the late Michael and Helen (Lazarowski) Jakubowski and lived in Webster most of her life. She was a graduate of Bartlett High School. Madge was the attendance officer for the Webster School Dept. for 29 years retiring in 1998.

She was a member of the Dudley Senior Center, Red Hats Soc., Hospital Guild, Emmaus Center, and the St. Joseph Basilica where she was a Eucharistic Minister and active on the Bereavement Committee, St. Anne's and Sacred Heart Society, Holy Rosary Sodality and St. Joseph's Choir. She loved cooking, baking, knitting and crocheting and quality time with her family.

The funeral was held Sat. June 9, 2018 from the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St. Webster, with a Mass at 11 am in St. Joseph's Basilica Webster, MA with burial in St. Joseph's Garden of Peace, Webster. Calling hours at funeral home were Fri. June 8, 2018, 4pm-7pm. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Webster-Dudley Veterans Memorial Fund, 4 Veterans Way, Webster, MA.

Steven M. Lawrence, 58



DANIELSON, CT Steven M. "Steve" Lawrence, 58, died peacefully Friday, June 1, 2018 at his home after an illness. His wife, Gloria (Phillips) Lawrence, died in 2010.

He leaves his fiancée, Rebecca L. Auger of Danielson; 3 brothers, Larry Lawrence and his wife Judy of Dayville, Robert Lawrence and his wife Brenda of Putnam and William Lawrence of Poultney, VT; 3 sisters, Sheila Dockum and her fiancée John Saltis of Hampton, NY, Sharon Razanouski of Crystal River, FL and Sandra Jarvis and her husband Ronald of Danielson; and several nephews and

He was born in Rutland, Vermont, the middle child of Howard and Sylvia (Hughes) Lawrence and had lived in Danielson since 1967. He graduated from Killingly High School in

1978 and attended Quinebaug Valley Community College.

Mr. Lawrence was a warehouse attendant at Anchor Glass in Dayville for 18 years and was currently a shipper at Rogers Corporation in Woodstock where he worked for 20 years.

He enjoyed golfing, fishing and NASCAR races. He also liked taking trips in the United States and to the

A celebration of his life was held on Sunday, June 10, from 1:30 to 5:00 PM at Valley Springs Sportsman Club, 65 Valley Road, North Grosvenordale, A graveside service will be held at a later date in Poultney Cemetery, Poultney, VT. There are no calling hours. Donations in his name may be made to Day Kimball Hospital Oncology Department, 320 Pomfret Street, Putnam, CT 06260. Arrangements are under the direction of Sitkowski & Malboeuf Funeral

Home, 340 School St., Webster, MA. www.sitkowski-malboeuf.com

Debra M. French, 59



DANIELSON Debra (Keeler) French, 58, Mechanics passed away peacefully on June 9, at Medical Boston

Center. Debra was born in Putnam on October

8, 1959, the daughter of the late Barbara Keeler who passed away in January of 1997. She graduated from Putnam High School in 1978. She was married to Michael French in 1982. Debra worked for the John Dempsey Regional Center for several years and then worked at Loos & Co and Jewel Wire as an office manager in Pomfret for approximately 18 years before leaving in 2014 for health reasons.

Debra was a dance instructor specializing in tap dancing. She enjoyed cooking shows, crocheting and going to the beach. She especially enjoyed spending time with her grandson, Cameron.

Debra is survived by her son, Michael R. French and his wife Chelsea and his son, Cameron; her father, Richard Keeler and his wife Marilyn: her sister Karen Camire and her husband James of Marshfield, Massachusetts; her former husband and companion, Michael J. French of Danielson; her cousin Jennifer Fraley of Brooklyn; nephews, Stephen and family, Ryan, Sean, Samuel; and niece Lauren, of Marshfield, Massachusetts.

Family and friends are invited to visit with Debra's family at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, June 15, in the Gilman Funeral Home, 104 Church St, Putnam, followed by a funeral service at 1:00 p.m. in the funeral home. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery. For memorial guestbook visit www. GilmanAndValade.com.

Barbara J. Gleason, 85



PUTNAM Barbara J. Gleason, 85, of Pomfret Street, died June 10, in Matulaitis Nursing Home. She was the loving wife of Donald H. Gleason, Sr. Born in Natick, Massachusetts, she

was the daughter of the late Harry and Pearl (Jeffrey) Brag.

Mrs. Gleason worked for many years as a dental hygienist for Drs. McGinn. She enjoyed painting with watercolors and gardening.

Along with her husband, Barbara

is survived by her sons, Jeff Forte of Cape Cod, Massachusetts, Jay Forte of Florida, Mark Forte of New Hampshire, and Chris Forte of Florida; her daughters, Diane Morash of Hingham, Massachusetts, and Joan Alan of Pennsylvania; her step-son, Donald H. Gleason, Jr. of Plainfield; her step-daughters, Melodi Lenky and Linda Paradise, both of North Grosvenordale; as well as many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Funeral Services are private and were entrusted to Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

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Madeleine Lucienne (Boulais) Socquet



KILLINGLY
Madeleine Lucienne
(Boulais) Socquet
of Wauregan Road
in Killingly passed
away suddenly at
UMASS Memorial
Hospital on June 5.
She was one of seven
children born to

Emma (Audette) and Aldei Boulais of Danielson and the loving wife of Germain J. Socquet whom she married on May 1, 1948 and who predeceased her in 2016.

She graduated from St. James School and attended Killingly High School before leaving to work and help support her family. As a young woman she worked locally and at Pratt and Whitney Aircraft then later at Union Engravers in Putnam. The job she enjoyed the most however was sales associate at the Alice Eleanor Shop in Danielson where she met new people and made new friends while using her fine eye for fashion.

Throughout her life Madeleine enjoyed sewing, dancing, skiing, golfing, tennis and playing cards, most recently bridge. She also loved all kinds of games and puzzles and completed a crossword daily. She and her husband enjoyed many happy and active years together with a special group of friends. Together they traveled and socialized often and Madeleine treasured those times. She enjoyed hosting dinners and celebrations for her family and friends and was a wonderful

cook. Her comfortable home, warm smile and infectious laughter always put her guests at ease.

Family was very important to Madeleine. Her siblings were her first and best friends and remained her closest confidants throughout her life. She was a devoted mother, grandmother and great grandmother and never missed an opportunity to spend time with those she loved. She lived a full and active life until the very end, which is just what she wanted. She leaves a rich legacy of love and laughter and enough happy memories to last a lifetime. She is an inspiration to us all.

Madeleine is survived by her daughter, Lauren and son in law, Roger Law of Killingly, her three grandchildren, Mackenzie Law, Heather Law Pezzarossi and Meghan Salmon and 4 great grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Roland Boulais of Greenville, Rhode Island and her sister Rita LaBelle of Killingly, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A funeral mass will be held at St. James Church, 12 Franklin Street, Danielson at 11:00 am on June 28, burial to follow in Holy Cross Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. James School 120 Water St., Danielson. A special note of thanks to Madeleine's caring neighbor Lillian, the emergency responders and the ER staff at Day Kimball and UMASS hospitals. Share a memory at www.gagnonandcostellofh.com

Sr. Imelda Lagacé, DHS, 101



WINDHAM - Sr. Imelda Lagacé, 101, a member of the Daughters of the Holy Spirit died on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at the St. Joseph Living Center, in Windham.

She was born Marie Rosanna Imelda Lagacé on December 14, 1916 in Danielson, the daughter of the late Vertume and Octavie (du Plessis) Lagacé. She entered religious life in 1942 and made her Religious profession on August 18, 1947 at the Holy Spirit Provincial House in Putnam.

She was then known as Sr. Imelda du Sacré Coeur. She earned a B.A. in Education from Annhurst College.

Her first teaching assignment was at St. Joseph School in Burlington, Vermont in 1947 and at Immaculate Conception School in Chicopee, Massachusetts in 1953. She was then named Superior of our First Mission to African Americans in Gadsden, Alabama in 1955. She was missioned St. Anne School, Waterbury, in 1961, to St. Anne School in Swanton, Vermont in 1966 and to St. Anthony's School in Bridgeport, in 1970. In 1971, she was appointed Dean of Women at Annhurst College until 1975 when she went to St. Mary School in Jewett City. She was appointed Superior at St. Anne's Convent, Waterbury. In 1976 and in 1977 she returned to Gadsden, Alabama as Pastoral Assistant. She was assigned to

Bethany Community in Hartford, while doing secretarial work at Holy Family Retreat House in West Hartford. In 1984 she retired to Anawim Community in Waterbury.

She is survived by her sisters in community, the Consecrated Seculars and the Associates as well as by a sister, Sr. Marie Alice Lagacé of the African and World Apostolate Kumasi, Ghana Africa. She resides in Port St. Lucie, Florida. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Calling hours were held at the Holy Spirit Provincial House Chapel, in Putnam on June 11, which was followed by a Prayer Service. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the Provincial House Chapel on June 12, which was followed by burial at St. Mary Cemetery in Putnam.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Daughters of the Holy Spirit Retirement Fund, 72 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260. Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260 have been entrusted with the arrangements. For memorial guestbook, please visit www. GilmanandValade.com.

Ralph DiGiovanni, 86

COLCHESTER, CT/WEBSTER-Ralph DiGiovanni age 86 died Friday, June 8, 2018 at the Backus Hospital, Norwich, CT. He leaves his wife Paula (Provenciale) DiGiovanni of Colchester. Ralph was predeceased by a son, John DiGiovanni. He also leaves his brother Anthony DiGiovanni of Reading, MA and a sister Yolanda Dalimonte. He was predeceased by a brother Joseph DiGiovanni, two sisters, Mary Annese and Angeline Dabrowski.

He was born in Webster son of the late Biagio DiGiovanni and Lucia (Rosati) DiGiovanni and lived in Colchester since 1998 prior to that living in Dudley. He was a Mechanical engineer and was employed at Pratt Whitney Aircraft.

Family received friends Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 10 am at the Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster, with graveside service at 11 am in Calvary Cemetery, Dudley, MA. Omit flowers and donations may be made to Blessed Back Pack Brigade, 42 Airport Rd., Dudley, MA 01571.

A guest book is available at www. shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

William John "Turner" Cobden, Jr., 61



WOODSTOCK
- William John
"Turner" Cobden,
Jr.,61, of Stonebridge
Road, died June 5,
at home. He was
the loving husband
of Margaret (May)
Cobden. Born in

Greenwich, he was the son of the late William T. and Joan (Plunkett) Cobden, Sr.

Turner was a self-employed computer technician.

As a young man he enjoyed collecting keys which coined him the nickname "Keys Cobden."

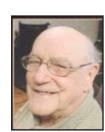
Turner was affectionately known as a "Gentle Giant" and a "True Boy Scout" helping anyone in need. While in the Boy Scout he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Turner had a passion for Western movies especially any movie that John Wayne was in. He enjoyed building computers, computer gaming, hiking, and dabbling in the stock market.

Turner loved comparing notes with his father about golf, football, and making 25 cent bets on winners. One of his favorite lines was... "Did I ever tell you about my sisters?" Best sense of humor, ..."Bus is leaving in 5 minutes!"

Turner is survived by his wife, a son William "Turner" Cobden, III and his wife Emily Gleason of Wakefield, Massachusetts; a daughter, Christine Cobden of Wappingers Falls, New York, a brother, Douglas J. Cobden of Kingston, Rhode Island; two sisters Marianne Cobden of Charlestown, Rhode Island and Diane Holmes of Marion, Massachusetts; and a grandson Gabriel William Cobden of Wakefield, Massachusetts.

A private Celebration of Turner's Life is being planned. Funeral arrangements and cremation have been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Gerald Daigle, 86



P O M F R E T CENTER – Gerald Daigle, 86, of Orchard Hill , formerly of Port Saint Lucie, Florida, passed away Wednesday, June 6, in Davis Place Nursing Home. He was the loving hus-

band of Janine (Desjardins) Daigle. Born in Baker Brook, New Brunswick, Canada, he was the son of the late Irenee and Elizabeth (Daigle) Daigle.

Gerald was employed by Pervel Industries as a textile printer. He loved and cherished the time he spent with his family.

In addition to his wife, Gerald is survived by his sons, Gilain Daigle of Pomfret, Janot Daigle of Ashford, and Jacques Daigle of Florida; his daughter, Lise Goulet of Putnam; sister, Corrine Bard; six grandchildren, Melanie Kondratowicz, Heather Daigle-Dawson, Robert Goulet, Elizabeth DiGeronimo, Ashley Goulet, and Jerrilynn Bachand; a special friend since childhood Pierre Dastous; and many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Gerald was predeceased by his brother, the late Reno Daigle.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Gerald's family from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 16, at the Gilman Funeral Home and Crematory, 104 Church St, Putnam, followed immediately by a funeral home service at 11:00 a.m. For memorial guestbook visit www. GilmanAndValade.com.

Lorraine G. Gendreau, 88



DANIELSON Lorraine Gendreau,
lifelong resident
of Danielson,
passed away at
the University of
Massachusetts
Medical Center in
Worcester on Friday,
June 8, following

a medical emergency. By her side were her daughter Deborah Stevens; grand-daughter Melissa Mitchell; and Melissa's partner, Tony Brown.

Lorraine was born to Emile and Marie Rose (Beausoleil) LeBlanc as the second youngest of eight children in a close-knit family. She attended St. James School, Putnam Catholic Academy, and graduated from Killingly High School.

Lorraine was employed on the second shift at the American Thread Co. in Willimantic for thirty-three years, mostly in supervisory positions. After retiring from American Thread, Lorraine continued to work at Garrity and at Crabtree & Evelyn.

A loyal communicant at St. James Church who attended Mass daily, Lorraine was known for her diligence and kindness by all – at work, at church, in the neighborhood, the Senior Center, and the dances she enjoyed. She attended the most recent Greek Festival just last weekend.

reek restival just last weekend. Lorraine is predeceased by her sisters Rita Bolduc, Marie (Gaudreault) Walker, Jean Johnson, and Theresa Burke; by her brother Maurice; by her son Mark who died as an infant; and by the love of her life, her husband Rene Gendreau who passed in 1974. She was also predeceased by her dear friend, Al Tremblay.

Lorraine is survived by her daughter, Deborah Stevens of Uxbridge, Massachusetts; her granddaughter Melissa Mitchell of Worcester, Massachusetts; her grandson Aaron Mitchell of Sterling; sisters, Massachusetts; grandson Bertha Lawson of Danielson and Dora Wojkiewicz of Largo, Florida; and her large and loving family of nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews, who are too numerous to mention individually. Lorraine leaves many wonderful friends, many of whom she spoke with on the phone daily and spent time with whenever she could. Everyone will remember her laughing and smiling, her eyes twinkling merrily - sometimes mischievously - but always kindly. Her helpfulness, volunteer work, and generous spirit will be sore-

ly missed by all.

A Memorial Mass of Christian
Burial will be held on Friday, June 22,
2018 at 10:00 AM at St. James Church,
12 Franklin St., Danielson. Burial will
be in Holy Cross Cemetery, Danielson.
There are no calling hours. tillinghast-

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LEGALS

TOWN OF WOODSTOCK

The Planning & Zoning Commission has scheduled a public hearing for Thursday, June 21, 2018 at the Woodstock Town Hall, 415 Route 169, 7:45 p.m., lower level, for the proposed amendments following regarding Temporary Health Care Structures (THCS): proposed new terms for both Zoning Regulations, Article II Definitions and Subdivision Regulations, Chapter II Definitions; and Zoning Regulations: Article III, Section B, Subsection 2. Community District - add THCS to list of permitted uses (L); Article III, Section F, Subsection 2. Lake District - add THCS to list of permitted uses (L); Article IV, Section B, Subsection 2a.ii - Add standards for THCS (re: single family residential uses in Community District); Article IV, Section C, Subsection 3a.ii - Add standards for THCS (re: in subdivisions); Article V, Section A, Subsection 1, Subsubsection c. ii and xii - Zoning Permit required & Article VI, Section K - new section of regulations. Also, text amendments to the Zoning Regulations

re: signage: Article II Definitions -

several proposed revisions; Article V Permit Requirements, A.1. General, c.v – proposed revision; Article VI Town-Wide Requirements/Standards, G Signs – new text and several revisions. Chair Jeffrey Gordon, M.D. June 8, 2018
June 15, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Marjorie Foote Marion (18-00108)

The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast Probate Court, by decree dated May 23, 2018, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim. Heather Crecco, Clerk

The fiduciary is: Robert P. Marion, P.O. Box 106, North Grosvenordale, CT 06255; (860)634-4710 June 15, 2018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JoAnn M Byrnes,
AKA Jo Ann M Byrnes (18-00186)
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the
Court of Probate, District of Northeast
Probate Court, by decree dated June
5, 2018, ordered that all claims must
be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the
loss of rights to recover on such claim.
Brenda Duquette, Clerk

The fiduciary is: James L. Byrnes, III c/o John F Shoro, Esq., Bowditch & Dewey, 311 Main Street, PO Box 15156, Worcester, MA 01615 June 15, 2018

TOWN OF THOMPSON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 25, 2018 at 7:00PM at the Thompson Town Hall, 815 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale, CT for the following:

PZC #18- 12: Lavallee Construction LLC, Applicant & Owner of record for 0 Lillian Ave Cul-de-sac and 0 June Ave, Map 114, Block 26 Lot 50 I, Zone R-20, Re-Subdivision, applicant is requesting to subdivide a 2.14 acre lot into 2 lots, Lot 50 I-1 and Lot 50 I-2. Interested persons may attend and be heard, and written communications may be received at or prior to the hearing. File may be reviewed in the Town Clerk and Zoning Offices during normal business hours. Joseph Parodi, Chairman

TOWN OF THOMPSON

Planning and Zoning Commission

June 15, 2018

June 22, 2018

On April 24, 2018 the following wetlands agent approval was issued: Application # WAA18006 approved with conditions, Jon Nolle, 198 Ravenelle Road (Assessor's Map 23, Block 105, Lot 28E) - Construction of a 24' X 25' garage on a concrete slab in the 100-foot upland review area. Marla Butts, Wetlands Agent June 15, 2018

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Ida P. Clarke, 96



BROOKLYN Ida P. Clarke, 96, of Brooklyn passed away peacefully on Friday, June 8, 2018 at Matulaitis Nursing Home in Putnam surrounded by her family. She was born Buckingham,

in Virginia on September 15, 1921, daughter of the late Edward and Lucy (Blain) Booker. She was the beloved wife of Joseph Clarke.

Ida worked at several area manufacturing companies. She was an active member of The Cornerstone Baptist

Church in Danielson, assisting with church suppers and community meals.

Besides her husband she is survived by her daughter Annabell, sister Lucy and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, June 14, at The Cornerstone Baptist Church, Danielson. Burial will be at a later date. Calling hours were held in Tillinghast Funeral Home, Danielson on June 13. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to Friends of Assisi Food Pantry, 77 Water Street, Danielson, CT 06239. tillinghastfh.com

Celia Lebudzinski, 92

WEBSTER-Celia Lebudzinski age 92 died Monday, June 11, 2018 at the Overlook Masonic Health Care Center, Charlton, MA. She was born in Webster the daughter of the late Alexander adn Feliksa (Bierdzio) Lebudzinski and lived here all her life. She leaves nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by five sisters, Theresa Lebudzinski, Anne Lincoln, Stasia Toutant, Gladys Markiewicz and Josephine Mason and a brother Edwin Lebudzinski.

Celia worked as a secretary for the

New England Electric System of over forty years. She was a communicant of St. Joseph Basilica in Webster. A Memorial Mass will be held Tuesday June 19, 2018 in St. Joseph Basilica, Webster with burial in St. Joseph Garden of Peace. Omit flowers, donations may be made to the St. Joseph Basilica. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Shaw-Majercik Funeral Home, 48 School St., Webster. A guest book is available at www. shaw-majercik.com where you may post a condolence or light a candle.

Lorraine T. Tremblay, 84

SOUTHBRIDGE- Lorraine T. Tremblay, 84, died at home Friday, June 8th, after a brief illness.

She was born in Southbridge, daughter of Josephat A. and Marie Rose (Rondeau) Tremblay, and has lived here all her life.

She is survived by her brothers Alfred and his wife Gloria Tremblay of Woodstock, CT, Leon Tremblay of Southbridge, Paul and his wife Brenda Tremblay of Sturbridge, David and his wife Ann Tremblay of Southbridge, 3 sisters Constance Fontaine of Sturbridge, Aline Vosberg and her husband Russell of Sturbridge, and Diane Tremblay of Southbridge, and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her brothers Richard, Roger, Roland and Robert, and her sister Jeanne Lacasse.

Lorraine was a member of St John Paul II Parish, and a former member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church.

She worked for over 30 years at the American Optical Company, retiring

The funeral for Lorraine Thursday, June 14, 2018, from 8:30AM, at Sansoucy Funeral Home, 40 Marcy Street, Southbridge, with a Mass at 10AM at Saint Mary's Church, 263 Hamilton Street, Southbridge, MA 01550. A calling hour was held prior to the mass at the funeral home from 8:30-9:30AM. Burial followed at St. George Cemetery, Paige Hill Road, Southbridge. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the VNA Hospice & Palliative Care, 100 Trade Center, Suite G-500, Woburn, MA 01801. www. sansoucyfuneral.com

Joyce Ann Paine, 86



Joyce Ann Paine. 86, passed away peacefully June 5, 2018 at Matulaitis Nursing Home in Putnam. She was born in Putnam on July 29, 1931, the daughter of the late Ernest and Edith

(Swanson) Johnson. She grew up in a very close-knit family in the Swede Village in North Grosvenordale. She loved to share fond memories of living next door to her grandparents where she spent much of her time.

She graduated from Tourtellotte Memorial High School, class of 1949. She was very proud of the fact that she never missed a day of school in 12 years. She was a communicant of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church where she sang in the choir and taught Sunday School.

Joyce was married to Maurice Paine on February 10, 1951 at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in North Grosvenordale. They lived on Drown Road in Abington where they built their own home and raised their two daughters. They were together for 52 years until her husband's passing on December 10, 2002.

Joyce was a caring and devoted wife, mother and grandmother. Her deepest love was for her family for whom her generosity had no bounds She treasured the times they spent together at holidays, birthday celebrations and backyard cookouts.

She was very proud of her grandchildren. She was always present at their various activities and milestones... cheering for Jason on the soccer field, Ryan at the tractor pulls, Megan at

gymnastic meets and Erin on the tennis court. Her great grandchildren were also a source of great pride and joy; however, in the last few years her Alzheimer's disease affected her quality of life and prevented her from being more involved in their lives.

Joyce worked for 28 years at the Mansfield State Training School as an aide and then as a supervisor. She truly enjoyed her work there and had a strong work ethic, never letting a winter storm interfere with her getting into work.

Her family will miss her tremendously. She leaves behind her daughters: Gail and her husband Ted of Thompson and Greta and her husband Bruce of Killingly, her beloved grandchildren: Jason Beausoleil and wife Jamie Stearns of Storrs; Ryan Szarkowicz and wife Jessica of Thompson; Megan Teal and husband Michael of Woodstock and Erin Turner and husband Ryan of Thompson, her great grandchildren Gage, Madison and Tanner Beausoleil; Collin and Kaitlyn Teal and Ryan and Avery Szarkowicz. In addition to her parents and husband she was predeceased by her brother Merrill Johnson and an infant brother Kenneth.

Calling Hours were held June 8, which was followed by a Funeral Service at Smith and Walker Funeral Home in Putnam. Burial followed at Abington Cemetery, Abington. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Assoc., 200 Executive Blvd, Suite 4B, Southington, CT 06489 or the American Cancer Society, 825 Brook Street, I-91 Tech Ctr, Rocky Hill, CT 06067-3045. Share a memory at www. smithandwalkerfh.com

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June 17, Sun., 7-11am

Knights of Columbus Council 2087 will hold a Father's Day breakfast, in the Knights Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Eggs, pancakes, French toast, steak, bacon, sausage, home fries, beans, and more. \$7 per person. Proceeds benefit Boy Scouts Troop 66. 860-923-2967 or council2087@att.net.

June 17, Sun., 2pm

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

June 18, Mon.

Killingly Public Library Summer Reading summer reading challenge 2018 begins. We have reading challenges for all ages, including adults. Register online on our website or stop in at the Killingly Library. Take a look at our summer schedule of programs and special events! The program ends on August 31.



SHARKS ROCK! **MAGIC SHOW** June 21, Thurs., 6pm

- Summer Reading Kick Off at the Killingly Public Library -A Shark-Themed Family Magic Show, The Magic of Sharks 2, packed with even more amazing shark magic, facts, and fun. Suitable for families with children. No Registration required!

June 19, Tues., 7pm

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

June 20, Wed., 7pm

This year, Quiet Corner Reads is hosting Marie Benedict, who will be talking about her book The Other Einstein. The event will be held at The Mansion at Bald Hill. Tickets available at Bracken Memorial Library in Woodstock for \$15. Copies of her books will be available for sale and signing at the event. This is always a fun event.

June 21, Thurs., 7-9pmThe land trust's annual Summer Solstice celebration will be held at the Duck Marsh Preserve in Pomfret. Enjoy a cool drink as you June 23, Sat.,7-8:30am watch the sun set over the rolling hills. Remember to bring your lawn chairs so you can sit back and enjoy the scenery. Wrights Crossing Road and Modock Road.

June 21, Thurs., 1pm

Pomfret Public Library kicks off but walk-in welcome. Always free and summer reading with Sharks Rock, a confidential.

shark-themed family Magic Show with Steve Royce. Make the magic happen as your learn amazing shark facts in Steve's high-energy comedy magic show! Pomfret Public Library, 449 Pomfret St., Pomfret.

June 22, Fri., 7pm

Free outdoor concert: Beck N' Call (Rain date: June 30) Kick-off the season listening to eclectic Americana, bluegrass, Celtic, blues, gospel, retro pop and originals. Located at Roseland Cottage, the "Pink House," Route 169, Woodstock. Bring a blanket, chairs and have a picnic out on the lawn.

June 23, 9:30am

Book Club: Carnegie's Maid by Marie Benedict Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

Soldiers, Sailors and Marine Fund assistance is available every Saturday at the Pomfret Senior Center, 207 Park along Holmes Road, between Mashamoquet Road (Rt.44) in Pomfret. Open to any area veteran, the fund is administered by The American Legion for temporary financial assistance. Best to call ahead at 860-928-2309

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