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Mike Bogdanski

Bogdanski celebrates 50 years in martial arts

BY KAREN BUTERA
FOR THE VILLAGER

PUTNAM — Mike Bogdanski of Quest Martial Arts says "it's the 50th anniversary of this martial arts student and I am still learning." His near-lifelong karate endeavor started when he was 16 years old.

"My story started out like many others," he said. "I was bullied and beat up."

The bully was a neighbor and among his circle of friends.

"He use to pick on me. I was shy and he had a bad temper. After arguing one day, he punched me in the eye. I was embarrassed and the eye was swollen shut," Bogdanski said.

Because the bully was part of his circle of friends he lost them all that summer. He was afraid to go out. Summer was turning to fall and school would be starting soon. He did not want to return to school but had to. That October that he saw an ad in a newspaper for martial arts instruction.

"In the 60's it was thought of as mystical. Now it is mainstream," said Bogdanski. "I asked my mom if I could take classes and she had multiple excuses why I couldn't."

He told her he would do whatever it took, wash her car or any other chores she could think of.

"I was desperate. I thought that if I could take lessons, I would be unstoppable," he said.

He finally got his chance to watch a class. He waited for everyone to leave then spoke with the teacher, letting him know he wanted to learn martial arts. When the teacher asked him what motivated him, he said, "I want to beat up bully's. He told me with that attitude he couldn't teach me. I leaned it was not about fighting nor about anger. He wanted to teach me to walk confidently."

A short time later he started training. Then Bogdanski

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Doyle among artists who open their studios

BY KAREN BUTERA
FOR THE VILLAGER

DANIELSON — Artists Open Studios has been ongoing for 31 years in Northeastern Connecticut. Held once a year — local artists open their studios to the public. This year's dates are Nov. 29 through Dec. 1 and Dec. 7-8. They invite visitors to view their work and their workplaces.

One of the artists is Judy Doyle, from Danielson. She started painting at 10 years old when her parents signed her up for oil painting lessons.

"From there I started in pastels over 50 years ago, and water color about 15 years ago," said Doyle.

Her paintings hang and stand all over her studio. She is inspired by colors and forms — doing many landscapes and figures in landscapes. She is a member of the Northeast Connecticut Art Guild and has several shows per year through the guild. She has shown her work in various galleries throughout Massachusetts and Rhode Island and recently exhibited her work at the Pomfret Library.

She does much of her painting inside but will occasionally paint plein air (outside). She gets her inspiration when she is out and about on foot, on a bicycle, in a car or in a kayak.

Karen Butera photos

Judy Doyle

If something catches her eye, she takes a photo of it for reference.

"I find endless inspiration in the colors, textures and forms of our villages, architecture, shores, valleys, hills and mountains," Doyle said. "Painting deepens my enjoyment of our wonderful natural world."

Doyle will be hosting visitors for all five days of this year's Artists Open Studios. Shauna Shane was the first artist to open her studio in her area of Mansfield and Storrs. She and a couple of other artists from the area were the first ones in Northeastern Connecticut to do this.

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Charlie Lentz photo

GROTON — Woodstock Academy's Kileigh Gagnon, left, looks on as Marissa Mayhew makes a dig against Guilford High in the Class L state tournament semifinals at Fitch High School on Nov. 20. High school sports coverage begins on page B-1 of The Villager sports section.

Crafters at Emanuel Lutheran Church

BY KAREN BUTERA
FOR THE VILLAGER

NORTH GROSVENORDALE — Emanuel Lutheran Church held its Holiday Craft and Bake Sale on Nov. 23. Church members came together to sell their handmade crafts and baked goods to benefit the church. Ashley Lynch, owner of EllaBella Bow Co. and her mother-in-law Donna Lynch, owner of Heartful Stitches, displayed their wares.

The pair love creating their own items and co-sharing a table at craft fairs. Ashley started out as an avid Cricut fan — a die cutting machine that allows you to design an image on the computer and then print it. She made shower decorations and other designs for family and decorated her infant daughter's nursery.

Ashley Lynch, left, and Donna Lynch.

"My daughter is almost a year old now and I realized I was always buying bows of all types for her," said Ashley Lynch. "One day I thought I can make these."

She named the business EllaBella Bow Co. after her daughter Ella. She set out to do-make bows in all shapes and sizes and started her project earlier in the year. Although she is a full time nurse she still found time to make the bows and discovered she really enjoyed creating them.

"I would wait until after Ella fell asleep at night and would set up my dining room table as a bow-making work station. It is very relaxing," she said.

After creating a large enough inventory she started her business and has set up her bows at five different fairs since the summer. Her goal after the holidays is working on her Etsy Shop and helping it to grow. Ashley started sewing when she was in elementary school. Her mother was a 4-H leader and that is when she learned. Today she still sews, but is also crochets.

When Donna taught she knew a fellow teacher friend who retired and opened a local art gallery in Killingly. Donna placed some of her items in the store. They did quite well. About four years ago she decided to set up at local fairs to sell her fabric cre-

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Woodstock Academy alumnus rides the waves

Courtesy photo

Nick Fernandez, a Woodstock Academy alumnus, was crowned Men's A Division National Champion at the 2019 Collegiate Wakeboard National Championships.

BY KEN POWERS
FOR THE VILLAGER

WOODSTOCK — When Nick Fernandez attended a family gathering on Webster Lake 11 years ago, he had no idea he was going to be introduced to something that would change the course of his life, but that's exactly what happened.

On that summer day in 2008 Fernandez, now 19 years old, witnessed the sport of wakeboarding for the first time. He quickly became obsessed with the sport and was out on the water every day he could talk his mother or his father — or anyone else, for that matter — to drive the boat for him.

Fernandez is an alumnus of Woodstock Academy, Class of 2018. In September Fernandez, a sophomore at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla., was crowned Men's A Division National Champion at the 2019 Collegiate Wakeboard National Championships, held at the Orlando Watersports Complex.

Fernandez's performance helped lead Rollins College to a ninth-place overall finish. The event included teams from all the elite watersports schools, including the University of Central Florida, South Florida, Florida, Miami, Arizona State, Baylor, Michigan State, Mississippi State, Oklahoma State, Texas A&M and Wisconsin.

Along with the designation of national champion came another honor for Fernandez, a spot on Team USA in the 2020 Fédération Internationale du Sport Universitaire (FISU) World University Waterski and Wakeboard Championships. The FISU championships will be held Sept. 22-27, 2020, in Dnipro, Ukraine.

Fernandez grew up on Webster Lake, close to Point Breeze, before his family moved to Woodstock. He graduated from Woodstock Academy in 2018.

"I started wakeboarding when I was 8 years old because two of my cousins that I am best friends with (Austin and Travis Sroczenski) learned how to do it and I thought it was cool," Fernandez said during a phone interview. "That day I asked my mom to buy me a wakeboard."

Fernandez's mother, Webster native Jill Pratt, an accomplished water skier during her college days at Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Fla., was all for it.

"We went right over to Lakeview Marina and picked up a wakeboard," Fernandez said. "From there we went to the lake and I tried wakeboarding for the first time and loved it. I 100 percent fell in love with wakeboarding. I was out on the lake every chance I could be. I was out on the lake every day in the summer. I just wanted to keep going and keep improving.

"I wakeboarded all the time," Fernandez said. "In the winter I snowboarded. That was my cross-training, so to speak. It was all just for fun."

Fernandez began competing in wakeboarding tournaments when he was 11.

"At that point I started getting recognized by some of the local shops and some of the brands more involved in the sport. They gave me some small sponsorships to start," said Fernandez, now in his second year as captain of the Rollins College wakeboard team. "That was very motivating; to be recognized by these water skiing and wakeboarding shops."

The dictionary defines wakeboarding as "the sport of riding on a short, wide board resembling a surfboard and performing acrobatic maneuvers while being towed behind a motorboat."

Fernandez has a different definition.

"I would describe it as snowboarding behind a boat," he said. "We use the wake of the boat to jump high and do flips and spins. In competitions you usually get two runs up and back down a certain stretch of the lake you're on. You usually get to do four-five tricks in either direction, and whoever does the best tricks wins.

"The judges sit in the boat and they give you a score out of 100 points," Fernandez said. "It's based on a couple different things — how difficult your tricks were and how well you executed them. The way it's scored, honestly, is like gymnastics."

Interestingly enough, Fernandez is not attending Rollins because of wakeboarding.

"Rollins is one of the top business schools in Florida. It is a really good school," Fernandez said. "The wakeboarding just came with it because Orlando is basically the water sports center of the universe."

Fernandez said he has no plans to become a professional wakeboarder.

"Absolutely not," said Fernandez. "There is no money in professional wakeboarding whatsoever. I do it purely for fun and for the love of doing it. I feel like instructing might be a career path for me, It's so much fun. One of the best feelings I get from wakeboarding is teaching new people. The smile on their faces when they try it and realize they love it is just priceless."

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Miracle on 34th Street at Bradley Playhouse

PUTNAM — The Bradley Playhouse is presenting Miracle on 34th Street. This TNECT performance is directed by Jennifer Briere, assisted by Tonya Brock and performed by Walter Wright as Kris Kringle, Kelly Lambert as Doris Walker, J. Matthew Bailey as Fred Gayley and Lauria Lavallee as Susan Walker, as well as a troop of many actors and actresses at the Bradley Playhouse, December 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 21, and 22, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

Each night we will feature two "Putnam Celebrity" Guest Performers as Lou and Al, U.S, Mail Workers, and area pianists playing live Christmas music. The Dec. 7 performance will feature music from Sally Rogers and Howie Bursen and the Dec. 21 performance will feature the Blackstone Valley Community Chorus, for pre-show entertainment.

Most are familiar with the 1947 Christmas movie, Miracle on 34th Street. The inspiration for the story, about a disillusioned woman, her skeptical daughter and a mysterious man who believes he is the real Santa Claus, came when Valentine Davies was standing in line at a big department store during the Christmas season. Davies took his story idea to writer and director George Seaton, who turned it into the screenplay Miracle on 34th Street (1947) which earned Davies an Academy Award for Best Story.

After having written the story for the film, Davies did a novelization of it, which was published as a 120-page novella in conjunction with the film release. In 1982, the Mountain Community Theater in Ben Lomond, California adapted a play from the novella by Valentine Davies. The story in this play is completely faithful to Davies' book.

The story takes place between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day in New York City, and focuses on the effect of a department store Santa Claus who claims to be the real Santa. In this heartwarming holiday story we find, by chance, Kris Kringle, an elderly gentleman, acquiring a job working as Santa for Macy's Department store. Kris releases waves of good will by referring parents to other stores to find the exact toy their child has wished for. Seen as deluded and dangerous by the store's vocational counselor, Kris ends up in a court competency hearing. In an innocent turn of events and truly magical moment, the Christmas Spirit is reclaimed.

Reserved seating tickets may be purchased at the Bradley Playhouse box office, 30 Front St. Putnam, Monday, Wednesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., or by calling 860.928.7887 or on-line at https://www.thebradleyplayhouse.org.

Chris Atwood photos

Starring in Miracle on 34th Street are: Walter Wright as Kris Kringle, Lauria Lavallee as Susan Walker, J. Matthew Bailey as Fred Gayley, Kelly Lambert as Doris Walker, Christine Crugnola Petriniw as the Bag Lady and Wladimir Petruniw as the Rich Man.

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ations. Some of the items she made were book weights to hold a book open, soup bowl cozies and other cloth items. She has added many different designs of fabric ornaments along with other items to her craft table. Today, both women enjoy keeping each other company at the fairs they go to. It's been said that for every $1 spent at a small business, approximately 67 cents stays in the community. Nov. 30 is Small Business Saturday and the mandate is "Shop local".

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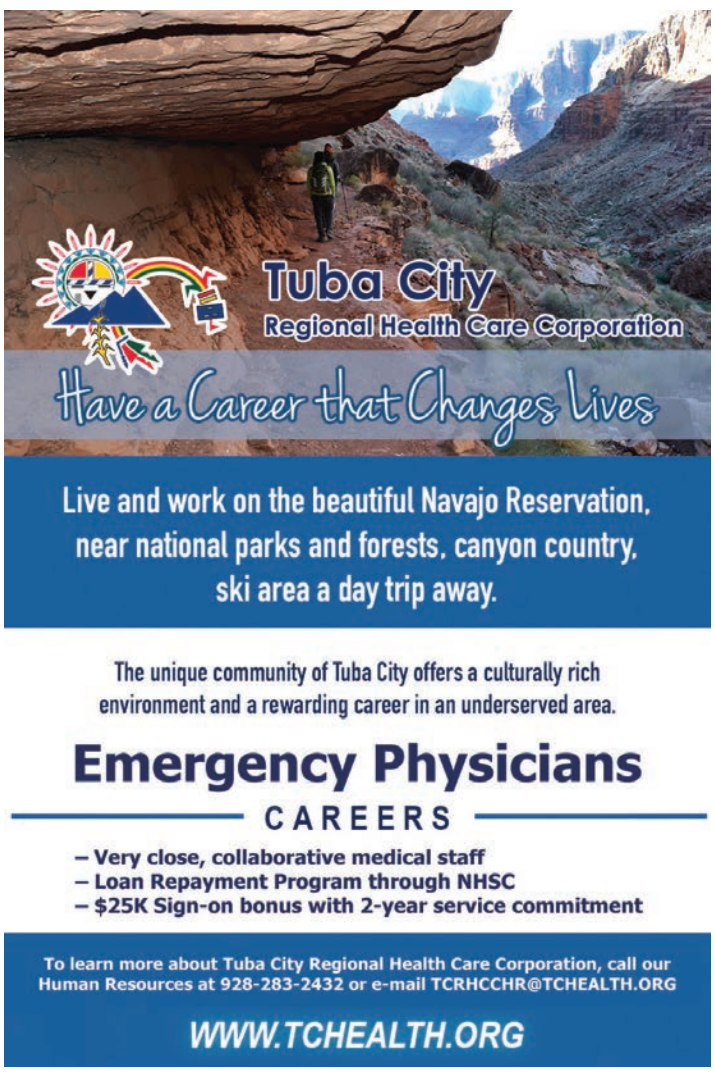

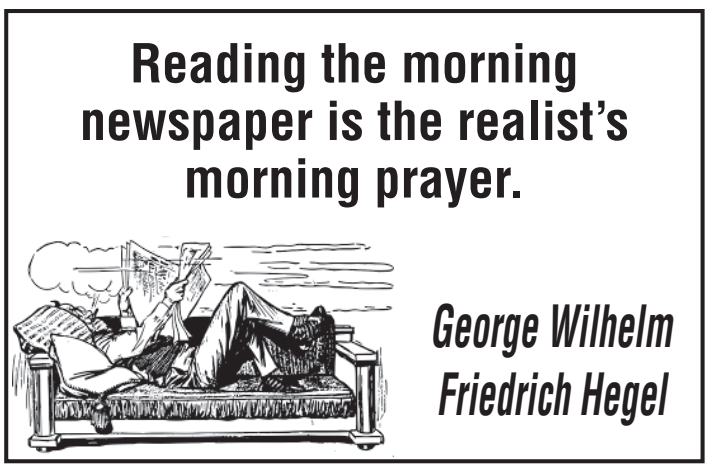

Free upcoming events at QVCC

DANIELSON — Quinebaug Valley Community College is hosting a number of events in December. These events are free and open to the public.

On December 3 & 10: Tour Tuesdays – Come take a tour of QVCC's Danielson campus on December 3 or December 10 at 5:30pm. 742 Upper Maple Street, Danielson. Contact: Sarah Hendrick (shendrick@qvcc.edu, 860-932-4096).

December 3 – Giving Tuesday: GivingTuesday is a global day of giving celebrated on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. The QVCC Foundation is asking you to give the gift of education and help support local students at QVCC. Give online at www.QVCC.edu, on campus, or at Zip's Diner! Contact: Monique Wolanin (mwolanin@qvcc.edu, 860-932-4174).

December 5: Naloxone Training – Save a life, get trained on Naloxone. Through the Connecticut Healthy Campus Initiative grant, QVCC will offer a free training on administering Naloxone (Narcan) during an opioid overdose. Training is open to the public and includes a free Naloxone kit to take with you. Contact: Mikaela Kitka (mkitka@qvcc.edu, 860-932-4299).

December 7: Saturday Registration Day – Join us for Saturday Registration at the Danielson Campus or at our location at Windham Technical High School on December 7 from 9am - 2pm! Students will be able to register for both winter and spring semesters. Pick your perfect schedule before winter break! Contact: Sarah Hendrick (shendrick@qvcc.edu, 860-932-4096).

Fund raising campaign for Matulaitis

PUTNAM —Matulaitis Nusing Home in Putnam has initiated a campaign called "Whatever the Weather Club." The goal of the program is to offer residents the opportunity to venture out to the courtyard patio to enjoy sunshine, autumn breezes, winter snow and the springtime thaw. The idea caught on with residents and their families, sparking the need to improve the surrounding outdoor areas.

In an effort to improve and enhance the courtyard patio surroundings, Matulaitis has reached out to area community leaders to assist. The goal of the campaign is $15,000. Mary Vitale and Frances Bousquet are serving as co-chairpersons. The active phase of the campaign will continue through the end of November. Individuals interested in supporting the campaign may do so throughout the next 10 months. For more information contact Lisa Ryan at (860) 928.7976 or e-mail lryan@matulaitisnh.org.

ARTISTS

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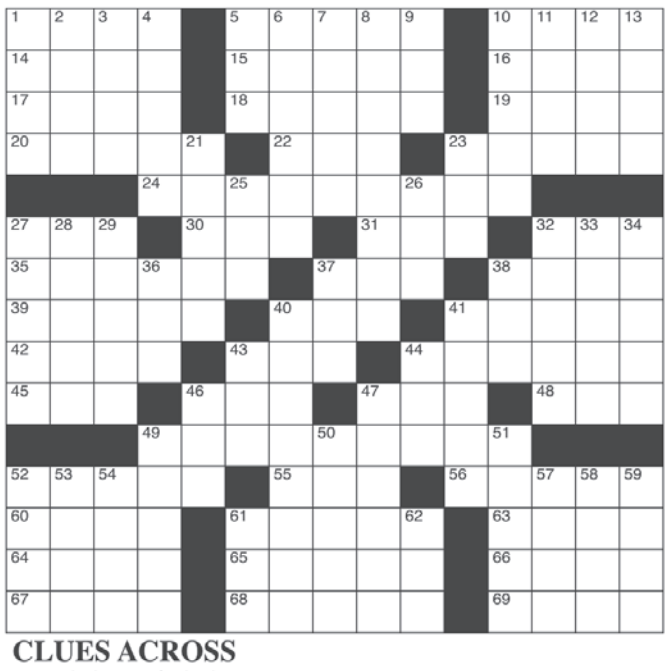
"A couple of years later I joined," said Aline Hoffman of Maple Brook Studio in Coventry, President of Artists Open Studios since 2006. "The artists change from year to year. Some years there has been as many as 95 artists and as few as 65."

Hoffman started in painting and is now doing pyography, a wood burning technique. She has a lot of help from others, including six regional managers. Since most studios are inside of the homes of the artists, some will join forces and set up their crafts in a group show such as in a senior center, or sometimes one artist will get together with another artist and set up in the same home.

This year there are 74 participants with many of them working in oil, acrylics, water color or pastels. There are also photographers, potters, weavers, jewelers, wall hangings, wood workers, fused glass and others. The event includes artists from Woodstock, Thompson, Pomfret, Putnam, Danielson and Eastford. For a list of all artists, locations and their open studio dates, visit www.aosct.org.

'Last Light' by Judy Doyle



CLUES ACROSS

1. Vital part of a lock
5. Adherent of Zoroastrianism
10. European river
14. Nonprofit public health group
15. Make law
16. Three-banded armadillo
17. Monetary unit
18. Sandwich-like dishes
19. Sicilian city
20. Finger millet
22. Of she
23. Bullfighting maneuvers
24. Lawyers
27. A place to relax
30. Often said after "Hee"
31. Supervises flying
32. Cheer of approval
35. Something spiders twirl
37. Aggressive dog
38. Long-legged gazelle
39. Mogul emperor
40. Baltic peninsula
41. Fencing sword
42. A reward (archaic)
43. Pigeon sound
44. Type of groove
45. Inquire too closely
46. Nine Inch Nails' debut (abbr.)
47. An often unwelcome guest
48. Something you can draw
49. Songs to one's lover
52. Eastern Cairo mosque
55. A partner to cheese
56. Absorption unit
60. A type of sandwich
61. Herbaceous plant
63. Chinese temple classification
64. Native person of central Volga
65. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
66. Some take them up
67. South American nation
68. Threaten persistently
69. Morningwear

CLUES DOWN

1. German courtesy title
2. Samoan capital
3. A type of carpet
4. Upper bract of grass
5. Al Bundy's wife
6. In a careless way
7. More uncommon
8. Expressing contempt
9. Belonging to a thing
10. Adventure stories
11. Copycats
12. Farewell
13. Greek mythological builder
21. Colorless, volatile liquid
23. Monetary unit of Burma
25. Bar bill
26. Body part
27. Mischievous child
28. Popular card game
29. Building occupied by monks
32. Spiritual leader
33. Independent ruler
34. He wrote about the Gold Rush
36. Bundle of banknotes
37. Corporate honcho
38. Touch softly
40. Made by oneself
41. Satisfies
43. Subcompact Toyota crossover
44. Cool!
46. Popular vegetable
47. Flower cluster
49. Transylvanian city
50. Robert and Stephen are two
51. Philippine island
52. Canadian law enforcers
53. Wings
54. He played Perry Mason
57. Ballpoint pen
58. Metrical foot
59. It has nostrils
61. Confederate soldier
62. Take in solid food

PUZZLE SOLUTION

Killingly High honor roll

DAYVILLE — The Killingly High School honor roll for the first quarter.

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Second Honors include: Gregory Bigelow, Gage Carlsen, Payton Cathell, Jeyla Cooper, Makala Dube, MaryGrace Dufault, Maura Ericson, Marcy Ferraj, Emily Fortune, Lennon Giambattista, Jason Grzysiewicz, Lily Gutierrez, Madeline Houle, Maggie Jellison, Jason Jiang, Kali Kenney, Jason Khaomongkhoun, YiKang Liu, Collin Loiselle, Julia Magao, Rhiannon Martin, Jake McAuliffe, Savanna Mercado, Julianna Morrissette, Kayleigh Norris, Rhea Palin, Josephine Palmer, Jared Parker, Matthew Patnoad, Mason Perry, Katherine Poirier, Alyssa Rice, Rachel Sanchas, Kathryn Strangman, Hailey Toth, Savannah Turner, Seth Varin, Natalie Verraneault, Abbey Washburn, Laylah Zea, and Sydney Zicolella.

FRESHMEN

High Honors: Casey Beauregard, Emma Benoit, Nicole Blanchette, Lyana Bott-Cuevas, Lainey Buffington, Renee Bunn, Matthew Card, Alyssa Caron, Harrison Giambattista, Olivia Hamelin, Ella Lach, Elizabeth Marcoux, Henrik Pawul, Braden Pedersen, Anthony Purcell, Jane Stockford, Jerson Suarez, Kaitlyn Tingle, and Jadyn Williams.

First Honors include: Amber Amosco, Heather Anderson, Kalob Barclay, Madison Beausoleil, Emily Benoit, Caitlyn Claspell, Grace Colangelo, Madailyn Cote, Hannah Cozza, Alivia Denzel, Grace Deojay, Chloe DiFusco, Lavender Gaudette, Aila Gutierrez, Katrina Imre, Benjamin Jax, Ciara King, Kyla Lopes, Hailey Magao, Olivia McOsker, Jack Morris, Aryn Nisbet, Anjolina Ortiz, Alexander Potapskiy, Jack Richardson, Cameron Seiffert, Samantha Sibley, Chloe St. Pierre, Salena Thongsouvanh, Joshua Torre, Amelie van der Swaagh, and Maddison Walters.

Second Honors include: Dylan Anderson, Ella Bean, Jillian Bennett, Jordan Cardoso, Robert Carrott, Willow Charles, Lucas Clayton, Giovanni Couture, Katelyn DeMelo, Zachary Despathy, Hannah Donovan, Korina Frantz-Foote, Logan Gagnon, Devin Gallow, Wayne Garcia, Emily Goulet, Nathan Guzman, Kara-Lynn Hebert, Allyson Hogan, Lisa Jiang, Owen Johnson, Ethan Lackner, Karina Lemire, Rivers Levesque, Emma Lewis, Cameron Loeber, Richare Logee, Colby Lopes, Anissa Malik, Sophia Marsella, Hailey Merritt, Avi Miller, Zoe Miller, Margaux Molyneux, Allison Myrter, Chloe Nason, Jada Neri, Brady O'Donnell, Frederick Payne, Nicole Pimentel, Alexis Rainey, Zachary Rainville, Connor Richardson, Savannah Rumrill, Calvin Sandberg, Camden Senecal, Connor Thompson, Owen Turner, Matthew Viens, Tianna Wallace, and Evan Watling.

Putnam High School honor roll

PUTNAM — The Putnam High School honor roll for the first quarter of the 2019-2020 school year.

CLASS OF 2020

HIGH HONORS

Samantha Barylski, Michael Ionkin, Molly McKeon, Ellie Morissette, Justin St. Martin

FIRST HONORS

Matthew Chzaszcz, Autumn Fikter, Jillian Gray, Daytona MacDonald, Janete Morente Uz, Anthony Navedo, Jordyn Poole, Noah Tomkins

RECOGNITION

Tanner Clark, Haley Cutler, Niajah DeWolfe, Patrick Franks, Reece Gardiner, Abigayle Gardner, Aldo Gomez, Kyle Haynes, Zoe Hetrick, Samantha Huff, Alexandria Lawson, Kayleigh Lyons, Ryan Metivier, Alyiahmary Negron Encarnacion, Charlotte Nichols, Nicholas Perreault, Hunter Roberts, Hannah Smith, Jacob Tatro

CLASS OF 2021

HIGH HONORS

Ethan Latendresse, Brooke Peloquin, Mackenzie Peloquin

FIRST HONORS

Emma Braithwaite, Laylah Chavez, Samantha Dempsey, Samantha Enders, Brenden Guillen, Anna Ionkin, Alexis Kurtyka, Haddijatou Mbye, Lesbia Morente-Mendez, Julie Morris, Jamie Petre, Emma Rudman, Abby St. Martin, Maggie Wojciechowski

RECOGNITION

Greyson Anderson, Nathan Barylski, Johnathan Carita, Charisma Farrington, Emma Fisk, Summer Green, Mackenzie Oleszewski, Abbigail Pelletier, Alison Racicot,

Michayla Rugh, Haley Syrjala

CLASS OF 2022

HIGH HONORS

Autumn Allard, Johnathen Brouillette, Amayah Chavez, Samantha Eddy, Tyler Fullerton, Ewa Sekula

FIRST HONORS

Catherine LaForest, Celenia Lopez, Iasmin Neves, Avery Pedersen, Jack Rindge, Adam Tomkins, Connor Vassar

RECOGNITION

Cody Adams, Karson Bates, Reagan Boledovic, Trinity Bonet Shepard, David DePari, Kandi Garcia-Morente, Aliya Green, Olivia Hassett-Mellen, Cody Keene, Amelia Labbe-Fahy, James Lazarou, Brooke Lindell, Kayla Morrison, Stephanie Olecki, Michael Roach, Dominic Sheldon, Destiney Simas, Hunter Vanasse

CLASS OF 2023

HIGH HONORS

Grace Benoit, Elysse Britt, Gabriel Enrico Ong, Emily St. Martin, Alishia Thompson, Guinevere Weiker

FIRST HONORS

Juana Ajqui Hernandez, Jenny Boriboun, Abigail Fitts, Sullivan MacDonald, Jacob Mailloux, Angelina Porter, DeAnn Pringle, MacKenzie Reidy, Tegan Saucier,Ella Schoppe, Colin Wojciechowski

RECOGNITION

Samantha Bennett, Jacob Benzie, Allyson DiNola, Michael Ellis, Antoinette Garcia, Jack Garcia, Vincent Gauvin, Kaylee Goding, Rylee Houle, Dorian Larose, Cooper Livingston, Emerald Perry, Dylan Remillard, Shaina Sudol, Bailey Touchette, Amy Vongvirath, Brenden Womack

Woodstock Middle School honor roll

WOODSTOCK — The Woodstock Middle School honor roll for the first quarter.

HIGH HONORS – GRADE 6

Aiden Bachand, Scarlet Delaney, Harrison Durand, Jackson Durand, Campbell Favreau, Eli Manning, Ivar McDonald, Clementine Nielsen, Alec Nunes, Aidan O'Connor, Diya Patel, Thatcher Paterson, Lucas Quercia, Nathan Rauls, Zaria Richter-LaMarre, Kaylee Saucier, Ella Simoes, Abigael Stevens, Sadie Wood

HONORS – GRADE 6

Kyle Bain, Anthony Beaudreault, Gabriela Brown, Adelyn Cournoyer, Nathaniel Couture, Jackson Dorez, Riley Faber, Emma Forcier, Jenna Forcier, Sara Forcier, Henry Forrest, Caydence Haley, Lindsey Hanlon, Maura Hart, Siobhan Hart, Kolbie Iacuele, Bailee Latour, Payton Leite, Eva Lusignan, Olivia Manbeck, Spencer Mayo, Katelyn McArthur, Quentin Paterson, Vayda Payne, Cotter Pierce, Emma Quinney, April Regis, Ellary Sampson, Jonathan Silva, Kayla St. Louis, Collin Teal, Caralyn Tellier, Luke Thompson, Tyler Travinski, Wynter Worth

RECOGNITION – GRADE 6

Carrina Cook, Maci Corradi, Logan Coutu, Abby Ditzel, Raven Dunn, Thomas Grist, Sadie Johnson-Teed, Eden Lusignan, Gianna Musumeci, Giulia Musumeci, John Short, Jacob Swayze, Alexander Whitley

HIGH HONORS – GRADE 7

Ryder Chaput, Benjamin Cross, Olivia Dahl, Ava Golden, Kira Greene, Sophie Gronski, Madeline Jezierski, Emily Jurnovoy, Matthew Letourneau, Emma Manis, Xandar Miller, Eva Monahan, Bailey Nordman, Freya Robbie, Avery Thienel, Kendra Wilson

HONORS – GRADE 7

Juliet Allard, Gunnar Basak, Regan Benedict, John Bennett, Liliana Bottone, Katelyn Bruce, Abigail Converse, Maxx Corradi, Mila Ganias, Phoebe Griffin, Eli Laffert, Matthew McClure, Matthew Montanez, Grace Pokorny, Cameron Robida, Isabella Selmecki, Emily Smock, Brock Swabby, Leah Wasielewski,William Wasko

RECOGNITION – GRADE 7

Nathan Billings, Lucas Boynton, Emma Brody, Cassidy Chabot, Evan Deasy, Meadow Harnois, Sawyer Hull, Marie Mairson, Anna Morse, Kaya Nichols, James Rice, Owen Rigney, Haley Whitehouse

HIGH HONORS – GRADE 8

Peyton Bentley, Joaquin Fraga, Campbell Fraser, Gavin Grant, Sophia Hernandez, Joel Koleszar, Sydney Lundt, Emma Massey, Alexandra Mattioli, Sophia Petrella, Reegan Reynolds, Evan Rhault, Madison Whitehouse

HONORS – GRADE 8

Claire Beck, Madison Brown, Anthony Buckner, Charles Caggiano, Emily Cournoyer, Summer Espeseth, Nicholas Gohn, Allison Griswold, Ava Hovestadt, Avery Kollbeck, Kayla Leite, Sarah McArthur, Samantha McDowell, Cameron McNally, Scarlett Pierce, Ava Simoes, Arthur Soucy, Kaelin Soukaloun, Lucas Theriaque, Talia Tremblay, Henry Wotton

RECOGNITION – GRADE 8

Delaney Anderson, Kyle Anderson, Ryan Bradford, Richard Grendell, Grant Hart, Connor MacLeod, Noah Sampson, Olivia Saraidarian

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Killingly Parks and Recreation
KPRD
HOLIDAY EVENTS

Frosty's Big Night Out— Friday, December 6th
KHS choir caroling at Davis Park begins 5:15pm w/ KB
Rotary serving hot cocoa and KBA hands out Candy Canes
Frosty and friends march down Main Street to visit at 5:45pm
Breakfast with Santa— Saturday, December 7th at the community center.
The family tradition continues now for more than 30 years at KPRD. Visit Santa and get your picture taken after a hot breakfast served by the Danielson Lions of pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and juice. Kids make a take home craft. All for just $5/person or $20/family of 5.
"A Carol for Tiny Tim" and Christmas Cabaret— Dec. 13,14+15
Tickets on sale now and the holiday show here is always a sellout get your tickets early at KPRD or Trinket Shoppe. Shows are 7pm on the 13,14 and 2pm on 15. Tickets just $8/seat
For more information on any of these events contact KPRD at 185 Broad Street
860-779-5390 or visit our facebook page : killingly parks and recreation

Saint Nicholas Fair
Location: Christ Church
Routes 44 & 169 • Pomfret, CT
– Mile South of The Vanilla Bean Cafe –
christchurchpomfret.org • 860.315.7780
Date: Saturday, December 7th
(Snow Date: Saturday, December 14th)
Time: 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM
Holiday Luncheon served
from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Holiday Gifts for Everyone on Your List!
Spectacular Silent Auction
Mystery Gifts
Costume & Vintage Jewelry
Holiday Crafts & 18" Doll Clothing
St. Nicholas, "Dog Treats"
"Give It Again" Shop, Holiday Bakery,
Chocolate Extravaganza
Cookies By The Bag, Fudge & VT Cheddar
Basket Raffle – Dining Out, Teen, Etc.
Toy Box & Country Store
– Benefits Local Outreach –

LEARNING

***SCHOOLS AND THE PUBLIC** are encouraged to submit items for inclusion on the Learning Page. The deadline is noon Monday. Send all items to Editor Charlie Lentz at charlie@villagernewspapers.com.*

Woodstock Academy honor roll

WOODSTOCK — The Woodstock Academy honor roll for the first quarter.

HIGH HONORS

GRADE 12: Alyssa Arends, Emily Arters, Izetta Asikainen, Gabrielle Barnes, Mackenzie Barrows, Russell Beausoleil, Nathan Becher, Remi Benton, Yvonne Bessette, Elijah Blackman, Alison Blair, Elise Boisvert, Lily Brin, Jordyn Brousseau, Jack Butler, Reid Butler, Corinne Child, Maia Corrado, Mikayla Corriveau, Reagan Couture, Nathan Craig, Chandler Creedon, Tarryn Desrosiers, Josephine Dlugosz, Emma Durand, Sture Edgren, Elizabeth Elza, Allison Faist, Christine Faist, Caroline Frost, Diana Gonzalez, Yifan Gu, Matthew Guillot, Jiurui Guo, Caroline Hamill, Paula Hernandez, Marlene Ishimwe, Rebecca Jarvis, Avery Jones, Paige Kasacek, Jeffrey Keller, Carissa Kelley, Jennifer Kelley, Lauren King, Hali Korsu, Vy Lam, Rachel Lambert, Gavin Lanning, Abigail LeBlanc, Audrey Ledbetter, Austen LeDonne, Grace Leite, Ruiyang Liang, Ru Liu, Wei Lu, Mary Lucier, Dung Boi Ly, Zoe Marshall, David May, Jocelyn Mayotte, Sonny Nielsen, Katherine Papp, Alexis Parent, Sean Rearden, Emma Redfield, Emma Rhynhart, Rachael Roberts, Christopher Rossi, Stephany Senecal, Caitlyn Sroczenski, Aidan Stewart, Daniel Suitum, Isabella Symington-St. John, Jared Tidwell, Grayson Walley, Evelyn Withers, Lanqi Zhang, and Yi Zhu

HONORS:

GRADE 12: Paige Audet, Isabella Azzolino, Annabelle Bastura, Lillian Bates, Nicole Bavosi, Corinna Benoit, Maximilian Bosio, Elie Boulanger, Alexia Bourbeau, Jonathan Chan, Danielle Chaput, Jonathan Conover, Shawna Cudworth, Makenzie Czmyr, Jorge Diaz Barreiro, Connor Downing, Anya Farutin, David Fleck, Annafabia Gai, Kayla Gaudreau, Megan Gohn, Chad Graley, Alexander Guillot, Riley Hardacker, Chelsea Hart, Elliot Hellwig, Rachel Holden, Tessa Houlihan, Yiyang Hu, Kathrine Ionkin, Michael Jefferson, Sierra Jerz, Jessica Kasacek, Jillian Keith, Joshua Kirby, Ashley LaFramboise, Bryce Lambert, Joshua Lavitt, Madelyn Lecuyer, Victoria Lenotti, Xin Li, Seth Libby, Tanner Littmann, Yi Liu, Wenxin Ma, Matthew MacPherson, Nicholas Majewski, Victor Maldonado, Justin Marcotte, Brianna McCollum, Cairo McCrory, Justin McGroary, Luis Miranda, Tristan Monahan, Brooke Nagle, Tan Duy Nguyen, Tri Minh Nguyen, Anam Nizam, Kelsey Oloff, Jingyi Pan, Miguel Perez Egido, Isabella Precourt, Lily Quinn, Sophia Rakovan, Anna Raymond, Nathan Roethlein, Emily Ross, Jesse Rosselli, Courtney Ruszczyk, Hallie Saracina, Efstathios Savvidis, Morgan Schmidt, Ashley Scott, Adam Shinkiewicz, Kansas Sienna, Sara Soper, Linda St. Laurent, Judy Thavone, Nghia Tran, Sarah Tuttle, Chloe Veilleux, Thomas Walden, Xijing Wang, Yahan Wang, Taylor Watson, Gregory Weber, Ian Welz, Aleya Wesler, Travis White, Melissa Wishart, Evan Wood, Nicholas Zagrodny, Junxia Zhou, and Zejun Zhou

RECOGNITION

GRADE 12: Nicolas Bessette, Jifan Cui, Jenna Davidson, Talia Dazy, Qihao Jin, Nathaniel Johnson, Josephina Keith, Abigail Kruger, Matthew LaBounty, Nicole Maxim, Aidan McDowell, Yuanming Mo, Kaleb Morin, Garcia Nogues, Cameron Palmerino, Jia Bei Qian, Lucas Renaud, Nelson Rodrigues dos Santos, Matthew Roethlein, Susan Round, Yuchen Shi, Ashley Smith, Anthony Sonner, Jasmine Steben, Nina Vasquez-Nichols, Yu Wang, Alan Whitehead, and Chelsea Willis

HIGH HONORS

GRADE 11: Alexia Adams, Brian Antunes, Ethan Aspiras, Tabitha Bezanson, Ethan Bove, Katelin Briere, Logan Brock, Riley Chapuis, Stefan Chervenkov, Sydney Couture, Julia Dearborn, Zhiyan Du, William Gaug, Gabriel Geyer, Ashley Guillot, Joey Ignacio, Brynn Kusnarowis, Aochen Li, Hanna Longwell, Angela Lu, Avery MacNeil, Marco Maluf, Samuel Massey, Gavin Miller, Lily Patenaude, Violet Pietrowski, Connor Quinn, Avery Sabrowski, Ida Sanders, Peyton Saracina, Heather Schofield, Clayton Singleton, Emily Skellett, Katinka Sule, Mya Symington-St. John, Lam Thai, Cuong To, Alexandra Vaida, Rockwell Valentine, Kassidy Walden, Allison Wall, Caroline Wilcox, and Alexander Williams

HONORS

GRADE 11: Daimler Aleksjuks, Emily Anderson, Hunter Anderson, Nicholas Apley, Livia Armstrong, Trey Ayotte, Nicola Bastien, Sierra Bedard, Kathleen Ben, Aden Berthiaume, Rianna Bessios, Cedric Bilica, Timothy Billings, Kaitlin Birlin, Matthew Brady, Rachel Canedy, Sydney Cournoyer, Cody Currie, Jackson Dias, Stella DiPippo, Estella Douglas, Riley Douglas, Eliza Dutson, Adrian Essex, Jocelyn Foisey, Chloe Forsten, Kileigh Gagnon, Huck Gelhaus, Colby Groves, Yago Herrera Moreno de Acevedo, Emma Hovestadt, Travis Jewell, Andrew Johnson, Megan Kelly, Taeoh Kim, Dominick Kollbeck, Kelsey Kosior, Kaily LaChapelle, Jadyn LaFlamme, Amelia Large, Caitlin LeSage, Mackenzie Leveille, Antonio Lopez, Ciara MacKinnon, Nathaniel Majewski, Sophia Mawson, Lucy McDermott, Stephanos Menounos, Alina Michalski, Bailey Mitchell, Salwa Naveed, Nikita Nezhin, Ian Nielson, Giovanni Nuccio, Avery Pajak, John Peabody, Payton Peterson, James Phongsa, Dylan Ponkala, Megan Preston, Haven Renshaw, Owen Ritzau, Luke Rossi, Elijah Saine, Noah Salsich, Leonie Scherble, Adam Schimmelpfennig, Alexa Schimmelpfennig, Liteng Shao, Kyra Shaw, Nicole Terjesen, Eli Werstler, Wesley Woronecki, Hongli Zhang, and Jialei Zhang

RECOGNITION

GRADE 11: Jacob Aseltine, Tyler Barrett, Liam Blanchflower, Abigail Brown, Jacob Brown, Isaac Budd, Charles Burrows, Nicholas Caggiano, Eshete Calvo, Justin Cave, Suyeong Choi, Demosthenes Chrisovechotis, Emily Condon, Soria Cotillo, Hannah Darigan, Connor Dexter, Andrew Dilko, Oliver Driscoll, Adam Exley, Guerin Favreau, Zipeng Gao, Gabriella Garbutt, Grace Gronski, Amanda Hair, Jacob Hernandez, Noah Keaten, Avery Killingsworth, Hailey Klar, Skyla Lindell, Harriet Majek, Matthew Marshall, Emily McClure, Emme Miglietta, Jacob Niemiec, Ashley Nunes, Vaquero Orozco, Olivia Ott, Melanie Pazienza, Jeremy Romano, Nicholas Round, Maria Santucci, Chayton Scheuritzel, Alyssa Sharrow, Colin Smith, Cameran Steiger, Sarah Tavares, Qian Tong, Mallory Tyimok, and Yuhang Yang

HIGH HONORS

GRADE 10: Amber Ahearn, Sasha Becker, Adasya Charpentier, Ava Coutu, Kaitlyn Dalbec, Henry Driscoll, Emmaline Ebbeling, River Favreau, Atticus Finch, Matthew Griffin, Madelyn Groves, Liam Hagan, Samuel Hagan, Emma Hayden, Emma Heimgartner, Ashley Kasacek, Anna Kellermann, Hannah Kim, Summer Ko-Szych, Keenan LaMontagne, Jillian Marcotte, Sofia Murray, Ryan Odorski, Ian Palmerino, John Pokorny, Hans Rhynhart, Zachary Roethlein, Andrea Sanders, Adeline Smith, Conor Stewart, Thao To, Ainsley Viano, Tyler Warren, and Zachary White

HONORS

GRADE 10: Jai Abrams, Caleb Anderson, Claire Anderson, Linsey Arends, Morgan Bentley, Aurissa Boardman, Carleigh Boisvert, Zoe Botta, Jacob Boynton, Kyle Brennan, Stella Brin, Nico Burgio, Caleb Calabrese, Ethan Campbell, Paige Campbell, Leah Castle, Murphy Chace, Devin Chadwick, Hannah Clark, Nicholas Dahl, Walker Dalton, Nicole Davidson, Alivia Dean, Riley Driscoll, Julia Ezzell, Shannon Gagnon, Nathan Gaug, Zachary Girard, Olivia Grant, Ryan Hanlon, Sergio Herrera Moreno de Acevedo, Ian Hoffman, Lauren Johnston Medeiros, Cassandra Klingensmith, Ashton Lanning, Kan Xu Lin, Seamus Lippy, Megan Lucier, Hailey McDonald, Christina Mozzi, Thomas Musumeci, Tam Nguyen, Gianna Nichols, Marissa O'Sullivan, Aidan Pappas, Dhruvi Patel, Tegan Perry, Evan Pimental, Julia Powell, Camila Roman, Aliyyah Ross, Mia Ruggeri, Robert Saraidarian, Faith Shaw, Kadin Shepherd, Jordan Sienna, Eliza Simpson, Jonathan Smith, Adrian Velasco Camacho, Grayson Webber, Dylan Wynkoop, Kamila Wysocki, Yang Zi Ye, Chase Young, and Zhixuan Zhang

RECOGNITION

GRADE 10: John Armstrong, Hamilton Barnes, Liam Bates, Alison Bessette, Angela Bradley, Dylan Chamberlin, Jordan Chiles, Ella Davis, James DiNoia, Scout Favreau, Victoria Garcia, Jackson Goetz, Grace Herindeen, W. Jae Levy, Jonah Libby, Benjamin Lord, Euijong Noh, David Ramos, Sara Rogerson, Christopher Skarzynski, McKenna Starr, Vincent Tocci, Ainslie Tschamler, Norman Warcholik, Emily Wyrostek, and Haojun Xu

HIGH HONORS

GRADE: 9

Charlotte Adase, Brooke Arpin, Stella Atchinson, Lilianna Azzolino, Kenneth Botting, Carah Bruce, Lauren Brule, Gabrielle Couture, Shannon Cunniff, Alexis Danila, Bodie Defocy, Kirsten Deorsey, Connor Dunkley, Baden Eaton, Jackson Gallagher, Jaydon Gormley, Chance Graley, Hadley Grether, Magnolia Hart, Keira Hawkins, Carl Huber, Brian Jameson, Nathan Joseph, Emma Korsu, Annika LeBoeuf, Curtis Lefebvre, Alexis Lisee, Pham Long, Thy Mai, Makayla Mayo, Bryn Miller, Abigail Morin, Matthew Myslenski, Paige Owens, Kylie Quercia, Sophia Quinn, Noelle Sallum, Braiden Saucier, Lillian Sharpe, Gianna Smith, Cameron Stevens, Alexandra Thompson, Owen Tracy, Matthew Wasielewski, Bella Webb, and Violet Young

HONORS

GRADE 9: Aaron Allard, Ella Anderson, Kristen Ash, Cole Auker, Maxwell Auker, Riley Balanovich, Vicente Bastura, Zoe Bellanceau, Brooke Bergevin, Emma Blanchette, Morgan Bonin, Kayanna Bourassa, Alyson Bunning, Italia Burgio, Ella Chabot, Summer Chaput, Daniel Chenail, Mitchell Child, Alexandra Cloutier, Avery Collin, Amanda Currie, Taylor Danner, Carolina DaSilva, Grant DeParasis, Jade Desmond, Gavin Driscoll, Jared Eaton, Ethan Ekman, Ella Favreau, Lennon Favreau, Alexandra Flint, Katie Fortin, Asher Gagnon, Grace Gelhaus, Ramon Gomez, Emily Goodell, Matthew Gouin, Collin Hamilton, Cameron Heath, Olivia Jendrewski, Talia Jessurun, Hannah Johnson, Emma Kerouack, Samuel Kim, Joanna Lin, Xiaohan Lin, Leila MacKinnon, Jack Marshall, Olivia Mawson, Dylan Mayo, Makala McDermott, Kamden Meyer, Elizabeth Morgis, Carter Morissette, John Murray, Magdalena Myslenski, Cormac Nielsen, Alyson Niemiec, Ellie Nunes, Lindsay Nuttall, Maya Orbegozo, Daniel Orozco, Noah Page, Ashley Payne, Jeffrey Phongsa, Amelia Racicot, Randall Rawcliffe, Wyatt Robbie, Diego Rodriguez, Adriana Rojas, Aubrey Rumrill, Aiyana Sarabia, Natalia Sarette, Jakub Sarzynski, Jonathan Sebastian, Isabella Sorrentino, Isabel Sumner, Allison Surprenant, Camilla Tahirova, Adam Thompson, Dylan Veilleux, Paige Veilleux-Catlin, Kylie Wakely, Xiaodan Wang, Nicholas Webster, Patrick Webster, Liam Wilcox, Jiaqian Xu, and Colin Zavorskas

RECOGNITION

GRADE 9: Abigail Armstrong, Trey Barrett, Ava Basak, Madison Bates, Eileen Breton, Desiree Cabassa, Delaney Canty, Mateusz Chojnicki, Matthew Chuck, Brianna Connors, Mykela Cote, Ethan Craig, Bailey Davignon, Matthew Dumas, Tyler Durand, Tanner Favreau, Calvin Field, Louella Flanagan, Kylie Gregory, Esmeralda Kasneci, Kaiden Keddy, Landen Kuchy, Evan LaBounty, Caitlin LaVallee, Sydney Lord, Carter MacNeil, Reed Magnan, Madison Martinez, Kaden McCullough-Murphy, Nicholas Montanez, Avery Mowrey, Brandon Nagle, Elias Newall-Vuillemot, Mavin Palmerino, Carter Payne, Jillian Plouffe, Garrett Poitras, Austin Quinney, Alexa Rock, Natalie Romano, Lillian Rossi, Quintavanh Sangasy, Kenzie Sellers, Davis Simpson, Mackenzie Starr, Wyatt Thienel, Alyssa Thompson, Dominick Tocci, Rhett Tucker, and Adrianna Veloce

BREAKFAST

Breakfast is FREE to ALL Students

DECEMBER 2019

Putnam Elementary Breakfast In Classroom K-3rd

Breakfast is FREE to all Putnam Students
Grades 4 & 5 "Grab and Go"
Breakfast is served in the Cafeteria

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 WG Breakfast Cereal W/Graham Crackers 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	3 WG Cinnamon Breakfast Roll 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	4 Whole Grain Honey Bagel 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	5 WG Breakfast Cereal W/Graham Crackers 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	6 Maple Burst "n" Mini Pancakes 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit
9 LF Chocolate Chip Muffin W/ String Cheese 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	10 Sliced WG Banana Bread 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	11 WG Breakfast Cereal W/Graham Crackers 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	12 BeneFit Oatmeal Chocolate Chip Breakfast Bar 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	13 WG Cinnamon Breakfast Roll 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit
16 WG Breakfast Cereal W/Graham Crackers 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	17 WG Apple Cinnamon Muffin W/ String Cheese 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	18 Whole Grain Honey Bagel 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	19 WG Breakfast Cereal W/Graham Crackers 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit	20 ½ Day Banana Chocolate Chip BeneFit Bar 100% Fruit Juice Assorted Fresh Fruit
23	24	25 Holiday Break December 23- January 1	26	27
30	31			

We Serve Whole Grains, Low Fat Milk and Cheese, Reduced Sugar Cereals, and a Variety of Fruit and 100% Fruit Juice No Added Sugar.
We meet USDA Diet Regulations.
1% White Milk, Low Fat Chocolate, and Skim Milk Is Offered With Every Meal
Menu Subject To Change WG=Denotes the use of Whole Grain Products W= With LF=Low Fat USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

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LUNCH

Lunch is FREE to ALL students!!

DECEMBER 2019

Putnam Elementary School

Al a Carte Pricing:
Bottled Water .70
Ice Cream .85
100% Capri Sun .75

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Crispy Chicken Patty On WG Bun Lettuce and Tomato Carrots	3 Creamy Macaroni & Cheese Wg Dinner Roll Broccoli Florets	4 Cheeseburger on WG Bun Lettuce and Tomato Baked Beans 100% Fruit Sherbet	5 WG Chicken Tenders Wg Roll gravy Whipped Potatoes Sweet Corn	6 Personal Cheese Pizza Or Stuffed Crust Pizza Fresh Garden Salad w/ Cherry Tomatoes & Cucumbers Choice of Dressing Cucumber Coins
9 WG Mozzarella Sticks Or Bosco Cheese Filled Breadstick With Zesty Marinara Sauce Roasted Butternut Squash	10 Breakfast for Lunch: WG French toast sticks Fluffy Scrambled Egg Crispy Hash Brown Potato	11 Zesty Orange Popcorn or Plain Chicken Rice Bowl WG Chicken Bites Tossed in an Orange Glaze served over a Bed of Brown Rice and Broccoli	12 Fiesta Taco Bowl Seasoned Ground Beef, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheddar Cheese, & Salsa in a WG Tostado Bowl Seasoned Corn	13 Putnam Special Pizza Assorted Fresh Toppings on home-made Whole Wheat Pizza Dough Fresh Garden Salad w/ Cherry Tomatoes & Cucumbers
16 Home Style Sloppy Joe Seasoned Beef on top of WG Kaiser Bun Roasted Broccoli	17 Toasted Cheese Sandwich and Zesty Tomato Soup Cheddar Goldfish Crackers	18 WG Spaghetti W/ Meatball Dinner WG Garlic Bread Green Beans	19 Holiday Feast Chicken Tenders W/ Gravy Creamy Mashed Potatoes Seasoned Corn WG Dinner Roll Cranberry Sauce WG Cookie	20 ½ Day Putnam Special Pizza Assorted Fresh Toppings on home-made Whole Wheat Pizza Dough Fresh Garden Salad w/ Cherry Tomatoes & Cucumbers
23	24 Winter Break December 23-January 1	25 Happy Holidays!	26 Winter Break December 23-January 1	27
30	31 Bring on the New Year!			

Daily Choices: Assorted Sandwiches/wraps: Turkey, Egg, Ham, Tuna fish, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Yogurt Meal w/ WG pretzel, Chef Salad with WG Pretzel W/ Light Dressing or Wolf Pack-pizza Meal
Variety of "Rainbow Colored" Fruit and Vegetables Offered daily. **Milk Choices**: Low Fat Chocolate, Low Fat Strawberry,1% White, or Skim Milk

Menu Subject To Change **USDA is an equal opportunity provider** **WG= Whole Grain Product

Putnam Middle School

Breakfast if FREE to all students Everyday!!!

We serve whole grains, low fat milk, and cheese, reduced sugar cereals, a variety of fruits, and 100% fruit juice no added sugar. We meet USDA Diet Regulations.
1% White Milk, Low Fat Chocolate, and Skim Milk is Offered With Every Meal.
WG=Denotes the use of Whole Grain Products LF=Low Fat
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Breakfast Menu: 2019

Day of The Week:	Menu subject to change
Monday	WG Apple Frudel
Tuesday	Bacon, Egg, Cheese Sandwich
Wednesday	Chocolate Chip French Toast
Thursday	Sausage, Egg, Cheese Sandwich
Friday	Breakfast Pizza Scrambled eggs, cheese, turkey bacon

OTHER DAILY SELECTIONS:

ENTREES:
Breakfast Bars
Assorted Wg Muffins
Assorted Cereals
Banana Bread
Cinnamon Buns
WG Bagels
Raspberry Filled Pastry
Yogurt with Granola

FOR SALE
AL A CARTE DRINKS:
100% Juice $.50
8oz Water $0.70

NUTRITION BITES
- Breakfast is an important source of vitamin D and calcium, providing 40% of vitamin D and 25% of calcium to children age 2 to 19[1]
- Cereal contributes less than 10% of calories, but over 25% of daily intake of essential nutrients and whole grain in the diets of children who eat cereal[2]

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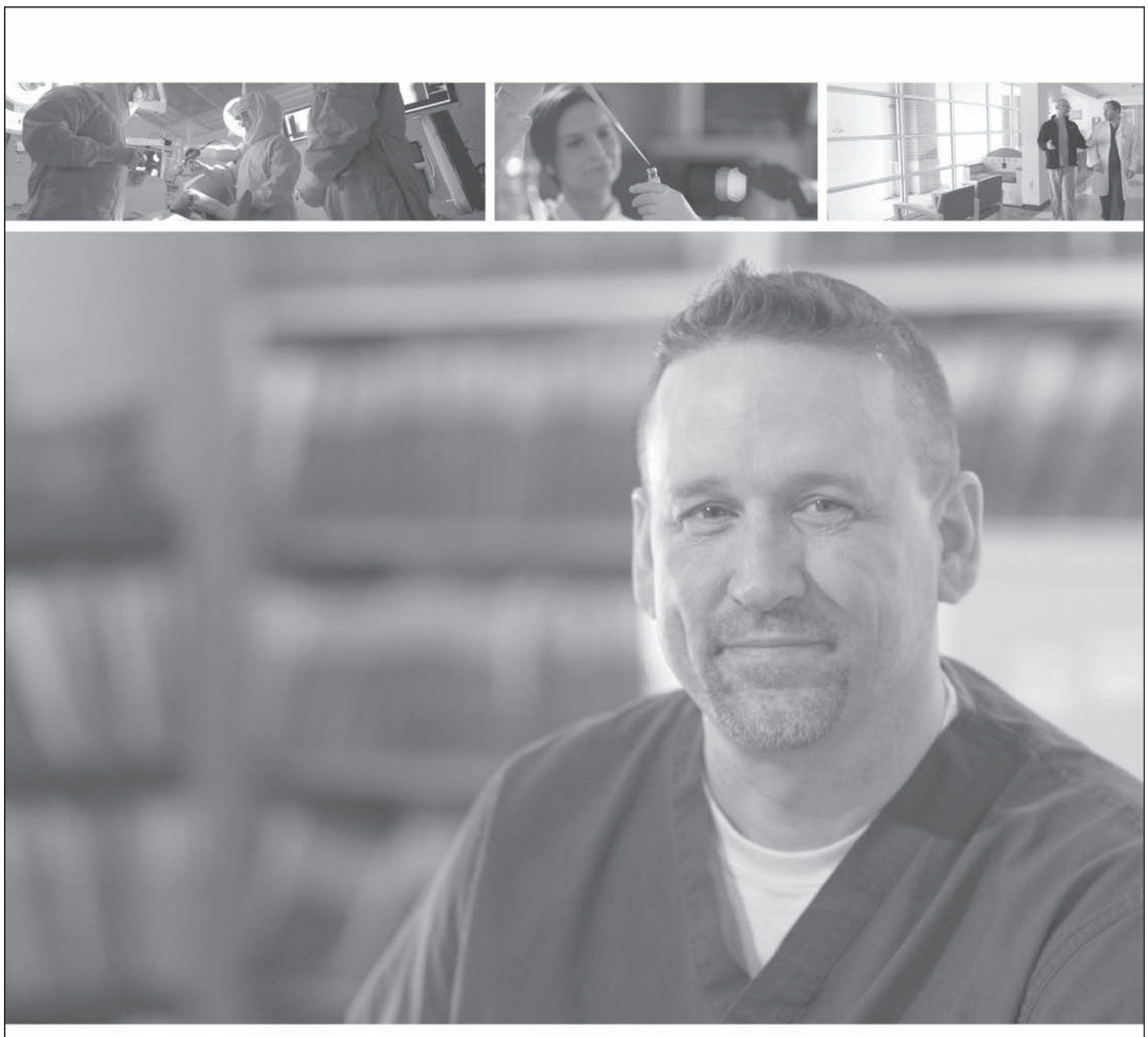

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OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner

Seeing is believing

I wasn't sure that I wanted to meet his eyes. A friend and I had spent the day in Newport and as we left there were men on the median holding signs asking for money. When the light turned red, they approached cars and looked at the drivers. I've always felt I should look people in the eye, but I felt intimidated. When the light turned green, we sped away, eyes straight ahead. How incredibly sad for a grown man to be driven to beg in the middle of the road. Just the moment to think about generosity.

For more than twenty years, I worked in development, a euphemism for fund-raising. During the holidays, I was on the road calling on donors. Our interactions were pleasant. Often we discussed the mountains of mail they received from other equally worthy charities. One donor tossed all the letters into a box between Thanksgiving and Christmas. He then read them all and made his decisions. Others put them in the recycle bin as soon as they arrived.

NANCY WEISS

My husband and I like to say that we prefer to give locally, as nice a sentiment as eating local food, buying from local merchants and dining at local-owned restaurants. The truth is a bit different. He always gives to his private high school, because it meant so much to his life. I give to my university, where I studied and worked. We give to an orphanage in Africa and to various land conservation groups. The local charities call to us as well. What to do?

On an annual 'girls" overnight, this year in Portsmouth, a friend wondered if she is really generous. Two of us laughed. Our friend is the first person to bring food to anyone who is celebrating or suffering. She is as kind as anyone I have ever known. She is wise without being preachy and quiet when someone says something really foolish. She believes she isn't generous because she doesn't give much money. We insisted that her gifts were incredibly valuable, but I know exactly what she meant.

If a gift is anonymous, does it mean more? I've told the story before, but here it is again. During the Depression, a wealthy man asked my father what he could do that would really help the town. My father told him that he could wipe out the debts owed by certain families at three, small general stores. He would save the stores and give the families a clean slate. I'm sure everyone learned the donor's name, as there are no secrets in a small town, but the donor never sought recognition for his gifts.

At this time of year, church fairs are humming, because of volunteers. The Hospice trees brighten the darkness and commemorate lost loved ones. TEEG, Daily Bread, town food pantries and many other groups provide easy, even joyful ways for us to support them. We feel good when we give something.

Occasionally a women stood in the median strip at the nearby shopping center with a sign. I couldn't pass her by. I looked her in eye. I offered to drive her to a shelter or a bus stop. She declined. I gave her some cash. The light changed. I moved on.

The poor are always with us so the saying goes. They ask for help on their own or organizations ask on their behalf. They may be troubled. They may be victims. It isn't always ours' to know. What matters is to consider what generosity means, give one's own gift and look the needy in the eye.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Be prepared to lose Boy Scouts in Pomfret

As a former Boy Scout and the father of one, I can appreciate that the BSA name is not what it used to be. Some within the national organization caused irreparable harm to others and it's policies on inclusion seem antiquated in this day and age. That being said, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts in Pomfret have been a positive and unifying force within the town. That organization will soon cease to be in our community very soon. With the dissolution of the Cub Scouts recently and our failed attempt to bring it back, we are forced with the very real situation where there will be no young people to join the Boy Scouts and that our troop will collapse as well. Scouting in Pomfret has been primarily focused on the community; from picking up trash on Earth Day, to planting flags on Memorial Day, or pancake breakfasts at PCS, these activities are there for the town. The other parts of scouting, skill building and outdoorsmanship, are not done by any other group. Scouting is the only group that fosters relationships between our high school children after they leave for other schools. If this is gone, I would ask our community "What will replace it?". Some organizations could do the tasks above but none right now include our children or would foster the type of community service and group activities that scouting provides. A few have shown interest in keeping their children in scouting but it can't be done on the shoulders of one individual, it has to be a group of families working together investing their time in order to succeed. So if the community is interested in this group it has to act as a community in restoring it. I say this not to reproach anyone but to inform our town of what is about to happen to this organization. If it is to phase out, I'm proud of the opportunities it has given my son and the people I have met. I just hope something takes its place so that Pomfret continues to have groups which help our children interact with the community in positive ways and not less.

NICK HEMEON
POMFRET

Thank you pumpkin pledgers

Our third-annual pledge was a great success and we would like to thank everyone who participated. We truly believe that with these donations it will help so many people. All of the proceeds will go directly to the Rose Bove Larose Oncology Fund. This money stays in our community and helps our community. Again, thank you.

WALT AND DEBBY OPPERMAN
KILLINGLY

Down on Trump

I totally agree with Stephen Etzel"s letter to the editor (Nov 22). Trump needs to be removed from office and replaced with a person who understands government and the role of America as a world leader. America First cannot mean punishing our allies and belittling them . America First does not mean trade wars that hurt our farmers, our producers and ourselves as consumers. We need to reaffirm our commitments to racial equality, justice and fairness for all, and compassion and empathy for immigrants and those who suffer from political and social oppression. On Trump's agenda, does he care about immigrants, racial bias, the suffering of the Kurds, the Syrians, the Palestinians, the Yemeni people? No he does not, it is only his bottom line that he cares about and keeping his base happy.

ANN C. ROSEBROOKS THOMPSON

Bashing Trump gets old

Let's talk about the never ending story by "No Fan of Trump" and really, it's getting old. Remarks on the Ukraine issue with "many highly credible witnesses" has to be the jokes of many days of impeachment hearings. Bringing bribery, religion, birds of a feather (that's a new one), scandals, filth, etc., into his article and the best one recession, giving credit to Obama for turning it around and President Trump enjoying the momentum of Obama. I like his statements on religious values of President Trumps. Did the President ever use religion in his campaign unlike others who profess they found God or are following in his footsteps? I know where Jesus is....in prisons because everybody finds Jesus in prisons. Why do politicians pretend to be God loving, God fearing, bible quoting doers of good and working for the people? President Trump never did but than we had Obama who we know where his sworn allegience was and it wasn't America. I don't want to see President Trump's tax return. He became President while a millionaire.....I want to see the tax returns of all those Congressional people who became millionaires after they got elected and that is unbelievable. When Donald Trump was campaigning, he laid it on the line on what he was going to do, "drain the swamp" and he has been doing just that. He has fired many of his administration or they left on their own, definitely because there are no "Yes" people in his administration unlike Obama who created 45 Czars, more than the Russian Romanovs. We know exactly where President Trump stands...with our military, our police, our country. He came from business and knows how Washington works and that's why Washington does not like him. He's upsetting the "good ol boy club" and doesn't want to be part of it. Term limits is needed now more than ever and you can see that every day. Cities who have the highest crime rates, highest homeless, sanctuary for those breaking the law, worst economy, most dangerous and less healthy are all under Democratic Control. Let's not forget abortions and dismissing all of the above, the leading cause of death in 2018 was abortion, over 41 million, murdered/killed, a staggering number and totally condoned by the Democratic Party and just unbelievable. Let's go back to the impeachment hearings and the Adam "Shifty" Schiff Show. The many days of "star" witnesses was a joke, all talked about their assumptions, presumptions, second/third hand testimony. The public is sick and tired of impeachment. What really have the Democrats done since Donald Trump took office? Can you think of any major accomplishments other than spending their entire time trying to impeach him from day one and the impeachments hearings alone cost over $40 million. 12 "star" witnesses were called by the Democrats, all had no "direct" knowledge of phone calls, meetings, and some were not even in their positions at that time. During the Schiff Show, he changed the rules as the hearing when on, would not allow most of the witnesses that the Republican wanted to testify and allowed "hearsay" constantly when questioned by the Democrats or their lawyer but he did warn the witnesses about hearsay when questioned by the Republicans. Even the whistleblower's evidence was hearsay.....give us a break andin any court of law, hearsay is inadmissiable. Joe Biden openly bragged about holding back funds from the Ukraine and that was definitely quid quo pro So now they want the President impeached even as Ambassador Sondland testified that he personally spoke to the and asked the President what he wanted him to tell the Ukraine President, and his answer was "tell him to do the right thing". I for one have had it with the murdering Democratic Party and all politicians who find a home in Washington, become millionaires, have the best benefits and represent only themselves. Time to change American politics.

TOM PANDOLFI
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Thankful thoughts from WH&Z Wealth Advisers

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Now is the time to gather with friends and family to extend gratitude for the ways in which we all lean on one another. Let us all take this opportunity to slow down just a bit and enjoy each moment we have with our loved ones. Remember to extend gratitude for all that you are thankful for and be kind to one another this holiday season, and always. Be sure to check in next week for key year-end planning strategies. You can access weekly market highlights, along with additional information, on our website at www.whzwealth.com/resources.

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Life is better when you are laughing

POSITIVELY SPEAKING

GARY W. MOORE

I love to laugh. Even more so, I love to make others laugh. Last week I wrote of my addiction to BPTS … Breaded Pork Tenderloin Sandwiches. It was all, of course, meant to be tongue-in-cheek. I do love the sandwich, but addiction may be an overstatement. The column did create the largest Email response I have ever received, and surprisingly, it was all positive. I did worry after I submitted it for publication that some suffering from real addictions may think I was making light of a very serious problem. Fortunately, those who responded all thought it was funny … until I picked up my daughter, the Pastor, at the airport and she said, "I was so worried and upset when I read the first half of your column. I could not believe you were confessing to the world you have an addiction and didn't bother telling your family first!"

A friend, and fellow columnist wrote, "I along with most of your readers were on my knees praying for you, until I realized your addiction was a sandwich!" The response has been surprising and huge. Thank you.

The biggest windfall of the column has been all the pictures of BPTS and suggestions of where I can find the best locations to quench my appetite. Thank you and trust me … I'll try them all.

I think this verifies the need to laugh in our lives. Life is better when we laugh. The news of the world doesn't offer many opportunities for humor. Impeachment, corruption, collusion, foreign interference in our elections … it's a wall of negative information trampling over us daily. As I have said before, never in my lifetime have I witnessed nor experience the vitriol coming out of our nations' capital. Politicians are fighting for airtime to deposit their prewritten and rehearsed sound bites rather than doing our business, the business of We the People. So, I think it is more important than ever that we smile and laugh more. Not

Turn To MOORE page A9

The women and girls who voyaged on the Mayflower

Killingly at 300

MARGARET WEAVER

Since this is Thanksgiving weekend, I again want to write a little about the early Mayflower passengers who arrived in Plymouth almost 400 years ago. As you might recall, it was only the men on the Mayflower who signed the Mayflower Compact. I thought I'd start with a little about the women and girls who had come aboard the ship.

"As the Mayflower left England for America, there were 18 adult women on-board. Three of them, Elizabeth Hopkins, Susanna White, and Mary Allerton, were actually in their last trimester of a pregnancy. All the adult women on the Mayflower were married; there were no single women--although there were a few teenage girls nearing marriageable age. While no women would die during the Mayflower's voyage, life after arrival proved extremely difficult. In fact, 78 percent of the women would die the first winter, a far higher percentage than for men or children. Dorothy Bradford was the first woman to die, and the only woman who died in the month of December. While many of the men, including her husband, were out exploring on Cape Cod, she accidentally fell off the Mayflower into the bitter cold waters of Provincetown Harbor. Most of the women's death dates were not recorded, but we do know that Rose Standish died on January 29, Mary Allerton died on February 25, and Elizabeth Winslow died on March 24. Most of the women died in February and March." "The women were confined to the damp, filthy and crowded quarters offered by the Mayflower, where disease would have spread much more quickly. The two-month voyage was long enough; the women, however, remained living on the ship for an additional four months while the men built storehouses and living quarters on shore. Weak bodies or not, by the time of the famous 'Thanksgiving,' there were only four women left to care for the Colony's fifty surviving men and children. The four women were Eleanor Billington, Elizabeth Hopkins, Mary Brewster, and Susanna (White) Winslow.(http://mayflowerhistory.com/women)

"There were a number of children among the passengers of the Mayflower. This was of great importance to the survival of Plymouth Colony. Many of the children had become accustomed to hard labor since they needed to work in Leiden to help support their families. As with many immigrant families in 17th century Holland, the Pilgrim fathers were generally hired for the lowest paying occupations.

"When the struggling group of colonists faced the cruelties of the first New England winter with its illnesses and deaths, it was the children who many times stepped in to assist the adults. Undoubtedly, brave young souls were kept busy tending the sick, fetching firewood and water, helping to prepare food and doing whatever was necessary.

There were fewer deaths among the children that first cruel winter, which ultimately increased the chances of survival for the struggling colony.

Children on the Mayflower who left descendants with approximate ages: Bartholomew Allerton (7), Mary Allerton (3), Remember Allerton (5), Francis Billington (14), Love Brewster (13), Mary Chilton (13), John Cooke (13), Samuel Eaton (1), Samuel Fuller (12)-son of Edward, Constance Hopkins (14), Giles Hopkins (12), Richard More (6), Priscilla Mullins (17), Joseph Rogers (17), Elizabeth Tilley (13), Peregrine White (born aboard the Mayflower), Resolved White (5). (www.themayflowersociety.org/the-pilgrims/children-on-the-mayflower).

A number of the families chose to leave daughters behind with relatives, believing that the rigors of the crossing and breaking a new settlement would be too difficult and hazardous to their health. "Despite the general belief that girls were weaker, 11 girls, ranging in ages from 1 through 17, did make the voyage on the Mayflower with their families. And perhaps more surprisingly, young girls proved to have the strongest bodies of all: the first winter, 75 percent of the women died, 50 percent of the men died, 36 percent of the boys died, but only two girls (18 percent) died." (http://mayflowerhistory.com/girls)

The fact that John Carver (ca. 1580/1-1621) had been confirmed as Governor affirmed his high standing among the passengers. He "was one of the most prominent members of the Pilgrims' church in Leiden… Carver married, perhaps around 1616, to Katherine (White) Legatt, the daughter of Alexander White. John and Katherine Carver buried a child in Leiden in November 1617. "When the Pilgrims made the decision to begin moving their church to somewhere in America, they sent John Carver and Robert Cushman as their representatives to England to negotiate with the Virginia Company and organize the business. Carver survived the death-filled winter only to die of an apparent sunstroke in April 1621. His wife Katherine survived only a few weeks, supposedly dying of a broken heart. (mayflowerhistory.com).

Carver was wealthy enough to have a servant, John Howland (1599-1672/3), who had ten children and became the forefather of numerous descendants. God must have been with him on his crossing on the Mayflower for during a storm Howland fell overboard. "Luckily for his millions of descendants… (including Presidents George Bush and George W. Bush, and Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt) he managed to grab hold of the topsail halyards, giving the crew enough time to rescue him with a boathook." He married Elizabeth Tilley about 1624 in Plymouth. Howland's Allyn descendants were the first owners of the Killingly property where I live, and the first settlers of present-day Killingly, so I always have had a soft spot for him. (mayflowerhistory.com)

Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society member Chris Horne has at least eight or nine male Mayflower ancestors: William Mullins, William White, John Cooke, Richard Warren, George Soule, Stephen Hopkins, Thomas Williams, and John Alden (email 11/18/19). I would be interested in compiling a list of passengers from whom other readers are descended so feel free to contact me.

If you believe that you might be descended from a Mayflower passenger, you might want to investigate how to become a member of the General Society of Mayflower Descendants. Visit the website /www.themayflowersociety.org

for additional information.

Historical Society Trip: Have you ever seen the Mayflower? Next year, 2020, is the 400th anniversary of its landing at Plymouth. The Killingly Historical & Genealogical Society will be sponsoring a Mayflower trip on June 19, 2020 to Plymouth Plantation, the Gristmill, and the Mayflower II replica. Tickets are $75 for adults and $60 for children under 12. The bus will depart from the Brooklyn Walmart at 7:15 a.m. and return at 5:30 p.m. Free parking. For additional information contact 860-779-7250 or director@killinglyhistorical.org for tickets by May 1, 2020. Surprise a loved one with a trip for a Christmas present.

December 3, 2019 from 6:30-8:30p.m. St. Alban's Episcopal Church, 254 Broad Street, Danielson. A conversation about 'what's next" for the former sanctuary and Parish House. To RSVP, please visit Danielson.eventbrite.com.

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Thank you Joe Lindley

On Education

MELINDA SMITH

Everyone has that person who has made a significant impact on their life or career choice. One of the most influential people to affect my career came to me at the latter part of my journey as an educator.

I first met Joe Lindley during the second phase of the interview process for Superintendent of Thompson Public Schools. I arrived at the interview feeling confident. I had researched student outcome data, learned about the curriculum, and the basic demographics of the community; I was well prepared for this interview – so I thought. That was until Joe posed a question that I could not answer. The question, "What do you know about the history of Thompson and how has this history shaped our community?" I danced around answering the question using some of the information I found during my study of the town. I knew by the look on Joe's face that I failed to give him the appropriate response.

I was relieved to learn that I was selected as a finalist even after the interview blunder and was invited to attend a tour of the schools that was hosted by Joe and Kathleen Herbert. Joe led the tour of the school campus stopping often to speak teachers or students introducing each person by name. He navigated through the school's security system with ease and clearly knew his way around the campus. I was astonished that a board member knew school personnel and students so well. During the tour, Joe and Kathleen answered all of my questions about the facility, sports programs, and the curriculum. Being in education for almost forty years, I had never known a board member to be so involved and connected to the schools. I would later learn that Joe Lindley was a big part of what makes Thompson Public Schools special.

The final stop of the tour was the Tourtellotte Memorial Museum. I can still remember the feeling I had when Joe pulled open the large brass doors to this magnificent space. Joe's passion and knowledge of this museum was obvious. He provided me with an overview of the history of the museum and the amazing artwork and artifacts on display. It was then that I realized why the history question posed during my interview was so important to get right.

Shortly into my tenure as Superintendent, Joe called to invite me on a tour of Thompson, so I could better understand the town's history. I had already read the two volumes of Echoes of Old Thompson loaned to me by a teacher. I was happy to have some background knowledge about the history of the town before I took the tour with Joe. During this personal guided trip, I learned about this man's self-sacrificing efforts to preserve Thompson's history and impart his knowledge to children attending Thompson Public Schools.

Over the next few years I had the good fortune to attend numerous tours and history lessons taught by Joe to Thompson students. He would often tell me of his own personal struggles in school and the teachers and staff who helped set him on a positive career path. Joe was a proud member of the Tourtellotte Alumni, Veteran, coach, author, successful businessman, and historian. He served on many committees and continued to volunteer his time for the betterment of the town despite having his own health challenges.

Joe taught me the importance of providing clear and accurate information to the community about the school district. He reminded me that I work for the children in town and to always be prepared to advocate for their needs. Joe reminded me that the past has a significant connection to the future.

Joe Lindley died last month leaving behind his own legacy that is now forever a part of the history of Thompson. During this season of Thanksgiving it is only fitting to note that I am forever thankful for knowing and working with this wonderful community leader. Thanks again, Joe.

Melinda Smith is the superintendent of the Thompson Public School system.

MOORE

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because what is happening isn't important … it is … but because it is essential for our mental health that we look up from the fray, take a breath and find reasons to laugh.

Laughter really is the very best medicine. According to research from Loma Linda University, there are eight convincing health benefits of laughter. Emily Lockhart, writing for "Active Beat," lists the following eight benefits.

Laughter is a natural pain killer. Laughter produces endorphins, that serve as a "happy brain chemical" that soothes stress, reduces anxiety and eases chronic pain.

Laughter strengthens your heart. Believe it or not, laughing is cardio in the same way that walking benefits your heart. So, you can walk or laugh. Better yet walk with a friend and laugh together!

Laughing wards off disease. A Harvard study revealed that the more you laugh and approach life positively (like reading this column, I'll strategically insert) the fewer chronic diseases you will develop.

Laughter tones your abs. Spending hours doing sit ups? Get off the floor and laugh your way to an abdominal six-pack!

Laughing boosts immunity. Laughing activates your body's T-cells (immune system cells) that help you ward off germs, flues and illness.

Laughing decreases blood pressure. The number of American's on blood pressure medicines is at an all-time high. Don't stop taking your prescription medicines but laugh more and you and your doctor may be positively surprised at the result.

Laughter banishes stress. Rough day at home or at work? Laughter won't solve all your problems, but it is proven that it reduces the anxiety produced by living or working in a stressful environment.

Laughter helps those suffering from depression. A 2011 study from Oxford University shows how laughter improves our overall outlook on life.

Long before Loma Linda, Harvard and Oxford, my grandmother always said, "Laughter is the best medicine," and it appears, even though she never attended medical school, she was right.

I hope last week's spook on my addiction made you laugh. I laughed for hours writing it and laughed all week at the responses.

Thank you for improving my health!

Gary W. Moore is at www.garywmoore.com

KARATE

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became involved in helping out at the school. He eventually became an instructor — helping people achieve their goals and see their potential.

In 1984 he started Mike Bogdanski's School of Karate on a part time basis. In 1988 he opened the school full time, changing the name to Mike Bogdanski's Martial Arts Center. He and Kristin Duethorn became partners around 2002. She was a sixth-degree black belt and one of the highest ranking women in United States. They joined forces "to transform lives" through martial arts, renaming it Quest Martial Arts, located in Putnam

They teach the traditional Tang Soo Do technique and also self-defense techniques.

"The first thing we teach them in the first class is self-discipline. They make their beds. We don't want to discipline, we want to teach them self-discipline," He said. "Martial arts is a fighting system for self-defense. It is a success system — mental, emotional and physical. It teaches better concentration and focus and how to achieve goals. They have better concentration."

He didn't want to be bullied but would have never started down his road without the harassment. It ultimately gave him the means to help others.

"It became an opportunity for good that never would have happened if it had not been for that one nexus," said Bogdanski.

Fifty-years later and Bogdanski is an eighth-degree black belt. He has a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and also a Master's Degree in School Counseling. Today he is a member of the International Bullying Prevention Association. When not teaching martial arts he presents seminars on 'Stop the Bullying In Your Schools' — a topic he totally understands.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 WG Mini Pancakes ~ Vanilla Yogurt w/ Graham Cracker Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	3 WG Breakfast Pizza ~ WG Banana Bread Slice Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	4 WG Cinnamon Bun ~ WG Muffin Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	5 Fruit Smoothie w/ Graham Cracker ~ WG Breakfast Pizza Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	6 WG Bagel ~ Vanilla Yogurt w/ Graham Cracker Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
9 WG Mini Pancakes ~ Vanilla Yogurt w/ Graham Cracker Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	10 WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Ham Egg & Cheese Sandwich Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	11 WG Cinnamon Bun ~ WG Muffin Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	12 Fruit Smoothie w/ Graham Cracker ~ WG Breakfast Pizza Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	13 WG Bagel ~ Vanilla Yogurt w/ Graham Cracker Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
16 WG Mini Pancakes ~ Vanilla Yogurt w/ Graham Cracker Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	17 WG Breakfast Pizza ~ WG Banana Bread Slice Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	18 WG Cinnamon Bun ~ WG Muffin Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	19 Fruit Smoothie w/ Graham Cracker ~ WG Breakfast Pizza Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	20 WG Bagel ~ Vanilla Yogurt w/ Graham Cracker Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
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LUNCH

DECEMBER 2019

MARY R. FISHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

LUNCH IS FREE FOR ALL MARY R. FISHER SCHOOL STUDENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Hamburger or Cheeseburger w/ Bun **OR** Yogurt-Muffin-Cheese Stick Tater-Tots ~ Baked Beans	3 Mozzarella Sticks ~ w/ Dipping Sauce **OR** Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Mashed Potatoes ~ 100% Juice	4 ***PIZZA LUNCHABLE*** ***Make your own Pizza*** **OR** Sunbutter Jelly Sandwich & Cheese Stick Baby Carrots ~ Garden Salads	5 French Toast Sticks w/ Sausage **OR** Ham & Cheese Sandwich Buttered Corn ~ Cucumber Wheels 100% Juice	6 WG Chicken Nuggets **OR** Vanilla Yogurt-Muffin-Cheese Stick Fluffy Rice ~ Steamed Broccoli
9 Hot Dog w/ Roll **OR** Yogurt-Muffin-Cheese Stick Tater-Tots ~ Baked Beans	10 WG Cheese Pizza **OR** Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Buttered Green Beans ~ 100% Juice	11 **EARLY RELEASE** Yogurt ~ Banana Bread Slice Cheese stick ~ Baby Carrots ~ 100% Juice	12 Toasted Cheese Sandwich **OR** Ham & Cheese Sandwich Buttered Corn ~ Cucumber Wheels	13 WG Chicken Nuggets **OR** Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich/ Cheese Stick Fluffy Rice ~ Steamed Broccoli
16 Hamburger or Cheeseburger w/ Bun **OR** Yogurt-Muffin-Cheese Stick Tater-Tots ~ Baked Beans	17 Mozzarella Sticks ~ w/ Dipping Sauce **OR** Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Mashed Potatoes ~ 100% Juice	18 Pasta w/ Meat Sauce WG Roll **OR** Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich/ Cheese Stick Mixed Vegetables ~ Garden Salad	19 Creamy Mac Cheese WG Roll **OR** Ham & Cheese Sandwich Butter Carrots ~ Cucumber Wheels 100% Juice	20 WG HOLIDAY Chicken Nuggets **OR** Vanilla Yogurt-Muffin-Cheese Stick Fluffy Rice ~ Steamed Broccoli
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DAILY CHOICES: Fresh Woodstock Orchard apples available daily and a variety of "Rainbow Colored" Fruit and Vegetables **MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE**
MILK CHOICES: Fat Free Flavored, 1% LF White, Lactaid or Soy available upon request. ***Milk will be free with a Meal. If purchased separately $.50***
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BREAKFAST

DECEMBER 2019

Thompson Public Schools (Grade 5-12)

BREAKFAST IS FREE FOR ALL THOMPSON PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 WG Mini Pancakes WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	3 WG Baked Muffin WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	4 WG Cinnamon Roll WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	5 Sausage Egg & Cheese Sandwich WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	6 WG Baked Muffin Managers Choice ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
9 WG Mini Pancakes WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	10 WG Baked Muffin WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	11 WG Cinnamon Roll WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	12 Sausage Egg & Cheese Sandwich WG Breakfast Pizza ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	13 WG Baked Muffin Managers Choice ~ Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
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LUNCH

DECEMBER 2019

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Daily Lunch Price $3.00
Reduced Priced Meal $.40

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 ***BACON*** Cheeseburger ~ Hamburger (Let, Tom, Pickles) Or Big Daddy Cheese Pizza Oven Baked Potatoes ~ Baked Beans	3 Mozzarella Sticks Dipping sauce ~ **OR** Chicken Patty w/ Roll Mashed Potatoes	4 Meat Lasagna WG Roll **OR** Stuffed Crust Cheese ~ Pepperoni Pizza Buttered Mixed Vegetables	5 French Toast Sticks Sausage **OR** Chicken Patty w/ Roll Seasoned Carrots	6 Fish Patty w/ Roll **OR** Crispy Breaded Popcorn Chicken (Plain or Zesty) Asian Rice ~ Steamed Broccoli
9 Hot Diggity Dog w/ Chili **OR** Big Daddy Cheese Pizza Oven Baked Potatoes Baked Beans	10 Chicken Fajita Wrap (peppers, onions, cheese) **OR** Chicken Patty w/ Roll Mexican Rice ~ Green Beans	11 ***EARLY RELEASE*** Stuffed Crust Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza Baby Carrots **OR** Ham and Cheese Bulkie	12 Sloppy Joe on a Roll w/ Cheese **OR** Chicken Patty w/ Roll Chicken & Rice Soup ~ Buttered Corn	13 Fish Sticks **OR** Crispy Breaded Popcorn Chicken (Plain or Zesty) Asian Rice ~ Steamed Broccoli
16 ***BBQ RODEO*** Cheeseburger ~ Hamburger (Let, Tom, Pickles) Or Big Daddy Cheese Pizza Oven Baked Potatoes ~ Baked Beans	17 Mozzarella Sticks Dipping sauce **OR** Chicken Patty w/ Roll Mashed Potatoes	18 Pasta and Meat Sauce WG Roll **OR** Stuffed Crust Cheese ~ Pepperoni Pizza Buttered Mixed Vegetables	19 Creamy Mac and Cheese Warm WG Pretzel **OR** Chicken Patty w/ Roll Seasoned Carrots	20 Veggie Burger w/ Roll **OR** Crispy Breaded Popcorn Chicken (Plain or Zesty) Asian Rice ~ Steamed Broccoli
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BREAKFAST

DECEMBER 2019

Mary R. Fisher Elementary School
Pre K- Kindergarten "Breakfast in the Classroom"

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 WG Mini Pancakes Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	3 WG Cereal ~ Cheesestick Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	4 WG Cinnamon Bun Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	5 WG Baked Muffin Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	6 WG Graham Crackers ~ Yogurt Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
9 WG Mini Pancakes Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	10 WG Cereal ~ Cheesestick Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	11 WG Cinnamon Bun Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	12 WG Baked Muffin Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	13 WG Graham Crackers ~ Yogurt Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
16 WG Mini Pancakes Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	17 WG Cereal ~ Cheesestick Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	18 WG Cinnamon Bun Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	19 WG Baked Muffin Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice	20 WG Graham Crackers ~ Yogurt Fruit~ 100% Fruit Juice Milk Choice
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Woodstock Elementary School
December 2019

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Veggie of the Day, Fruit, Milk

Alternate Lunch #2
Offered Mon. Tues,& Thurs:
Peanut Butter & Jelly Sand.
Cheese Stick, Veggie of the Day
Fruit/Milk

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2 Cheeseburger/Bun Baked Beans Fruit Milk	3 1/2 DAY Breakfast Sandwich Hash browns Fruit Milk	4 Pop Corn Chicken Brown Rice Steamed Carrots Fruit/Milk	5 Baked Potato Cheese & bacon Broccoli Fruit Milk	6 Pizza Cucumber Cup Fruit Milk	
	9 Chicken Patty/Bun Sweet Potato Fries Fruit Milk	10 Bosco Stix Marinara Sauce Tossed Salad Fruit/Milk	11 Chicken Nuggets Brown Rice Black Beans Fruit/Milk	12 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Celery Sticks/Dip Fruit/Milk	13 Pizza Seasoned Corn Fruit Milk	
	16 Bacon Hamburger/Bun Carrot Stix Fruit Milk	17 Waffles Sausage Home Fries Fruit/Milk	18 Chicken Tenders Mashed Potato Broccoli Fruit/Milk	19 Beef & Bean Burrito Lettuce & Tomato Fruit Milk	20 Pizza Green Beans Fruit Milk	

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Emmanuel Luthern Church bake sale

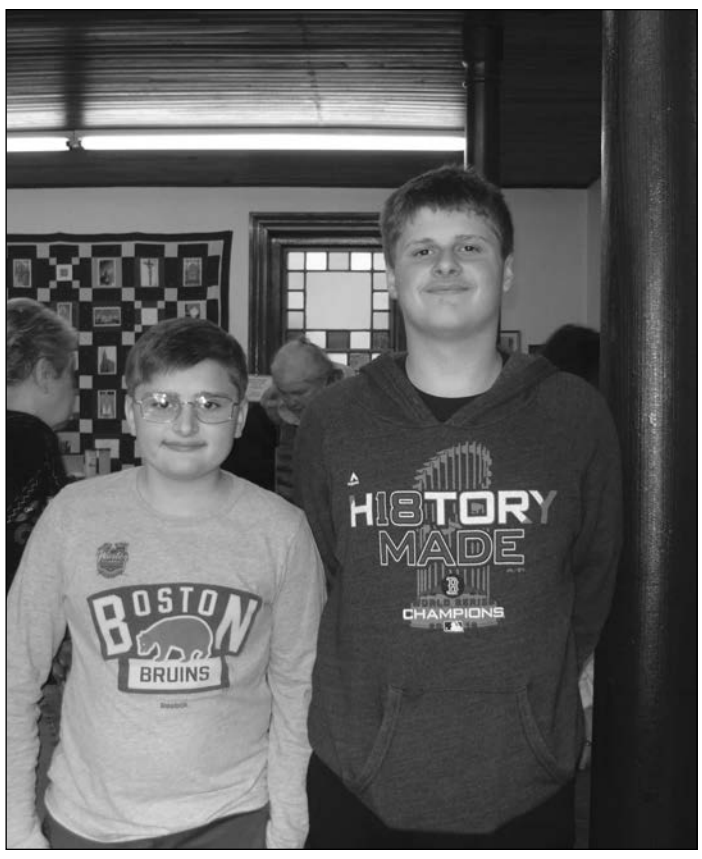
NORTH GROSVENORDALE — The women of Emanuel Lutheran Church held their annual Holiday Craft and Bake Sale on Saturday, Nov. 23. Some of the fundraiser money raised will go toward the church's scholarship fund. Some of the money will be donated to go into a fund for general upkeep and special repairs of the church.

Karen Butera photos

Donated raffle prizes

From left, Kathy Combs, Ann Leclerc and Susan Gregoire help out in the kitchen

From left, Deb Marks, Rita Kelley and Lee Elfstrom



From left, Justin Borders and brother, Dylan

Police Logs

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TROOP D LOG

NORTH GROSVENORDALE

Nov. 17
Ronald Rybacki, 51, of 42 Linehouse Road, North Grosvenordale, was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence and improper parking.

THOMPSON

Nov. 17
Cesar Santiago-Ortiz, 35, of 667 Riverside Drive was charged with disorderly conduct and assault in the 3rd degree.

Nov. 18
Chad Collette, 41, of 41 Fernwood Avenue, Thompson, was charged with operating an unregistered motor vehicle, operating a mother vehicle without insurance, evading, injury, property damage, operating a motor vehicle under the influence, failure to drive in a proper lane and following too closely.

Public Meetings

BROOKLYN

Monday, Dec. 2
Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Clifford B. Green Memorial Center
Ethics Board, 7:35 p.m., Town Hall
Tuesday, Dec. 3
Economic Development Commission, 4 p.m., Clifford B. Green Memorial Center
Wednesday, Dec. 4
P&Z, 6:30 p.m., Clifford B. Green Memorial Center

EASTFORD

Monday, Dec. 2
Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Office Bldg.
Tuesday, Dec. 3
School Readiness Council, 5:30 p.m., Eastford Elementary
Democratic Town Committee, 7 p.m., Eastford Library
Conservation & Historic Preservation Commission, 7 p.m., Town Office Bldg.
Wednesday, Dec. 4
Crystal Pond Park Commission, 6 p.m., Woodstock Town Hall
Thursday, Dec. 5
Library Board, 7 p.m., Eastford Public Library
Saturday, Dec. 7
AA, 7:30 p.m., Town Office Bldg.

KILLINGLY

Monday, Dec. 2
IWWC, 7:30 p.m.
Special Town Council, 8 p.m., Town Hall 2nd Floor
Wednesday, Dec. 4
KCG, 7 p.m., Room 102
Permanent Building Commission, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 5
Killingly Business Association, 7:45 a.m., Killingly Public Library

POMFRET

Monday, Dec. 2
Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Senior Center
Wednesday, Dec. 4
IWWC , 7 p.m., Senior Center

PUTNAM

Monday, Dec. 2
Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 5
Democratic Town Committee ,, 6 p.m.

THOMPSON

Monday, Dec. 2
Quinebaug Volunteer Fire Dept. 7 p.m., 720 Quinebaug Road
Trails Committee, 7 p.m., Town Hall, Merrill Seney Community Room
W. T. Fire Assoc., 7 p.m., 248 West Thompson Road
P&Z sub-committee, 7 p.m., Merrill Seney Community Room
Thompson Fire Engine Co., 8 p.m., 70 Chase Road
Tuesday, Dec. 3
Board of Selectmen, 7 p.m., Town Hall, Merrill Seney Community Room
Wednesday, Dec. 4
EDC Branding Implementation Committee ,, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Community Fire Company ,, 7 p.m., 862 Riverside Drive, No. Grosvernordale
Recreation Commission ,, 7 p.m., Town Hall, Merrill Seney Community Room
East Thompson Volunteer Fire Department ,, 8 p.m., 815 Riverside Drive
Saturday, Dec. 7
Inland Wetland Site Walks, 9 a.m., location as indicated on posted agenda

WOODSTOCK

Monday, Dec. 2
Woodstock Business Association 6 p.m., Room B
Tuesday, Dec. 3
Cornfield Point, 7 p.m., Room A
Wednesday, Dec. 4
Crystal Pond Park Commission, 6 p.m., Room B
Thursday, Dec. 5
Board of Selectmen, 4 p.m., Room A
PZC Sub Comm, 7:30 p.m., Room 1

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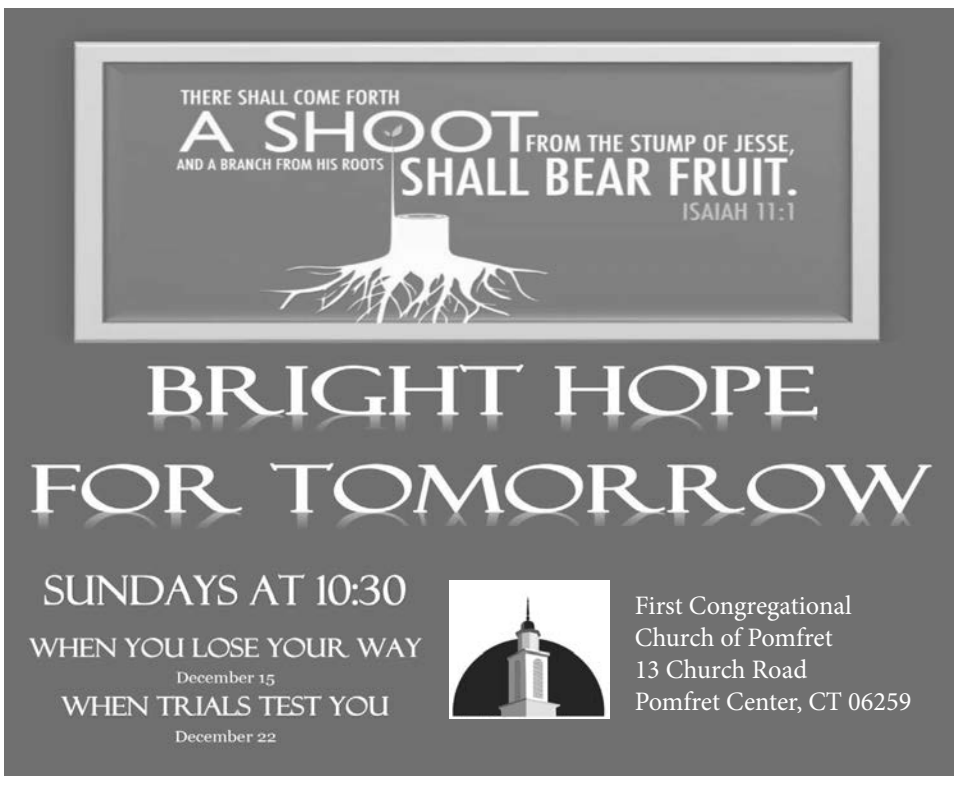

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Centaurs fall to Indians in state semifinals

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Woodstock Academy's Paula Hernandez, right, attempts a kill with Guilford High's Emma Appleman, left, and Emily Brouder, second from left, defending in the Class L state tournament semifinals on Nov. 20 at Fitch High School.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

GROTON — The roller-coaster ride that was Woodstock Academy's volleyball season plunged below the net in the semifinals of the Class L state tournament. The Centaurs up-and-down season came to dead stop against Guilford High in five dramatic sets at Fitch High School on Nov. 20 — with the Indians prevailing 3-2 (25-23, 21-25, 14-25, 25-20, 15-11). For senior outside hitter Paula Hernandez this season's thrill ride exceeded last year's journey — when the Centaurs went unbeaten until falling to Joel Barlow in the Class L state final.

"I'm going to remember this season more because of all the struggles we had," Hernandez said. "And all the effort we put into each other to getting better — not necessarily volleyball — but as people. This season has been very different from all of the ones in the past. There's been a lot of mental work, not even volleyball work, just a lot of mental work."

To say the Centaurs have been inconsistent would be an understatement. Woodstock opened the season against three of the best teams in the state — Coventry, Greenwich, and Waterford — and fell to 0-3. Woodstock regrouped — capturing the regular-season title in Division I of the Eastern Connecticut Conference — winning 16 of 17 matches following the 0-3 start. But the Centaurs faltered in the ECC Division I Tournament — earning the No.-1 seed in the ECC tourney but falling in straight sets to fifth-seeded Fitch in the semifinals.

Eighth-seeded Woodstock resurrected itself in the Class L state tournament — defeating No. 25 Maloney in the opening round, avenged last season's loss in the Class L final by knocking off defending-state-champion and ninth-seeded Joel Barlow in the second round — then Woodstock upset No.-1 seed Bristol Eastern in five sets (25-19, 23-25, 25-23, 26-28, 15-13) in the Class L quarterfinals on Nov. 16.

Woodstock's emotional roller coaster reached its zenith in the win over Bristol Eastern but it was perhaps too tough to keep that momentum on the rails. Woodstock coach Adam Bottone counseled his players to not let down after toppling Bristol Eastern.

"We totally talked about it. We talked about it at practice. We talked about it pre-game. I mean, that was a heck of a battle there between us and Bristol Eastern. That was the No.-1 ranked team in the state. It's hard when you play such an emotional game to just turn around and have another game that's just as emotional as that and play through it," Bottone said. "That would be the case with any team out there. How do you rebound from that and keep that emotion high and that play high?"

Hernandez said the emotion expended in the win at Bristol Eastern was hard to recapture.

"That was a really hard game. Everyone on that court was against us — the refs, everything. When we got that last point we didn't even realize we had won. We couldn't believe it. We had like a minute there, frozen. We were paralyzed, even the parents, they had to run and say 'We won.' In some way it felt like the finals were against Bristol Eastern. After that it felt definitely weird," Hernandez said. "Bristol Eastern was a very exciting game, probably the best game of the whole season. Now you come to play this team (Guilford) that you haven't necessarily heard of. It's not the same. It's not a thrill."

Woodstock's season-ending loss to fifth-seed Guilford was a microcosm of its mercurial season. The Centaurs lost the first set (23-25), regained momentum by rallying to win the next two sets (25-21, 25-14) before sagging in the fourth set (20-25).

"That comes back to what we always talk about with the mental toughness," said Bottone of the fourth set. "How do we face adversity? What's our mindset? Do we slow our breathing down? Control that, get healthy mentally and make good decisions — and they struggled with that which is unfortunate but it is what it is — part of the game."

The Indians seized momentum in the fourth set and carried it into the fifth set.

"That fourth set, they had a pretty good lead (18-11), we came back. We fought hard. We came up short because of the errors and then we struggled with receive right from the get-go in five," Bottone said.

In the decisive fifth set Woodstock rallied from a 6-1 deficit to pull within one point (10-11) — before losing 15-11. Hernandez notched 31 kills and made 36 digs. Sophomore setter Annarose Avery had 26 assists. Sophomore Aurissa Boardman had 11 service points and nine kills. Junior Libero Marissa Mayhew had 26 assists.

The win lifted Guilford's record to 20-4 and advanced the fifth-seeded Indians to the state final against second-seeded Avon. Avon defeated Guilford in straight sets in the Class L state championship match on Nov. 23. The Centaurs' season ended with a record of 19-6 — falling one game short of the state final. Mayhew said they just couldn't sustain consistent play against the Indians.

"We had too many highs and too many lows," Mayhew said. "Just didn't stay level enough and balanced and that's, I think, what brought us down."

Woodstock's up-and-down season was brought to a dead stop in the Class L state semifinals. Guilford finally cut the power on the Centaurs roller coaster.

"They had all that momentum. They just went for it. They brought everything they could," Mayhew said. "We could have brought a little bit more. But we did as much as we could with what we had."

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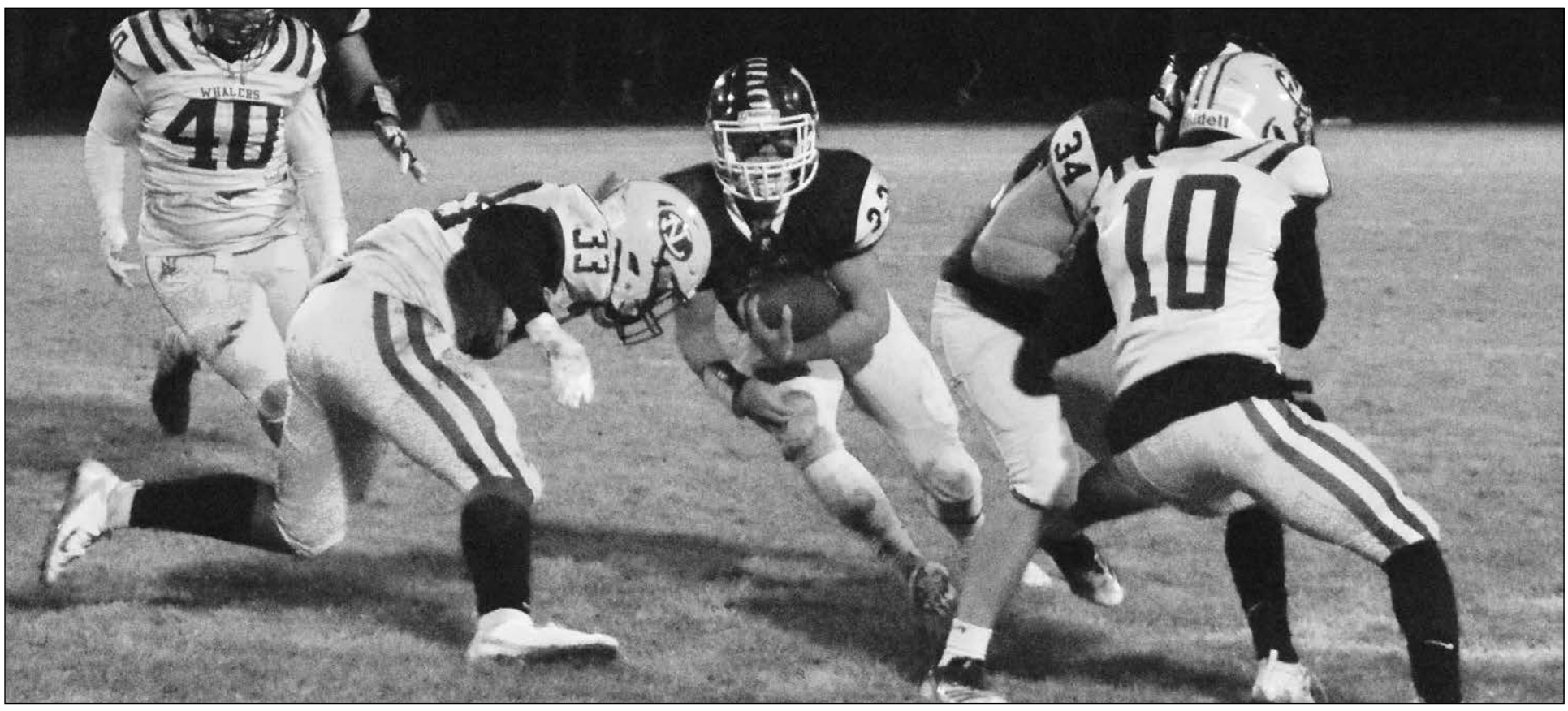
Killingly sets sights on state crown



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Killingly's Jack Sharpe runs with New London's Germiah Ballinger, left, closing in last Friday, Nov. 22, at Killingly High School.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER EDITOR

DAYVILLE — The chase is on. Killingly High kicks off its hunt for the Class M state championship when the playoffs arrive on Dec. 3. Killingly captured a berth in the postseason with a 21-7 win over New London on Nov. 22. After the victory coach Chad Neal gathered his players near the 30-yard line and pointed his Red Hawks toward the ultimate quarry.

"Now it's time to dial in and chase the ring," Neal said.

Killingly lifted its record to 9-1 with the win over New London and will likely finish with a top-four ranking when the Class M tournament seedings are announced on Friday, Nov. 29. A top-four rank would give the Red Hawks a home game in the first round of the Class M playoffs on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 3.

"We're in. I don't see why we wouldn't have a home game," Neal said. "Now it's just matter of who we're going to play."

The Red Hawks will have had a 10-day layoff between their win over New London and the opening round of the Class M playoffs. Neal isn't concerned about the hiatus.

"I'll give them a couple days off to rest up. As far as our practices go we'll just keep our timing fresh," Neal said. "I think we have a great shot if we play well. If we play well, are disciplined, and don't make mistakes — I think we can make a run at a state title."

Killingly took a run at New London with its clock-consuming ground game. The Red Hawks ran the ball 53 times for 229 yards. Sophomore running back Jack Sharpe led the attack with 204 yards and two touchdowns on 38 carries.

The Red Hawks defense came up big when needed. With Killingly leading 14-0, New London received the second-half kickoff and drove 47 yards in six plays to the Red Hawks 12-yard line — with Whalers junior running back Keeano Gonzalez opening the drive with a 25-yard pickup. But on fourth-and-two from the 12, Killingly senior defensive tackle Connor Leduc stuffed Gonzalez for no gain to thwart the drive with 8:38 left in the third quarter.

"It was really huge," said Killingly senior quarterback Jacob Nurse of Leduc's tackle. "It really kept the momentum on our side. We were able to keep the ball too and keep their offense off the field."

On Killingly's ensuing possession following Leduc's key stop — Nurse completed a pair of clutch passes on third down to help sustain a 14-play 88-yard drive. The march consumed six minutes and 52 seconds. During the drive — on third-and-seven from Killingly's 15-yard line — Nurse connected with senior Kameron Crowe on a 30-yard pass to move the ball to the 45. And on third-and-nine from New London's 41-yard line, Nurse hooked up with senior tight end Nate Keefe on a 19-yard completion to set up the Red Hawks on New London's 22-yard line. Nurse capped the march with a one-yard sneak and Chris Jax booted the point after to stretch Killingly's lead to 21-0 with 1:46 left in the third quarter.

Leduc's clutch tackle of Gonzalez helped prevent New London from perhaps pulling within a touchdown early in the third quarter and Killingly's ensuing 88-yard drive stretched its lead to three touchdowns. Killingly defensive coordinator Gary Brine called a timeout to talk things over before Leduc stuffed Gonzalez for no gain.

"When it comes down to it we still may have won the game but that was key in winning the game. Because they moved the ball. They came out (in the second half), they ran that wedge play down the field. We waited until they came out in that formation and then Gary (Brine) called a timeout. The keys — especially number 71 (Teshuah Williams) for them — they like to run behind him. We told them to stay low off the ball and make sure you don't jump offsides," said said Neal of the stop of Gonzalez on fourth down.

Nurse tossed only three passes all evening. But when Killingly threw the football it caught New London off-guard.

"When you don't throw much like we do — we wanted to keep possession tonight again and keep the ball out of their hands — you're going to have to make plays in situations like that, a pass play, maybe two, three times a game — but you've got to make it. And Jacob (Nurse) does a great job with that and the receivers did an awesome job catching the ball and pulling it in," Neal said.

Nurse said the Red Hawks shouldn't be affected by the 10-day layoff between the end of the regular season and the start of the playoffs.

"We've got to stay focused. We've got to work on the little things, just focus on what we've got ahead. Get prepared for whoever we're going to play, get healthy too," Nurse said.

Senior safety Jackson Lopes said the Red Hawks will be ready when the first round of the playoffs begin on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

"We do our business, prepare and watch film. I'm not sure who we'll play first but we'll be prepared," Lopes said. "We've got to come here and we've got to play. That's all it is. It's the playoffs — survive and advance."

Killingly was ranked No. 3 in Class M following its win over New London. Depending on how things play out the Red Hawks could move up to a top-two ranking after Thanksgiving Day games. A top-two seeding would ensure two home games in the playoffs, assuming Killingly can win in the opening round. Regardless of their seeding Neal said his team is battled tested at home and on the road — having reached the Class M semifinals in each of the last four seasons.

"These guys have been through it," Neal said. "It's not going to be new to them."

The second season kicks off on Dec. 3. The hunt for a state championship begins. The chase is on.

"Right now it's win or go home," Nurse said. "It's a whole new season. You've just got to win."

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KILLINGLY 21, NEW LONDON 7

New London	0	0	0	7-7
Killingly	7	7	7	0-21

FIRST QUARTER
K- Jack Sharpe 12 run (Chris Jax kick) 9:02

SECOND QUARTER
K- Sharpe 2 run (Jax kick) 10:59

THIRD QUARTER
K- Jacob Nurse 1 run (Jax kick) 1:46

FOURTH QUARTER
NL- Charles Zeigler 8 pass from Francisco Pratts (Edwin Rivera kick) 8:38

	New London	Killingly
First Downs	9	14
Rushes-yards	26-112	53-229
Passing	89	49
Sacked-yds lost	1-12	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	5-14-1	2-3-0
Punts-Avg.	2-33	2-36
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	2-15	2-10

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING- NL: Pratts 11-45; Jayden Callender 6-22; Josiah Williams 5-16; Zeigler 1-(-2); Keeano Gonzalez 3-31. K: Sharpe 38-204, 2 TD; Nurse 10-(-1), TD; Jackson Lopes 2-6; Kameron Crowe 3-20.

PASSING- NL: Pratts 5-14-1 for 89 yards & TD.K: Nurse 2-3-0 for 49 yards.

RECEIVING- NL: Ziegler 1-9, TD; Williams 1-25; Derrick Lancaster 1-27; Callender 1-28. K: Crowe 1-30; Nate Keefe 1-19.

Centaur gridders cap season with win over CREC

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Woodstock quarterback Ethan Davis led the Centaurs past CREC last Saturday in Enfield.

ENFIELD — Woodstock Academy sophomore quarterback Ethan Davis ran for two touchdowns and passed for four TDs to lead the Centaurs past CREC 45-42 in the final game of their season on Saturday, Nov. 23. With Woodstock trailing 42-37 in the fourth quarter, Davis capped his impressive day with a seven-yard touchdown pass to Luis Miranda to rally the Centaurs to the win.

Davis ran for 161 yards and two touchdowns on 14 carries. He completed 21-of-31 passes for 264 yards with one interception. Davis tossed a nine-yard touchdown pass to Aidan Morin in the first quarter, a 47-yard scoring strike to Miranda in the second quarter, a 26-yard touchdown pass to Nick Bedard in the third quarter, and the game-winning seven-yard completion to Miranda in the fourth quarter.

The win lifted Woodstock Academy's record to 7-3. The loss dropped CREC's record to 6-4.

WOODSTOCK 45, CREC 42

Woodstock	13	18	8	6- 45
CREC	22	6	14	0-42

FIRST QUARTER
W- Ethan Davis 1 run (Aidan Morin kick)
C- Tomico Williams 27 pass from Dorrian Chaney (Watkins pass from Chaney)
W- Morin 9 pass from Davis (Morin kick)
C- Chaney 10 run (T.J. Murray pass from Chaney) C- Williams 87 pass from Chaney (Damari Morrell pass from Chaney)

SECOND QUARTER
W- Davis 25 run (Morin kick)
C- Chaney 8 run (pass failed)
W- Luis Miranda 47 pass from Davis (Morin kick) W- Morin 26 field goal

THIRD QUARTER
C- Morrell 4 pass from Chaney (pass failed)
C- Raiden McDade 55 interception return (Williams pass from Chaney)
W- Nick Bedard 26 pass from Davis (pass failed)

FOURTH QUARTER
W- Miranda 7 pass from Davis (Miranda pass from Davis)

	Woodstock	CREC
First Downs	12	11
Rushes-yards	29-192	24-104
Passing	264	298
Sacked-yds lost	1-12	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	21-31-1	14-25-3
Punts-Avg.	3-35	2-27
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	4-4
Penalties-Yards	5-55	6-73

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING- W: Davis 14-161, 2 TDs; Welz 13-26; Bedard 1-5;
Gavin Savoie 1-0. C: Chaney 14-75, 2 TD; Julius Mendez 8-24;
Sergio Werleman 1-3; McDade 1-2.
Home: .

PASSING- W: Davis 21-31-1 for 264 yards & 4 TDs.C: Chaney 14-25-4 for 298 yards & 3 TDs.

RECEIVING- W: Morin 9-76, TD; Miranda 4-75, 2 TDs; Bedard 3-67, TD; Travis White 3-39; Welz 2-7. C: Williams 7-163, 2 TDs; Morrell 1-9, TD; T.J. Murray 1-13.

Woodstock Academy vs. Guilford in Class L semifinals

GROTON — Woodstock Academy's volleyball season came to an end one game short of reaching the Class L state championship game. Guilford High defeated the Centaurs in five sets (25-23, 21-25, 14-25, 25-20, 15-11) in the Class L semifinals at Fitch High School on Nov. 20. The Centaurs were the regular-season champions of Division I of the Eastern Connecticut Conference and finished the season with a record of 19-6.

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Woodstock Academy's Paula Hernandez attempts a kill with Guilford High's Emily Brouder defending on Nov. 20 at Fitch High School.

Woodstock's Amelia Large sets up Paula Hernandez, left.

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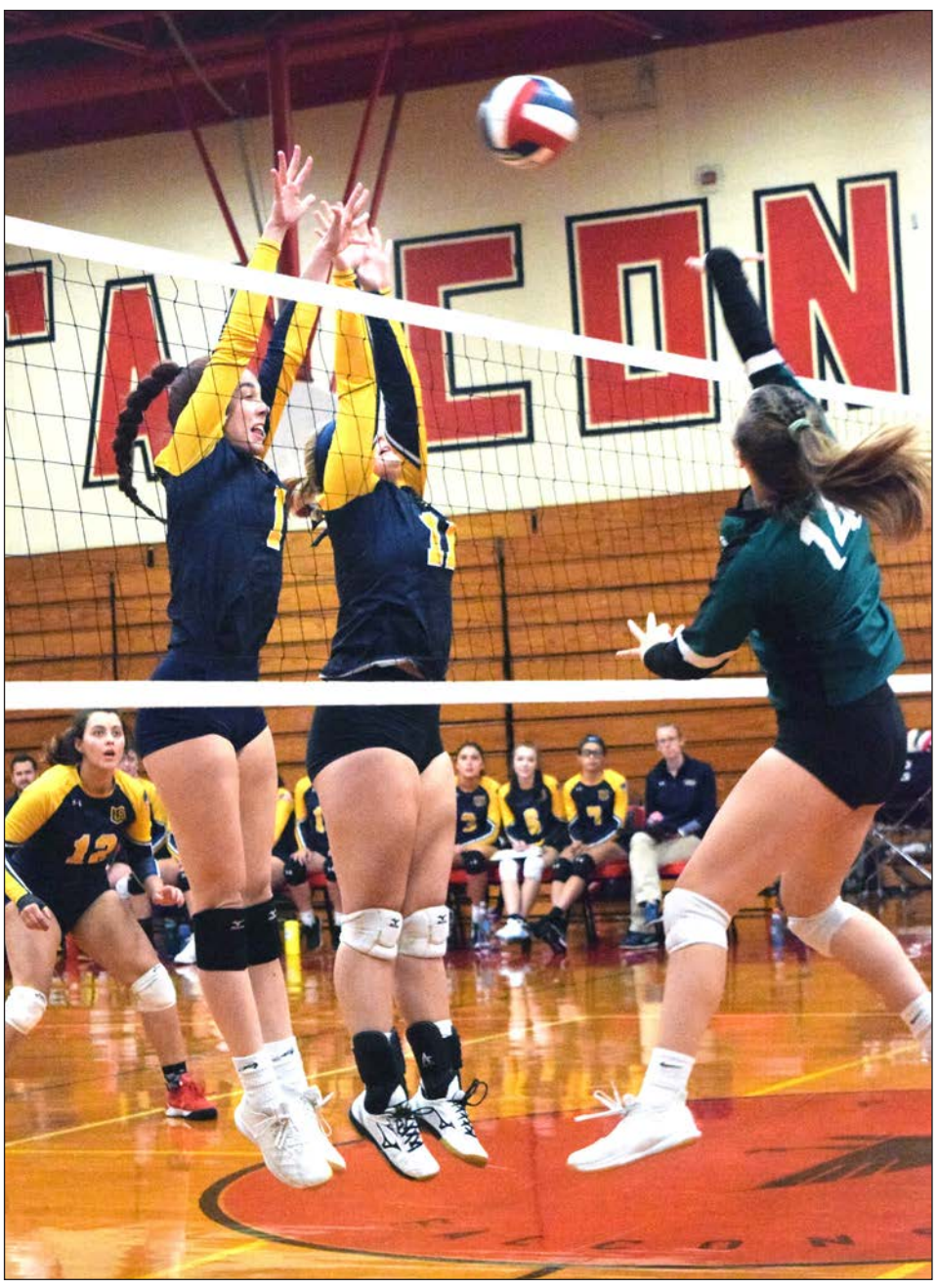
Woodstock's Sierra Bedard, left, and Amelia Large, center, defend against Guilford's Megan McNamara.



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Woodstock's Sierra Bedard, left, and Katie Papp, center, defend against Guilford's Megan McNamara.

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Woodstock's Amelia Large, left, makes a play at the net against Guilford.

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Woodstock's Marissa Mayhew makes a dig, flanked by teammates Annarose Avery, left, and Paula Hernandez, right.

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DEFENDANT'S NAME: Darlene F. Pendleton's Heirs, Devisees and Widower, et al
NOTICE TO Darlene F. Pendleton's Heirs, Devisees and Widower, and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title, interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in the complaint, adverse to the plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent.
The Court has reviewed the Order of Notice To Darlene F. Pendleton's Heirs, Devisees and Widower, and all unknown persons, claiming or who may claim, any rights, title interest or estate in or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in the complaint, adverse to the plaintiff, whether such claim or possible claim can be vested or contingent.
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A TRUE COPY ATTEST:
Keith D. Niziankiewicz
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November 22, 2019
November 29, 2019

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Angie Bageris (19-00440)
The Hon. Leah P. Schad, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Northeast probate Court, by decree dated November 18, 2019, ordered that all claims must be pretested 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.
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TOWN OF WOODSTOCK

The Zoning Board of Appeals has scheduled a Special Meeting & Public Hearing for December 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., Woodstock Town Hall, 415 Route 169, lower level, conference room B, to hear the following application for Certificate of Location, required under 14-54 CGS for Vehicle Repairer's License: #19-01 Hancock, David, 670 Brickyard Rd, (Map 5704, Block 02, Lot 66)
Chair Suzanne Woodward
November 29, 2019
December 6, 2019

TOWN OF BROOKLYN
INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Clifford B. Green Memorial Center, 69 South Main Street, Brooklyn, CT on the following:
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A copy of the application is on file and available for review in the office of the Brooklyn Inland Wetlands Agent located on 69 South Main Street, Suite 22, Brooklyn, CT.
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Romeo J. Beausoleil, Jr., 84

NORTH GROSVENORDALE– Romeo "Junior" Beausoleil, 84, passed away Thursday, November 21, 2019 at Hartford Hospital. He was the beloved husband of the late Lorraine M. Beausoleil for 65 years. Born in Griswold, Romeo was the son of the late Romeo J. and Laura (Jodoin) Beausoleil.

Romeo was a United States Navy Veteran serving during the Korean War. He retired as an expediter from Kaman Aerospace and previously worked for Bentley Shoe and Pratt and Whitney. Romeo was a member of the Knights of Columbus St. Bernard's Council, the American Legion, and a devoted communicant of St. Joseph's Church. He was an avid golfer, playing as often as possible. Romeo loved spending time with family spanning three generations. He enjoyed coaching his sons in Little League. Romeo was a creative woodworker and handyman. He served on the Thompson Water Pollution Control Authority and served two terms as a member of the Thompson Board of Selectmen.

Romeo is survived by his five children, Kenneth Beausoleil and his wife Gail of Quinebaug, Gary Beausoleil and his wife Amanda of East Putnam, Gail Beausoleil of Putnam, Karen Munroe and her husband Edward of Woodstock, and John Beausoleil and his wife Melissa of Kennesaw, GA; his brother, Robert Beausoleil and his wife Anita of Leesburg, FL; nine grandchildren, Kenneth Beausoleil, Kristopher Beausoleil, Nicholas Lawrence, Emma Beausoleil, Renee Hill, Heather Vallis, Galen Munroe, Michael Beausoleil, and Shauna Christensen; seven great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by two grandchildren, the late Eric Beausoleil and Michele Beausoleil; and by his siblings Doris Casey, Richard Beausoleil, and Carol Inch.

Relatives and friends were invited to visit with Romeo's family on Monday, November 25, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Valade Funeral Home, 23 Main St., North Grosvenordale, CT with a Funeral Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 a.m. at Saint Joseph Church in North Grosvenordale. Burial with military honors will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. For memorial guestbook, visit www.GilmanAndValade.com. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to St. Joseph Church, P.O. Box 897, North Grosvenordale, CT 06255.

Arlene J. Tedesco, 79

POMFRET CENTER– Arlene J. (Thielbar) Tedesco, 79, formerly of Putnam Rd, died Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at New Britain Hospital. She was the wife of William Tedesco. Born in Pekin, IL, she was the daughter of the late George and Stazia (Mularoni) Thielbar.

Arlene grew up in Pekin, IL, and graduated from the Pekin Community High School in 1958. She was employed as a dental receptionist and assistant, billing clerk for a large department store, and in the data processing department of Keystone Steel & Wire Company.

In 1972, she married William "Willy" Tedesco of Southington, CT after which they moved to Thompson. During her years here in CT she worked in the Data Processing Department of Rogers Corporation and at the apple stand of Putnam Heights Orchard. Arlene was also the secretary and bookkeeper for her husband's business Tedesco Construction.

Arlene is survived by her husband; a daughter, Gina Stone and her husband Ray of Pomfret Center; a brother, George Thielbar and his wife Shirley of Paw Paw, MI and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a sister, Janice Rickgauer, her grandparents, and several aunts and uncles.

Funeral arrangements are private and have been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06260. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Kathleen (Kay) Teresa Marcella Burke Leist Lavigne

BALLOUVILLE– Kathleen (Kay) Teresa Marcella Burke Leist Lavigne, of Ballouville, CT died November 19, 2019 at home in the presence of her family. She was born June 28, 1932 in North Bay, Ontario Canada. She was the daughter of William and Muriel (Marner) Marcella. On December 23, 1950 she married Henry A. Burke at St. Joseph's Church in Dayville, CT who predeceased her on November 26, 1982. On November 2, 1985 she married Edward P. Leist at St. Anne Church in Ballouville, CT who predeceased her on May 25, 2002. Kay married Paul Lavigne on August 11, 2011 at St. James Church in Danielson, CT who predeceased her on December 14, 2018.

Kay was a homemaker who raised three lovely daughters. She worked for Pall Flex Corporation and rose to Senior Sales Administrator in her 23 years of employment before retirement in 1987. She enjoyed gardening, reading, volunteering in the hospital, Daily Bread and church, the beach, and Florida. She especially enjoyed her extended family and her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Kay was the last of the Marcella family being predeceased by Vernon, Morley and William Marcella of Toronto, Canada and one sister, Joan Dumas of Ballouville. She is survived by three wonderful daughters, Mrs. Richard Morin, Elizabeth (Betty), is the oldest, Ms. Patricia (Pat) Malek and Robin Paquette. She was commonly known as Nana-Banana to Tim, Eric, Jill, Laura, Kelley, and Gavin and Grandma Kay to Kimberley, Matthew, Kevin, Dana, & Kelley. She also enjoyed her great grandchildren Chelsea, Kayla, Saige, Caleb, Rhys, Jacob, Lucey, Molley, Sydney, & Noah. She also leaves behind a multitude of extended family and friends who will miss her very much.

Relatives and friends were respectfully invited to attend a Mass of Christian Burial on Tuesday, November 26, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. in St. Mary Church of the Visitation, 218 Providence St., Putnam, CT 06260. Burial followed in St. Joseph Cemetery, Dayville. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT. For memorial guestbook please visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Shirley E. Hughes, 70

Shirley E. (Perzichino) Hughes, 70, passed away early in the morning on Thursday, November 7, 2019, at the Hartford Medical Center from post-surgery complications. She was the beloved wife of 37 years to Stephen T. Hughes.

Shirley was born and raised in Webster, a daughter to the late Michael and Irene (Wilga) Perzichino. She attended Webster public schools and was a graduate of Bartlett High School. Shirley enjoyed caring for her home and found solace in the time spent outside in the flower gardens she created. She was especially fond of Iris and Hibiscus blooms. Baking for her family, decorating cakes, and photography were some of Shirley's interests, as was caring for her dachshunds. Her family will miss Shirley's loving yet persuasive personality, one which could easily convince someone to help with her projects.

In addition to her husband Stephen, Shirley is survived by her son, Seth A. Hughes; a step-daughter, Stephanie Plasse; a step-son, Stephen T. Hughes, Jr; three granddaughters; a brother, Michael A. Perzichino; a sister, Mary A. Woodson; her extended Hughes family and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a sister, Deborah Roberts.

A graveside committal service was held on Monday, November 11, 2019, at the East Thompson Cemetery, Thompson, CT. Shirley's family respectfully ask that memorial contributions be directed to the Tri-State Baptist Church Building Fund, 386 Quinebaug Rd, North Grosvenor Dale, CT 06255.

Hays Funeral Home, 56 Main Street, Northborough is honored to assist Shirley's family with arrangements. To leave a condolence, please visit www.HaysFuneralHome.com

Theresa M. Emond, 92

PUTNAM – Theresa M. Emond, 92, passed away on Sunday, November 17, 2019, at Westview Healthcare in Dayville. She was the loving wife of the late Albert J. Emond. Theresa was raised together with her cousins Stuart and Duarte Cabral.

Mrs. Emond began her working career as a cashier at A & P in Putnam, after which she went to work for the Connecticut Department of Transportation as a toll collector. Once she retired from there, she went to work at Godley's Liquor Store.

Theresa is survived by several nieces and nephews and her devoted son that she was never able to have, Glenn Godley. She also leaves her best friend, Arlene Altmeier. Theresa was the last of her immediate family.

Relatives and friends were invited to attend a graveside service for Theresa in St. Mary Cemetery, 230 Providence St., Putnam, CT, on Monday, November 25, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home & Crematory, 104 Church St., Putnam, CT 06262. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Judith Champagne, 77

Judith Champagne, 77, of Dudley died peacefully Wednesday, November 20, 2019 surrounded by her loving family at Overlook Masonic Health Center of Charlton, MA. Judith was born and raised in Worcester, MA. She is the daughter of the late Joseph and the late Josephine (Massad) Vigliatura.

She is survived by one daughter and best friend Judith Belezos and her former husband Elias of Dudley and two sons: Kirk Champagne and his wife Deborah of Charlton and Michael Champagne of Putnam, CT. devoted grandmother to Anthony and Vincent Champagne , Kali Champagne, Gina, Mia and Alexis Belezos . 4 sisters Rita Hughes ,Vivian Pigaga and Miriam Vigliatura all of Worcester and Linda Sebetes of Southbridge. Many nieces and nephews .

She was Predeceased by her husband Robert P Champagne Sr. her Sons , Joseph A Champagne and Robert P Champagne Jr., Daughter In Law, Paula M. Champagne.

Judy loved playing Bingo but treasured time spent with her family and family vacations. She dedicated her life to being a CNA at area nursing homes in Worcester county

Calling hours will be Saturday, November 30 from 4-7 pm at Bartel Funeral Home & Chapel 33 Schofield Avenue, Dudley. In this season of giving please consider a donation to Webster -Dudley Food Share 4 Church Ct. Webster,Ma 01570 in memory of Judy.

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Cheryl A. Seymour, 63

OXFORD – Cheryl A. (Dickson) Seymour, 63, died Tuesday, November 19, 2019, in her home after a courageous battle with cancer surrounded by her loving family. She is survived by two sons, David A. Schultz and his wife Lorena of Dallas, TX, and Matthew L. Schultz and his wife Sarah Nelson of Worcester; her brother, Daniel F. Dickson and his wife Joanne of North Grosvenordale, CT; two sisters, Linda J. Dickson of Southbridge and Melissa A. Martin and her husband Matthew Dickinson of Palmer; two grandsons, Christopher Schultz and Ethan Schultz; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends. She was predeceased by her maternal grandmother, Rita Spooner who died in 2003; her brother, Stephen Dickson who died in 2019; and her niece, Amanda Martin who died in 2007. She was born in Worcester, daughter of the late Joseph F. and Marsha R. (Spooner) Callahan, and was a lifelong resident of Oxford.

Mrs. Seymour was an EKG technician at Memorial Hospital in Worcester for over 20 years. She enjoyed reading, gardening, traveling, and collecting elephant trinkets. She loved to be outdoors camping, fishing, bird-watching, and colleting mineral rocks. She was a fan of Stevie Nicks and greatly missed her beloved poodle, Suzie. She lived her life for her sons and grandsons, and loved nothing more than spending time with her family.

A private celebration of her life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the UMass Memorial Foundation, ATTN: Cancer Research Fund, 333 South St., Suite 400, Shrewsbury, MA 01545. Paradis-Givner Funeral Home in Oxford is directing the arrangements.

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Lucien Beaulieu, Sr., 75

Lucien Beaulieu, Sr., 75 of North Grosvenordale, CT, passed away peacefully on Saturday, November 16, 2019. He was the son of Oliver and Amelia (Madison) Beaulieu.

He worked for over 40 years at Cranston Print in Webster, MA. He belonged to the Putnam Fish and Game Club. His favorite hobbies were hunting and fishing.

In addition to his wife Linda, of 58 years of marriage, he leaves his brother Michael (wife Karen), he was the beloved father of Robert Beaulieu (wife Lori), Lucien Beaulieu, Jr. (wife Barbara) and Scott Beaulieu. He is also survived by seven grandchildren, Holly, Nicole (husband Timothy), Josh, Christopher, Anthony, Dylan, and Kaitlyn and three great-grandchildren, Christian, Caiden and Zoey-Grace. He was predeceased by a brother Larry (wife Angie).

He will be greatly missed and always loved. A Celebration of Life will be at a later date. Share a memory at www.smithandwalkerfh.com

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Antoinetta Cortigiano, 90

WOODSTOCK– Antoinetta Cortigiano, 90 years old, affectionately called Nella, passed away peacefully in Danielson, Connecticut on November 23, 2019, following a long illness. She was born on April 2, 1929 in Rossano, Italy to Renato and Giuseppina Donato. She was married in Italy in 1955 to Leonard J. Cortigiano, Jr. (who passed away in 2003), following a whirlwind courtship.

She emigrated to the United States that year on board the Andrea Doria and later became a United States citizen. The couple settled in Bridgeport, Connecticut where they had two children, Laura and Leonard. The family moved to Trumbull, Connecticut in 1958. Antoinetta was a homemaker for many years, and she enjoyed raising her children, gardening, and hosting large family gatherings. She and her husband frequently enjoyed dinner and dancing with family and friends. She enjoyed bowling, and racquetball, and spent many happy years pursuing those pastimes. She attended ceramics classes and enjoyed displaying many of her creative pieces.

She traveled to her native Italy many times over the years to maintain close relationships with her own mother and her five siblings who predeceased her: Leda, Teresa, Aldo, Massimo, and Domenico, their spouses, and her many nieces and nephews. Occasionally, she and her husband enjoyed spending the winter months in Florida with friends. In addition, she was an avid fan of professional Tennis. She also enjoyed socializing often with her friends. More recently, she passed the days with her loving caregivers, her children, her granddaughter, and close friends and family nearby who loved her deeply and were there to support her. She is survived by her children, Leonard Cortigiano (and his spouse, Keary Nichols) and Laura Cotnoir (and her spouse, Marc Cotnoir), her beloved granddaughter, Nicole Cotnoir, several nieces and nephews in the United States and several relatives in Italy.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Gilman Funeral Home and Crematory, 104 Church St. Putnam, CT. 06260. The family will host a Celebration of Antoinetta's Life for family and friends at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in her memory to a charity of your choice. For memorial guestbook visit www.GilmanAndValade.com.

Joseph Mercik, 100

PUTNAM – Joseph Mercik, 100, of Grove St., passed away on Sunday, November 24, 2019 at Matulaitis Rehabilitation and Nursing Home surrounded by his family. He was the loving husband of Dolores (Marroquin) Mercik, the love of his life. They were married on August 21, 1948 in St. Mary Church of the Visitation. Born in Newmarket, NH, he was the son of the late John and Appolina (Grochmal) Mercik. He is predeceased by his daughter in 1993, the late Joy Kempain; as well as his sisters, Mary, Beatrice and Celia.

Joseph graduated from Putnam High School and from Ellis Tech as a machinist. He was a veteran of the United States Army serving during WWII. Upon his return from the war he married Dolores. He was co-owner of LaBonte & Mercik Refrigeration in Putnam. Joe was an ambitious and talented man who had many interests. His interests as a young caddy turned into a membership at Putnam Golf Course and became one of the original members of the Quinnatisset Country Club. He was a member of the Putnam Elks which he enjoyed for many years. He was an avid fisherman, golfer, coin collector, reader, made furniture and lamps as well as carved decoy ducks.

In addition to his wife Dolores, Joseph is survived by his daughter, Deborah M. Dunn and her companion Kevin Paulhus of Dudley, MA. The light of his life was his family, especially his grandchildren, Hollis (Kempain) Abram and her husband Adam, and Jordan Joseph Kempain and his fiancé Sarah Rickaby, Steve Kempain was Joys husband and he and his present wife Pam Kempain continue to be part of the family.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the exceptional staff at Matulaitis Nursing Home.

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Create a delicious one-pot meal for a crowd

Warm, hearty meals, including stews, casseroles, soups, and chilis, make for great comfort foods when temperatures drop. Another advantage to these types of meals is they can easily be expanded to serve extended family. Also, when prepared using a slow cooker, these meals can be easily transported to a friends' potluck or relative's home.

Beloved for their turn-it-on-and-forget-it convenience, slow cookers allow cooks to start meals in the morning and then return home at night and have dinner ready and waiting. Busy working families may find that the convenience of slow cookers is unparalleled.

This recipe for "Creamy Ham 'n' Broccoli" from "Taste of Home Casseroles, Slow Cooker & Soups" (Taste of Home Books) is ideal for a cool fall or winter evening. It's a delicious meal to come home to after a busy day and also a great way to make use of leftover ham from a previous meal, such as a family gathering during the holiday season.

CREAMY HAM 'N' BROCCOLI

SERVES 6 TO 8

3 cups cubed fully cooked ham
1 package (10 ounces) frozen chopped broccoli, thawed
1 can (10¾ ounces) condensed cream of mushroom soup, undiluted
1 jar (8 ounces) cheese sauce
1 can (8 ounces) sliced water chestnuts, drained
1¼ cups uncooked instant rice
1 cup milk
1 celery rib, chopped
1 medium onion, chopped
⅛ to ¼ teaspoon pepper
½ teaspoon paprika

In a 3-quart slow cooker, combine all of the ingredients except the paprika. Cover and cook on high for 2 to 3 hours, or until the rice is tender. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving. Sprinkle with paprika.

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30 & SUNDAY DECEMBER 1

BEST OF MARKET
CRAFT FAIR
at Old Sturbridge Village
Free admission

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

GREATER COMMUNITY AUBURN COMMUNITY CHORUS
Under the direction of Charles J. Pietrello presents Tapestry of Light A Celtic Christmas Celebration @ 7pm
By Joseph M. Martin. And Holiday Selections from Movies & Theater. Bethel Lutheran Church
90 Bryn Mawr Avenue, Auburn, MA
Tickets $15.00. For ticket info call 508-826-9184

MARY QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
CHRISTMAS FAIRE
Vendors, Crafts, Raffles, Baked Goods, and so much more! In the Church Hall 9am-2:30pm. 7 Church Street, Spencer, MA. If you'd like info on being a vendor at this Christmas craft fair, please email susan.terkanian@gmail.com

PICTURES WITH SANTA
from 10am-3pm.
$5.00 Donation to the Spencer American Legion.
Ho, Ho, Ho – Santa is Coming! Spread the Cheer!
Children & Pets Welcome! Santa will be meeting and greeting, take Christmas Pictures together!
Let us know you're coming. Click here to RSVP at our Facebook Event Page.
Please don't forget to share with your friends!

17TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR
Leicester High School
from 9-3 (Snow date December 8th)
Free admission

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 @

GREATER COMMUNITY AUBURN COMMUNITY CHORUS
Under the direction of Charles J. Pietrello presents Tapestry of Light A Celtic Christmas Celebration @ 2:30 pm
By Joseph M. Martin. And Holiday Selections from Movies & Theater. Bethel Lutheran Church. 90 Bryn Mawr Avenue, Auburn, MA.
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

LADIES & GENTS The stockings are hung. The wish lists are done. Join us at Cormier Jewelers for a sequel evening of fun! Join us for Free Refreshments & Appetizers including Beer from local Breweries *Exclusive One Day Raffles *Must be 21 years old 5:30-7:30pm
136 Main Street • Spencer
508-885-3385 • cormierspencer.com

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

SECOND CHANCE MOBILE UNIT PET ADOPTION
from 2-4pm. Home for the Holidays!
MOBILE ADOPTION UNIT is coming to Klem's! On the road to saving more lives! Be sure to stop by and say hi to some of the sweet dogs and cats looking for a new home! Let adoption help you find your next best friend. Let us know you're coming. Click here to RSVP at our Facebook Event Page. Please don't forget to share with your friends!

ONGOING

MARIACHI BAND
First Thursday of the month 5-8 p.m.
MEXICALI MEXICAN GRILL
Webster location
41 Worcester Rd.,
Webster, MA
508-461-5070

TRIVIA SATURDAY NIGHTS
7:00 p.m. register 7:30 p.m. start up
HILLCREST COUNTRY CLUB
325 Pleasant St., Leicester, MA
508-892-9822

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY NIGHT
HEXMARK TAVERN
AT SALEM CROSS INN
260 West Main St., W. Brookfield, MA 508-867-2345 salemcrossinn.com

THE CENTRAL MA CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED
meets the first Monday of every month from September through May. We discuss a variety of conservation programs to improve the local cold water fisheries, local fishing opportunities. Our annual High School Fly Fishing Championship (open to all MA high school students) And our annual fund raising banquet.
Auburn Sportsman's Club
50 Elm St., Auburn, MA

Lets Hang Out Together!

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

December 1, Sat., 7-11am
Club 2087 will hold a made-to-order breakfast, 7-11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 1, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Eggs, pancakes, French toast, steak, bacon, sausage, home fries, and more. $9 per person. 860-923-2967 or council2087@gmail.com.

December 3, Tues., 6pm
Commission on Aging Meeting, Ella Grasso Community Room, 65 Ballou St., Putnam.

December 5, Thurs., 4-5pm
Tween & Teen Happenings Ages 9-17 welcome- Candy games. Killingly Public Library 25 Westcott Rd., Killingly, CT 06239 (860) 779-5383

December 6, Fri., 5-7pm
Club 2087 will hold a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 6, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. The menu: fish & chips ($11); baked haddock ($12); fried bay scallops, fried shrimp ($13); fried clams ($16); seafood platter ($18). 860-923-2967, council2087@gmail.com.

December 7, Sat., 10am-3pm
The East Woodstock Congregational Church 6th Annual Holiday Art Show will be held at the church located at 220 Woodstock Rd., East Woodstock, CT. 24 vendors will be set up in the fellowship hall. Lunch will be served. Parking and admission are free. Please email Karen McFarlin at kmcf3470@gmail.com if you have any questions.

December 7, Sat.,9-10:30am
Character Breakfast, $10.00 per person. Breakfast includes scrambled eggs, mini pancakes, home fries, bacon or sausage, coffee, juice, and pastries. Tickets can be purchased at the church office on Tuesday at 11:30-5:00 pm or at WINY radio. 175 Main St., Putnam CT. Use parking lot door.

December 7, Sat., 10am-3pm
The 7th Annual Holiday Arts and Craft Show will be held at the East Woodstock Congregational Church. The hall will be filled with over 20 vendors, just in time for the Christmas season. Take a chance on one of our donations, as each crafter has donated an item to the church. Pick up door swags for your home or light post. A luncheon can be had and a full room of Christmas Treasures will be for sale. See you there. Email kmcf3470@gmail.com for more information.

December 7, Sat., 8am -1pm Sugar Plum Fair - Federated Church of Christ- Route 6 - Brooklyn, CT. Boxwood Trees- Rada Knives- -Finnish Coffee Bread -Cookies by the Pound-Grandma's Jewelry Box -Quilted Items -Handmade Christmas Crafts-Gift Baskets- Hot Donuts-Gently Used Christmas Table- Soup and Bread Lunch. 50% off at the Thrift Shop. Miracle of Jesus --a multisensory Christmas display for children

December 8, Sat., 5pm
30th Annual Tree of Life Ceremonies to benefit Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern Connecticut at Simultaneous Tree Lighting Ceremony in 11 Northeast Connecticut Towns

December 8, Sat., 11am-2pm
Visit the Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp Open HHHouse on Sunday, 326 Taft Pond Road, Pomfret, CT. Admission is free. New and old campers, families and friends are welcome to stop by the lodge for crafts, cookies and s'mores and tour the facilities. Great chance to check out 4-H camp as you start thinking about plans for next summer. Enjoy Lunch with Santa upstairs in the lodge or just come for a photo with Santa. Made to order Pasta Bar (gluten free pasta available). Tickets available ahead of time by calling 974-3379 or at the door, $6.00 for children up to age 8, $10.00 for those 9 and older for lunch, 5x7 Photo with Santa $8.00. Raffle baskets too!

December 12, Thurs., 1-2pm
Commission on Aging trip club meeting at St. Mary's Church Hall, 218 Providence St., Putnam. Bingo afterward from 2-3pm

December 13, Fri., 5-7pm
Club 2087 will hold a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 13, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. The menu: fish & chips ($11); baked haddock ($12); fried bay scallops, fried shrimp ($13); fried clams ($16); seafood platter ($18). 860-923-2967, council2087@gmail.com.

December 14, Sat 9am-1pm
Big annual holiday cookie sold by the pound. Great basket raffle also. Our Lady of LaSalette Church, 21 Providence Rd (Rt 6) Brooklyn, CT In the church basement. Try us and it will become your new holiday tradition!

December 15, Sun., 8:30am -11:30am
Thompson Lions Club for An All-You-Can-Eat Holiday Breakfast At the American Legion Post #67. 17 Thompson Road, North Grosvenordale. Breakfast Includes Eggs, Sausage, Bacon, Home Fries, Pancakes, French Toast, Belgium Waffles with Strawberries, and Omelets made to order and more. Door Prize, 50/50 Raffle, and Basket Raffles Adults $9.00 Children under 12 $5.00 *We will be collecting gently used eyeglasses and frames at this event* All Proceeds Go Back to Help Our Local Charities

December 20, Fri., 5-7pm
Club 2087 will hold a fish fry from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 20, in the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1017 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. The menu: fish & chips ($11); baked haddock ($12); fried bay scallops, fried shrimp ($13); fried clams ($16); seafood platter ($18). 860-923-2967, council2087@gmail.com.

December 29, Sun., 1-2:30pm
Wee Wanders Year End Zeelandia Roseland Romp, Roseland Park Rd., Woodstock www.wyndhamlandtrust.org

December 8, Sun., 8 -11am
There will be a Breakfast with Santa at the Atwood Hose Fire Station, 24 Wauregan Rd., Wauregan to benefit the Tommy Toy Fund. Bring a new unwrapped toy. Pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee & hot chocolate. Adults $8.00 and children $4.00

This page is designed to shine a light on upcoming local nonprofit, educational and community events.
Submissions are limited to *50 words or less* and are *FREE* to qualifying organizations, schools, churches and town offices.
To submit your event contact: Paula at paula@stonebridgepress.news
Deadline for submission is Friday at Noon