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The little black box

Let me tell you a story about my friend, Howard...

There's a little black box that sits on a counter-top in my kitchen. One would normally pass by it without a second thought.

It looks simple enough. Shiny, smooth and midnight black, it holds pencils, pens, Sharpies, dry erase markers for our calendar whiteboard, a lighter for candles, and even a screwdriver. Just looking at it, you would never think it was anything else but a normal, black box that came right from the Walmart or Target aisle.

But there's a lot more meaning behind that little black box than meets the eye. It's one of my most treasured possessions, and it all started in the fall of 2014.

It was a day like every other day. I was driving about town in my pickup truck (nicknamed "Blackie"). For regular readers of my column, you all know that my truck is very special to me, as it was purchased with money left over in my brother's bank account when he died more than 10 years ago.

It's a truck that he himself wanted (that's why I bought it). It's a truck that my father also owns a version of, and it even contains components of the car my brother was in when he died in that fateful car accident in 2006. A piece of him lives on in that truck, and I treat it as such. No burnouts, no senseless speeding, no showing off. Just tender, loving care.

So one can imagine the emotions running through my mind in September 2014 as I stared blankly across the street after having just gotten into a car accident after someone pulled out right in front of me. I had no time to react. My foot had barely reached the break when I slammed into the other person's driver-side door.

My first thought was that I had just killed a person. I couldn't understand the gravity of what I was facing. I was panicking, praying out loud to God that the other person was OK. Even if I was injured, I wouldn't have been able to tell, as I was going on pure adrenaline at that point. The airbag in the other car had deployed, and they coasted to a stop about 50 feet away. Police and ambulances were called. Witnesses flooded to the scene. Everyone was OK. The other person's car was totaled, and I thought Blackie was done for, as well. The impact had made it so that I couldn't even open my driver's side door. My hood was crumpled, and front end looked destroyed. I was fighting back tears as the tow truck was called because the last tangible remnant of my brother's memory was about to be thrown into a compactor.

I started calling people to let them know what was going on. My hand holding the cell phone was shaking as I called my wife, then my mother and then my friend, who owned the place my truck was about to be towed to.

"The front end is real bad," I told him, my voice breaking. "I can't lose this truck."

"We'll do what we can," I remember him saying. He knew how much Blackie meant to me. After all, he was the one who helped me purchase it all those years ago.

"We'll do what we have to do," he added. His tone was reassuring.

As the days went on, I dealt with insurance companies, and the process stretched out over a few weeks. At first, they wanted to total the truck, but we fought for the money and did all the necessary repairs. I soon had what looked like a brand new truck in my driveway. My brother would have been proud to see Blackie 2.0 in all its glory.

My apologies for the long introduction to what this column is really about, but the explanation is necessary.

Maybe a month after getting my truck back, my friend Howard, who was working at the aforementioned car shop at the time, approached me with a wrapped box. My birthday had already passed, and it wasn't Christmas yet. Puzzled, I opened it up, and inside was a little black box — smooth, shiny and midnight black. He saw the curious look on my face, smiled, and told me, "I

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Local carjackings lead to police chase, arrests

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PUTNAM/THOMPSON — Two suspects were arrested in Massachusetts on Nov. 10, after a series of carjackings in northeastern Connecticut left two people with injuries and multiple law enforcement entities pursuing the suspects from Connecticut into Worcester, Mass.

The initial reports from Massachusetts State Police detailed the late morning incidents in the Quiet Corner as at about 10:20 a.m. on Nov. 10, the MA State Police Southbridge Barracks initiated a "Be On the Lookout alert," also known as a BOLO alert, for a dark-colored Nissan Rogue wanted in connection to a crash and stabbing incident in Thompson. Police detailed the incident as a carjacking, the second of the morning, as it was discovered that the same suspects had initially carjacked a Chevy Impala from a Cumberland Farms in

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Photo courtesy Massachusetts State Police

Massachusetts State Police Officers take suspect Chris Harding, of Dayville, into custody following a police chase through Massachusetts and two carjacking incidents in Connecticut made for a busy morning for law enforcement officers in both states on Nov. 10.



Jason Bleau photos

Volunteers during the 11th annual toy collection at the Woodstock Volunteer Fire Association stack donations into a trailer. More than 400 toys were collected over the course of the daylong event, which has become an annual holiday kick-off tradition in the region.

Kicking off the season of giving

WOODSTOCK FIRE DEPARTMENTS HOLD ANNUAL TOY DRIVE

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WOODSTOCK — For 11 years now, it has been an annual tradition that kicks off the local holiday season. Every November, the Woodstock fire departments, along with the Community Fire Company Station 81 out of Thompson, come together to collect toys for local children ahead of the Christmas season with the first major local toy drive of the season, and one that has become an inspiring success story driving home the power and dedication that thrives in the Quiet Corner communities.

Chief Mike Dougherty, of Woodstock Volunteer Fire Association, who hosted the toy collection at their department on Nov. 12, said the drive is a year-long effort by his department, the Bungay Fire Brigade, the Muddy Brook Fire Department, and the Community Fire Station to help the kids of Woodstock and Eastford as well as Putnam and the Thompson Ecumenical Empowerment Group, and bring those children something colorful, fun, and exciting to open and enjoy during the holiday season. More than 400 toys and over \$2,600 were collected over the course of the day, and that was just at the halfway point, with all of the financial proceeds being used to buy even more gifts for local children as well.

Dougherty said the event is always a high-

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Jason Bleau photo

KILLINGLY — Killingly Intermediate School celebrated Veterans Day a day early on Nov. 10, with a special ceremony acknowledging the loved ones of many of the school's students and other local soldiers of today and yesterday from throughout the community. Pictured, students lead veterans of the United States Air Force into the ceremony. For more photos, turn to page A14!

New floral design studio in bloom in Woodstock

COMPANY OFFERS 'FUN' ACTIVITIES, CLASSES FOR ALL

BY TERI STOHLBERG
NEWS STAFF WRITER

WOODSTOCK — "I just have so much fun doing this," gushes Karen Olah, the driving force and designer behind the new floral design studio in Woodstock — Bloom on Woodstock Hill.

Bloom opened their doors in August, and Karen has been very busy hosting birthday parties, bachelorette parties, do-it-yourself wedding arrangement parties, team-building work groups, and just about any type of group that simply wants to learn more about the mechanics of creating beautiful flower arrangements and centerpieces.

Karen doesn't have any full-time employees, but her friend, Joyce Skopek, has helped her out immensely since Bloom

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Teri Stohlberg photo

A group from Avena Medical in Putnam recently gathered to celebrate a birthday by learning how to make floral arrangement. From left to right, Ginny Miller, Cindy Monette, Karen Olah, Nicole Durand, and Jessie Andrews (the birthday girl). Karen Olah is founder and designer at the new floral design studio in Woodstock, Bloom on Woodstock Hill.

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CTNext awards planning grant to Innovation Places Project

Northeastern Connecticut's plans for reinvigorating the local innovation economy will move forward as the result of a grant announced recently by The CTNext Program. The Northeast Innovation Hub has been awarded a \$50,000 grant, the maximum amount offered, to jump-start the development of Northeast Connecticut's "innovation places."

Sen. Mae Flexer led passage of the innovation economy law passed this year, which includes the creation of "Innovation Places."

"This grant is a significant first step toward implementing a plan that will combine the expertise of northeastern Connecticut's entrepreneur community, the close proximity of UConn, Eastern and QVCC and communities that are eager to innovate," said Flexer. "Over the past several months I have convened local officials, educators, business owners and entrepreneurs to design a plan to capitalize on the economic potential in our region. We will be putting some of Connecticut's brightest young minds in touch with experienced businesspeople, and giving them an environment where they can put their ideas into practice. New, growing small and medium sized businesses create jobs and economic activity at a far faster rate than larger companies. That is the kind of growth we need in Connecticut, and we're going to make sure it happens right here in northeastern Connecticut."

Putnam's Economic and Community Development Director Delpha Very said she was "elated" to learn that northeastern Connecticut's proposal was chosen by CTNext

to receive the planning grant.

"I think we all have to thank Sen. Flexer for bringing this opportunity to the forefront and working behind the scenes while this legislation was being written to make sure that our state's new economic development initiative could be accessible to any part of the state, including rural communities like ours," said Very. "The fact that this planning grant was awarded to a rural community is especially important, and the beneficiaries of this truly regional concept are our business community, educational resources and neighborhoods. I think that changing the paradigm about how Connecticut does business and really focusing on entrepreneurship and innovators is not only a different concept, but it allows people who are not in the 'business mainstream' to shine and showcases opportunities that we are not used to."

"I'm happy that everyone's hard work, led by Sen. Flexer, came to fruition. Every economic development director in the area helped out on this and I can't tell you how excited I am to be working on a new program in northeastern Connecticut that's working with QVCC and UConn to help create jobs," said State Rep. Danny Rovero (D-Killingly). "As I've always said - 'what we need is jobs, jobs, jobs,' and this will help to create those jobs. I am proud that so many people from our region came together to make this happen."

"This is another positive step toward increasing economic development opportunities in northeastern Connecticut. There are a number of successes we can build upon to support new and existing businesses and create jobs," said state Rep. Christine Rosati-Randall (D-Killingly). "This planning grant will allow us to build upon what we already do well here in in this region, and that is share resources. This collaborative effort, led by

Sen. Flexer, will bring together our business community, schools, colleges and entrepreneurs to create the Northeast Innovation Hub which will infuse new vitality in our area's economy. When we work together, we can get things done."

"I think it's a great recognition of the fact that our area has an unbelievable and underappreciated collection of industries that employ a lot of people in high-technology jobs and require a skilled workforce. These industries have tremendous potential for growth. Our towns need to start recognizing this fact and treat the area like a truly unified region by connecting businesses, the workforce, education, and the improvements of our historic urban centers like Putnam, Danielson and Willimantic that have historically attracted lots of activity and can do so again. This grant is the opportunity to have that conversation so that people inside and outside of the region really see us as a unified place," said John Guskowski, the director of Planning for CME Associates, who took the lead on writing the grant application.

"It's also interesting to point out that, geographically, the Putnam-Killingly-Mansfield-Willimantic quadrangle is basically the same size as North Carolina's 'Research Triangle' and we think of that as a single place and a place of innovation. We have an incredible advantage with UConn as our anchor institution of higher education, which will be the engine driving this. There's no reason we can't take advantage of the natural assets and educational institutions we have here and eventually rise to that same level of innovation and economic success," Guskowski added.

"Sen. Flexer took the lead to make sure all of the right people from eastern Connecticut were at the table as this grant application was

being put together," said State Rep. Gregg Haddad (D-Mansfield). "Because of her leadership, our region of the state will have the resources to build an environment that will create jobs through innovation and encourage entrepreneurship. I was pleased to help our team in this important designation."

"I am so incredibly happy and excited about the fact that we were awarded the grant, and I thank Sen. Flexer so much for her hard work and for bringing everyone together in the region to truly become a community that is working together to expand our local economy," said State Rep. Susan Johnson (D-Windham).

Under this new economic development plan, Innovation Places will be concentrated areas where entrepreneurs and innovators have easy access to tech talent, support organizations and research institutions. These dense areas are intended to be highly walkable, transit-connected, and mixed-use in zoning to facilitate interactions among entrepreneurs and innovators across different organizations, and to be conducive to the creation of startup companies. This environment is intended to be attractive not only for entrepreneurs to work in, but also to live in and for recreation, to help the community retain the most in-demand workers.

This \$50,000 grant will be used in the development of a strategic planning process to identify local conditions and build a master plan that identifies the resources and assets in each community (like a hospital, a university, a research firm, or a manufacturer) to create exciting new business opportunities. The program was designed to be publicly supported and privately led, with communities leveraging public funding to generate a larger amount of private investment and business growth.

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As I reread extracts from the 1916 Transcripts, I'm getting a little feel for what everyday life was like at that time. Apparently the winter of 1916 was quite snowy.

"Because of the heavy snow many flocks of quail are seen in the door yards of residents of Broad and Main streets." (WCT 2/17/1916)

Many of the local residents heated their homes with coal one hundred years ago. I remember as a child growing up in Pennsylvania running to my grandmother's living room window when her coal man came. I always was fascinated by the coal chute that was used. Even her kitchen stove was half coal and half gas.

"Local coal dealers are husbanding their supply of coal because of the embargo on coal shipments by all rail and because of the probability of a coal strike in April. A few foresighted consumers in town have ordered their next winters supply at February prices." (2/16)

Marilyn Labbe has spent many hours transcribing Transcripts so I always enjoy perusing the extracts in any spare minutes at the Center. The following tidbit from a 1930 Transcript caught my eye. During the early part of July a quartette of local young men will depart on an interesting globetrotting expedition, with the hinterland of Alaska as their goal. Thomas Hall, of Wauregan, Alex LaBelle, Delor LaBelle, and Donald W. Armington will make up the party, which plans to be gone about four months. Leaving Danielson in Mr. Armington's car, they will proceed first to Chicago, where they will visit John Brandenburg, then to Milwaukee, where they plan to see Roderick Spencer, formerly of Danielson. Continuing across the plains and mountains of the great northwest, they will reach the Pacific coast at Seattle, where the automobile will be left to await their return. Embarking at Seattle, the party will land at Cordova, Alaska, proceed by motor coach for 250 miles and then hike another 250 miles to the base of Mr. McKinley. The last state of the trip promises to be one of thrills for the tenderfoot residents of Eastern Connecticut and one of which they will doubtless have much to tell upon their return. Their objective is the camp of Isaie LaBelle, brother of Delor LaBelle, who has been in Alaska the past 23 years engaged in gold mining. During that time he has neither returned home nor had any visitors from this section. The local party expects to get in some big game hunting and exploration..." (WCT 6/26/1930)

"Take Me Out to the Ball Game." The 2016 baseball season has ended, but

the World Series action was still taking place as I was researching this column. I'm sure a number of you might remember attending community softball games in the 1940's. The June 13, 1946 Transcript had a number of write-ups about local games.

"St. Joseph A. C. Defeat K. of C., 16-8. George LaBelle's St. Joseph A. C. Team won over the K. of C. in a slugfest Community Softball League game by the score of 16-8. No less than 31 hits were made during the contest, with St. Joe's having sixteen of the blows. Ten of the hits went for extra bases, of which four were home runs, all by St. Joe's, three triples and two doubles. Bill Turkia was on the mound for George LaBelle's aggregation, and fifteen hits rattled off he K. of C. bats. St. Joe's wasted no time in getting off to a good start, cause in the initial inning they pushed across four runs on singles by Turkia and Tetreault, a walk, and Len Page's home run. In their half the Knights got one run on three singles."

Players for St. Joe's were as follows: C. Laframboise, catcher; Turkia, pitcher; Tetreault, 1st base; Gryzniewicz, 2nd base; F. LaBelle, 3rd base; L. Page, shortstop; Aubin, left field; Bergeron, center field; Carpenter, center field; Weaver, right field; Szarkowicz, right field; Kuszaj, sf (what is that?). The members of the K. of C. teams were Robidoux, short stop, Yolda, first base, H. Traham, sf, (Gene) Perreault, pitcher, Ballard, 2nd base, Beaudoin, third base, Beauvais, left field, Despathy, center field, Comtois, catcher, and Pelletier, right field.

In June 1946 Westfield Congregational Church also sponsored a baseball team. A write-up in the same paper summarized the 13-6 defeat of the Westfield Men's Club by the West Siders. The following were players for Westfield: Leher, second base, Normington catcher, Patterson, first base, Adams, shortstop, Browne, third base, Gorman, sf, Robinson, center field, Cunneen, right field, Arnold, right field, Princeton, right field, Cowles, left field, Moe, pitcher. The West Siders were as follows: P. Chicoine, right field, L. Sugalski, short stop, Beaudoin, first base, E. Sugalski, third base, E. Nielson, left field, J. Piotroski, left field, O. Bessette, sf, Barrette, catcher, D. Atsa,es, second base, M. Atsaes, second base, R. Traham, catcher, Gargano, pitcher. If you can supply first names to any of these players, please email me or contact the Killingly Historical Center.

When Bernie Mitchell saw what articles I was photocopying, he began reminiscing about a basketball team that the Ballouville C. Y.O. had about 1963-4. Yes, tiny Ballouville. Apparently the Bishop had decided that all the C.Y.O.'s would sponsor teams so Ballouville (St. Anne's Church) had to follow suit. Bernie recalled that they only had six players, five of whom took the court at any given time, so they didn't do very well.

Winter in 1916

Uniforms were gold. Games were played at St. Joe's in Dayville since Ballouville had no basketball court. Dayville had a team as well as Putnam (conversations 11/9 & 12/16).

Trucks were quite new in 1916, and Marilyn Labbe pointed out to me that at this date they had a different name, "auto truck." The following article was found in the June 8, 1916 Windham County Transcript. "General Trucking.. in about two weeks we expect to receive a large Auto Truck and will be in position to accept orders for all kinds of trucking, either long distance or short hauling. This truck will be unlike any truck in this vicinity. It is equipped with a powerful dumping device so that we can handle coal or gravel expeditious-

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NEWS BRIEF

Collelo named Westview employee of the month



Caitlin Collelo

DAYVILLE — Caitlin Collelo, from Dayville, was named Westview Health Care Center's Employee of the Month for October.

Collelo is a Certified Nursing Assistant at the facility and has been employed at Westview since August 2014.

"I go to work with a smile and try to pass my happiness

to everyone that I cross paths with everyday," said Collelo. "Words cannot express how honored I am for receiving Employee of the Month for October. I am incredibly

proud to be working at such an amazing facility with my awesome coworkers and the fabulous residents and patients at Westview."

In her spare time, Ms. Collelo enjoys crocheting, clay sculpting, fishing and kayaking. She especially enjoys side by side riding in the woods with her best friend and boyfriend, Bill.

"Caitlin's infectious positive demeanor and her devoted commitment to caring for our residents and patients make her an exemplary employee," said Administrator David T. Panteleakos. "We're extremely grateful to have her as an integral member of Team Westview."

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Blumenthal, Courtney re-elected to represent state in D.C.

BY JASON BLEAU
NEWS STAFF WRITER

There were a fair number of changes to Congress on Election Day, Nov. 8, but here in Connecticut few changes were made to who will represent the state in Washington, D.C., and in northeastern Connecticut, a pair of familiar faces were re-elected after facing tough opposition from the Republican Party.

Incumbent Sen. Richard Blumenthal and incumbent U.S. Rep. Joe Courtney both secured the majority votes on Election Day for their second and sixth terms in office, respectively, along with incumbent House Democrats John Larson, Rosa DeLauro, Jim Himes, and Elizabeth Esty. Blumenthal was the only U.S. Senate race in Connecticut decided on Nov. 8.

Support was overwhelming for the two local candidates in the Quiet Corner. Blumenthal was contested by State Rep. Dan Carter who made his first attempt at the national Senate seat in 2016. State-wide, Blumenthal claimed 63 percent

of the vote to Carter's 35 percent and Blumenthal dominated the voting in every town in the Quiet Corner and had a strong enough lead in Connecticut to become one of the first national Senate races to be called by national news outlets.

Blumenthal defeated Carter soundly in all local towns. Killingly saw a difference of 3,040 to 2,727 in favor of Blumenthal while the incumbent senator took 1,883 votes in Putnam to Carter's 1,198 votes. In Woodstock, Blumenthal earned 2,385 votes to Carter's 1,840, in Brooklyn the split was 2,007 to 1,515 in Blumenthal's favor and in Thompson the voting was a bit closer with 1,953 in favor of the incumbent and 1,829 voting for the Republican challenger. Pomfret voters



Joe Courtney



Richard Blumenthal

supported Blumenthal in a 1,279 to 930 decision and Eastford voters supported the incumbent Democrat in a 477 to 448 decision.

Following the relatively quick announcement of Blumenthal's victory on the national stage, the Connecticut Democratic Party Chairman Nick Balleto sent out a press release showing enthusiasm for the incumbent's return to Washington, D.C.

"Richard Blumenthal has spent his career fighting for women, middle-class families, and veterans. From the state legislature to the attorney general's office to the United States Senate, he has never wavered in his commitment to taking on special interests and standing up for the core values of the Democratic Party. Tonight's decisive victory is a testament

to Senator Blumenthal's lifelong commitment to the people of Connecticut," Balleto said.

Courtney claimed his sixth term in Congress on Election Day and while the veteran lawmaker has received praise for many of his accomplishments over the years, including his commitments to veterans, his stance on gun regulations and other more controversial national issues had many seeking a new name to represent the 2nd Congressional District in the capital and he had plenty of competition on Election Day.

Despite the voices calling for something new, Courtney bested repeat Republican candidate Daria Novak, Green Party candidate Jonathan Pelto and Libertarian Daniel Reale for the seat and dominated in the Quiet Corner where he, like Blumenthal, claimed the advantage in every town in Northeastern Connecticut.

Locally Courtney and Novak received the bulk of the votes. In Killingly Courtney took a 3,110 to 2,552 advantage over Novak. Courtney won in a 1,923

to 1,131 decision in Putnam, claimed victory in a 2,385 to 1,840 decision in Woodstock, and won 2,075 vote to Novak's 1,415 in Brooklyn. Courtney won handily in Pomfret with 1,358 votes to 823, claimed victory in Thompson with 2,035 to 1,705, and took Eastford with 497 votes while Novak received 418.

Both candidates will have their work cut out for them going into their new terms in office in 2017. Republicans may not have found success in Connecticut, but nationwide the party took control of the majority in both the Senate and House making Democrats the majority party in Congress. Courtney and Blumenthal will be challenged to work with their fellow lawmakers from their own party and across the aisle to move the United States forward and help bring support to the needs of the people of Connecticut as well.

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Local choreographers come together to dance for Haiti

Jared Rivers placed a one-line post on Facebook after hearing about the devastation in Haiti from Hurricane Matthew. It stated, "I want to put on a dance workshop to raise money for all the victims in Haiti."

That resulted in comments stating, "I'm in," and "I'll help." That was the beginning.

Together, Jared and Nikki Gyftopoulos, a Thompson native, have devoted numerous hours to make this one line Facebook post into a reality.

With the help of many, the two devoted choreographers managed to land a state-of-the-art location donated by The Mohegan Sun for Nov. 26. With only four weeks to get everything in line, they have secured renowned New England and New York choreographers, designed logos, T-shirts and flyers and sought out donations from others in the New England community and New York. These two motivated choreographers and dedicated dance teachers are hoping they can raise awareness using their talents as a way to bring some relief to Haiti. After much research, Hope for Haiti will be the non-profit to receive the gross proceeds from this event.

About the choreographers: Keenan Cookes was born and raised in Boston. Keenan began his dance career at age 14 and never looked back. Keenan moved his talents to NYC in 2008 and began his professional career. He currently is a faculty member at Broadway Dance Center in Manhattan. You may recognize him from his experiences on TV including America's Got Talent, Today Show, Good Morning America, and the MTV Music Video awards. He has traveled the world showcasing his talents and most recently could be seen on the TV series Lip Sync Battle on Spike TV.

Neil "Dradle" Schwartz has been dancing since the age of 7. He is currently on the faculty at Broadway Dance Center in NYC and is a guest choreographer at Millennium Dance Complex and Movement Lifestyles in Los Angeles. His choreography has been seen on numerous TV shows including The Today Show, Good Morning America, NBC Live, and PBS. He has traveled the

world sharing his talents at dance workshops as well as at the Carnival Choreographers Ball in both NYC and LA.

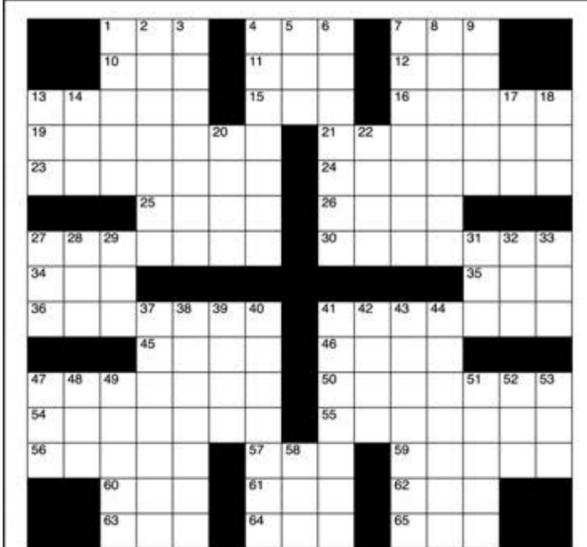
Hannah Jane Frederick is a native of Minneapolis where she began her dance life at Dance Shoppe Studio in Plymouth Minnesota. Hannah is currently based out of New York where she specializes in Contemporary and Contemporary Fusion styles of dance choreography. Hannah is currently teaching open classes at Broadway Dance Center. Hannah has shared her performance style dancing at Carnival, Sirens after Dark, Sybarite and the Capezio ACE awards. Hannah continues to teach and choreograph both Nationally and Internationally spreading her passion for the art of dance throughout the world.

Megan "Megz" Alfonso born in the Bronx and raised in Long Island where she trained in Dance at Michelle Ferrero's Dance USA. Megz has danced for the past 24 years and is most famous for her amazing debut on So You Think You Can Dance Season 12 where she was in the top 6. Megz recently founded the Dance Company, Unique Soulz based out of New York. Prior to starting her own dance company, Megz performed all over the US and UK while dancing with Deca Dance Company and Matrix/Loreal. Megz strives to inspire others using her unique style of choreography.

Junior Cius is a dancer/choreographer residing in Cambridge, Mass. Junior began his dance career at the age of 18 and started training professionally with his first dance crew, Picture In Concrete (PIC) in 2013. Junior is now the director and founder of Crewnex, a Boston based dance group that has performed in various dance shows across New England. He was a 2016 cast member of the Monster's Show "Driven" in Los Angeles, California.

This opportunity provided him the honor of working with renowned choreographers such as Rhapsody James, Laura Edwards, Luam, Luther Brown, Leon Blackwood, Alex Fetbroth and more. When Junior was asked about his connection to the cause of donating to Haiti and why it means so much to him, he responds: "Being able to teach at a convention that is fundraising in support of my people (Haitians) would be an honor. This hits home for me. I get to give back to my country by doing what I love. I was born in Haiti and moved to the US at the age of 5. The majority of my family still lives in Haiti. Everything I do, I do for my country. Being at this convention means the world to me."

Kelly Peters: Based out of New York Kelly Peters is a well-known name in New England, NY and LA. Camera crews, fashion designers and dancers have raved about the masterful art of this hip hop icon. Peters' résumé spans from The Fugees to Carly Simon, from FOX to ESPN II. With over 22 years of Hip-Hop experience, Kelly Peters is THE experienced choreographer, master teacher and NYC-based professional teaching everything from locking to popping, breaking to graffiti, fashion to form. Peters' accolades are far reaching and include works with Ahmir, Hip-Hop group C Note, Naughty By Nature, FOX's Good Day NY, Carnival NY and LA and more. Don't miss the opportunity to train with him at this great event.

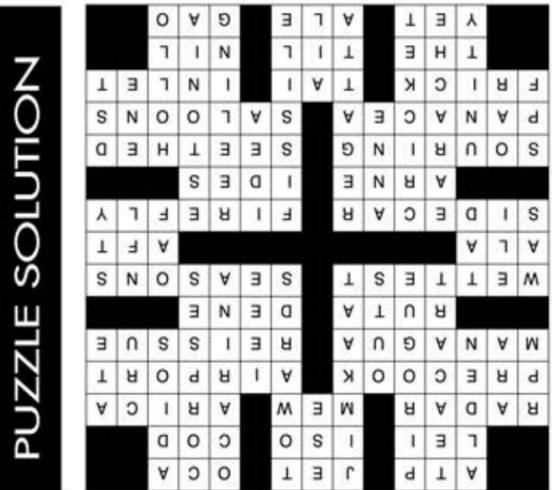


CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Adenosine triphosphate
- 4. Plane
- 7. Plant cultivated for its tubers
- 10. Wreath
- 11. Equal, prefix
- 12. Type of fish
- 13. Measuring instrument
- 15. High-pitched crying noise
- 16. Chilean seaport
- 19. Make in advance
- 21. Where planes land and take off
- 23. Nicaraguan capital
- 24. Reprint
- 25. Evergreen genus
- 26. Vale
- 27. Not the most dry
- 30. There are four of them
- 34. Pie __ mode
- 35. At or near the stern
- 36. Attached to the side of a motorcycle
- 41. Soft-bodied beetle
- 45. "Rule, Britannia" composer
- 46. __ of March: rough day for Julius Caesar
- 47. A way of changing taste
- 50. Bubbled up
- 54. Remedy
- 55. Barrooms
- 56. Henry Clay __, industrialist
- 57. A citizen of Thailand
- 59. Cove
- 60. One and only
- 61. __ death do us part
- 62. Zero
- 63. Thus far
- 64. Brew
- 65. Crunches federal numbers

CLUES DOWN

- 1. John __, Pilgrim settler
- 2. Drink table on wheels
- 3. A canoe
- 4. Baseball player nicknamed "Kitty"
- 5. Midway between east and southeast
- 6. Direction of attention
- 7. Egg-shaped wind instrument
- 8. Cadavers
- 9. Farewell
- 13. Revolutions per minute
- 14. Small constellation
- 17. Vineyard
- 18. Consumed
- 20. Pitchers need to get them
- 22. Educational assn. (abbr.)
- 27. No longer is
- 28. Peyton's little brother
- 29. Small amount
- 31. An awkward stupid person
- 32. Popular pro sports league
- 33. Pigeon
- 37. Type of head pain
- 38. "Jiminy" is one
- 39. Diarist Frank
- 40. Boat race
- 41. Can be split
- 42. Thought
- 43. Staggering
- 44. Baltic country
- 47. Sunscreen rating
- 48. Paddle
- 49. Togetherness
- 51. Beat-influenced poet Anselm
- 52. Midway between northeast and east
- 53. Fall back, spring forward
- 58. Afflict



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Tree Viewing & Senior Citizens' Day * 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM
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10:00 AM - Kevin Driscoll and Doug the talking Dog
11:00 AM - "Holly" the Elf 12:30 - Lee Irish Dance
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Pomfret Horse and Trail Association hosts Fall Foliage Ride



Courtesy photos



- Submitted by Lisette Rimer, Vice President, Pomfret Horse and Trail

The Pomfret Horse and Trail Association hosted its annual Fall Foliage Ride in October.

POMFRET — On a bright October day, 113 riders from three states enjoyed local trails at the Fall Foliage Ride sponsored by the Pomfret Horse and Trail Association.

It was the largest participation in the ride's eight-year history. The trail covered 11 miles of fields, woods, and dirt roads thanks to the generosity of many Pomfret landowners. A short loop of 6 miles was also available. Lunch was provided by the Rolling Tomato, which baked pizzas on site in their portable oven.

"We are so grateful to the landowners who give us access for this ride," said Sue Jackson, ride secretary. "The landowners preserve the scenic nature of

Pomfret, and the footing on their trails provides some of the best riding in the area."

Horse trailers, horses, and riders of all ages filled a large green field surrounded by orange and red foliage on a large tract of land in the northeastern part of Pomfret. It was a family-friendly day with participants ranging from 6 years old to 73. The youngest was a fourth-generation rider. Her great grandfather served in the last mounted unit of the Calvary in World War II. She rode her pinto pony Skippy on a lead line from her mother's horse.

Riders commented that it was a fun, stress free, well-organized event. Patty McElligott, from Millbury, Mass., thanked the landowners "who shared their piece of paradise with us. It could not have been any better and the obvi-

ously hard work put in by all of the organizers and sponsors is sincerely appreciated."

Megan Ellis, from Salem, Conn., said, "Everything was wonderful. The parking was great, even for a newbie trailer driver."

The trails were well marked, and the length of the ride was just right, said other riders.

Proceeds from the ride support local trails and open space through donations to the Wyndham Land Trust, the Abington 4-H Camp, the Last Green Valley, and the Audubon Society.

"Pomfret has become a destination riding area," Jackson said. "Pomfret Horse and Trail sponsors two rides every year, and Tyrone Farm offers many more, including the Pomfret Hunter Pace which drew over two hundred riders this fall in the pouring rain. People love riding here because of the beautiful country."

Pomfret Horse and Trail is a nonprofit begun in 2007 to preserve horseback riding and trails in Pomfret. More information can be found at www.pomfret-horse-and-trail.com.

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made it from one of the old pieces we had to take off your truck. I know how important that truck is to you. I thought you might like to have a piece of it to keep with you. It's nothing fancy, but you can use it for pencils, or whatever, for your desk."

After a nice man hug, I nearly broke down at the generosity of the gift. He had fashioned a small pencil box out of sheet metal from one of the broken pieces of my truck. He told me it was from one of the fenders. I couldn't believe how thoughtful it was. Yet, I wasn't surprised at all, because that's the kind of guy Howard is — thoughtful, loving and sincere — and always willing to do something to make you smile...

...Which is why it was so heartbreaking when he got sick about a year later. He started getting unexplained pain in his abdominal area. After several doctors' visits, he was diagnosed with appendiceal cancer in January. He battled it with everything he had. He had surgery, but they couldn't remove the tumor. He tried chemotherapy, but nothing worked. Finally, on Thursday, Nov. 10, Howard succumbed to the cancer and he passed away, leaving behind a loving wife and three grown children that I have come to love as well.

I've known Howard and his family for years — since I was a kid, really — but have developed an even closer relationship with the family over the past decade or so. I lived next door to Howard for seven years up until 2014, and our relationship grew even deeper over that time. I would often walk next door with the wife and kids and we would just talk — about random, hilarious YouTube videos of people blowing stuff, shows we were watching on Netflix, random movie quotes, welding and automotive projects he was working on, kids, my youth group, and all kinds of other topics. He would also work on my car from time to time, free of charge, just because he wanted to help me.

He was a mechanic and an engineer, with an artistic flair. He created a giant advertising sign out of foam board insulation for a water-themed night at my youth group, one of the coolest pieces I have ever seen. A metal owl sculpture he built from a saw blade, nails and various other

metal pieces (similar to the one pictured in this week's headshot box), sits at my front door, a Christmas gift I bought for my wife just because I thought it was so cool. The talent exuding from that man was ridiculous. He was gifted in so many ways.

But as much as he was talented, he was also humble. In fact, if he were here to read this, he probably wouldn't care for me writing this about him. He was a caring friend who showed me time and time again what it looked like to love and serve others, whether it was helping someone split and stack wood, or going on missions trips to foreign countries to help pave, build or design something, he was always doing something to benefit someone else. He's a man who was guided by his faith in God, and remained unwavering, even in the fearsome face of death. That's an example I will strive to follow.

I was blessed to have a friend like Howard, and I know I am only one of many that can say the same thing. I will miss him dearly...

There's a little black box that sits on a countertop in my kitchen. One would normally pass by it without a second thought. But now, that little black box means more to me than it ever has. It represents the loving kindness of a great friend. It represents something broken that was made new, much like his earthly body that was made new when he finally met his Savior last week. That little black box, which holds pencils, pens and all sorts of other knick-knacks — also holds a whole lot of love.

So, as I said goodbye to Howard last weekend, amongst his family and friends at our church, I thought about that little black box ... and even in my tears, I smiled.

Goodbye for now, Howard — I'll miss you, but I'll see you soon.

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EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

Colby-Sawyer College

NEW LONDON, N.H. — Victoria Palacios, of Woodstock, is currently completing Colby-Sawyer College's internship requirement at New London Hospital in New London, N.H. Palacios is a member of the class of 2017 majoring in public health.

Internships are field experiences designed to provide a student learning opportunity under collaborative supervision between Colby-Sawyer College faculty, staff, and work site professionals. Internships offer the opportunity for students to enhance their academic programs with work experience related to career interests in all industry areas in national and international settings. According to a Class of 2015 graduate survey, 39 percent of Colby-Sawyer graduates receive a job offer from their internship site.

Eastern Connecticut State University

WILLIMANTIC — Twenty members of the Eastern Connecticut State University chapter of Habitat for Humanity slept outdoors in cardboard boxes on Nov. 2-3 for the annual "Shackathon." The event aims to raise awareness of homelessness, as well as raise funds for the club's annual spring break trip. This coming spring the students will travel to North Carolina to build houses for those in need with other Habitat for Humanity chapters.

Mitchell Cristofori of Putnam, who majors in Biology, was among the participants.



Courtesy photos

Eighth grade students from Rectory School and their teacher Patrick McCarthy took advantage of the wonderful weather to walk down to the library to cast their votes.

Pomfret students learn citizenship lessons at library

POMFRET — Kristin Lavitt, children's librarian at the Pomfret Public Library, was all decked out in patriotic colors to welcome students to the library on Nov. 8, to participate in the National Student Mock Election.

Kristin reported that there was a steady trickle of students throughout the day with a total of 91 ballots cast by 6 p.m. This is the second time the Pomfret Public Library has participated in a presidential mock election. Students voted overwhelmingly for Clinton/Kaine for President, Blumenthal for U.S. Senate, Courtney for Congress, Avery for State Senate, and Boyd for State Representative. These student voters chose the winners in Connecticut's overall voting with the exception of the Presidential and our district's state senate seat. Many parents bring children with them to the voting booth, but this opportunity

for students to cast their own vote is an early lesson in the privilege and responsibility of citizenship that will hopefully stay with them as they reach voting age.

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MARIANAPOLIS PREP ANNOUNCES FIRST QUARTER HONOR ROLL

THOMPSON — Marianapolis Preparatory School proudly announces the following students have earned their place on the Quarter 1 Honor Roll.

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TMHS announces 'Student Spotlight' for November



Courtesy photo

November Student Spotlight honoree, senior Joseph Julian.

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This year, Tourtellotte Memorial High School has begun a

new recognition program called the TMHS Student Spotlight of the month.

Each month, a TMHS student will be recognized for outstanding achievement, character, leadership, attitude, and/or contributions to the school and community.

Tourtellotte Memorial High School's Student Spotlight honoree for November is senior Joseph Julian.

Joe is very involved in the school's music program.

"My motivators are my music, my friends, and Mrs. Anderson, my crazy awesome music teacher," he said.

As a member of TMHS's Modern Music Ensemble, Joe is part of a performance ensemble that shares their musical talents with their school and local community, giving more than 15 performances each school year. Joe is also the president of the school's Drama Club.

TMHS music teacher and drama club advisor Kate Anderson says of Joe, "Joe has helped inspire multiple gentlemen to join our concert choir and add numbers to the men's vocal sections as well as increasing our Drama numbers through his performances at TNT and our Music Banquet event, just to name a few."

Joe's leadership role in music inspired fellow senior Amanda Silvia, who nominated Joe for this recognition.

In nominating Joe, Ms. Silvia noted, "Joe is a good kid. He's talented and he cares about other people. He's very helpful and smart with things in school, especially music."

Because of his love of music, Joe plans to pursue a career in music. Specifically, he plans to start a band and begin recording. His advice to other students is to believe in oneself.

He says, "Whether it's getting your dream job or life itself, don't give up. ... Work to make

a change, work at making your life better, but always work to be yourself."



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Tuesday, Nov. 22: French toast stix, roasted red potato, turkey sausage, fruit and milk

Wednesday, Nov. 23: No School

Thursday, Nov. 24: No School

Friday, Nov. 25: No School

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Wednesday, Nov. 23: No School

Thursday, Nov. 24: No School

Friday, Nov. 25: No School

MARY R. FISHER

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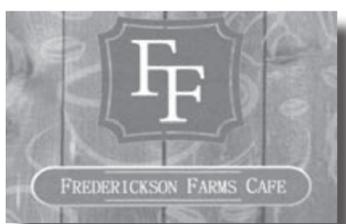
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Good neighbors

The morning after Election Day, I hopped on a public bus in Santa Fe to go to a museum. After one or two stops, I was the only passenger and I struck up a conversation with the driver, a young Hispanic man with a name tattooed across the side of his skull.

He told me he worked two jobs, had two children at home and was helping his wife attend college. He was upset about the election results, but he was concentrating on driving the bus and getting on with his life. Talking with him made me lonesome for my home.

I thought about the importance of politics in our lives and its relative unimportance. I read an article in the New Yorker

about a book entitled:

“Good Neighbors: The Democracy of Everyday Life in America,” by Nancy Rosenblum, a political scientist. In the book she says “We live in two democracies: a political democracy in which we function as citizens, and a “democracy of everyday life” in which we function as neighbors. Our political beliefs are



NANCY WEISS

often abstract – separation of church and state for example, while our relationships with our neighbors are concrete.”

Neighbors and the concept of neighborliness matter to all of us. Looking back, I believe the community I live in was once more connected, but perhaps that’s nostalgia. We moved a few miles to our current home a year ago and I’ve come to see the geography and the houses as my specific neighborhood. The recent wanderings of our little pug have brought me in direct contact with a patient neighbor one road away. She returned the dog twice (so far) and I am most grateful.

As the leaves fall, I can see into the yards of the abutting properties and I feel a sense of connection to the owners. When I encounter my neighbors, we talk about the weather, wildlife and traffic. We don’t talk about politics. While we might express our opinions with signs and bumper stickers, in conversation, we keep it light. We see each other as decent people who go about our lives with integrity, even if we have very different political beliefs. Whether it is a national election or a local one, we can hold one set of ideas in our heads, while also being courteous, helpful to our neighbors.

I live in my hometown, an odd thing in the 21st century, but one that gives me some perspective. When I was a child, it was more likely that a neighbor would help catch runaway cows than small dogs. Often a chimney fire required everyone to pitch in as volunteer fire companies were small. People gave rides to other adults, teens walking home after athletic events and anyone in uniform. By believing that we knew everybody and everyone knew us, we had a sense of safety and familiarity. Of course, bad things happened and when they did, we felt blindsided and longed for explanations, but our belief in the bonds of neighborliness held fast.

The bus driver in Santa Fe and I had a more open political discussion than I would have at my post office. He and I will never see each other again and had we disagreed it wouldn’t have mattered. Within the familiar world of my neighborhood, even my town, I will do a balancing act. There is the paradox of caring for people, whose political views I reject, but who are good, decent individuals. I am bound to them, as they are to me, by geography, history and affection.

We’ve heard enough speeches about what makes America. It’s time to drop the rhetoric and go back to the principles of neighborliness that help all of us see each other as individuals, occasionally looking for lost dogs. We can live through television or the Internet or we can walk outside and see the beautiful, flawed, real world of our neighborhoods.

Boyd: ‘Humbled’ to be elected to 50th District House seat

To the Editor:
 I am humbled to have been given the honor to serve the five towns in the 50th District as your next state representative.

Thank you. I do not take my new responsibilities lightly. We have serious issues to work on and I am ready to be your voice in the discussion.

I also wanted to take a moment and thank State Rep. Mike Alberts for his dedi-

OPINION

Opinion and commentary from the Quiet Corner



THE EVERYDAY ECOLOGIST
 LIZ ELLSWORTH

Political moving forward

In January we will transition to a new president and a new Congress. There have been many discussions within the last several days about new changes in various portions of our governmental departments. New directors will be put in place as President-elect Donald Trump steps into office in January 2017.

Trump has been boasting about removing the U.S. from several environmental initiatives. It appears that President-Elect Donald Trump will abandon the Paris climate change treaty secured last December when he takes office. The president-elect has even been quoted saying that he believes that global warming is a hoax. The newly appointed director of the transition team for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Myron Ebell, does not believe in global climate change. Also, Ebell is in support of more oil drilling and coal mining within our nation, withdrawing the major governmental support for clean power choices, like solar and wind.

EcoWatch reported that one of the possible outcomes of Trump’s choices could be issuing a presidential order to remove the U.S.’s signature from the climate change agreement. Secretary of State John Kerry revealed that the Obama Administration seeks to execute the global agreement before Trump assumes the role of president in January (2017).

To me, Trump’s rhetoric and proposed choices are a major setback in our planet’s fight back against global climate change. Our nation is one of the pillars and leaders of this global eco-initiative and withdrawing sends a negative message and makes us a fool, basically, for supporting the Paris agreement in the first place. If we don’t support it, then why should China or Russia or ... what-ever nation? We are a global world, and we need to work together to protect Mother Nature.

This week, the energy, commitment, and banding together that was achieved at the U.N. global climate change talks, or COP21 (Conference of the Parties) in Paris, France last December (2015) continued movement forward in Marrakech, Morocco. The Sustainable Innovation Forum occurred on the 14-15th of this month (November) with 1,000-plus national and local Government ministers, U.N. agencies, NGOs, intergovernmental organizations, academics, and the general public. These groups came together to connect and talk over the “national climate targets and the drive towards the business innovations and solutions needed in order to achieve the ambitious goals of the Paris Agreement.” For additional information on the COP22 summit, check out the website: www.cop22.org.

As a review, this is what COP21 achieved when signed last December: It limited typical global warming to 2 degrees Celsius (3.6 degrees Fahrenheit) above pre-industrial temperatures – looking for a maximum of 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit) if feasible. Each nation sets its own CO2 reduction goals and each arrangement must be updated every 5 years. Developed nations will raise close to \$100 billion each year to help developing countries. The COP 21 agreement “calls for the creation of a committee of experts to ‘facilitate implementation’ and ‘promote compliance’ with the agreement, but it won’t have the power to punish violators.” (CNN)

The BBC reports that the leaders that attended COP22 called for the U.S. to remain involved in the Paris climate change agreements. French President Hollande said, “This agreement is irrevers-



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ROTARY CLUB NAMES TEACHER OF THE YEAR

DANIELSON — The Killingly-Brooklyn Rotary Club, for the 33rd year, hosted its annual Teacher of the Year Celebration on Nov. 3 at the Imperial Room in Danielson. Pictured, from left, Arturo Gutierrez, Brooklyn Schools; Kelly Davidson, Killingly Schools; Meghan Daigle, Ellis Tech; James Kent, St. James; Lynne Comtois, President of KB Rotary Club.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

We deserve better in Connecticut

To the Editor:

Concerning a recent editorial by Brian Gosper, of Killingly, about the state legislators’ proposal about adding a mileage tax for driving, in an attempt to make up revenue that the state thinks it needs.

Just wanted to agree with his opinion and voice my concerns on the subject.

The Connecticut state legislators are always looking for additional revenues, adding a driving tax is just another of adding to the state coffers at the expense of those who use their cars to make money for their families. To impose a tax on hard-working citizens of this state in this manner, is just another sign of how tone deaf people in Hartford are. Long hours driving, wear and tear on your vehicle is bad enough but this is extreme. What happens when gas goes up, this tax would add another burden and punish those in this state who work.

As we all know, there is no such thing as a temporary/experimental/short term tax increase in this state that ever goes away once implemented. If anything, they will add to it somehow when the next budget crisis comes our way. Under Malloy/Flexer, there never seems to be an end to it. Remember, if you will, that casino money would in offsetting educational costs in this state. The income tax was again supposed to be a short-

term solution to the state and its fiscal problems and there are many, many more examples. We still are in tight times. Once they get their hands on more revenue they will find more ways to spend it.

To penalize those hard working taxpayers in this matter by using their vehicles to support their families, will only add to the ever-shrinking amount of money in our hands to help different things like college cost and ever-rising health care. Squeezing the people of this state needs to stop.

Hartford needs to learn, like most of us in our family budgets, spend what you have. They are driving out business and adding to the burden of those who live in this state. The irony in this is that people have to work out of state and work more hours to even maintain a standard of living and now they want to add more burden on.

Time has come for people in Hartford, state legislators and the governor, hopefully a new one, that state spending is out of control and cutting or spending less is the way to go. They are driving (no pun intended) people and business out of this state.

We the Connecticut residents, deserve better and the time is now.

DAVID CASSETTARI
 DANIELSON

What are our priorities?

To the Editor:

On Nov. 6: State to spend \$10 million on beach in Madison.

Can we afford this luxury? When our small hospitals are threatened with extinction. And our essential services are in peril?

Not to quarrel. Who can deny the joy of a summer’s day at the beach?

DAVID B. BOYD
 WOODSTOCK

Franklin: The benefits of great hospice care

To the Editor:

Upon the occasion of November being designated as National Homecare and Hospice Month, I take this opportunity to bring to your attention, and those of your readers, the many benefits Day Kimball HomeCare and Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern Connecticut provide to those patients under their care.

As chair of The Friends of Hospice Committee at Day Kimball Hospital, as a Hospice volunteer and as a former caregiver to my wife of more than 40 years, I can attest to the many benefits I have observed for more than thirteen years.

Hospice and Palliative Care of Northeastern Connecticut, a program of Day Kimball HomeCare, has been providing certified end of life care to area patients since 1983. The services provided have been evaluated over the years, receiving excellent ratings and continuous certification by a series of examining agencies.

My Hospice journey began on Feb. 10, 2003, when my wife was admitted to the program. Unfortunately, she passed away six weeks later on March 25, 2003. During those six weeks of being a caregiver, I came to appreciate the dedication, professionalism and compassionate caring of the Hospice nurses and aides whom I still advocate as angels disguised as nurses and aides.

In July of 2003, I joined The Friends of Hospice Committee as a means of giving back to the Hospice Program in a meaningful way to support in whatever manner or means I

could. The Friends of Hospice Committee is an advocacy and fundraising element in support of Hospice and Palliative Care of Northeastern Connecticut.

Later in December of 2003, I completed the Hospice Volunteer Certification Program, which has allowed me to visit with approximately 50 Hospice patients and their families over the past 13 years. It has been my honor and privilege to assist in making the end-of-life journey for those patients a gift rather than a meaningless struggle of frustration and torturous challenge.

So I have witnessed firsthand, as a caregiver and as a Hospice volunteer, just how important the Hospice program is to those patients at a critical time in the finality of their life’s journey. Those services also include support to the families.

As our elder population increases, the need for medical also increases. This requires more and more skilled nursing care as well as very important and necessary end-of-life care.

Let us take time during National Homecare and Hospice Month to recognize the outstanding care the dedicated direct care nurses and aides provide their patients with the gift in their end-of-life journey. Thank you to all who provide this much needed and dedicated service.

ROGER C. FRANKLIN
 CHAIRMAN, THE FRIENDS OF HOSPICE
 COMMITTEE
 HOSPICE VOLUNTEER

cated service over the last 12 years. He has represented our area well, and I personally appreciate how gracious he has been in ensuring that we have seamless transition. Thanks Mike!

I also wanted to take a moment to thank Ty Perry and Nora Valentine for serving as strong candidates and working hard during this campaign; both of you are very passionate about the quiet corner and

want to make a difference. I plan to spend the next two months before I am sworn in talking to as many people as I can about the important issues facing Connecticut and the local area, I owe it to all of you to be informed before I cast a vote on your behalf.

PAT BOYD
 POMFRET

Staying on track with your retirement investments

Investing for your retirement isn't about getting rich quick. More often, it's about having a game plan that you can live with over a long time. You wouldn't expect to be able to play the piano without learning the basics and practicing. Investing for your retirement over the long term also takes a little knowledge and discipline. Though there can be no guarantee that any investment strategy will be successful and all investing involves risk, including the possible loss of principal, there are ways to help yourself build your retirement nest egg.

COMPOUNDING IS YOUR BEST FRIEND

It's the "rolling snowball" effect. Put simply, compounding pays you earnings on your reinvested earnings. Here's how it works: Let's say you invest \$100, and that money earns a 7 percent annual return. At the end of a year, the \$7 you earned is added to your \$100; that would give you \$107 in your account. If you earn 7 percent again the next year, you're earning 7 percent of \$107 rather than \$100, as you did in the first year. That adds \$7.49 to your account instead of \$7. In the third year with a 7 percent return, you'd earn \$8 and have a total of \$122. Like a snowball rolling downhill, the value of compounding grows the longer you leave your money in the account. In effect, compounding can do some of the work of building a nest egg for you.

The longer you leave your money at work for you, the more exciting the numbers get. For example, imagine an investment of \$10,000 at an annual rate of return of 8 percent. In 20 years, assuming no withdrawals, your \$10,000 investment would grow to \$46,610. In 25 years, it would grow to \$68,485, a 47 percent gain over the 20-year figure. After 30 years, your account would total \$100,627. (Of course, these are hypothetical examples that do not reflect the performance of any specific investment and assume that no taxes are paid or withdrawals are made during that time.)

If your workplace savings plan contributions are made pretax, as most people's are, compounding really becomes a powerful force. Not having to pay taxes from year to year on either your contributions or the compounded earnings helps your savings grow even faster (though you'll owe taxes on that money when you start withdrawing from your account). The value of compounded tax-deferred dollars is the main reason you may want to fully fund all tax-advantaged retirement accounts and plans available to you, and start as early as you can. Investing money over time can help compounding produce potentially significant returns. With time on your side, you don't necessarily have to aim for investment "home runs" in order to be successful.

DIVERSIFY YOUR INVESTMENTS

Asset allocation is the process of deciding how to spread your dollars over several categories of investments, usually referred to as asset classes. A basic asset allocation would likely include at least stocks, bonds, and cash



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or cash alternatives such as a money market fund. The term "asset classes" also may refer to subcategories, such as particular types of stocks or bonds.

Asset allocation is important for two reasons. First, the mix of asset classes you own is a large factor — some say the biggest factor by far — in determining your overall investment portfolio performance. How you divide your money between stocks, bonds, and cash can be more important than your choice of specific investments. Second, by dividing your portfolio among asset classes that don't respond to market forces in the same way at the same time, you can help minimize the effects of market volatility while maximizing your chances of long-term return. Ideally, if your investments in one class are performing poorly, assets in another class may be doing better and may help stabilize your portfolio.

Remember that during any given period of market or economic turmoil, such as that anticipated in relationship to the recent Presidential election, some asset categories and some individual investments historically have been less volatile than others. You can manage your risk to some extent by diversifying your holdings among various classes of assets, as well as different types of assets within each class. Taking steps that can help manage the amount of volatility you experience can help you stay with your game plan over the long term.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF DOLLAR COST AVERAGING

One of the benefits of participating in your workplace savings plan is that you're automatically using an investment strategy called dollar cost averaging. With dollar cost averaging, you acquire shares of an investment by investing a fixed dollar amount at regularly scheduled intervals over time. When the price is high, your investment buys less; when prices are low, the same dollar investment will buy more shares. A regular, fixed-dollar investment should result in a lower average price per share than you would get buying a fixed number of shares at each investment interval.

In addition to potentially lowering the average cost per share, investing the same amount regularly automates your decision-making, and can help take emotion out of investment decisions.

STICK TO YOUR STRATEGY!

Try to resist the impulse to change your investment strategy with every news headline or investing tip from a relative or coworker. Timing the market correctly is very difficult; even professionals find it a challenge.

Most people fare better by having an investment game plan that can weather good times and bad, and then sticking to it.

That doesn't mean you should simply forget about your investments altogether. At least once a year, you should review your portfolio to see if your choices are still appropriate. Even if your circumstances haven't changed, market movements can affect how your money is divided among various types of investments. For example, if one type of asset has been very successful, it may now represent too large a share of your holdings. To rebalance your portfolio, you could sell some of an asset that's now larger than you intended and buy more of a type that is lower than desired. Or you could keep your existing allocation but shift future investments into an asset class you want to increase. But if you don't review your holdings periodically, you won't know whether a change is needed.

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WHAT IS IT?



CONTEST ENTRY FORM Friday, Nov. 18, 2016
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ible in law, it came into force on 4 November, more than 100 states accounting for more than two thirds of greenhouse gas emissions ratified it ... The US, the largest economic power in the world, and the second largest greenhouse gas emitter, must respect the commitments they have undertaken. It is not only their duty but in their interest as well ... France will lead this dialogue with the US and its new president in openness, in respect but with demands and determination on behalf of the 100 states that have ratified the Paris Agreement ... It is proof that the international community can act to preserve that which is most dear to all of us." (BBC)

Maybe there are political leaders you're looking to — to lead our communities, states, and country in the future and to make the best decisions for our environment? If so, join in on their causes, volunteer for them, advocate and be involved on your local community Boards. You have a voice. Hold an eco-event at your school, your place of worship, your family reunion, your next Board meeting, and even, at your Thanksgiving dinner table!

If you are feeling helpless, as I have, here are some things you can do.

- 1) Educate yourself about the new environmental changes and policies.
- 2) Figure out your ideas about the next, best immediate actions.
- 3) Sign petitions to our legislators and President Obama

and President-elect Trump about the environment.

4) See if major environmental groups hold your same beliefs and ideas about the next-best steps and volunteer time, donate resources, or send along the information to your community.

Here are some groups I believe are offering reasonable, impassioned, and do-able actions as we face the proposed eco-changes in our government: Sierra Club, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Environmental Working Group, or 350.org. Local groups supporting our environment include: The Last Green Valley, Audubon, Connecticut Forest and Park Association, James L. Goodwin State Forest, Quiet Corner Garden Club, MassConn Sustainable Forest Partnership, New England Forestry Foundation, 4-H groups, Joshua's Trust and other major land trusts, university groups, and local conservation groups.

Many hope that President-elect Trump's talk over withdrawing from the climate agreements is more "campaign rhetoric" than anything else. Still, many people are very concerned. Do your part — you have a voice! Remember, actions speak louder than words!

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

Say 'Thank You'

All great parents feel like broken records ... "elbows off the table ... chew with your mouth closed ... say thank you."

Children need to hear these admonitions regularly. We all need to practice these things — especially the last one. An attitude of thanksgiving can change the whole atmosphere of a home, a town or a nation.

Great presidents have also been vulnerable enough to give obvious advice to Americans.

In 1863 President Abraham Lincoln went a step further and declared a national day of Thanksgiving to help a divided nation overcome it's greatest challenge to date. We would do well to heed this advice in 2016:

"The year that is drawing towards its close, has been filled with the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies. To these bounties, which are so constantly enjoyed that we are prone to forget the source

from which they come, others have been added, which are of so extraordinary a nature, that they cannot fail to penetrate and soften even the heart which is habitually insensible to the ever watchful providence of Almighty God. In the midst of a civil war of unequalled magnitude and severity, which has sometimes seemed to foreign States to invite and to provoke their aggression, peace has been preserved with all nations,

order has been maintained, the laws have been respected and obeyed, and harmony has prevailed everywhere except in the theatre of military conflict; while that theatre has been greatly contracted by the advancing armies and navies of the Union. Needful diversions of wealth and of strength from the fields of peaceful industry to the national defence, have not arrested the plough, the shuttle or the ship; the axe has enlarged the borders of our settlements, and the mines, as well of iron and coal as of the precious metals, have yielded even more abundantly than heretofore. Population has steadily increased, notwithstanding the waste that has been made in the camp, the siege and the battle-field; and the country, rejoicing in the consciousness of augmented strength and vigor, is permitted to expect continuance of years with large increase of freedom. No human counsel hath devised nor hath any mortal hand worked out these great things. They are the gracious gifts of the Most High God, who, while dealing with us in anger for our sins, hath nevertheless remembered mercy. It has seemed to me fit and proper that they should be solemnly, reverently and gratefully acknowledged as with one heart and one voice by the whole American People. I do therefore invite my fel-



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low citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also, with humble penitence for our national perverseness and disobedience, commend to His tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquillity and Union."

This Thanksgiving will be a great time to say "Thank You!" to God, friends, family and fellow Americans. It is an attitude that makes for a better world.

Bishop John W. Hanson oversees Acts II Ministries in Thompson, where most services begin with prayer and thanksgiving. For more information please visit www.ActsII.org.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why Dauphinais won

To the Editor:

In the recent District 44 General Assembly race, Anne Dubay Dauphinais won 60 percent of the vote and defeated the incumbent Democrat Christine Rosati Randall.

In recent comments, Randall has implied that it was the so-called Trump effect that led to her overwhelming loss, not her alignment with Dan Malloy's damaging policies.

I find it very hard to believe she actually thinks the citizens of this district are that simple, that they swept her out of office because of the presidential nominee. They did not sweep out Mae Flexer, Senator Blumenthal, or Congressman Courtney.

The truth is Anne Dubay

Dauphinais won because she worked harder. Even Governor Malloy has stated this fact in his recent remarks. Anne knocked on doors all over this district, tirelessly bringing her message to the voters. Her message of the failure of Malloy's policies rang true with us. We are facing billion dollar budget deficits, businesses in our state are failing or moving out because of the treatment they have received at the hands of the Democratic Legislators.

People here in the 44th District want their children to still inherit the American dream, they can no longer stomach the thought of bankrupting their own children with billion dollar budget deficits. Anne ran

a campaign based on facts, if those facts embarrassed anyone that's too bad they are still the facts. She did not run a negative campaign, as some have alluded. Anne was the one who in some negative radio ads, was called a liar by some Democratic Randall supporters. Anne did not stoop to such negative tactics. She presented straightforward facts which apparently the opposing party did not want us to hear.

It's time to face the music. This state is in deep financial trouble. The current administration is not fixing the problem. Move over, its time to let others have a chance.

FRED RUHLEMAN
DANIELSON

Westfield Church hosts Winter Wonderland Bazaar

Charlie Lentz photos

DANIELSON — Westfield Church held its Winter Wonderland Bazaar last Saturday, Nov. 12. The event featured a lunch and light breakfast and offered crafts and holiday decorations, a basket raffle, bakery table, gourmet foods, attic treasures, jewelry, and holiday wreaths.



Doris Kennedy



Julia Revellese



Lisa Vickers



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Margaret Stocks, left, and Suzon Jacobi



Beverly Grudzinski, left, and Kat Voght



Kim Aubin, left, and Melanie Mazola

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Putnam resident Marcy Dawley received a Rotary District Paul Harris award recently. Marcy Dawley, second from left, sits next to her husband Bob White, left. Left to right, next to Dawley, is Putnam Rotary Club President Marc Archambault, District Grants Committee Chair and Putnam Rotarian Pam Brown, George Brown and Paul Pikora.

Dawley honored by Putnam Rotary

PUTNAM — Nominated by the Putnam Rotary Club, Putnam resident Marcy Dawley recently received the Rotary District 7890 Paul Harris Fellow award. In his introduction Putnam Rotarian Paul Pikora said Dawley, a project administrator and lead ranger for The Last Green Valley, “is a ubiquitous presence in the community, and can be seen at virtually all community events. She is a tireless volunteer, the quintessential volunteer, with an infectious enthusiasm and an effervescent presence.”

He added Dawley’s manager said she is an “amazing addition to the team,” a “Putnam-maniac,” one who takes an incredible amount of pride in her community.”

He said Dawley takes part in regular “Beautification Days” in town, walking along heavily traveled Providence Street in Putnam and picking up what others have discarded, dressed in hilarious costume while handing out candy to excited children during the town’s annual “Trick or Treat” night, donating her time and garden vegetables to the local food bank, organizing awareness events such as Cancer Walks, and/or simply always looking for ways to improve the quality of life for both the community and its residents. He said she’s been described as an inspirational and positive influence in the student community.

Pikora noted that Dawley personifies the Rotary motto of “Service Above Self.”

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Putnam. The suspects, identified as 21-year-old Christopher Harding, of Dayville, and 21-year-old Celina Cousineau, of Gloucester, R.I., reportedly crashed into the Nissan while escaping with the stolen Impala at the intersection of Church Street and West Thompson Road in Thompson, exiting Putnam at about 10:06 a.m. that morning. Connecticut State Police said in their reports that the suspects preceded to car-jack the Nissan, stabbing the operator of the vehicle and also injuring the passenger with a

knife before leaving the scene in the car. The identities of the victims in the second carjacking were not released by police prior to press time, but their conditions were considered to be stable as of this report.

What ensued in the wake of the carjacking incidents was nothing short of a man-hunt as Connecticut state police initiated an investigation and Massachusetts State Police began searching for the Nissan in the commonwealth. According to a report from the Massachusetts State Police, State Trooper Jeffrey Gilbert from the Troop C Community Action Team spotted the suspect vehicle on Interstate 395

in Massachusetts and pursued the vehicle in a cruiser. At that time police said the vehicle left the interstate onto Route 20 in Auburn and came to a stop. Trooper Gilbert attempted to pull up to the vehicle only to have the operator of the Nissan, Harding, ram the cruiser and drive into a nearby parking lot where they attempted to ram a second police cruiser on the scene before returning to Route 20 and heading towards Worcester. Officials at the Troop C Headquarters authorized a pursuit of the vehicle, which took the situation into the streets of the city.

Police followed the suspect into Worcester where the pur-

suit ended at a cul-de-sac on Papagin Terrace where the suspect attempted to turn the vehicle around. Harding continued to attempt to flee in the Nissan, striking both a police cruiser and a parked vehicle at a residence in the cul-de-sac before troopers finally took both suspects into custody without any further injuries to troopers, residents or the suspects.

The suspects were transported to a Massachusetts State Police Barracks in Holden for processing. The stolen Nissan was also seized as evidence in the case and was secured as a Massachusetts State Police facility. Harding was charged

in Worcester Central District Court on Nov. 15 with three counts of intent to murder, receiving a stolen motor vehicle, resisting arrest, unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, going the wrong way on a state highway, leaving the scene of an accident, failure to stop for police, speeding, marked lane violations, and being a fugitive from justice which were all in connection to the Nov. 10 incident. Cousineau was charged with being a fugitive from justice and receiving a stolen motor vehicle. The cases have been continued to Dec. 13.

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Toy drive takes over Woodstock fire departments

TOY DRIVE

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light on the calendar for all involved. Volunteers from all the fire stations involved look forward to being a part of the collection and for many it is considered the unofficial start of the local holiday season.

"It does a lot for camaraderie. It starts the Christmas season off well for everybody. If people can't be here the whole day to help us out they brings us food and donations," Dougherty said. "Members from all the departments that help out give us a hand throughout the day and the local banks have collection points for us too."

Local firefighters aren't the only ones who get involved. Random volunteers will also take part and do what they can to help the fire departments meet their goals and even some local athletes donated their time and resources to bring in donations as well. Iris Arsenault, a Woodstock EMT, said that Woodstock Academy students have become a big help over the past few years with their involvement in the cause.

"The Woodstock Academy football

team came down from practice. The coaches and parents thought they should do community service so it's their third year helping us out. They came over with eighty-two toys for the drive," Arsenault said. "People stop and ask how they can give. I've given out several fliers this year for people to get the word out. All the money we collect is spent on this. All of it goes to the cause, not to advertising or anything like that it all goes back to the kids."

Donations are still being accepted until Dec. 10, at which time the toys will be sorted and distributed to the Woodstock and Eastford schools as well as the town of Putnam and TEEG before school vacation begins. Dougherty said every little bit helps and they are always looking for more donations to provide the most for local children for the holidays.

"The support is out there," Dougherty said. "Those who didn't get to drop off money or toys today can do so at the station until Dec. 10. The banks will have locations until Thanksgiving. And if you miss the deadline with us please, by all means, help another cause. That's what we do after we've taken care of Woodstock and Eastford. Everything that's left gets split by age group and

gender and we take those to TEEG and Putnam."

In total the Woodstock Toy Drive has surpassed 7,000 toys and \$40,000 during its 11-year run as a premier local toy

drive for the northeastern Connecticut region.

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NECASA announces award winners

Northeast Communities Against Substance Abuse (NECASA) is pleased to announce that two winners have been selected for the 23rd Annual Volunteer with Youth Awards from Northeast Connecticut.

The Volunteer with Youth Awards are given to those individuals who have shown exemplary volunteer service to youth in the region. In prevention science, it is proven that young people who have solid adult role models are better able to cope with the stress of daily life and to avoid unhealthy behaviors including drug use and abuse.

• Victoria Embree: Victoria Embree has been a Boy Scout leader for Troop 27 in Woodstock for 19 years. She has served as an instructor, mentor and cheerleader for hundreds of Boy Scouts during that time period. Her leadership has nurtured many scouts, including Eagle Scouts that have chosen her as the most influential person in their scouting achievements. She believes in raising "men of character." Victoria is estimated to spend 30-40 hours monthly as a scout volunteer and her commitment has included nights, weekends and entire weeklong programs.

• Joseph Couture: Joe Couture has been the unit commander of the Natchaug Valley Young Marines since 2011, and the Assistant Division Commander since 2013. His involvement in the Young Marine's program dates back to 2007. Under Joe's leadership the Young Marines have participated in many community service projects. His unit was named the National Young Marine Unit of the year in 2015.

Joe is involved in many activities including drug prevention efforts with

NECASA, Putnam PRIDE and Griswold PRIDE and serves on the board of Northeast Opportunities for Wellness (NOW) and the local Juvenile Review Board. It is estimated that Joe spends 40 hours weekly in his volunteer efforts.

The Judith Nilan Awards are given to school personnel for their commitment to promoting substance abuse prevention and positive youth development in their school. The Award is named after Judy Nilan, the former social worker at Woodstock Middle School, who was murdered in 2005.

• Lisa Mooney: Lisa Mooney is the Social worker at Putnam High School. In 2009, Lisa started the Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) group at the High School. Many programs have been brought to the High School due to Lisa's leadership including speakers, safety demonstrations and murals. She has taken students to forums in Washington D.C. for both SADD and for Putnam PRIDE anti-drug coalition and has included students in leadership symposiums locally and nationally. Lisa's work and her encouragement have helped bring out the potential in her students.

• Charles "Chuck" Leavens: Chuck Leavens is a counselor at E.O. Smith High School and has served as a counselor for youth in Mansfield for over 30 years. Chuck serves as the advisor to the Peer Natural Helpers group at E.O. Smith, which promote a healthy school climate for all. He is also the creator and coordinator of the challenge program in which middle school students go on a multi-day adventure trip on the Appalachian Trail. The entire focus of Chuck's professional life has been the young people in Mansfield and he is recognized for his unique ability to connect with teens.

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Floral design studio sees success in Quiet Corner

BLOOM
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opened. Karen's husband, Frank Olah, is currently the superintendent for Hampton (Hampton only has one school, so it is a part-time job), so he is able to assist Karen in the business by doing the books.

Frank attributes the success of the business to the fact that "women like to talk and have a good time and make that connection with other women," and that they "like to be doing something when they do that," and that is why Bloom has become such a popular way for women to "gather for a fun activity."

Karen has a wide variety of experience in the education field. She started out her career in special education at Thompson Middle School, was the assistant principal in Cheshire for 10 years and was in special education in Glastonbury for a year. Karen had an opportunity to move to Singapore after her daughter and son-in-law moved there. Karen had gone there to visit her daughter and toured the local Singapore American School, and the school offered Karen a job. Karen decided to accept it. At the time, Karen's husband Frank was a headmaster at a school in Waterbury, and the plan was for him to stay in Connecticut. After going to Singapore with his wife to help her move, Frank also toured the Singapore American School, and was also offered a position there. They both ended up living in Singapore for five years.

Karen recalls how she got her degree in Floral Design while living in Singapore.

"I got my certification and degree in floral arrangement in Singapore from the Nobleman School of Floral Design; the entire class was taught in Chinese," she said.

Karen does not speak any Chinese. The final exam was difficult.

"They gave me four hours to make five arrangements, and I had to use certain flowers that they gave me to use, could not ask for any more, and I had to come up with an original design for each of the arrangements - it was so hard, it was harder than my Master's exam," she said.

Karen did admit that because she didn't speak any Chinese, that "my instructor gave me some personal attention." Karen admits she misses Singapore, as it is a beautiful country with beautiful weather.

Karen recently worked for The Woodstock Academy as the director of International Programming for four years. She finished that job last year.

"I loved the job, I loved the kids ... I kept doing floral arrangement on the side ... I missed teaching though. So I decided to use my teaching skills and decided I was going to start a floral design studio," she said.

Karen explains how the floral design experience works.

"What happens is couples, or groups of friends, come and they bring the wine, I supply the materials, and they have a floral experience, it can be either fresh or silk flower or a combination," she said.

She recently had a doctor and her staff book a party at Bloom. Bloom will offer the floral experience at the studio in Woodstock, or a party can be booked at any location, such as at a workplace or other venue.

"I have a whole trunk full of supplies. Parties are usually about two hours long, sometimes a little longer," Karen explains. "Most of the parties are in the evening, but can be booked at other times." Parties are typically from 6-8 p.m. on weekdays, and 7-9 p.m. on the weekends. Karen recently hosted a high school group in the afternoon.

"I love it," she said. "I've had a couple of men, but its mostly women. They learn how to do a triangular

design, or a symmetrical design. They learn. What I usually do is I will demonstrate."

"I also do birthday parties for kids, I do from ages 6 and up," she added. "I just did a Halloween party for 16 kids and 8 adults and we did cornucopia."

The birthday parties also tend to be mostly girls. For kids, Frank says that a party at Bloom is "way better than a trip to Chuck E. Cheese, because they get to go home with something they made."

"People just don't know what to do with kids at birthday parties. The parents just come in with soda and birthday cake, and everything is here," Karen commented.

Bloom will soon starting offering an eight week class in floral design.

"It's going to be for any age," Karen explains. "Right now I just have adults. It's going to a curriculum based on what I learned in Singapore."

Bloom also offers "Do it Yourself Weddings," where brides and bridesmaids can come in and pick and make their own bouquets and flower arrangements.

Do it Yourself (DIY) parties and events can be booked by singles, couples, friends, groups. You can choose an event from the website and learn to create an arrangement that is fun and imaginative. Customers bring their own wine, Bloom provides the glasses. Customers can also bring their own food if they like.

"I had the Woodstock Mom's Club here and they had a phenomenal time. It was fantastic. Everyone leaves Bloom happy, having learned a new skill which they can duplicate ... I've been getting great feedback here." Karen says.

Karen recently did a craft show, "just to show what I have," and to get her name out, at the First Congregational Church of Woodstock. In addition, she did a floral arrangement demonstration at The Quiet Corner Garden Club, and she gave the arrangements to two lucky winners.

Karen has also made a point to give back to the community; she has made gift baskets to donate for nonprofit events. She recently auctioned off a birthday party for eight kids to benefit the Woodstock Education Foundation.

Bloom has become a member of the Woodstock Merchants, so she was able to participate in the annual "Shop Hop" that is held in Woodstock each year.

"We let people make Sundaes, and a lot of kids came by and got to make one," she said.

The Sundaes are a flower arrangement that is shaped like an ice cream sundae. Bloom offers flower arrangement in antique shoes, vintage teacups, decorative boxes, baskets, and a variety of containers. Flower arrangements can be in an oversize cosmo or margarita cup for bachelorette parties. The Bloom studio is full of colorful flower arrangements and wreathes, and decorated with whimsical painted chairs that Karen painted herself.

Bloom will be having an open house Nov. 25 and 26 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., giving anyone an opportunity to stop by and see the studio. Any party that is booked during the open house will receive a 10-percent discount.

On Dec. 3, Karen will be participating in an art show at East Woodstock Congregational Church, to show and sell wreathes and flower arrangements that she has made. Flower arrangements can also be purchased at the Bloom studio.

Bloom is located at 158 Route 171 in Woodstock, in Fern's Plaza. They can be reached at 860-338-7332. The website is www.bloomwoodstock.com. Bloom can also be found on Facebook. Parties are booked by appointment only, to ensure they have the right materials on hand.



Courtesy photo

From left, Day Kimball Healthcare Chairman of the Board Joseph Adiletta, October Employee of the Month Karen Lamontagne and President and CEO Robert Smanik, at Lamontagne's Employee of the Month celebration at Day Kimball Hospital, Wednesday, Oct. 26.

Lamontagne named DKH employee of the month

PUTNAM — Karen Lamontagne, LPN, charge nurse at Day Kimball Medical Group's Pediatric Center in Putnam, has been named employee of the month for October by Day Kimball Healthcare (DKH).

Lamontagne began working for DKH in 2004. In her role as charge nurse, Lamontagne is responsible for the care of pediatric patients, assisting physicians with pediatric procedures, scheduling nurses and maintaining the work flow in the Pediatric Center. She is also responsible for the "Reach Out and Read" program, which enables the Pediatric Center to give new books to children ages 6 months through five years at their well visits.

According to Sarah Niemiec, RN, practice coordinator for DKMG Pediatric Center, "The Pediatric Center is very proud to have Karen Lamontagne be the recipient of the October Employee of the Month Award. She is a vital part of our team and is a strong leader. Karen's years of experience and time she has spent working in pediatrics for Day Kimball are evident in the way she carries out her job. She has recently stepped up to being the charge nurse in our department and is taking on her new role with confidence and enthusiasm."

At a celebration to honor Lamontagne on Oct. 26, DKH President and CEO Robert Smanik spoke to how Lamontagne is an example of the qualities valued most among staff at the organization.

"Day Kimball's Pediatric Center provides high quality care to the families of Northeastern Connecticut, and Karen plays an integral part in that every day. The fact that she is affectionately known as "Nurse Karen" to her patients and their families is something Day Kimball is very proud of. It is a real privilege to have Karen in her role, and it is clear that her peers see her as a positive influence in this organization and in the community," Smanik said.

When asked how she feels about this award, Lamontagne was visibly emotional and appreciative of the recognition. She said, "I didn't know I wanted to be a nurse until my husband suggested that I go to nursing school nursing. I have been an LPN for 18 years now and I am both honored and humbled by this award. I work with a great group of people both in my department and throughout the organization. I have spent the last twelve years with the Day Kimball Pediatric Center, and this is where I am meant to be. I love my job and love what I do."

Lamontagne was born in Worcester, and moved to Thompson, with her parents when she was 16 years old. She currently resides in Thompson with her husband of 21 years and two daughters. Lamontagne earned her nursing license from Windham Technical School in Willimantic.

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KIS celebrates local veterans with ceremony

Jason Bleau photos



Killingly Intermediate School student Olivia Paiva snuggles up to her father, James Paiva, during the school's Veterans Day ceremony on Nov. 10.



Allegra Plantier thanks guests for being a part of the Killingly Intermediate School Veterans Day ceremony. Plantier, who has veterans and current military service members in her family, showed plenty of emotion in her speech of gratitude.

KILLINGLY — Killingly Intermediate School celebrated Veterans Day a day early on Nov. 10, with a special ceremony acknowledging the loved ones of many of the school's students and other local soldiers of today and yesterday from throughout the community in two separate half-hour ceremonies paying honor to their service. With patriotic songs, student-read and written pieces and students escorting their veteran family members into the ceremony, the event was an inspiring and fitting tribute to those who have and continue to fight for the freedoms and futures of the KIS students and everyone in the Quiet Corner and the United States.

At right: Not all veterans are aged warriors of World War II, Korea, and Vietnam. Some are young warriors of more recent conflicts, like these two Navy veterans.



Army veterans and their student loved ones take their seats after being led into Killingly Intermediate School's auditorium for a special Veterans Day event.



He may have been the only member of the United States Coast Guard represented in the first of two ceremonies held at Killingly Intermediate School on Nov. 10 to honor local veterans, but local veteran Michael Conway represented his division of the armed forces with pride.



U.S. Marines make their march into Killingly Intermediate School's Veterans day ceremony.



A young trumpeter Lorelai Bassenaire plays taps honoring those veterans who are no longer around to be a part of local Veterans Day ceremonies.



Abigail Driscoll receives a thank you after reading her powerful poetic tribute to the men and women who fight for her freedom and the freedom of her fellow students during Killingly Intermediate School's Veterans Day celebration on Nov. 10.



Students of Killingly Intermediate School perform an inspiring rendition of the national anthem as veterans saluted the flags and loved ones covered their hearts in pride for their country.



Members of the U.S. Navy proudly march into the Killingly Intermediate School auditorium.



Pictured, seated, from left, Antone Correia, Joseph "Bob" Lefebvre, Mary and Arthur Chmura. Second row: Norman Beaupre III, Charles Mahoney, Gerry Salvias, Rep. Daniel Rovero. Back row: Administrator David T. Panteleakos, Post Commander Norman Beaupre and James Mahoney.

Westview pays tribute to veterans

DAYVILLE — With hearts of gratitude and reverence, Westview Health Care Center expressed admiration for our nation's armed forces and veterans with a military tribute on Friday, Nov. 11.

The ceremony acknowledged and commended the courage and commitment of all United States veterans, both past and present, who have selflessly served our country. Coordinated by Westview's Recreation Department and facility volunteers, the service included a Posting of Colors by members of the Albert J. Breault VFW Post 1523 of Putnam, as well as members of the Ladies Auxiliary. Chaplain Gerry Salvias delivered the event's invocation followed by an arrangement of patriotic songs, readings and patriotic expressions delivered by Mistress of Ceremonies, Renée Legendre.

"Honoring our country's veterans lies at the heart of our civic duty," said Administrator David T. Panteleakos. "Our freedom and independence is continually preserved by the sacrifice and bravery of our armed forces. We're honored to have this day to express our gratitude to those who have served our nation."

Westview veterans, including patients, residents, staff and volunteers, were formally saluted and presented with commemorative American flags from The Honorable Daniel Rovero and Post Commander Norman "Beau" Beaupre. Woodstock Academy student and bugler, Dan Crème, concluded the event with an emotive rendition of "Taps."

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QVCC honors veterans with photo exhibit

Jason Bleau photos



A special veteran photo on display in the QVCC gallery, this photo depicts Specialist Joel K. Niemann of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom who was in the first squad of men that entered Iraq in 2003 during operation Shock and Awe. Shown in the photo guarding women so they could peacefully attend college in Baghdad, today Joel attends QVCC pursuing a degree in psychology to help his fellow veterans suffering from PTSD and other combat related symptoms.

DANIELSON — While it may be called a “photo exhibit,” the display that debuted at QVCC a few days following the Veterans Day holiday is so much more than just a collection of photos. Officially called the “QV Veterans Connection Photo Exhibit” the collection of artifacts, photos, and tribute to fallen soldiers and veterans still alive today contains callbacks to World War II, the War of Terror, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and more as both women and men of the armed forces from today and yesterday are given their due attention for the sacrifices they have and continue to make for their country. The exhibit debuted at the QVCC Spirol Gallery on Nov. 14 and runs until Nov. 25, during regular school hours. Shown in this spread are just a few of the many items on display for viewers to see.



Just a handful of the many veteran photos that make up the bulk of the display in QVCC's Spirol Gallery. Leading up to the Thanksgiving holiday.



A display of documents detailing the work done to help veterans on the home front shows everything from ration books to letters from home and stamps purchased to help fund the materials needed to support troops and take on the enemy.



An Army uniform shows a more modern look for soldiers who serve the United States, but also reminds visitors that many women also fight for their country as this uniform was placed on a female mannequin. Displays paying tribute to nurses and other women who have served their country over the years in uniform are also part of the display at QVCC.



Each of these items are authentic Army issued items including dog tags, mirrors, an even a Gin Rummy scoring sheet. Many of these fascinating artifacts are available for viewing at the display at QVCC.



A very near piece of history, this America, flag, which can be seen in the top right of the frame, flew over the skies of Afghanistan on a combat mission supporting Operation Enduring Freedom for soldier George Brown.



A mannequin sports an authentic army uniform with netting used during wartime complementing the display on the background wall.



Local veterans who lost their lives in World War II are honored with their own section of the display and details of their service.

Hill Singers surprise Spinney in Putnam

PUTNAM — Woodstock Academy Hill singers surprised Carol Spinney with a rendition of “Merry Christmas Wishing Well” on Sunday, Nov. 13, at Arts and Framing in downtown Putnam, where Sundays with Spinney was taking place. The choral group, led by Amy Ranta, performed an a capella version of the Gene Gilroy song that had been recorded by Spinney himself as Big Bird. Spinney and his wife were delighted and thanked the group several times.

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POMFRET CENTER — Wildlife artist David Stumpo, from Sterling, currently has his paintings on display at the Connecticut Audubon Society Center at Pomfret. The exhibit is free. Stumpo's works, either framed originals or limited edition prints, are for sale and a portion of the proceeds benefit the Connecticut Audubon Society. The center is located at 218 Day Road in Pomfret Center and is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday through Friday and from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.



A New Day, Fledgling Robin



Autumn Ponderance

Charlie Lentz photos



Edge of the Birch, Red-tailed Hawk



Autumn Gold, White-throated Sparrow



First Snow, Blue Jay

Historic helpings for Thanksgiving

Americans have much to be thankful for, and while details of the "first" Thanksgiving are debatable, there is no denying the major role American Indians played in the lives of early settlers.

From teaching colonists to hunt turkey and deer and cultivate corn to showing them how to tap Maple syrup and cook wild cranberries, Native Americans are credited with preventing mass starvation in early settlements.

In appreciation of the American Indians' vast contributions to the dinner table, this week's column will spotlight some Thanksgiving-worthy Native American classics.

Indian Pudding: Among the most memorable of New England comfort foods, Indian Pudding is a regional dessert that frequently makes an appearance on the Thanksgiving table. The many hours required to cook the thick cornmeal and molasses custard, along with the high calories and richness of the old fashioned dish make the "once a year" dessert

worth waiting all year for.

While the sweet, steamy pudding continues to be served up as a rustic treat in fine Yankee restaurants, the traditional dish boasts a humble history.

Tracing its roots to the Colonists' love of England's "hasty pudding," Indian Pudding was made with cornmeal, which was plentiful in the New World, along with molasses and maple syrup, two common sweeteners of the day.

History reveals President John Adams and First Lady Abigail served homemade Indian Pudding at White House receptions.

Below is an old fashioned recipe, courtesy of the Plymouth Plantation kitchen:

Plymouth Plantation Slow Cooker Indian Pudding

Ingredients: Three cups whole milk; 1/2 cup cornmeal; 1/2 teaspoon table salt; two tablespoons unsalted butter, plus extra for greasing cooker; two large eggs; 1/3 cup molasses; one teaspoon cinnamon; 1/2 teaspoon gin-



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ger; 1/2 cup dried cranberries (optional); Serve with ice cream or whipped cream.

Directions: Grease the inside of your slow cooker with butter and preheat on high 15 minutes.

In a large, heavy-bottomed pot, whisk together milk, cornmeal, and salt, and bring to a boil. Continue whisking another 5 minutes; then cover and simmer on low 10 minutes. Remove from the burner and add butter.

In a medium-size bowl, combine eggs, molasses, and spices. Add some of the hot cornmeal mixture to the egg mixture to temper the eggs; then transfer egg mixture into the pot. Stir in cranberries, if you like.

Scrape batter into the slow cooker and cook on high 2 to 3

hours or on low 6 to 8 hours. The center will be not quite set.

Serve warm topped with ice cream, whipped cream, or light cream.

Cranberry Chutney & Sauce: Wild cranberries have long held an important rank in Native American culture. American Indians ate cranberries in a variety of dishes and used the bright red berries as a natural dye to color textiles. The native fruit was also hailed as valuable medicine, as a poultice of the berries was applied to wounds, including serious war injuries.

Native Americans introduced the tart berry to the settlers who gave the cranberry its current name. The pink flower blossoms on the cranberry reminded early Colonists of the Sandhill Crane in their native land, thus they called the fruit "cranberries."

Raw cranberries, which are an excellent source of Vitamin C, were also coveted by early 19th century whalers as they brought cranberries on board their vessels to prevent scurvy.

Today, cranberry sauce served

along with a traditional turkey is a much anticipated Thanksgiving Day tradition. Read on for an old fashioned homemade cranberry authentic chutney from Native American recipe files.

Cranberry Chutney, American Indian Style

Ingredients: Three cups cranberries; one dozen cored apples; one onion, sliced; one cup golden raisins; 1 1/2 tablespoons ground ginger; two ounces chili peppers; four cups apple cider vinegar; two tablespoons salt; one pound dark brown sugar; two tablespoons flour dissolved in 1/4 cup water.

Directions: In a heavy large saucepan mix together apples, onion, raisins, ginger, chilies, vinegar, salt and brown sugar. Cook over low heat for about 30 minutes. Add cranberries and flour/water mixture. Simmer until cranberries pop and mixture thickens, about ten minutes. Let set to cool and further thicken. Refrigerate after cooling.

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DANIELSON
Saturday, Nov. 5

Alexis Sanchez, 38, of 93 Cottage St. Apt. A, Danielson, was charged with violation of probation/conditional discharge.

Monday, Nov. 7

Jason Daddario, 26, from 14 Raymond Drive, Danielson, was charged with possession of heroin.

Wednesday, Nov. 9

Francheska L. Vargas-Ramos, 29, of 521 L'homme St., Danielson,

was charged with violation of protective order.

Yashira Vargas-Ramos, 30, of 34 Palmer St., Danielson, was charged with breach of peace/threatening; violation of protective order; third degree assault; second degree reckless endangerment.

BROOKLYN

Monday, Nov. 7
Christina A. Yater, 40, of 10 Front St. Apt. B, Brooklyn, was charged with third degree burglary; sixth degree larceny/theft from building.

DAYVILLE

Monday, Nov. 7

Robert Malick, 63, of 448 Hartford Pike Apt. A, Dayville, was charged with disorderly conduct.

NORTH GROSVENORDALE
Monday, Nov. 7

Scott Beaulieu, 53, of 28C Marshall St., North Grosvenordale, was charged with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence; breach of peace; interfering with an emergency call; second degree assault; threatening.

KLLINGLY

Tuesday, Nov. 8

Joseph Camacho, 30, of 120 Franklin St, was charged with interfering with an officer: simple assault.

Edmund L. Foular, 62, of 41 Hubbard Hill Road Apt. A, Killingly, was charged with driving under the influence of drugs/alcohol; failure to drive in proper lane of multiple lane highway.

WOODSTOCK
Tuesday, Nov. 8

Kathryn Mary Larose, 48, of 83 Kenyonville Road, Woodstock, was charged with failure to respond—payable violation.

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Nov. 6
Elisha Adams, 33, of 6B Ballouville Rd., Dayville, was charged with operating under the influence, failure to drive right

Nov. 10

Jennifer Duquette, 38, of 77B Van Den Noort St., of Putnam, was charged with disorderly conduct

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Remembering our veterans

Veterans Day was celebrated recently. This year, it landed on the calendar soon after the Presidential election. Given all of the excitement and tumult that embodied the election, it was easy to miss Veterans Day. Yet, it is a very important holiday.

It began in 1938 as Armistice Day, recognizing Germany's surrender in 1918 at the end of World War I (the "war to end all wars") at the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month. This was before America's involvement in the cataclysm of World War II and its pre-eminent rise as a world super-power.

Efforts in 1945 were made to create a holiday in order to remember all veterans, not just those who had served in World War I. Nine years later, in 1954, Congress enacted a name change of Armistice Day to Veterans Day, with President Eisenhower's strong support (a veteran himself).

My reason for writing each year a Veterans Day article is to remind all of us why there is a Veterans Day holiday in the first place. Over the years, many Americans have forgotten the holiday's true significance. It is a day of remembering somberly, honoring fully, and celebrating proudly our veterans.

Veterans Day and Memorial Day are the only two holidays during which America officially honors those who have served in the armed forces and those who have died in military service. However, every day should be a day for us to remember not only those who over the years and generations have served our country, but those who are doing so right now. This is no more poi-

gnant than as America is still engaged in military actions of all kinds and has men and women in uniform stationed around the world in places familiar and unfamiliar, friendly and unfriendly, near and far.

Our veterans and soldiers may not ask for recognition. We may know little about what they have done and are doing as we focus on our own busy lives. But, such does not diminish the gratitude we owe them. Whether or not we agree with military policies or actions, we all agree that we must continue to support the men and women in uniform who voluntarily stand on sentry (there is no mandatory draft, after all) to protect us from those who continuously intend us harm - 9/11 and the ongoing security threats not being forgotten.

Think about how precious our liberty is and how many people elsewhere do not have it. We are free to vote in elections, as evidenced by the elections just held in towns here in northeastern Connecticut and communities all across America. When there are differences among us, including strong opinions about who won and who lost the recent Presidential election, Americans do not settle things through military coups d'etat and government overthrows. Rather, we abide by legitimate election results and by the courts adjudicating the rule of law. We support the rights of people to speak their minds, to assemble with others in places of their own choosing, to follow their individual religious and personal beliefs, to live their own lives as they best see fit, and to petition their government for change

through the legislative process.

How often we take for granted the rights outlined in the Declaration of Independence, the Bill of Rights, and the Constitution. Each time I have been to Washington, D.C., I have been in awe seeing and reading in person these documents in the National Archives Museum. As world history and even U.S. history have shown - and current world events still remind us every day - such freedoms do not exist by themselves. They require people to defend them at all times. Until there is a day that we can truly and realistically beat all swords into plowshares, then our country must make both swords and plowshares. We must invest smartly in our military and we must think wisely and carefully before we put American soldiers in harm's way.

Veterans Day is more than just a sole reminder of our fellow Americans in the armed forces. It is also a reminder that a civil society is neither civil nor a society if there are only some rights for some people some of the time or some rights for some people being under threat or diminished. We all must do our part to keep strong all of our rights and liberties for all American citizens all of the time.

My own words do not dare come anywhere near the eloquence of the 16th President, Abraham Lincoln, when in 1863 at the Gettysburg battlefield he said, "we can not dedicate, we can not consecrate, we can not hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to

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add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here.

It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth".

Veterans Day, like Memorial Day, reminds us that there is never ending work to keep secure and free our ways of life. That men and women in uniform, ready to defend us all, are always needed.

For those veterans who are passed on - you are remembered. For those veterans who are among us and for those who are serving now - thank you.

Dr. Jeffrey A. Gordon is Chairman of Woodstock's Planning and Zoning Commission and is the President of the Connecticut State Medical Society. This article does not reflect any official statement of these organizations. Check out www.JeffreyGordon.com for more info and articles.

Political memorabilia

Now that our presidential race is over, I thought this would be a good time to discuss collecting political memorabilia.

A good place to begin is with our first president. A collection of 37 George Washington inaugural and memorial buttons drew considerable interest when they went to auction in 2003.

J. Harold Cobb started collecting Washington buttons in the 1950's. He had over 60 at one point before trading some while keeping the finest examples. One of the buttons had an interesting Massachusetts connection. In the 1940's a library was being renovated in Southampton. A tree limb was cut during the work. A bag fell out with five Washington buttons.



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One of them made its way into the Cobb collection. A button with "Pater Patriae" (father of our country) picturing George Washington brought the highest price at the auction selling for \$25,300.

Innovation changed political memorabilia throughout history. The introduction of photography allowed images of candidates to appear on buttons and pins. Printing went from one color ink broadsides to brightly colored campaign flags, textiles and lithographed posters. Candidates would make use of all of the new advances to campaign. Prices for some pinbacks and posters of presidents from the 19th and early 20th century can easily fetch prices in the thousands of dollars.

Signed documents by George Washington and Abraham Lincoln can command figures in the five-figure range. If there is important historical content prices can go much higher.

The website justcollecting.com listed the top 10 prices for U.S. Presidential memorabilia at auction. They are:

10. Abraham Lincoln's inaugural speech sold for \$1,320,000 at auction in 1992.

9. A letter by Thomas Jefferson regarding plans for the Lewis and Clark expedition letter sold for \$1,439,500 in a 2002 auction.

8. A letter by George Washington written to John Armstrong regarding the Constitution brought \$1,439,500 in 2013.

7. Saddle pistols owned by the Marquis de Lafayette and George Washington fetched \$1,986,000 in a 2002 auction.

6. Abraham Lincoln's final speech from just four

days before his death in 1865 reached \$3,086,000 in a 2002 auction.

5. A letter by George Washington to his nephew regarding the proposal of a new U.S. Constitution brought \$3,218,500 in a 2009 auction.

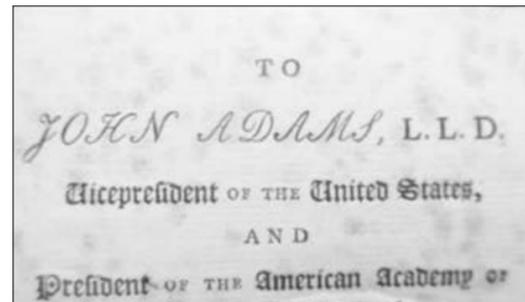
4. An 1864 letter by Abraham Lincoln to Mrs. Horace Mann discussing a petition asking him to free slave children sold for \$3,401,000 in 2008.

3. The handwritten manuscript from Abraham Lincoln's victory speech was auctioned for \$3,442,500 in 2009.

2. A typed copy of Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation freeing all slaves resulted in a price of \$3,778,500 in a 2010 auction.

1. George Washington's copy of the Constitution and Bill of Rights with annotations in his hand sold for \$9,826,500.

One of the items featured in our January auction has connections to one of our first presidents and a local



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A 1793 "History of Worcester County" dedicated to John Adams in our January auction.

patriot. "The History of the County of Worcester in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts" was written by Peter Whitney in 1793. The book is dedicated to Vice President John Adams (before he became president) and was published by Isaiah Thomas who published the pro-independence Massachusetts Spy newspaper.

We are holding an estate sale on Nov. 19, and Nov. 20, at St. Nicholas Ave. in Worcester. It will feature pressed steel toys and a wide variety of collectibles, tools and furnishings.

Some of the items in our Jan. 26 auction range from coins and jewelry to historical and sports memorabilia. We continue to pickup items from local estates for this sale. See www.centralmassauctions.com for more information on these and other upcoming events.

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Succotash: Corn was a staple crop of American Indians and they prided themselves on cooking it many different ways. Succotash, of which corn is a main ingredient, is a simple yet delicious dish that is familiar to most folks of Native American descent. The hearty "stew" typically consists of corn, beans, and sweet peppers. The low cost and relatively easy access to homegrown ingredients made this common fare at Thanksgiving time and all year round.

Succotash Stew

Ingredients: Four ears of fresh sweet corn; four cups of fresh lima beans (frozen

may be substituted); 1 1/2 cups of water; 1/2 cup butter; 1 1/2 cups of sliced green onions; one green and one red bell pepper, diced

Directions: Cut corncobs into 1 1/2 inch lengths. Place corn, beans, water, and butter in a large saucepan. Salt and pepper to taste. Cover and bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat to medium-low and simmer for 10 minutes. Stir in onions and peppers and continue to simmer for 6 to 10 minutes, until beans are tender and peppers are slightly tender. Remove lid and cook over high heat for 3 to 4 minutes, until liquid is reduced to about a half cup.

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Nov. 8
A son was born to Andrew Ladzinski and wife Autumn Kelly Marie Bowers, of Central Village

Raceway Golf Club acquires Melody Hill

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Quinebaug Valley perseveres for first home win

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

PUTNAM — The Quinebaug Valley Pride lost starters at 18 of 22 positions from last year’s roster so this football season figured to be as much about perseverance as wins and losses. Coach Joe Asermelly knew his team’s character would be tested — and it was — with seven losses over the first eight games.

“We’re such a society of instant gratification,” Asermelly said. “We live in such a kind of microwave society that wants victory now. After one week it didn’t come. And after two weeks it didn’t come . . .”

The Pride had yet to win a home game when they played host to Wilcox Tech last Friday. Patience and dedication were repaid in full on Senior Night at St. Marie-Greenhalgh Complex as Quinebaug Valley scored a 33-0 victory over the Indians — with bonus points for perseverance.

“It speaks to the character of the players. It speaks to the quality coaches that I get to work with — individually they were taking kids aside and just encouraging them and improving them,” Asermelly said. “I’m really proud of the group we have. I’m happy to take the field with them against anybody.”

A record of two wins and seven losses after nine games was no indication of how the coach judged his team.

“It’s been a very successful season in the sense of how dedicated we were to getting better,” Asermelly said. “The goal is to get better every week and they’ve proven tonight that they did that.”

The Pride seized momentum with the help of a turnover. Quinebaug Valley capped a 40-yard drive with Connor Monahan’s three-yard touchdown run with 1:58 left in the first quarter. Just 19 seconds later, Jacob Talbot returned an interception 28 yards for a touchdown to help push the Pride’s lead to 14-0 with 1:39 left in the first quarter.

“It felt great, really got us going,” said Talbot of his pick-six. “I’ve been watching a lot of film. I saw the way (Wilcox’s receiver) was standing. I knew that play was going to come.”

Asermelly said Talbot and his teammates have stayed focused.

“Yes, our record is down, the number of wins are down. But our attitude’s up. Our underclassmen enrollment is up. Our practices are up,” Asermelly said. “We’re upbeat. Our investment and our work ethic is up. Obviously this really puts an exclamation point on things tonight, send our seniors off in such a way. What’s exciting is Jacob (Talbot) was one of the guys tonight but I’ve got a whole group in that locker room. I think they’re going to be a special group as we roll into Thanksgiving, and next year, and the year after.”

The win at home was long awaited but the Pride were determined.

“We’ve worked hard. These kids, they’re my brothers, I love them,” said Talbot, a junior. “We deserved this win.” He said the Pride never gave up on themselves.

“We love the sport. Every guy on this team loves this sport. There’s no ifs, ands, or buts about it,” Talbot said.

Talbot and the underclassmen wanted to make Senior Night special.

“It’s for them, the seniors tonight,” said Talbot. “They’ve been putting in the work all four years. They deserved

this win — they put in all the work for us so we gave them the work back.”

Talbot finished with two interceptions and the Pride forced seven turnovers (six interceptions and one fumble recovery). Sophomore Jeff Reed also made two interceptions and junior Dakota Ciccarella and sophomore Jamie Talbot each had one pickoff.

“It was huge to get those turnovers,” Asermelly said. “Jacob Talbot, I’ve seen him make that play in practice, shows the hard work and time he puts in with film.”

Quinebaug Valley added a 13-yard touchdown run by Will McGlynn (154 yards on 20 carries) with 4:53 left in the second quarter and led 20-0 at halftime. Monahan ran for three-yard score in the third quarter and Talbot rushed three yards for a touchdown with 8:20 left in the game to complete the scoring.

The loss dropped Wilcox Tech’s record to 0-8. Quinebaug Valley (2-7) has a bye this weekend and plays host to Killingly High on Thanksgiving Day — when turkeys feed the need for instant gratification — although the Pride are resisting the microwave society one practice at a time.

“There’s two outcomes. There’s the wins and losses and then there’s the relationship outcomes,” Asermelly said. “Right now I’m so proud of the relationship that these guys have in that locker room with each other. I think any one of these guys would sell out for the guy next to him.”

Relationships were rewarded last Friday night.

“You’re battling uphill, uphill, uphill — week after week,” Asermelly said. “And then you get there and you get to enjoy the view from the top of the hill.”

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DAYVILLE — The Redmen defeated Fitch (3-6) at Killingly High on Nov. 11 to lift their record to 8-1. Killingly has a bye this weekend and will travel to Quinebaug Valley on Thanksgiving Day.

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Quinebaug Valley’s Adrian Casiano picks up 15 yards on a reception midway through the second quarter against Wilcox Tech last Friday night.

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Quinebaug	14	6	6-7-33
First Quarter			
Q — Connor Monahan 3 run (pass failed) 1:58			
Q — Jacob Talbot 28 interception return (Talbot run) 1:39			
Second Quarter			
Q — Will McGlynn 13 run (kick failed) 4:53			
Third Quarter			
Q — Monahan 3 run (kick failed) 6:45			
Fourth Quarter			
Q — Talbot 3 run (Thomas Ellis kick) 8:20			
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First Downs	7	15	
Rushes-yards	38-141	33-203	
Passing	30	45	
Sacked-yds lost	1-7	1-12	
Comp-Att-Int	6-18-5	5-13-1	
Punts-Avg.	1-49	2-23	
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0	
Penalties-Yards	10-85	5-30	
Individual Statistics			
RUSHING-W: Derek Gendreau 1-2; Steven Ortiz 3-16; Aden Valentin 13-81; Jacob Conte 10-20; Devario Reid 10-22; Mykal Dingle 1-0. Q: Josh Dodd 2-3; McGlynn 20-154, TD; Monahan 6-33, 2 TD; Jacob Talbot 4-10, TD; Malaki Fitzgerald 1-3.			
PASSING-W: Gendreau 6-18-6 for 30 yards. Q: Dodd 5-13-1 for 45 yards.			
RECEIVING-W: Aden Valentin 4-16; Izaia Valentin 1-13; Conte 1-1. Q: Jeff Reed 2-13; Adrian Casiano 1-15; Thomas Ellis 1-12; Jamie Talbot 1-5.			

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Killingly knocks off Foran in 2nd round of states

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

DAYVILLE — Never in the 12-year history of its volleyball program had Killingly played host to a Class M Tournament second-round game — until they took on Foran on Nov. 9. When Foran fought back from a 2-0 set deficit to capture the third set and then tied the fourth at 22-22 — the Redgals proved there's no place like home.

"We knew we really wanted to finish it in the fourth set because we were running on fumes," said Killingly coach Dan Vogt. "Having that home crowd probably helped us win today because that energy they kept pushing into us really helped us. If we're on the road today maybe we don't win."

After Foran threatened to push their hosts to five sets — Killingly showed them the door by capturing the fourth set 25-22 to win the match 3-1. Set scores were 26-24, 25-11, 19-25, 25-22.

"We were giving 110 percent out there so I think if it went to a fifth set we would have been a little exhausted," said Killingly junior outside hitter Ally Conde. "So I'm really glad we gave everything we had in that fourth set and that's what pushed us to win."

The victory lifted fifth-seeded Killingly's record to 20-4 and advanced the Redgals to a Class M quarterfinal match at fourth-seeded Northwestern. It was the first time in program history Killingly reached the state quarterfinals.

After Killingly dropped the third set to Foran 25-19, the Redgals fell behind 4-0 to open the fourth set and Vogt called timeout.

"At that time I just said 'Ladies, that's it. That's the run they have. It's our time to settle back. We have the home court. Let's those mistakes go,'" Vogt said.

The fourth set was tight and tied at 6-6, 7-7, 9-9, 15-15, 16-16, 21-21, and 22-22 — with Killingly led 18-17 in the fourth set when Conde notched three kills and three service points down the stretch and served out the match with an ace to give Killingly the win. The loss ended No.-21 seed Foran's season at 11-11.

"We became determined to win in four sets," Conde said. "We did not want to go to five. I wanted to leave every-

thing on the court for my teammates. This game was so huge to me and I'm glad I was able to help my team win."

Conde finished with 19 kills, 10 service points including five aces, 10 digs, and five blocks. Reilly Allen had 13 digs, nine service points, five kills, and one block. Meredith Zamperini made 24 assists and had seven digs. Reagan Morin made 10 digs and notched four kills.

The win over Foran was the first time Killingly had won a second-round game in the state tournament. The run in states follows Killingly's first-ever league title in the Eastern Connecticut Conference Division II this season.

"It's just been special from the get-go. And what's nice is this group of girls is just a phenomenal group of girls. It's not just that we're succeeding on the court but this is a group that is tight. We have outstanding students, four of my six starters are in the National Honor Society, they do things the right way," Vogt said. "They just are representing this school and I could not be more proud."

Conde was proud to play — and win — a second-round state tourney game at Killingly High for the first time in program history. It's been said there's no place like home.

"We were so pumped to have a home state game because we worked all season for it," Conde said. "And the fact that it was the second round of states, and Killingly has never won the second round of states — so we just made history."

Northwestern 3, Killingly 0
WINCHESTER — Killingly's ride in the Class M Tournament ended at Northwestern Regional last Friday, Nov. 11. Northwestern swept the Redgals in the quarterfinals 25-14, 25-17, 26-24. The loss ended Killingly's season with 20 wins and five losses, the most victories in the 12-year history of the school's varsity program. For Killingly, Ally Conde had 12 kills, seven digs, and six blocks, Reagan Morin had five kills, and Abby Laseter had nine digs. The win lifted Northwestern's record to 19-2.

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Killingly's Reilly Allen, left, defends the net against Foran's Leah Teller on Nov. 9 at Killingly High.

Sheehan ousts Woodstock from Class L tourney

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
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WOODSTOCK — Nineteen games worth of work was reduced to five penalty kicks for Woodstock Academy last Friday in the second round of the Class L Girls Soccer Tournament. After a scoreless 80 minutes of regulation and another 20 minutes of overtime — Sheehan High's Julia Podchaiski rammed home the final penalty kick to give the Titans a 4-3 shootout win over the Centaurs at Bentley Athletic Complex.

"A tough way to go out," said Woodstock coach Dennis Snelling. "But the game has to end and it has to be decided like that."

In the shootout Woodstock went first as the teams alternated penalty kicks. Kiara Ballou, Kennedy Davignon, and Jessica Semancik each scored goals for the Centaurs over five rounds.

Over the first four shootout rounds for Sheehan, Grace Waldron, Kelsey Burr, and Riley Konopski each tallied goals. With the shootout knotted at 3-3 and Woodstock already finished with its five shots — Sheehan's Julia Podchaiski buried the Titans final PK to end eighth-seeded Woodstock's season at 13-4-2. Ninth-seeded Sheehan lifted its record to 12-2-3 and advanced to the quarterfinal round against 17th-seeded Farmington (9-6-3). Farmington upset top-seeded RHAM 1-0 in second-round competition.

In regulation play and overtime Woodstock led 13-6 in shots and 7-1 in corner kicks. Although Woodstock dominated possession the Centaurs did not generate enough good scoring chances.

"We played how we wanted to play. We showed that we were good enough to be here," Snelling said. "We were better than them for most of the game, didn't give up but a few chances to them. We just didn't score."

Chilly temperatures and brisk wind gusts made controlling offensive runs sometimes difficult for both teams.

"The wind was a factor for everybody," Snelling said. "I would say their defense held



Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock's Kiara Ballou moves past Sheehan's Kelsey Burr last Friday at Bentley Athletic Complex.

strong and didn't give us any easy chances."

Sheehan coach Rob Huelsman said penalty kicks were a necessary evil in tournament play.

"It's unfortunate because both teams tonight played well — I kind of looked at Woodstock, they only allowed 11 goals during the season, we allowed 13 — I knew it was going to go right down to the end," Huelsman said. "The game was either going to be decided on a mistake defensively or PK's. It came down to PK's. I'm telling you, the goalkeepers on both sides were very good today."

Goalkeeper Kaitlin Lagase made 11 saves for Sheehan in regulation and overtime. Irene Askitis made four saves for Woodstock.

Neither team could score

after 100 minutes of soccer in the second round of the Class L Tournament last Friday. So with darkness falling on Bentley Athletic Complex — and after 19 games — Woodstock's season was reduced to five penalty kicks.

"The game just has to end," Snelling said. "That's why they do it."

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Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock's Kennedy Davignon gets a foot on the ball against Sheehan last Friday.

RHAM knocks Centaurs out of tourney

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

HEBRON — RHAM is the acronym for the regional high school of Hebron, Andover, and Marlborough — it also also stands for volleyball excellence. The Sachems have won state championships in five out of the last nine seasons. So there were few regrets for Woodstock Academy after the RHAM knocked the Centaurs out in the second round of the Class L Volleyball Tournament on Nov. 10.

“Like I told the girls at the end, I’d rather lose to the best team in the state than a team that’s equal or less — a team that we should beat,” said Woodstock coach Adam Bottone. “While you’re never happy with a loss, I’m OK with it. I wish we had reduced the amount of errors we had — certainly made (RHAM’s) life a lot easier.”

Second-seeded RHAM won in straight sets 25-5, 25-12, 25-19 to lift its record to 18-1. The loss ended 18th-seeded Woodstock Academy’s season at 11-12.

Woodstock did not go down without a fight although the Sachems dominated the first two sets and sprang to a 9-2 lead in the third set. Trailing 9-2, Woodstock battled back to tie the third set at 12-12 and led 17-16 before RHAM powered back to take the match. Before the rally in the third set Bottone reminded his players that they had beaten a tough Avon team in five sets on Oct. 27.

“They were kind of a little, I think, taken aback at the beginning with the power that RHAM has, with their hitters,” Bottone said. “But we talked about ‘Where’s that team when we played Avon, the passion and the desire?’ They kind of bought back into that and started fighting really hard. They’re definitely fighters.”

Woodstock junior outside hitter Caroline Eaton



Charlie Lentz photo

Woodstock’s Colleen Solitro makes a hit against RHAM on Nov. 10.

was proud the Centaurs rallied in the third set.

“I definitely think our team has a lot of fight,” Eaton said. “Our team has a lot of heart and passion in the game. We all love volleyball and I think we went out on a fighting note in that third set.”

Eaton acknowledged RHAM was a tough opponent and the Centaurs would be working for another run in the state tourney next season.

“I think a lot of us are playing off-season including me this year,” Eaton said. “And I think we’re going to come back really strong.”

Bottone hoped the underclassmen would learn from the loss.

“Like I told the young-

er girls, looking to the future, there’s things we have to clean up, things we have to do better,” Bottone said. “Today was kind of a good lesson of that sinking in. If you want to be really good like RHAM is, there’s certain things you’ve got to do and execute.”

The seniors who played their final game included Roxanne Garceau, Clara Sarantopolous, Shaylor Scranton, Audrey Chase, Colleen Solitro, and Kendyll Smith.

Solitro was an opposite hitter.

“(Solitro) was kind of the floor leader, the most aggressive mindset and attitude, willing to get after any ball, sacrifice for the team,” Bottone said. “She wasn’t afraid

to hit the floor and make things happen. She also had a pretty effective serve. She’s the person who usually started serving for us in every set.”

Garceau was a defensive specialist.

“(Garceau) is somebody we relied on for serving and going in and playing solid defense,” Bottone said.

Sarantopolous was a middle hitter.

“First year of really playing a lot of varsity,” said Bottone of Sarantopolous. “She got thrown into the starting lineup. We don’t utilize our middles a lot, she embraced that concept and helped us wherever she could.”

Scranton was also a middle hitter and was

selfless like Sarantopolous.

“Same thing with Shaylor Scranton, who was also another middle for us, same boat as Clara,” Bottone said. “Shaylor was also an effective server.”

Chase was injured early in the season and that limited her playing time.

“(Chase) didn’t play a whole lot for us but she was good for us with taking stats and helping us figure some things out when we needed to,” Bottone said.

Smith was a defensive specialist.

“(Smith) didn’t get to play a lot. She’s got a torn shoulder. So her playing was limited,” Bottone said. “But again, a great teammate cheering on,

really supporting the other girls.”

His seniors fostered the camaraderie that’s usually the main ingredient of any team’s chemistry — and there would be no regrets after the second round of the Class L Tournament.

“They’re a big part of what the program is,” Bottone said. “They kind of set the culture in an acceptance way, they kind of embraced everybody and there was a true sense of family with this team. And that came from what they set as a standard — so they’ll definitely be missed.”

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Putnam girls fall in Class S tournament



Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam goalie Megan Sessums deflects a shot by Terryville’s Jenna Covello on Nov. 9.

BY CHARLIE LENTZ
VILLAGER SPORTS EDITOR

PUTNAM — Perhaps Putnam High wasn’t as sharp after earning a first-round bye, but more likely it was the right foot of Terryville High’s Jenna Covello — in any case the combination was lethal to the Clippers in the Class S Girls Soccer Tournament. Covello scored three goals to help the Kangaroos hop past Putnam 5-1 in the second round of the tourney at St. Marie-Greenhalgh Complex on Nov. 9.

Terryville was coming off a 5-0 win in a first-round game over HMTCA on Nov. 7 and forced the action against a sluggish Putnam team early on.

“We thought the extra day of

rest would give our bodies some time to recover from some injuries,” said Putnam coach Molly Panteleakos. “We did come out flat so maybe playing a game on Monday (Nov. 7) would have kept us a little more sharp for today.”

The loss ended sixth-seeded Putnam’s season at 13-4-2. Eleventh-seeded Terryville lifted its record to 13-5-0 and advanced it to the tourney quarterfinals to face 14th-seed Bolton (11-7). Covello scored three goals and Makayla Descault and Lindsey Hotchkiss each added one goal for the Kangaroos. Jaidyn Gillette scored the lone goal for Putnam midway through the second half after Terryville

built a 5-0 cushion.

The Kangaroos took a 1-0 lead on Descault’s goal at 21:11 of the first half. The early goal allowed Terryville to pack its defense.

“The four in the back that they played, they positioned so well, and their center-mids were positioned so well we couldn’t break it,” Panteleakos said. “After they scored that goal (by Descault) we couldn’t penetrate. We couldn’t get our through balls. They played solid ‘D.’”

The Clippers could not gain enough quality opportunities although they outshot the Kangaroos 10-8.

“We couldn’t piece the puzzle together today. Terryville’s got some solid players,” Panteleakos said.

Covello was fast and skilled and led the Kangaroos’ attack.

“(Covello) can shoot from anywhere,” Panteleakos said. “She takes quick turns. She’s great on the dribble with the ball. She’s great off the ball. We couldn’t keep up with her speed and we just got caught ball watching a lot and not watching the runs behind us and she capitalized on them.”

Putnam goalkeeper Megan Sessums made three saves. Terryville goalkeeper Maria Cesare made eight saves. Terryville led 5-1 in corner kicks. This was the second-straight season Terryville eliminated Putnam from the tourney, the Kangaroos defeated Putnam 1-0 in the Class S playoffs year.

The loss to Terryville couldn’t mar Putnam’s season. The Clippers captured the championship of the Constitution State Conference with a 2-1 over Capital Prep in the title game on Nov. 5.

“It never feels good to be knocked out of a tournament but it can’t take away from what they accomplished this



Charlie Lentz photo

Putnam’s Morgan Foucault, left, tries to get past by Terryville’s Amy Roqi on Nov. 9.

season,” Panteleakos said. “They beat a lot of good teams. We won the conference tournament. We have a lot to be proud of and look back on. We’re going to learn from this. We’re going to take this loss and we’re just going to apply it to next season and look forward.”

Putnam senior midfielder Saige Morin broke her leg last year midway through her junior season. She rehabbed furiously to return for her senior season and the loss to Terryville in her final game was a tough end to her comeback.

“We tried our best. We did what we could do so I’m very proud of my team,” Morin said. “I didn’t think I’d be able to play my senior year. I’m glad I pushed myself the way I did and I’m glad my team pushed me to better myself. I was able to get back on the field and finish the season off with them. I hope they do really good next year and I’m excited to see how they do.”

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OBITUARIES

Howard A. Budd, 49



EASTFORD — Howard A. Budd, 49, went to meet his Savior face to face on Nov. 10, after fighting his battle with appendix cancer.

Howard was born Jan. 12, 1967, and lived his entire life in Eastford. He was a 1985 graduate of Steadfast Christian Academy. Howard worked as a mechanic, tow truck driver and parts manager for Bowen's Garage of Eastford for 28 years. He was a member of the Eastford Planning Commission, and a cooperater of the Grove Cemetery Association.

Howard loved to collect and restore John Deere garden tractors, play volleyball, and was a Lego enthusiast, but he especially enjoyed working to create metal art out of recycled materials under the name "Putt Putt's Projects."

Howard served faithfully as a trustee at Eastford Baptist Church and was greatly impacted by the two missions trips to El Salvador that he took with fellow church members. He loved to create the signs and backdrops for Vacation Bible School and serve oth-

ers in any way he was able, guided by his life verse of Colossians 3:17: "And whatever you do, in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus."

Howard went on to Heaven surrounded by his loving family who will desperately miss him. He leaves in God's loving care his wife of 28 years, Jacquelin (Buell), and his three greatest pieces of art, Rachael (Woodstock), Julia (Woodstock) and John Hayden (Eastford). He also leaves behind his mother Jane, brothers Jonathan, and his wife, Kirsten; and Lincoln, and his wife Rachel, all from Eastford, a sister Elizabeth Corbett, and husband, William, of Enfield. Equally blessed by his life were his in-laws; John and Joan Buell, Jennifer and Josh Barlow, all from Eastford, and Joy and John Osterhout, of Poughkeepsie, N.Y. In addition to numerous nieces and nephews were his "shop buddies," who will miss his friendship deeply.

Memorial gifts may be made to Eastford Baptist Church Memorial Fund, 133 Union Road, Eastford, CT 06242, or NECT Cancer Fund at DKH, Development Department, P.O. Box 632, Putnam, CT 06260.

Kathleen P. Johnson, 68



DANIELSON -- Kathleen Priscilla Harvey Johnson, 68, of Main Street died Wednesday at home. She was the wife of Alfred E. Johnson Jr, who predeceased her.

Born in Providence Rhode Island, September 4, 1948, she was the youngest child of Holton O. Harvey and Therese M. (Chenail) Harvey. She had been a longtime resident of Foster, Rhode Island before moving to Chepachet in 1992. She moved to Danielson in 2009.

She was an Assistant Librarian at Rhode Island Junior College as well as a Teller at People's Bank in Smithfield, Rhode Island. She truly enjoyed her time as an Activities Director at Oak Crest Nursing Home in North Scituate, Rhode Island, where she connected with the residents through crafting and community. She worked at Walmart in Cranston Rhode Island for seven years before her retirement. Kathy spent a lifetime as an avid genealogist, researching and weaving together the histories of her own and others' families. She also spent much of her time as a prolific crafter, especially enamored of knitting and needlework.

Kathy was survived by her broth-

er William C. Harvey of Harrisville, Rhode Island, her son Donn H. Johnson of Danielson, and her daughter Laura Taylor (Brian) of Danielson. She was the beloved "Stepmonster" to Therese (Bill) Chalko of East Providence, Rhode Island and Tracy Johnson Olivieri (Mario) of Providence, Rhode Island. She also leaves behind a number of nieces and nephews, she was especially close to her nieces Janet Seffens and Penny Bowyer who reside in Florida.

She was predeceased by her siblings Holton O., Frederick C., John E., George D., Edgar A., Carol A. Harvey and Teresa Lowell.

Kathy dearly loved her grandchildren, Elizabeth Johnson and her wife, Brook, Christopher Johnson, Amanda Johnson and Kimberly Johnson all of Jacksonville Florida; Rory Taylor, Elodie Taylor, Caelan Taylor, Seamus Taylor, Finnegan Taylor and Penelope Taylor of Danielson; Christopher Lusignan and Nicholas Lusignan of East Providence, Rhode Island.

Services will be held at a later date, when the family is able to gather together to celebrate her life. In lieu of flowers please send donations to support: Ronald McDonald House of Providence, 45 Gay Street, Providence RI 02905. Tillinghast Funeral Home, 433 Main St., Danielson, is in charge of arrangements.

Ronald Joseph Nault, 59



T A U N T O N , MASSACHUSETTS - Ronald Joseph Nault, 59, of West Britannia St., passed away unexpectedly in his home on Tuesday, November 8. Born on October 28, 1957, he was the

son of Johanne Elizabeth Madden and Eugene Oscar Nault of Brookline,

Massachusetts. He is survived by his daughters Felicity Lynn Nault of Brooklyn, Brittany Elizabeth Nault of Danielson, his sister and brother-in-law Paula & Bruce Peaslee of Raynham, Massachusetts, brother Eugene Nault of Rhode Island, as well as many cousins, extended family and friends. A gathering was held for family and friends on November 12 in his honor. He will be dearly missed.

A calling hour will be Friday, November 18, 2016 from 10 to 11 AM with a Service at 11 AM at Gagnon and Costello Funeral Home, 33 Reynolds Street, Danielson, burial to follow in Westfield Cemetery, Danielson. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Team Katalina GoFundMe. Katalina Litchfield is a close friend and honorary grandchild to Beverly. Katalina suffers from a rare immunodeficiency disorder that incurs devastating medical expenses for her family. Donations can be made at gofundme.com/s9svc2k. Share a memory at www.gagnonandcostellofh.com

Beverly T. Swanson, 73



DAYVILLE -- Beverly T. Swanson, 73, of Dayville died unexpectedly on November 7, 2016 at Day Kimball Hospital in Putnam. Beloved wife of Dennis Swanson, they were married October 4,

1959. She was born July 23, 1943, in Providence, Rhode Island, to Joseph and Emilia (Gaudette) Tremblay.

Beverly was a devoted wife and mother. She would help all who were in need. Beverly had great love for all children. She enjoyed family barbecues poolside in the summer.

She leaves her husband of 57 years Dennis, children Donald Swanson and his wife Sheila of Dayville, Michael Swanson and his wife Jackie of California, Clifford Swanson of Nebraska, siblings Shirley Hart of Wauregan, Roger Tremblay and his wife Sharon of Brooklyn, Cindy

Fechner of Nebraska, grandchildren Lisa Roy, Jennifer Anderson, Amanda Adams, Kaylee Swanson, Dillon Swanson, Christine Zylstra, Danny Swanson, Jeremy Swanson, Courtney Dickes, and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by a son Johnny Ray Swanson and siblings Gloria Buss, Barbara Mariotti and Leo Tremblay.

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Wallace D. Salisbury, 94



PLAINFIELD -- Wallace D. Salisbury, 94, passed away on November 12. Born June 6, 1922, Wallace was the son of Wallace J. and Fanny Salisbury. He lived most of his life in Plainfield, and was a 1941 graduate of Plainfield High School.

In 1946 Wallace married Elaine Ducat of Moosup, to whom he was married for 65 years, and who predeceased him in 2011. Wallace is survived by 6 children: Linda Long (Richard) of East Killingly, Robert Salisbury (Lana) of Sterling, Wallace Salisbury Jr. (Cheryl) of Moosup, Lloyd Salisbury (Adele Tarkowski) of Moosup, Rodney Salisbury (Valerie Molnar) of Canterbury and Paul Salisbury (Lisa) of Plainfield. He is also survived by 9 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Ella.

Wallace enlisted in the US Navy in 1941 and proudly served as Sonarman 1st Class during World War II. He was assigned to the Navy destroyer ships USS Mugford and USS Anthony in the Asiatic Pacific Theater. These ships, as members of the Pacific Fleet, helped to provide shore bombardment and support for the initial landing of marines on Japanese held islands including Bougainville, Rabaul, Saipan, Tinian and Guam. He served his country with distinction and considered it a privilege to be among the first American sailors to put ashore in

the port of Nagasaki, Japan at the war's end.

Wallace was employed by Metropolitan Insurance Company for 22 years and spoke fondly of serving the people of Plainfield and surrounding towns in that capacity. Previous employment included The American Screw Company of Willimantic.

Wallace had many hobbies and abilities. He was willing and able to tackle a wide variety of household repairs and carpentry projects. He enjoyed keeping horses and was a former member of the L and G Riding Club. He was a member of the Packerville Baptist Church, where he served faithfully as Sunday school superintendent for many years. He also served on various town committees throughout the years, was a lifetime member of the VFW, and enjoyed camping, hunting, gardening and visiting with family under the pines at the family homestead which he maintained well into his 90s.

Funeral Services will be held on November 22 at 10:30am at the Packerville Baptist Church, 228 Packerville Road in Plainfield. Interment with military honors will follow in the Packerville Church cemetery. Relatives and friends are welcome at the service, the interment and at the reception to be held at the Plainfield VFW immediately following interment. To leave an online condolence please visit tillinghastfh.com

Richard Orrin Gogan, 67



DANIELSON - Richard (Ricky) Orrin Gogan, 67, of Danielson, passed away peacefully on November 13. Ricky served in the United States Army during The Vietnam War. He had a love

for collecting and building model cars. He also enjoyed fishing. He was born February 18, 1949 in Clinton, Massachusetts. Preceded in death by his mother Marjorie Gogan. He is survived by his son Richard S. Gogan (Monica), daughter Pamela Jenkins

(Kyle), siblings,

Beverly Hillman, Robert Gogan, Gary Gogan and Patricia Smith and his grandchildren, Wesley Gogan, Braeden and Emma Jenkins. He is also survived by his former wife Joan Grocki. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, November 19, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Moosup Masonic Lodge, 69 Prospect Street, Moosup. To leave an online condolence please visit tillinghastfh.com

Michael Michaud, 56



DAYVILLE - Michael Michaud, 56 of Dayville, beloved son, brother, uncle and friend, passed away peacefully in his sleep, November 9 at home, from complications of diabetes and Crohn's Disease.

He was born March 22, 1960, son of the late Olga and Enoil Michaud.

He was loved by many, never saying no to those who needed a helping hand. He loved fishing and golfing and to be with his few close friends. He was a hard worker and by the grace of God

his longtime friends, Rick Radlo and Tim Austin helped him along the way.

He leaves his sister, Sonia-Lillia Michaud, two brothers, Steven Michaud and Jason Michaud and their families. He was predeceased by his parents and his brother Guil Michaud. He was loved by his friends and family who will miss him greatly and never forget him.

A Memorial Mass will be November 19, 2016 at 11:00 AM in St. Joseph Church, 350 Hartford Pike, Dayville. Gagnon and Costello Funeral Home, 33 Reynolds Street, Danielson is assisting the family with arrangements. www.gagnonandcostellofh.com

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November 11, 2016

November 18, 2016

**Town of Eastford
Connecticut
Inland Wetlands and Watercourses
Commission
Notice of Decision**

At a Regular Meeting held on October 27, 2016 the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission made the following decision:

George Jung, Peppertree LLC, Property at the Intersection of Ashford and Westford Road in Eastford - 120 Ashford Road, Assessor's Map ID - 577/10 parcels A & B and as recorded in Volume 66 page 681.

'Decision: To lift the modified Cease and Desist Order dated April 28, 2015. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY. Details can be found in the minutes filed at the Town Clerk's Office, Town Office Building, 16 Westford Road,

Eastford, CT.

Dated at Eastford this 8th day of November, 2016.

Susan Welshman
Recording Secretary
November 18, 2016

TOWN OF WOODSTOCK

At the November 9, 2016 Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing, the following application was **approved with a modification**: 16-02 Leon T. Parrott, 17 Tattoo Rd - Request for variance for side yard setback - A 6' variance was approved (14' side yard setback). 16-03 Amy Hare, Trustee and Donald E. & Ann F. Hare, 88 Pulpit Rock Rd. - Application for ZEO for issuance of a zoning permit for boxcar. **ZBA upheld ZEO's permit.** Chair William Brower
November 18, 2016

**TOWN OF THOMPSON
PLANNING AND ZONING
COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE**

The Town of Thompson Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 28, 2016 beginning at 7PM in Thompson Town Hall, 815 Riverside Dr., North Grosvenordale, CT for the following:

Application 16-14: Havish, LLC, Applicant and Owner of Record. For property at 440 Riverside Dr. Map 85/Block 95/Lot 23A/Zone C. Requesting a special permit to add a drive-thru window to existing building.

Files are available to review in the Planning & Development Office, Town Hall. At these hearings, interested parties may appear and be heard, and written testimony received.

Respectfully submitted,
Greg Lee, Chairman
November 18, 2016
November 25, 2016

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ITALIAN: Sangue

FRENCH: Sang

GERMAN: Blut

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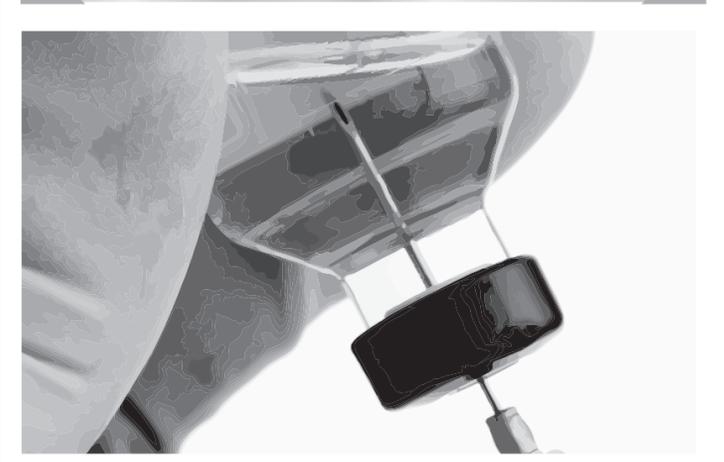
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- Opposite of "outer"
- Type of sugar

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- Occupants
- Sweet substance

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Villager Newspapers COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

"Shining a light on community events"

November 19, Sat., 9am-4pm
Greek Pastry Bake Sale. All home-made Greek pastries just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday. Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 80 Water St., Danielson (across the street from the Danielson post office)

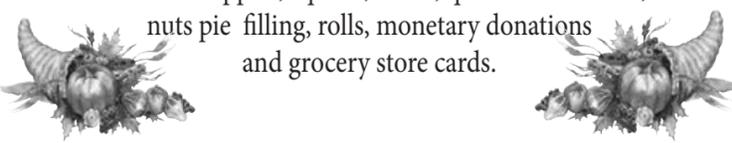
November 19, Sat., 9am-1pm
Christmas Market, Central Village Congregational Church, 33 Main Street, Central Village. Homemade crafts, specialty vendors, raffles, books, cookies by the pound and more. Homemade apple pies, pumpkin pies and dinner rolls ready to bake for your holiday table. Order today by calling 860-315-3315. Visit CentralVillageChurch.com for details.

November 19, Sat., 9:00am
Children's program with Sy Montgomery. Free and open to the public. Please join us! Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

November 19, 4:30-7pm
Ham & Bean supper at Community Fire Department, 862 Riverside Drive, North Grosvenordale. Ham, Beans, Macaroni Salad, brown bread, rye bread. All you can eat! \$10 Come on out and support your local volunteers!

November 19, Sat., 6-8:30pm
Wine and Beer Tasting Event Fundraiser for Pet Pals Northeast, at the Connecticut National Golf Course, 136 Chase Rd., Putnam, (21+ event). \$20 pp at the door or at Cat Hospital of Canterbury, Quinebaug Valley Vet Hospital, Danielson, GriLiquors in Putnam, Moxie's Hair Salon, Putnam,

Friends of Assisi is preparing for their annual Thanksgiving Distribution
at 77 Water Street, Killingly (Home of Friends of Assisi) on:
Saturday, November 19, 10am-5pm, and Sunday, November 20, 12-4pm. (860-774-2310).
and at St. James gym, 12 Franklin Street, Killingly, on:
Monday, November 21, 3-6pm
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November 19, Sat., 11:30am
Cookbook Club—Cook's Country Eats Local at Bracken Memorial Library, 57 Academy Road, Woodstock.

November 19 & 20, 8:30-3:00
Connecticut State police, along with Plainfield and Putnam Police Departments Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive at Stop & Shop in Putnam and Dayville, Price Chopper in Putnam, Aldi in Dayville, Better Val-U in Canterbury & Plainfield. Nonperishable food items, turkeys, gift cards, etc. All donations appreciated!

November 19, Sat., 3-6pm
Santa and Mrs. Claus visit Canterbury's one-room Green District Schoolhouse. Bring your own camera. Free. Free cookies too. All ages welcome. Young children

must be accompanied by an adult. Green District Schoolhouse, South Canterbury Road (Rte 169) at Library Rd, Canterbury. Just south of the intersection of Routes 169 and 14, adjacent to the First Congregational Church.

November 19, Sat., 9am-1pm
Book Sale & Bake Sale, Sponsored by the Friends of the Canterbury Public Library; Sale Opens at 8:30am for members. Community Room, 1 Municipal Drive, Canterbury, just off Route 14. Memberships available at the door, at the Canterbury Library, or at: <http://canterburylibrary.org/>

November 19, Sat., 9am-12pm
The Quinebaug Valley Senior Center, 69 S. Main St., Brooklyn will be having their annual Christmas Sale. Christmas items, white elephant, bountiful baskets, treasures galore! Refreshments available. Come see for yourself & bring a friend!

November 21, Mon., 7pm
The Greater Putnam Interfaith Council Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at B'nai Shalom, 125 Church Street, Putnam. Neighbors from many diverse faith groups will get together to share prayers of thanks, music fellowship & refreshments. Free & open to the public. Donations of non-perishable food items or money to Daily Bread accepted.

November 21, Mon., 7:30pm
1950s musical program by Ed Morin at Killingly Grange #112, at the corner of Dog Hill Road and Rt. 101. Free! Refreshments will be available.

November 24, Thurs., 12:30
All are welcome to join us for the 25th Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner at the Quinebaug Vol. Fire Dept. For reservations call: 860-923-9227 or 860-935-5613. Free event, reservations required by Nov. 21. Transportation available, Sponsored by: Quinebaug VFD & Ladies Aux. VFW, St. Stephens Parish, Seventh Day Adventist, Thompson Hill Fire Engine Co.

November 25, Fri., 8am-3pm
The Windham-Tolland 4-H Camp is offering a "Black Friday Camper Game Day" for children ages 6-12. Games, food and fun for the kids while parents go shopping, lunch and snacks included !!! Admission is \$15/child, everyone welcome. Pre-registration requested. Call 860-974-1122 to register or Email: wt4hcampdir@earthlink.net

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<p>NEW 2016 CHEVY MALIBU LS SEDAN #MB16786 YOU SAVE \$6,392 YOUR PRICE \$17,988 \$139 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>NEW 2016 CHEVY SPARK LT HATCHBACK, AUTOMATIC, #SP16075 YOU SAVE \$4,790 \$4,790</p>	<p>NEW 2016 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 DOUBLE CAB 1500 #TK16369 YOU SAVE \$15,403 \$198 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>2012 CHEVY TERRAIN SLE ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, KEYLESS ENTRY, #TK16575A YOUR PRICE \$13,988</p>	<p>2013 BUICK VERANO AUTOMATIC, LOW MILES, ONE OWNER, ALLOY WHEELS, KEYLESS ENTRY, #P287 YOUR PRICE \$13,988</p>	<p>2014 CHEVY SONIC LT SEDAN, AUTOMATIC, FULL POWER, LOW MILES, #TK162258A YOUR PRICE \$13,988</p>	<p>2011 BUICK LACROSSE CXL LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, LOW MILES, ONE OWNER, #LA16688A YOUR PRICE \$13,988</p>	<p>2014 CHEVY EQUINOX LT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 1 CYLINDER, REMOTE STARTER, POWER SEAT, PIONEER SOUND SYSTEM, LOW MILES, #EQ1736A YOUR PRICE \$16,988</p>	<p>2012 GMC ACADIA SLT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 7 PASSENGER, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ONE OWNER, 8 TO CHOOSE FROM 2012-2013'S, #TR17024A YOUR PRICE \$15,988</p>	<p>2012 CHEVY EQUINOX LT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 1 CYLINDER, REMOTE STARTER, POWER SEAT, PIONEER SOUND SYSTEM, LOW MILES, #EQ1736A YOUR PRICE \$16,988</p>	<p>2012 CHEVY TRAX LT SUV ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LOW MILES, ALLOY WHEELS, #P138 YOUR PRICE \$17,988</p>	<p>2006 CHEVY COLORADO CREW CAB 4X4 1 OWNER, AUTOMATIC, ONLY 50K MILES, FULL POWER, ALLOY WHEELS, #TR17488A YOUR PRICE \$14,988</p>	<p>2002 FORD THUNDERBIRD CONVERTIBLE ONE OWNER, TRIPLE BLACK, ONLY 30,000 MILES, CHROME WHEELS, 8 CYLINDER, LIKE BRAND NEW, COLLECTORS ITEM, #P141A YOUR PRICE \$16,988</p>		
<p>NEW 2017 GMC TERRAIN SALE ALL WHEEL DRIVE, #TE177116 YOU SAVE \$6,000 \$179 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>NEW 2016 GMC SIERRA SLT 4X4 ALL TERRAIN DOUBLE CAB, #SI16273 YOU SAVE \$16,333 \$219 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>NEW 2017 GMC ACADIA SLE ALL NEW REDESIGN, 8 PASSENGER, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, #AC17423 YOU SAVE \$15,403 \$198 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>2014 CHEVY IMPALA LT ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, FULL POWER, REMOTE SEAT, #SI16452A YOUR PRICE \$18,988</p>	<p>2010 CHEVY CAMARO SS COUPE, RS PACKAGE, 6 SPEED, INFERNO ORANGE PACKAGE, MOONROOF, 6 CYL, ONE OWNER, #ES16388B YOUR PRICE \$20,988</p>	<p>2015 NISSAN ALTIMA 3.5SL AUTOMATIC, 6 CYLINDER, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, ONE OWNER, #EN16938A YOUR PRICE \$22,988</p>	<p>2015 TOYOTA TACOMA ACCESS CAB 4X4, AUTOMATIC, FULL POWER, ONE OWNER, #P231A YOUR PRICE \$23,988</p>	<p>2014 CHEVY IMPALA LTZ SEDAN, LEATHER, MOONROOF, HEATED COOLED SEATS, LOW MILES, #LA16727A YOUR PRICE \$23,988</p>	<p>2015 SUBARU IMPREZA WRX LIMITED ALL WHEEL DRIVE, 6 SPEED, TURBO, MOONROOF, COBB EXHAUST, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, #CA1698A YOUR PRICE \$23,988</p>	<p>2013 GMC TERRAIN DENALI ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, 6 CYLINDER, ONE OWNER, #TK16305A YOUR PRICE \$24,988</p>	<p>2013 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 1500 REGULAR CAB LT 4X4, ONE OWNER, CHROME WHEELS, LOW MILES, 8 CYLINDER LIKE NEW, #TC16658A YOUR PRICE \$24,988</p>	<p>2013 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLE EXTENDED CAB, 4X4 CONVENIENCE PACKAGE, POWER SEAT, REMOTE STARTER, ONE OWNER, 271 PACKAGE, #SI16671A YOUR PRICE \$25,988</p>	<p>2012 CHEVY SUBURBAN 2500 4X4 LT, 7 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, DVD, #TS16256A YOUR PRICE \$25,988</p>	<p>2014 GMC TERRAIN SLT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, NAVIGATION, 6 CYLINDER, HEATED SEATS, MOONROOF YOUR PRICE \$25,988</p>	<p>2013 CHEVY TRAVERSE, 2 LT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ALLOY WHEELS, 5 2013-2014 TO CHOOSE FROM, STARTING AT #P161 YOUR PRICE \$25,988</p>
<p>NEW 2016 BUICK ENCORE ALL WHEEL DRIVE, #EN16686 YOU SAVE \$6,622 \$139 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>NEW 2016 BUICK VERANO SPORT TOURING SEDAN, #VE16388 YOU SAVE \$7,066 \$7,066</p>	<p>NEW 2017 BUICK LACROSSE ESSENCE SEDAN, ALL NEW REDESIGN, #LA17332 YOU SAVE \$15,403 \$289 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>2006 CHEVY CORVETTE 3LT CONVERTIBLE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, POWER TOP, NAVIGATION, AUTOMATIC, HEATED SEATS, LIKE NEW, #P30 YOUR PRICE \$25,988</p>	<p>2013 CADILLAC CTS LUXURY COLLECTION SEDAN ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, ULTIMATE MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, HEATED SEATS, STK, #P289 YOUR PRICE \$26,988</p>	<p>2015 CADILLAC SRX ONLY 6,000 MILES, LEATHER, ONE OWNER, STK, #XT16198A YOUR PRICE \$27,988</p>	<p>2014 FORD F150 STX, SUPER CAB, 4X4 ONE OWNER, ONLY 19,000 MILES, FULL POWER, #SI16656A YOUR PRICE \$27,988</p>	<p>2015 CHEVY SILVERADO 4X4 LT DOUBLE CAB 1500, LOW MILES, ALLOY WHEELS, #TE16119B YOUR PRICE \$28,988</p>	<p>2013 GMC YUKON 4X4 SLT EDITION 8 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, LEATHER #ES1592A YOUR PRICE \$28,988</p>	<p>2013 CADILLAC XTS PREMIUM EDITION NAVIGATION, PANORAMIC MOONROOF, ONE OWNER, BOSE SOUND SYSTEM, HEATED COOLED SEATS, #XT16215A YOUR PRICE \$28,988</p>	<p>2014 CADILLAC CTS COUPE AWD, 1 OWNER, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, ONLY 15,000 MILES, STK, #TS1557A YOUR PRICE \$28,988</p>	<p>2015 HONDA PILOT EX-L ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LEATHER, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, DVD, ONE OWNER, 8 PASSENGER #P16296A YOUR PRICE \$29,988</p>	<p>2014 BUICK ENCLAVE PREMIUM AWD, ONE OWNER, NAVIGATION, MOONROOF, PEARL DTD, HEATED COOLED SEATS, #AC1739A YOUR PRICE \$29,988</p>	<p>2014 GMC ACADIA SLT ALL WHEEL DRIVE, LOW MILES, LEATHER, 7 PASSENGER, MOONROOF, HEATED SEATS, NAVIGATION, REAR DVD, TOLEDO PACKAGE, 12 TO CHOOSE FROM 2013-2014'S, #P22 YOUR PRICE \$30,988</p>	<p>2014 GMC SIERRA 1500 SLE DOUBLE CAB 4X4, ALL TERRAIN OFF ROAD PACKAGE, ONE OWNER, LOW MILES, HEATED SEATS, #P26 YOUR PRICE \$31,988</p>
<p>NEW 2017 CADILLAC ATS ALL WHEEL DRIVE SEDAN \$339 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>NEW 2017 CADILLAC XT5 LUXURY COLLECTION, #XT17151 \$379 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>NEW 2017 CADILLAC CTS LUXURY COLLECTION SEDAN, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, #CT17109 \$498 39 Month Lease BUDGET</p>	<p>2014 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER LIMITED ALL WHEEL DRIVE, NAVIGATION, LEATHER, 8 PASSENGER, DVD, HEATED COOLED SEATS, MOONROOF, #P13 YOUR PRICE \$32,988</p>	<p>2012 CHEVY SILVERADO 2500 HD, LTZ CREW CAB 4X4, LEATHER, LOW MILES, HEATED COOLED SEATS, REAR CAMERA, #SI16288A YOUR PRICE \$34,988</p>	<p>2014 CADILLAC ELR COUPE ELECTRIC VEHICLE, NEVER USE FUEL, ACAM, ONLY 5,000 MILES, LEATHER, HEATED SEATS, STK, #R9941 YOUR PRICE \$36,988</p>	<p>2016 BMW X3 XDRIVE 28I ALL WHEEL DRIVE, DRIVER ASSISTANCE PACKAGE, LEATHER, NAVIGATION, PANORAMIC MOONROOF, ONE OWNER, #EQ17145A YOUR PRICE \$36,988</p>	<p>2015 MERCEDES BENZ E250 BLUETOOTH, TURBO DIESEL, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, NAVIGATION, MOONROOF, HEATED COOLED SEATS, LIKE NEW, #P172A YOUR PRICE \$39,988</p>	<p>2013 CADILLAC ESCALADE ESV LUXURY EDITION, ALL WHEEL DRIVE, ONE OWNER, LEATHER, NAVIGATION, DVD, HEATED COOLED SEATS, ONLY 24,000 MILES YOUR PRICE \$47,988</p>						

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